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## ANNUAL SOUTH DAKOTA CHICKEN AND EGGS

**SIOUX FALLS, S.D. February 20, 2024** - South Dakota's layer numbers during 2023 averaged 1.48 million, down 22% from 2022, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. The annual average production per layer on hand in 2023 was 303 eggs, down 3% from 2022.

South Dakota egg production during the year ending November 30, 2023 totaled 449 million eggs, down 24% from 2022.

Total number of chickens on hand on December 1, 2023 (excluding commercial broilers) was 2.36 million birds, down 8% from last year.

The total value of all chickens in South Dakota on December 1, 2023 was \$14.4 million, down 7% from December 1, 2022. The average value increased from \$6.00 per bird on December 1, 2022, to \$6.10 per bird on December 1, 2023.

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