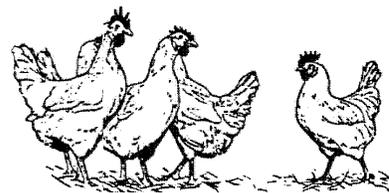


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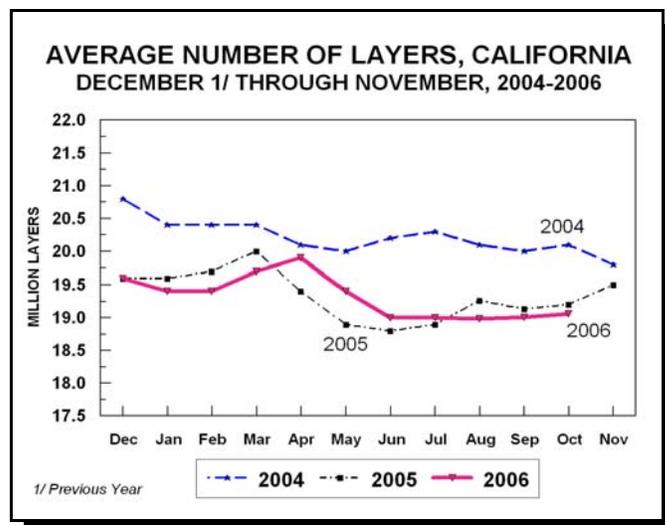
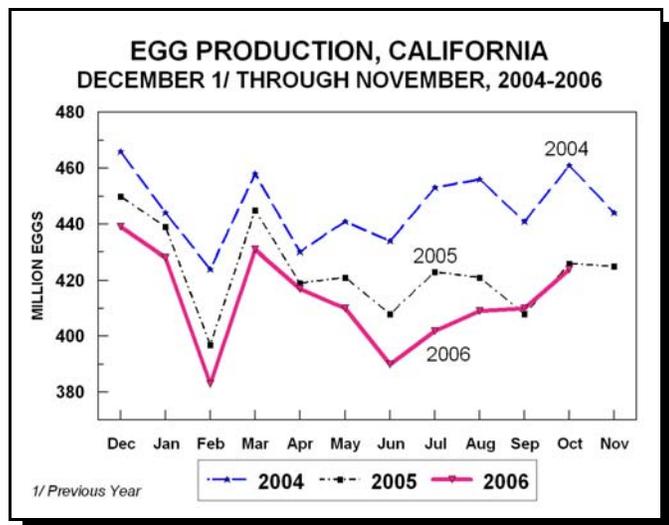
U.S. OCTOBER EGG PRODUCTION

U.S. egg production totaled 7.67 billion during October 2006, slightly above last year. Production included 6.60 billion table eggs and 1.07 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.00 billion were broiler-type and 67.0 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during October 2006 averaged 344 million, up slightly from last year. October egg production per 100 layers was 2,231 eggs, down slightly from October 2005.

CALIFORNIA EGG PRODUCTION

California's egg production during October totaled 424 million, up 14.0 million from September production, but 2.00 million below last October. The average number of layers during the month totaled 19.1 million, fractionally above last month, but 1 percent below October 2005. Eggs per 100 layers during the month were 2,225 compared to 2,157 a month earlier and 2,219 in October 2005.

All layers in the U.S. totaled 344 million on November 1, 2006, slightly above last year. The 344 million layers consisted of 288 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 53.2 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs and 2.79 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. The rate-of-lay per day averaged 72.2 eggs per 100 layers on November 1, 2006, down slightly from November 1, 2005.



