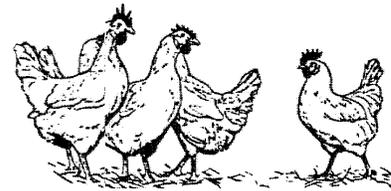


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U.S. MAY EGG PRODUCTION

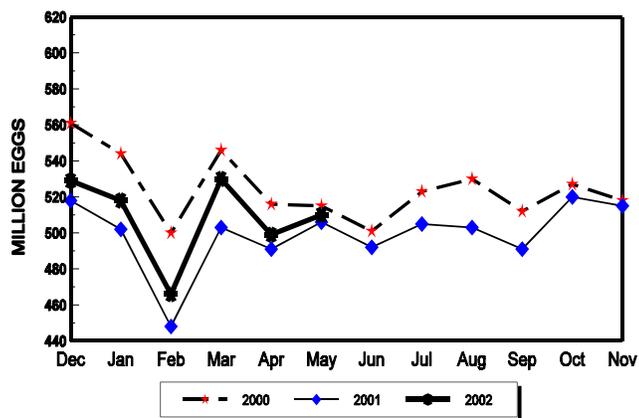
U.S. egg production totaled 7.26 billion during May 2002, up slightly from last year. Production included 6.13 billion table eggs and 1.14 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.07 billion were broiler-type and 65.0 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during May 2002 averaged 334 million, slightly lower than the average number of layers during May 2001. May egg production per 100 layers was 2,172 eggs, up 1 percent from the 2,160 eggs in May 2001.

CALIFORNIA EGG PRODUCTION

California's egg production during May totaled 510 million, 11.0 million more than last month and 4.00 million more than last May. The average number of layers during the month totaled 23.5 million, down 1 percent from last month and May of 2001. Eggs per 100 layers during the month were 2,173, compared to 2,105 last month and 2,141 in May 2001.

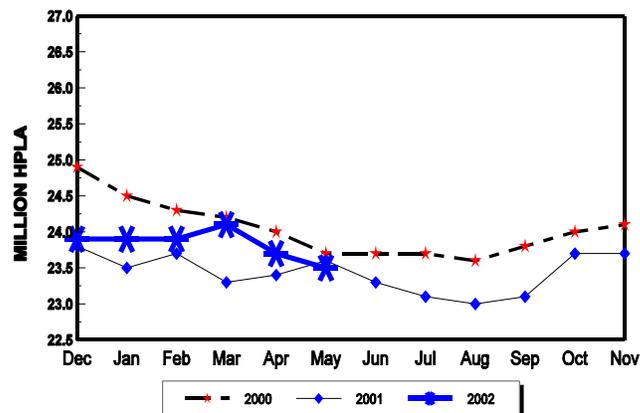
All layers in the U.S. totaled 334 million on June 1, 2002, slightly higher from a year ago. The 334 million layers consisted of 273 million layers producing table or commercial type eggs, 58.3 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs and 2.66 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate-of-lay per day on June 1, 2002 averaged 70.5 eggs per 100 layers, up 1 percent from a year ago.

