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On: FEBRUARY EGG PRODUCTION  
UP 2 PERCENT FROM A YEAR AGO

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Austin . . . February 2007 egg production in Texas totaled 386 million eggs, up 2 percent from February 2006 but down 9 percent from January 2007, according to the monthly report released by the Texas Field Office.

The number of layers during February averaged 19 million, up 1 percent from last year but down slightly from January 2007. Egg production per 100 layers averaged 2,027 eggs, up 1 percent from last year but down 9 percent from last month.

Texas hatchery production of broiler-type chicks totaled 47.5 million, down 7 percent from last year.

United States egg production totaled 6.91 billion eggs during February 2007, down 1 percent from a year ago. Production included 5.92 billion table eggs, 937 million broiler-type hatching eggs and 61 million egg-type hatching eggs.

Nationally, the total number of layers averaged 347 million during February 2007, down 1 percent from a year ago. Production per 100 layers was 1,992 eggs, down slightly from February 2006.

The U.S. monthly hatch of egg-type chicks totaled 36.8 million, up 9 percent from February 2006. The hatch of broiler-type chicks, at 724 million, was down 1 percent from February of last year.

The leading U.S. breeders placed 7.07 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during February 2007, down 7 percent from February 2006.