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Pennsylvania Egg Production Down 6 Percent in May

HARRISBURG, PA, June 25, 2007 - - Egg production in Pennsylvania during May 2007 totaled 536 million eggs, down 6 percent from the 572 million eggs produced in May 2006, according to the Pennsylvania Field Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. The total number of layers averaged 22.3 million during May, a 7 percent drop from last year. Production per 100 layers was 2,398 eggs during the month, an increase of 6 eggs from May 2006.

Egg-type chicks hatched during May 2007 totaled 4.5 million, down 1 percent from the 4.6 million hatched the previous May. Broiler-type chicks hatched totaled 14.5 million during May 2007, slightly down from the same month last year.

United States' egg production totaled 7.58 billion during May 2007, down 1 percent from last year's total during May. The total number of layers during May averaged 341 million, down 1 percent from last year. May egg production per 100 layers was 2,226 eggs, up 1 percent from May 2006.

Egg-type chicks hatched in the United States during May totaled 38.5 million, down 3 percent from May 2006. Broiler-type hatch totaled 837 million, a 3 percent increase from last year at this time. There were 27.4 million turkey poults placed in the United States during May 2007, up 5 percent from the placements during the same month a year ago.

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