LAYER NUMBERS AND EGG PRODUCTION DURING OCTOBER, FORCED MOLTING AS OF NOVEMBER 1

State	Average Number of Layers on Hand		Eggs Per 100 Layers		Total Egg Production		Layers Being Molted		Layers With Molt Completed	
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
	Thousands		Number		Millions		Percent			
Alabama	9,120	8,779	1,897	1,936	173	170	1.5	1.0	7.0	5.0
Arkansas	14,790	13,888	2,008	1,966	297	273	1.0	0.0	11.0	15.5
California	19,201	19,060	2,219	2,225	426	424	3.5	3.0	36.5	36.5
Georgia	18,957	18,792	2,168	2,113	411	397	2.0	2.5	14.0	13.5
Indiana	23,788	24,322	2,299	2,286	547	556	2.0	2.5	29.5	33.0
Iowa	49,351	51,765	2,286	2,249	1,128	1,164	3.5	3.0	37.0	35.5
North Carolina	10,832	11,205	2,031	2,008	220	225	1.5	0.0	8.5	10.0
Ohio	28,036	27,644	2,265	2,236	635	618	4.5	6.0	16.0	25.0
Pennsylvania	23,778	23,367	2,317	2,388	551	558	2.0	3.5	21.0	18.0
Texas	17,790	18,798	2,254	2,325	401	437	0.5	2.0	25.0	25.5
UNITED STATES	342,823	343,776	2,236	2,231	7,665	7,671	3.1	2.9	24.3	25.9

U.S. BROILER HATCH

Broiler-type chicks hatched during October 2006 totaled 772 million, 1 percent below October 2005. Eggs in incubators totaled 608 million on November 1, 2006, down 2 percent from a year earlier.

Leading breeders placed 6.74 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during October 2006, 3 percent less than October 2005.

BROILER-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED, OCTOBER

State	2005	2006	<u>2006</u> <u>2005</u>
	Thousands		Percent
Alabama	111,950	112,074	100
Arkansas	109,949	103,605	94
Delaware	14,390	14,147	98
Florida	5,109	5,051	99
Georgia	119,293	123,370	103
Kentucky	24,531	26,201	107
Louisiana	14,547	14,253	98
Maryland	31,707	31,403	99
Mississippi	66,023	62,867	95
North Carolina	64,184	66,356	103
Oklahoma	23,265	23,452	101
Pennsylvania	14,644	14,307	98
South Carolina	18,280	19,426	106
Texas	52,052	53,684	103
Virginia	22,836	22,665	99
California, Missouri, Tennessee and West Virginia	64,593	60,576	94
Other States ^{1/}	19,096	18,385	96
UNITED STATES	776,449	771,822	99

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U.S. EGG-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED

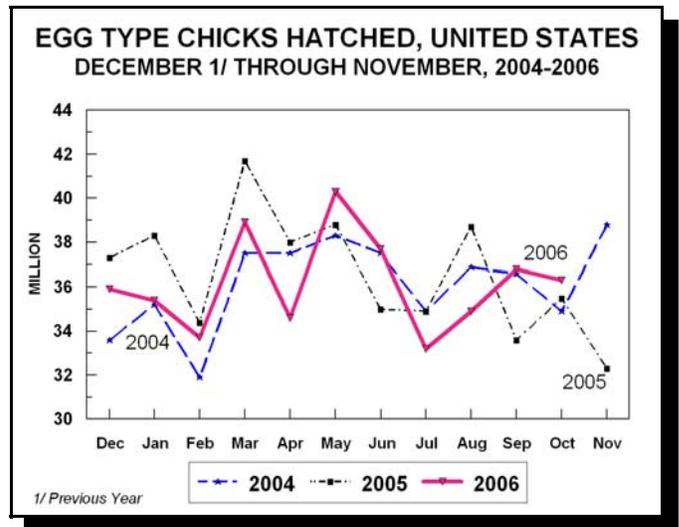
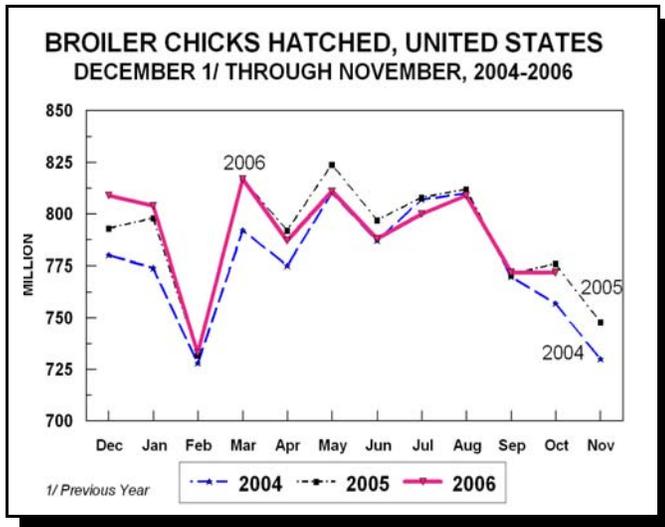
Egg-type chicks hatched during October 2006 totaled 36.3 million, 2 percent above October 2005. Eggs in incubators totaled 32.8 million on November 1, 2006, down 3 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 223 thousand during October 2006, 19 percent more than October 2005.

