



# Press Release

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On: AUGUST EGG PRODUCTION  
UP 8 PERCENT FROM A YEAR AGO

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Austin . . . August egg production in Texas totaled 423 million eggs, up 8 percent from August 2005, and up 1 percent from July 2006, according to the monthly report released by the Texas Field Office.

The number of layers during August averaged 18.8 million, up 8 percent from last year and up slightly from July 2006. Egg production per 100 layers averaged 2,251 eggs, down slightly from last year but up slightly from last month.

Texas hatchery production of broiler-type chicks in August totaled 55.1 million, virtually unchanged from last year.

United States egg production totaled 7.64 billion eggs during August 2006, up 1 percent from last year. Production included 6.56 billion table eggs, 1.01 billion broiler-type hatching eggs and 65 million egg-type hatching eggs.

Nationally, the total number of layers averaged 342 million during August 2006, up slightly from last year. Production per 100 layers was 2,239 eggs, up 1 percent from August 2005.

The U.S. monthly hatch of egg-type chicks totaled 34.9 million, down 10 percent from August 2005. The hatch of broiler-type chicks, at 809 million, was down slightly from August of last year.

The leading U.S. breeders placed 7.63 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during August 2006, up 2 percent from August 2005.