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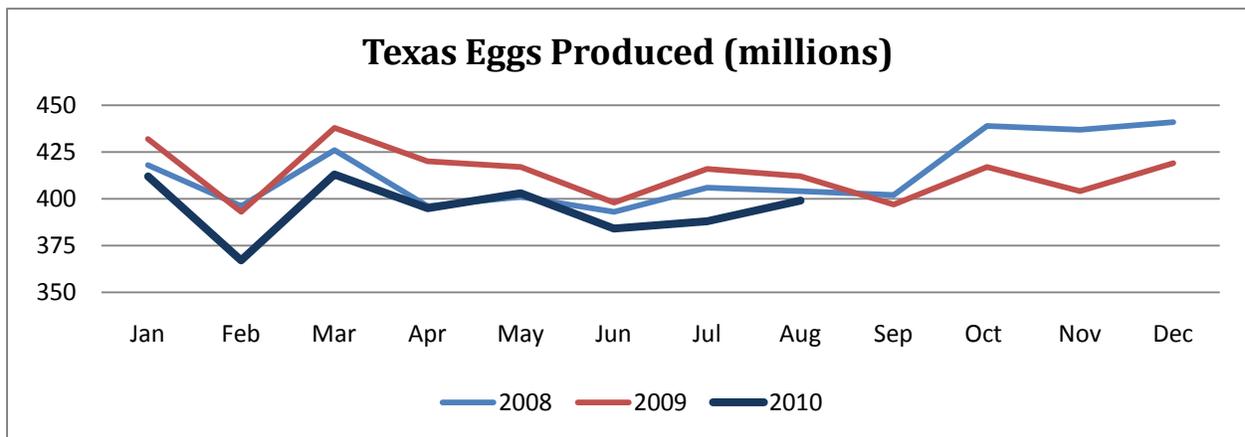
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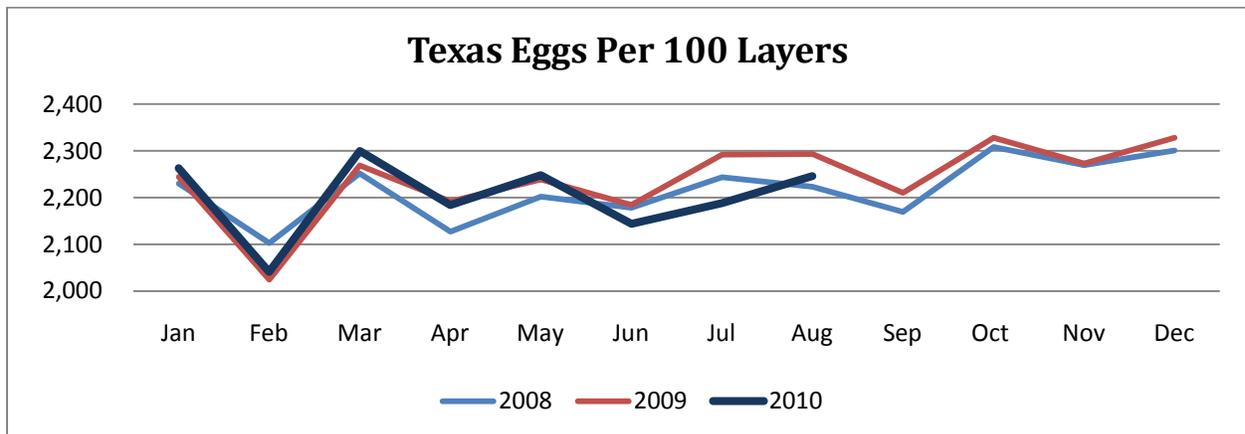
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## August Egg Production Down 3 Percent from a Year Ago

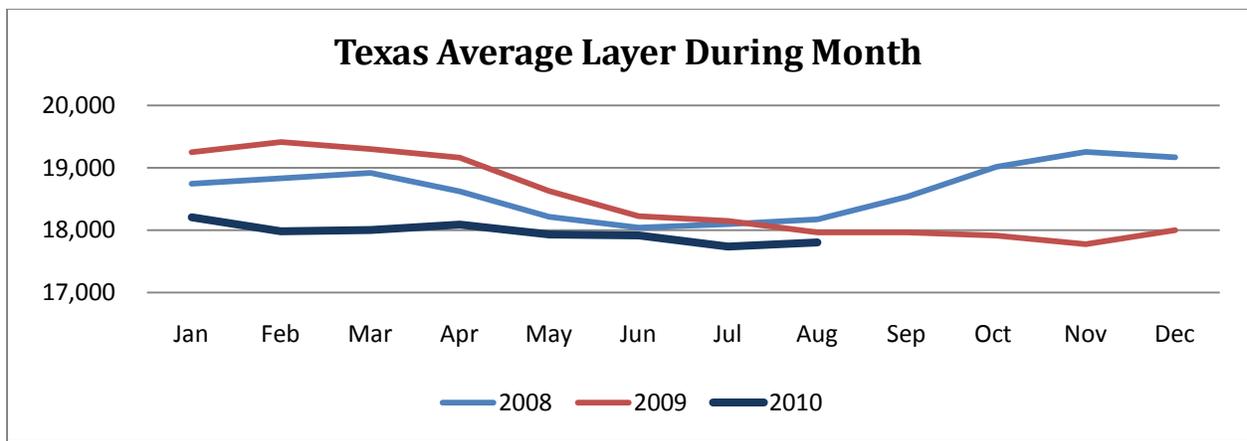
August 2010 egg production in Texas totaled 399 million eggs, down 3 percent from August 2009 and up 2 percent from July 2010, according to the monthly report released by the Texas Field Office.



The number of layers during August averaged 17.8 million, down 1 percent from last year and down 1 percent from July 2010. Egg production per 100 layers averaged 2,246 eggs, down from last year's 2,294 eggs and up from last month's 2,185 eggs.



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Texas hatchery production of broiler-type chicks totaled 59.5 million, down 1 percent from last year.

**U.S. Highlights:** United States egg production totaled 7.74 billion during August 2010, up 2 percent from a year ago. Production included 6.64 billion table eggs, 1.02 billion broiler-type hatching eggs and 73 million egg-type hatching eggs.

Nationally, the total number of layers averaged 339 million during August 2010, up 2 percent from a year ago. Production per 100 layers was 2,283 eggs, unchanged from August 2009.

The U.S. monthly hatch of egg-type chicks totaled 37.0 million, down 2 percent from August 2009. The hatch of broiler-type chicks, at 799 million, was up 2 percent from August of last year.

The leading U.S. breeders placed 7.31 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during August 2010, up 2 percent from August 2009.

Link to U.S. Report: <http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/ChicEggs//2010s/2010/ChicEggs-09-21-2010.pdf>

Link to USDA-NASS website: [www.nass.usda.gov](http://www.nass.usda.gov)