EGG PRODUCTION, CALIFORNIA
DECEMBER 1/ THROUGH NOVEMBER, 2000-2002



1/ Previous Year

AVERAGE NUMBER OF HPLA, CALIFORNIA
DECEMBER 1/ THROUGH NOVEMBER, 2000-2002



1/ Previous Year

LAYER NUMBERS AND EGG PRODUCTION DURING MAY, FORCED MOLTING AS OF JUNE 1

State	Average Number of Layers on Hand		Eggs Per 100 Layers		Total Egg Production		Layers Being Molted		Layers With Molt Completed	
	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002
	Thousands		Number		Millions		Percent			
Alabama	10,341	10,207	1,963	1,891	203	193	1.0	4.0	6.0	7.0
Arkansas	14,938	15,166	1,961	1,912	293	290	1.0	2.5	13.0	8.0
California	23,637	23,465	2,141	2,173	506	510	7.0	4.5	28.5	27.5
Georgia	20,757	19,968	1,995	2,068	414	413	6.0	6.0	16.5	14.0
Indiana	22,921	22,485	2,212	2,259	507	508	2.5	3.5	35.0	33.5
Iowa	32,328	35,675	2,252	2,285	728	815	4.5	3.0	29.5	30.0
North Carolina	11,162	11,225	1,917	1,933	214	217	2.0	3.0	8.5	6.0
Ohio	30,421	30,143	2,255	2,180	686	657	5.5	5.0	30.5	18.5
Pennsylvania	24,870	23,450	2,252	2,375	560	557	7.0	6.0	20.0	15.5
Texas	18,903	18,102	2,158	2,166	408	392	1.5	3.5	21.5	20.0
United States	335,159	334,362	2,160	2,172	7,240	7,262	4.6	4.2	23.3	22.2

U.S. BROILER HATCH

The May 2002 hatch of broiler-type chicks, at 798 million, was up 2 percent from May of the previous year. Eggs in incubators totaled 659 million on June 1, 2002, up 1 percent from a year earlier.

Leading breeders placed 7.60 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during May 2002. This was up 7 percent from May 2001.

BROILER-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED, MAY

State	2001	2002	<u>2002</u> <u>2001</u>
	Thousands		Percent
Alabama	106,183	108,937	103
Arkansas	110,752	111,714	101
Delaware	13,290	13,144	99
Florida	8,735	8,811	101
Georgia	116,643	116,924	100
Kentucky	22,537	24,603	109
Maryland	35,170	35,921	102
Mississippi	68,527	70,010	102
North Carolina	68,448	71,984	105
Oklahoma	23,181	23,373	101
Pennsylvania	13,429	13,366	100
South Carolina	17,523	16,506	94
Texas	56,586	57,878	102
Virginia	25,217	23,956	95
California, Louisiana, Missouri, Tennessee, and West Virginia	75,636	77,081	102
Other States 1/	23,847	24,107	101
UNITED STATES	785,704	798,315	102

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U.S. EGG-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED

Egg-type chicks hatched during May totaled 38.9 million, down 9 percent from May 2001. Eggs in incubators totaled 33.3 million on June 1, 2002, down 12 percent from a year ago.

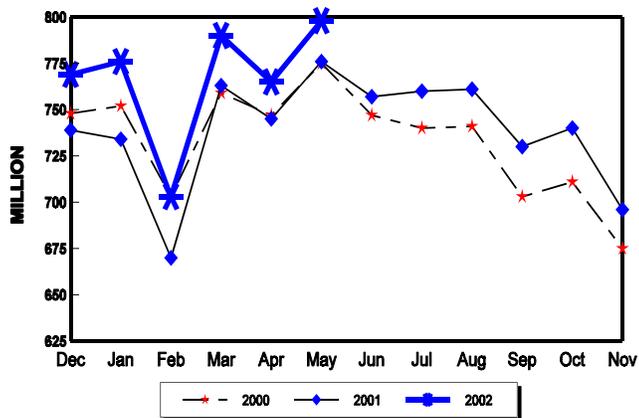
Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 319 thousand during May 2002. This was up 1 percent from May 2001.

EGG-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED, MAY

State	2001	2002	<u>2002</u> <u>2001</u>
	Thousands		Percent
Arkansas	1,048	894	85
Florida	1,046	564	54
Georgia	2,221	2,192	99
Indiana	6,741	5,056	75
Iowa	6,278	6,233	99
Minnesota	1,680	1,303	78
Pennsylvania	5,684	4,200	74
Other States 1/	17,938	18,502	103
UNITED STATES	42,636	38,944	91

