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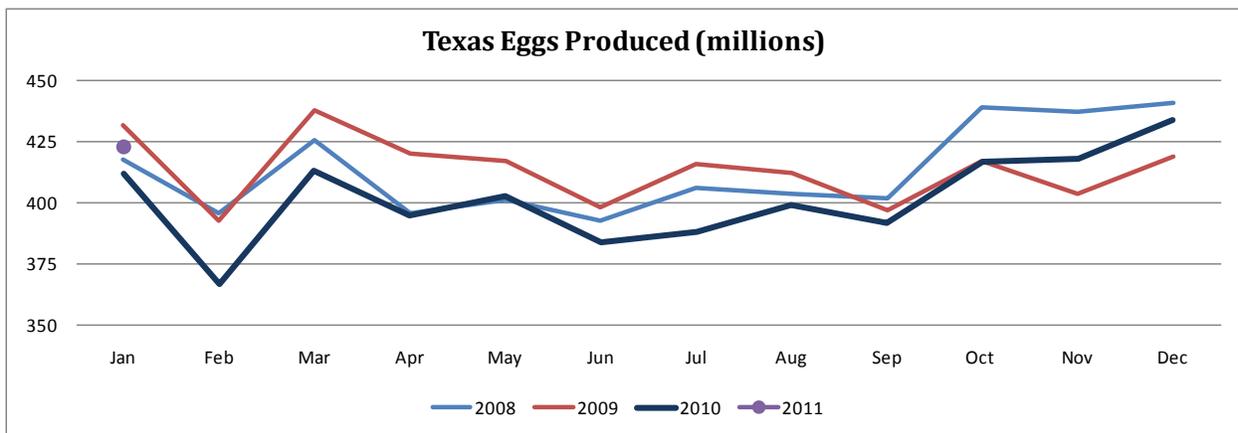
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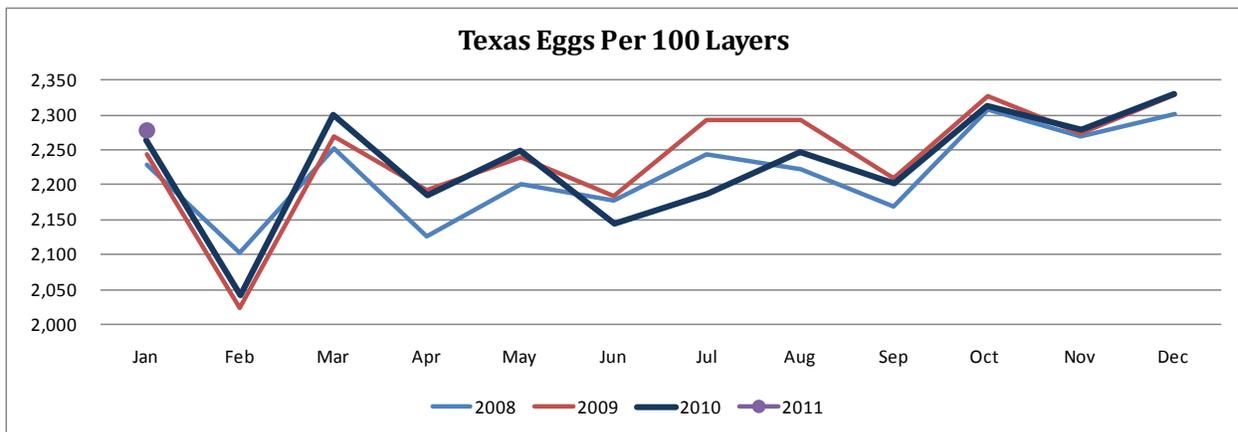
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## January Egg Production Down 3 Percent from Last Month

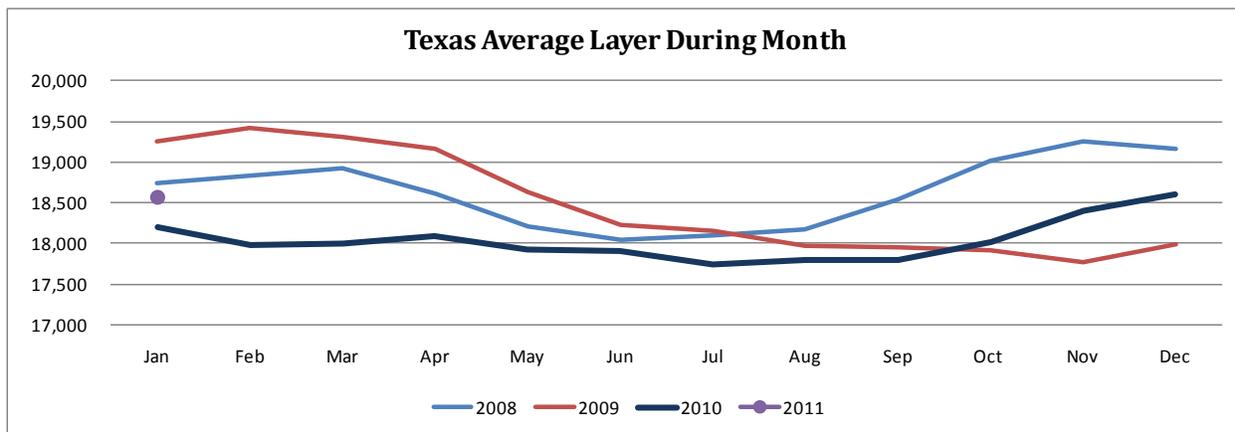
January 2011 egg production in Texas totaled 423 million eggs, up 3 percent from January 2010 but down 3 percent from December 2010, according to the monthly report released by the Texas Field Office.



The number of layers during January averaged 18.6 million, up 2 percent from last year and virtually unchanged from December 2010. Egg production per 100 layers averaged 2,278 eggs, up from last year's 2,263 eggs but down from last month's 2,331 eggs.



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Texas hatchery production of broiler-type chicks totaled 58.1 million in January, up 3 percent from last year.

**U.S. Highlights:** United States egg production totaled 7.83 billion during January 2011, up 1 percent from last year. Production included 6.75 billion table eggs, 1.01 billion broiler-type hatching eggs and 70 million egg-type hatching eggs.

Nationally, the total number of layers totaled 340 million on February 1, up slightly from last year. Production per 100 layers was 73.4 eggs, up 1 percent from January 2010.

The U.S. monthly hatch of egg-type chicks totaled 41.4 million, up 7 percent from January 2010. The hatch of broiler-type chicks, at 781 million, was up 1 percent from January of last year.

The leading U.S. breeders placed 6.99 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during January 2011, down 3 percent from January 2010.

Link to U.S. Report <http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/current/ChicEggs/ChicEggs-02-28-2011.pdf>

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