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## Egg Production

**Iowa:** Egg production in Iowa for March 2008 was 1.2 billion eggs, up 3 percent from March 2007. The total number of layers on hand during March 2008 was 53.5 million, up from 52.4 million layers in March 2007. Eggs per 100 layers for the month of March was 2,236, up from 2,217 eggs the previous year.

**United States:** U.S. egg production totaled 7.68 billion during March 2008, down 2 percent from last year. Production included 6.53 billion table eggs, and 1.15 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.08 billion were broiler-type and 67 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during March 2008 averaged 342 million, down 2 percent from last year. March

egg production per 100 layers was 2,244 eggs, up slightly from March 2007.

All layers in the U.S. on April 1, 2008 totaled 342 million, down 2 percent from last year. The 342 million layers consisted of 282 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 57.4 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 2.84 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on April 1, 2008, averaged 72.4 eggs per 100 layers, down 1 percent from April 1, 2007.

**All Layers and Egg Production, March 2007 and 2008<sup>1</sup>**

State	Table Egg Layers in Flocks 30,000 & Above		All layers on hand <sup>2</sup>		Eggs per 100 layers		Egg production by type					
							Total production		Table eggs <sup>3</sup>		Hatching eggs <sup>3</sup>	
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Number	Number	Million eggs	Million eggs	Million eggs	Million eggs	Million eggs	Million eggs
AR	4,563	3,554	14,602	13,936	2,000	1,952	292	272	111	83	181	189
CA	19,072	18,852	19,526	19,060	2,233	2,193	436	418				
GA	10,021	9,452	19,780	19,337	2,154	2,100	426	406	239	217	187	189
IN	24,406	23,722	25,081	24,415	2,277	2,306	571	563	558	551	13	12
IA	51,456	52,526	52,367	53,500	2,217	2,236	1,161	1,196	1,146	1,179	15	17
MN	10,269	9,643	10,755	10,108	2,287	2,285	246	231	237	223	9	8
NE	11,148	9,691	11,223	9,766	2,290	2,386	257	233	257	233	0	0
NC	3,992	4,841	11,877	12,678	2,054	2,106	244	267	100	121	144	146
OH	27,123	25,479	27,687	26,080	2,304	2,350	638	613				
PA	21,038	20,378	22,679	21,766	2,416	2,435	548	530	529	511	19	19
TX	14,484	14,106	18,895	19,118	2,297	2,249	434	430				
29 Sts <sup>4</sup>	266,947	261,669	324,116	319,119	2,243	2,247	7,269	7,172	6,266	6,154	1,003	1,018
US	282,815	276,340	348,201	342,040	2,242	2,244	7,806	7,675	6,672	6,526	1,134	1,149

<sup>1</sup> 2008 preliminary, 2007 revised <sup>2</sup> Includes all layers and eggs produced in both table egg and hatching egg flocks regardless of size <sup>3</sup> Data by type of flock not shown for some states to avoid disclosing individual operations <sup>4</sup> The 29 states are AL, AR, CA, CO, CT, FL, GA, HI, IN, IL, IA, ME, MD, MN, MI, MS, MO, NE, NY, NC, OH, OR, PA, SC, SD, TX, VA, WA, and WI.