EGG-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED, OCTOBER

State	2005	2006	<u>2006</u> <u>2005</u>
	Thousands		Percent
Georgia	2,371	2,319	98
Indiana	5,293	4,901	93
Iowa	5,725	7,410	129
Minnesota	1,126	980	87
Pennsylvania	4,343	4,556	105
Other States ^{1/}	16,603	16,105	97
UNITED STATES	35,461	36,271	102

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EGGS IN INCUBATORS, NOVEMBER 1

Geographic Division	Broiler-Type			Egg-Type		
	2005	2006	<u>2006</u> <u>2005</u>	2005	2006	<u>2006</u> <u>2005</u>
	Thousands		Percent	Thousands		Percent
North Atlantic	11,487	10,904	95	5,655	5,917	105
East North Central	8,415	9,054	108	6,475	6,427	99
West North Central	20,833	18,754	90	6,902	7,904	115
South Atlantic	228,266	231,300	101	3,514	3,938	112
South Central	328,799	315,244	96	5,591	4,668	83
West	25,302	23,156	92	5,584	3,908	70
UNITED STATES	623,102	608,412	98	33,721	32,762	97

POULTRY AND EGG PRICES

The average October price received by California producers, when compared to September average price, increased 1.0 cent per dozen for market eggs.

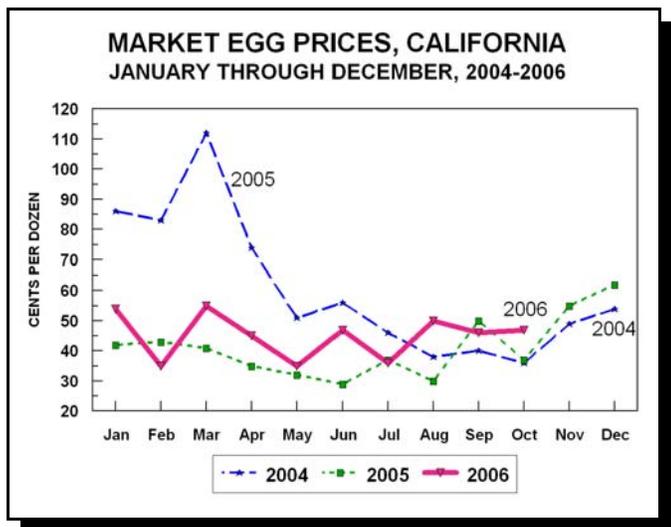
Nationally, the October market egg prices, at 38.2 cents per dozen, increased 1.0 cent from September and are 6.5 cents above October 2005. The October broiler price, at 40.0 cents per pound, is down 2.0 cents from September and 3.0 cents below a year ago. The October turkey price, averaging 63.4 cents per pound, is up 9.3 cents from the previous month and 10.9 cents above a year earlier.

POULTRY AND EGG AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED ^{1/}

Commodity	Unit	October 2005	September 2006	October 2006
		Cents		
CALIFORNIA				
Market Eggs ^{2/}	Doz.	37.0	46.0	47.0
UNITED STATES				
Chickens-Broilers	Lb.	43.0	42.0	40.0
Market Eggs ^{2/}	Doz.	31.7	37.2	38.2
Turkeys ^{2/}	Lb.	52.5	54.1	63.4

^{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/} Mid-month prices.



