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CALIFORNIA EGG PRODUCTION

California's egg production during January totaled 185 million, down 43 million from December's production and down 100 million from January 2023. The all layers during the month totaled 7.78 million, down 18 percent from last month, and down 37 percent from January 2023. Eggs per 100 layers during the month were 2,377, compared to 2,389 a month earlier, and 2,310 in January 2023.

U.S. JANUARY EGG PRODUCTION

United States egg production totaled 9.27 billion during January 2024, up 2 percent from last year. Production included 7.98 billion table eggs, and 1.29 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.19 billion were broiler-type and 98.3 million were egg-type. The average number of layers during January 2024 totaled 377 million, up slightly from last year. January egg production per 100 layers was 2,458 eggs, up 2 percent from January 2023.

All layers in the United States on February 1, 2024 totaled 376 million, up slightly from last year. The 376 million layers consisted of 309 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 62.9 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 3.79 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on February 1, 2024, averaged 79.0 eggs per 100 layers, up 2 percent from February 1, 2023.

U.S. EGG-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED

Egg-type chicks hatched during January 2024 totaled 52.1 million, up 3 percent from January 2023. Eggs in incubators totaled 51.1 million on February 1, 2024, up 2 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 206 thousand during January 2024, up 5 percent from January 2023.

U.S. BROILER-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED

Broiler-type chicks hatched during January 2024 totaled 845 million, down slightly from January 2023. Eggs in incubators totaled 721 million on February 1, 2024, up slightly from a year ago.

Leading breeders placed 7.28 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during January 2024, down 9 percent from January 2023.

U.S. TURKEY HATCHERY PRODUCTION

Turkey eggs in incubators on February 1, 2024, in the United States totaled 25.0 million, down 10 percent from February 1, 2023. Eggs in incubators were up slightly from the January 1, 2024 total of 24.9 million eggs.

Turkey poults hatched during January 2024, in the United States totaled 21.6 million, down 8 percent from January 2023. Poults hatched were down slightly from the December 2023 total of 21.7 million poults.

The 19.9 million net poults placed during January 2024 in the United States were down 8 percent from the number placed during the same month a year earlier. Net placements were up 1 percent from the December 2023 total of 19.8 million.

Layer on Hand & Egg Production During January, Molted as Percent of All Layers as of February 1 – States & United States

State	All layers		Eggs per 100 layers		Total egg production		Layers being molted		Layers with molt completed	
	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024
	<i>Thousands</i>	<i>Thousands</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Millions</i>	<i>Millions</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Alabama.....	11,033	11,357	1,893	1,873	208.9	212.7	0.5	-	4.5	5.0
Arkansas.....	15,325	15,274	2,125	2,197	325.6	335.5	3.5	1.5	8.0	10.5
California.....	12,305	7,776	2,310	2,377	284.3	184.8	0.5	1.0	3.5	4.0
Georgia.....	19,972	19,881	2,238	2,235	447.0	444.3	0.5	2.5	6.0	13.0
Indiana.....	37,020	35,598	2,499	2,454	925.0	873.7	1.0	1.5	6.5	5.5
Iowa.....	41,923	42,749	2,499	2,602	1,047.6	1,112.2	2.5	1.5	10.0	8.5
North Carolina.....	15,880	16,211	2,213	2,269	351.4	367.8	1.0	-	7.0	5.0
Ohio.....	38,117	38,349	2,468	2,596	940.9	995.5	1.5	1.5	6.5	4.5
Pennsylvania.....	25,783	27,706	2,571	2,562	663.0	709.7	1.0	1.0	2.5	1.0
Texas.....	23,294	23,139	2,298	2,423	535.4	560.7	5.0	2.0	50.0	42.0
United States.....	375,688	377,366	2,408	2,458	9,047.8	9,273.9	2.0	1.4	10.6	9.8

- Represents zero.

Egg-Type Chicks Hatched by Month – United States: 2023-2024

[Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

Month	2023		2024		Percent of previous year
	<i>Thousands</i>		<i>Thousands</i>		<i>Percent</i>
January.....		50,748		52,136	103
February.....		52,009			
March.....		58,971			
April.....		55,713			
May.....		58,888			
June.....		58,209			
July.....		50,433			
August.....		52,677			
September.....		51,036			
October.....		51,082			
November.....		48,468			
December.....		48,415			

Broiler-Type Chicks Hatched – States and United States: January 2023 and 2024

State	2023	2024	Percent of previous year
	<i>Thousands</i>	<i>Thousands</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Alabama	124,241	122,684	99
Arkansas.....	85,785	85,820	100
Delaware	18,633	18,529	99
Florida	4,163	4,009	96
Georgia.....	123,511	124,389	101
Kentucky.....	22,518	24,281	108
Louisiana.....	11,303	12,178	108
Maryland.....	29,046	27,606	95
Mississippi.....	59,223	61,580	104
Missouri.....	34,570	31,444	91
North Carolina.....	87,612	89,664	102
Oklahoma.....	25,337	19,620	77
Pennsylvania.....	23,724	28,819	121
South Carolina.....	19,843	20,371	103
Texas.....	63,569	64,059	101
Virginia.....	23,042	20,313	88
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia.....	45,782	46,983	103
Other States ¹	44,157	42,526	103
United States.....	846,059	844,875	100

¹ Not published separately to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

Turkey Eggs in Incubators and Poults Hatched by Month – United States: 2022-2024

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Month	Eggs in incubators first of month		Percent of previous year	Poults hatched entire month		Percent of previous year
	2022-2023	2023-2024		2022-2023	2023-2024	
	<i>Thousands</i>	<i>Thousands</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Thousands</i>	<i>Thousands</i>	<i>Percent</i>
September.....	27,508	26,636	97	22,254	21,571	97
October.....	26,648	27,010	101	22,454	22,665	101
November.....	26,479	25,537	96	22,615	21,668	96
December.....	26,595	25,346	95	22,853	21,671	95
January.....	27,284	24,945	91	23,399	21,633	92
February.....	27,608	24,979	90	21,700		
March.....	26,757			23,619		
April.....	26,389			21,115		
May.....	27,625			23,576		
June.....	27,455			23,976		
July.....	26,984			22,627		
August.....	27,208			23,451		

Net Poults Placements by Month – United States: 2022-2024

[Includes imports and excludes exports. Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

Month	Total all breeds		Percent of previous year	Cumulative total		Percent of previous year
	2022-2023	2023-2024		2022-2023	2023-2024	
	<i>Thousands</i>	<i>Thousands</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Thousands</i>	<i>Thousands</i>	<i>Percent</i>
September.....	19,760	19,091	97	19,760	19,091	97
October.....	20,472	20,645	101	40,232	39,736	99
November.....	20,802	19,934	96	61,034	59,670	98
December.....	20,955	19,807	95	81,989	79,477	97
January.....	21,582	19,929	92	103,571	99,406	96
February.....	19,871			123,442		
March.....	21,912			145,354		
April.....	19,919			165,273		
May.....	22,295			187,568		
June.....	23,095			210,663		
July.....	22,447			233,110		
August.....	22,429			255,539		