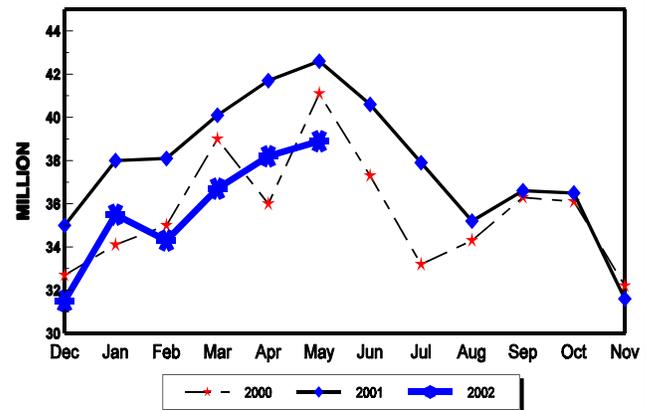
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**BROILER CHICKS HATCHED, UNITED STATES
DECEMBER 1/ THROUGH NOVEMBER, 2000-2002**



1/ Previous Year

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DECEMBER 1/ THROUGH NOVEMBER, 2000-2002**



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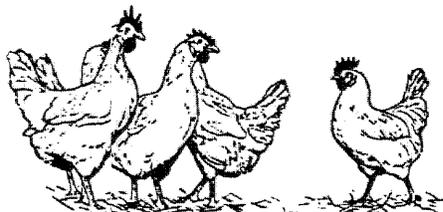
EGGS IN INCUBATORS, JUNE 1

Geographic Division	Broiler-Type			Egg-Type		
	2001	2002	2002/2001	2001	2002	2002/2001
	Thousands		Percent	Thousands		Percent
North Atlantic	12,217	12,778	105	6,612	5,036	76
East No. Central	7,713	7,860	102	8,670	6,790	78
West No. Central	21,899	21,925	100	7,751	6,712	87
South Atlantic	242,662	245,598	101	3,846	3,878	101
South Central	343,289	346,597	101	4,877	5,416	111
West	25,276	24,562	97	5,890	5,482	93
UNITED STATES	653,056	659,320	101	37,646	33,314	88

POULTRY AND EGG PRICES

The average May prices received by California producers, when compared to April average prices, decreased 2.0 cents per dozen for market eggs. Monthly state turkey prices were discontinued.

Nationally, the May average prices received by producers increased 2.0 cents per pound for broilers, while turkey prices increased 2.9 cents per pound. Prices for market eggs decreased 2.4 cents per dozen.



POULTRY AND EGG AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED BY PRODUCERS, COMPARISONS 1/

Commodity	Unit	May 15,	Apr. 15,	May 15,
		2001	2002	2002
Cents				
CALIFORNIA				
Chickens-Broilers ^{2/}	Lb.	---	---	---
Market Eggs ^{3/}	Doz.	35.0	27.0	25.0
Turkeys ^{4/}	Lb.	46.0	---	---
UNITED STATES				
Chickens-Broilers	Lb.	40.0	30.0	32.0
Market Eggs ^{3/}	Doz.	36.5	32.1	29.7
Turkeys	Lb.	38.2	32.6	35.5

- 1/ The estimated prices shown in the table represent composite average prices received by producers. They are averages for all grades, classes and methods of sale of each commodity for the State and U.S. as a whole.
- 2/ Broiler prices published annually.
- 3/ Average for market (table) eggs including eggs sold retail by producers.
- 4/ Discontinued in 2002.

U.S. TURKEY HATCHERY PRODUCTION

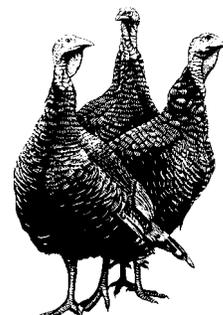
Turkey eggs in incubators totaled 32.3 million on June 1, 2002 in the United States, down 5 percent from June 1 a year ago. Eggs in incubators were 2 percent below the May 1 total of 32.9 million. Regional changes from the previous year were as follows: East North Central, down slightly; West North Central, up 1 percent; North and South Atlantic, down 15 percent; South Central, up 4 percent; and West, down 10 percent.

