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Pennsylvania Egg Production Down 6 Percent in August

HARRISBURG, PA, Sep 24, 2007 - - Egg production in Pennsylvania during August 2007 totaled 529 million eggs, down 6 percent from the 564 million eggs produced in August 2006, according to the Pennsylvania Field Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. The total number of layers averaged 22.0 million during August, a 6 percent drop from last year. Production per 100 layers was 2,411 eggs during the month, a decrease of 14 eggs from August 2006.

Egg-type chicks hatched during August 2007 totaled 4.0 million, down 20 percent from the 5.0 million hatched the previous August. Broiler-type chicks hatched totaled 14.3 million during August 2007, down 2 percent from the same month last year.

United States' egg production totaled 7.57 billion during August 2007, down 1 percent from last year's total during August. The total number of layers during August averaged 339 million, down 1 percent from last year. August egg production per 100 layers was 2,229 eggs, down slightly from August 2006.

Egg-type chicks hatched in the United States during August totaled 36.8 million, up 3 percent from August 2006. Broiler-type hatch totaled 829 million, a 2 percent increase from last year at this time. There were 26.8 million turkey poults placed in the United States during August 2007, up 4 percent from the placements during the same month a year ago.

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