U.S. TURKEY HATCHERY PRODUCTION

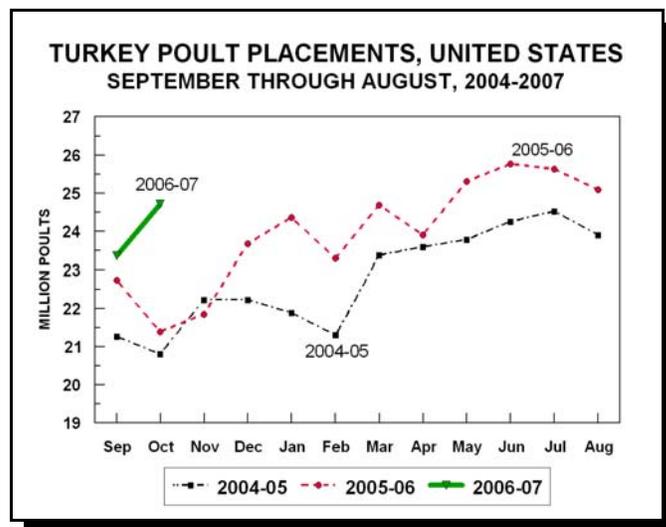
U.S. turkey eggs in incubators totaled 29.9 million on November 1, 2006, up 9 percent from November 1, 2005. Eggs in incubators were down 1 percent from the October 1, 2006 total of 30.3 million eggs. Regional changes from the previous year were: East North Central up 9 percent, West North Central up 7 percent, North and South Atlantic up 14 percent, and South Central and West up 4 percent.

The 24.7 million poult placed during October 2006 in the United States were up 15 percent from the number placed during the same month a year earlier. Placements were up 6 percent from the September 2006 total of 23.4 million. Regional changes from the previous year were: East North Central up 20 percent, West North Central up 12 percent, North and South Atlantic up 14 percent, and South Central and West up 27 percent.

ALL TURKEYS

Geographic Division	Eggs in Incubators Nov. 1		2006 2005	Poults Placed During Oct. 1/		2006 2005
	2005	2006		2005	2006	
	Thousands		Pct.	Thousands		Pct.
E N Central	3,441	4,130	120	4,500	4,907	109
W N Central	8,650	9,653	112	10,719	11,439	107
N & S Atlantic	6,871	7,815	114	8,624	9,813	114
S Central & West	2,438	3,108	127	3,603	3,736	104
U.S.	21,400	24,706	115	27,446	29,895	109

^{1/} Excludes exported poults.



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

Month	Total All Breeds		06-07 05-06	Cumulative Total		06-07 05-06
	2005-06	2006-07		2005-06	2006-07	
	Thousands		Percent	Thousands		Percent
Sept. ^{2/}	22,747	23,355	103	22,747	23,355	103
Oct.	21,400	24,706	115	44,147	48,061	109
Nov.	21,850			65,997		
Dec.	23,673			89,670		
Jan.	24,364			114,034		
Feb.	23,296			137,330		
Mar.	24,692			162,022		
Apr.	23,902			185,924		
May	25,313			211,237		
June	25,764			237,001		
July	25,631			262,632		
Aug.	25,089			287,721		

^{1/} Excludes exported poults.

^{2/} Revised 2006-07 data for "Total All Breeds."



PACIFIC COAST AND UNITED STATES COLD STORAGE

Commodity	Unit	Oct. 2005	Sept. 2006	Oct. 2006	<u>Oct. 06</u> <u>Oct. 05</u>	<u>Oct. 06</u> <u>Sept. 06</u>
		Thousands			Percent	
PACIFIC COAST						
Turkeys	Lbs.	56,281	59,820	52,340	93	87
Chickens	Lbs.	36,051	41,955	44,574	124	106
Ducks	Lbs.	125	140	116	93	83
Total Frozen Poultry Supplies	Lbs.	92,457	101,915	97,030	105	95
UNITED STATES						
Turkeys	Lbs.	417,605	463,908	411,577	99	89
Chickens	Lbs.	804,192	710,515	712,878	89	100
Ducks	Lbs.	2,714	6,341	5,579	206	88
Total Frozen Poultry Supplies	Lbs.	1,224,511	1,180,764	1,130,034	92	96
Eggs, Frozen	Lbs.	17,619	19,038	16,273	92	85