The 25.6 million poult placed during May 2002 in the United States were down 4 percent from the number placed during the same month a year ago. Placements were down 2 percent from the April 2002 total of 26.0 million. Regional changes from the previous year were as follows: East North Central, up 7 percent; West North Central, up 2 percent; North and South Atlantic, down 18 percent; South Central, up 8 percent; and West, down 8 percent.

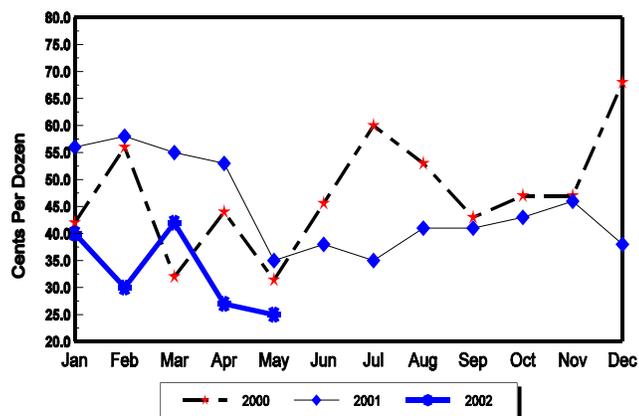
ALL TURKEYS

Geographic Division	Eggs in Incubators June 1		²⁰⁰²	Poults Placed During May ^{1/}		²⁰⁰²
	2001	2002	²⁰⁰¹	2001	2002	²⁰⁰¹
	Thousands		Pct.	Thousands		Pct.
E N Central	5,076	5,056	100	3,837	4,095	107
W N Central	11,604	11,677	101	9,330	9,547	102
N&S Atlantic	10,444	8,879	85	8,552	6,978	82
S Central	3,283	3,429	104	2,566	2,762	108
West	3,659	3,291	90	2,397	2,217	92
U.S.	34,066	32,332	95	26,682	25,599	96

^{1/} Excludes exported poults.



MARKET EGG PRICES, CALIFORNIA JANUARY THROUGH DECEMBER, 1999-2001



TURKEY POULT PLACEMENTS WITHIN THE UNITED STATES ^{1/}

Month	Total All Breeds		01-02	Cumulative Total		01-02
	2000-01	2001-02	00-01	2000-01	2001-02	00-01
	Thousands		Percent	Thousands		Percent
Sept.	23,016	22,414	97	23,016	22,414	97
Oct.	23,672	24,128	102	46,688	46,542	100
Nov.	23,357	24,226	104	70,045	70,768	101
Dec.	23,297	24,499	105	93,342	95,267	102
Jan.	25,612	25,880	101	118,954	121,147	102
Feb.	23,775	24,266	102	142,729	145,413	102
Mar. ^{2/}	26,148	25,746	98	168,877	171,159	101
Apr.	25,858	26,010	101	194,735	197,169	101
May	26,682	25,599	96	221,417	222,768	101
June	26,121			247,538		
July	27,064			274,602		
Aug.	25,032			299,634		

^{1/} Excludes exported poults.

^{2/} Revised in 2002.

PACIFIC COAST AND UNITED STATES COLD STORAGE

Commodity	Unit	May 2001	April 2002 <u>a/</u>	May 2002	<u>May 2002</u> May 2001	<u>May 2002</u> Apr. 2002
		Thousands			Percent	
PACIFIC COAST						
Turkeys	Lbs.	69,371	60,715	72,986	105	120
Chickens	Lbs.	39,055	46,239	59,497	152	129
Ducks	Lbs.	71	111	94	132	85
Total Frozen Poultry	Lbs.	108,497	107,065	132,577	122	124
UNITED STATES						
Turkeys	Lbs.	456,030	516,007	579,537	127	112
Chickens	Lbs.	671,244	851,334	830,174	124	98
Ducks	Lbs.	7,044	7,039	7,656	109	109
Total Frozen Poultry	Lbs.	1,134,318	1,374,380	1,417,367	125	103
Eggs, Frozen	Lbs.	15,801	10,247	10,940	69	107

a/ Revised.