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Pennsylvania Egg Production Down 6 Percent in September

HARRISBURG, PA, Oct 25, 2007 - - Egg production in Pennsylvania during September 2007 totaled 511 million eggs, down 6 percent from the 542 million eggs produced in September 2006, according to the Pennsylvania Field Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. The total number of layers averaged 22.0 million during September, a 5 percent drop from last year. Production per 100 layers was 2,313 eggs during the month, a decrease of 25 eggs from September 2006.

Egg-type chicks hatched during September 2007 totaled 4.1 million, down 16 percent from the 4.9 million hatched the previous September. Broiler-type chicks hatched totaled 14.7 million during September 2007, up 12 percent from the same month last year.

United States' egg production totaled 7.37 billion during September 2007, down 1 percent from last year's total during September. The total number of layers during September averaged 340 million, down 1 percent from last year. September egg production per 100 layers was 2,169 eggs, up slightly from September 2006.

Egg-type chicks hatched in the United States during September totaled 35.3 million, down 4 percent from September 2006. Broiler-type hatch totaled 784 million, a 2 percent increase from last year at this time. There were 24.3 million turkey poults placed in the United States during September 2007, up 1 percent from the placements during the same month a year ago.

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