

January Layers and Egg Production

Iowa: Egg production in Iowa for January 2004 was 911 million eggs, up 4 percent from the same period a year ago. The total number of layers on hand during January 2004 was 40.6 million, up 6 percent from 38.4 million layers in January 2003. Eggs per 100 layers for the month of January was 2,246, compared to 2,273 eggs the previous year.

United States: U.S. egg production totaled 7.38 billion during January 2004, down slightly from last year. Production included 6.32 billion table eggs, and 1.06 billion hatching eggs, of which

996 million were broiler-type and 60.0 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during January 2004 averaged 338 million, down 1 percent from a year earlier. January egg production per 100 layers was 2,184 eggs, up 1 percent from January 2003.

January 2004 contained 22 weekdays, 2 holidays, and 5 Saturdays, compared to January 2003 which contained 23 weekdays, 2 holidays, and 4 Saturdays.

All Layers and Egg Production, January 2003 and 2004¹

State	Table Egg Layers in Flocks 30,000 and Above		All layers on hand ²		Eggs per 100 layers ²		Egg production by type					
	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	Total production		Table eggs ³		Hatching Eggs ³	
	-----Thousands-----		-----Thousands-----		-----Number-----		-----Million eggs-----					
AL	2,378	2,013	9,989	9,367	1,892	1,890	189	177	52	47	137	130
AR	4,582	4,131	14,849	14,416	1,899	1,894	282	273	101	94	181	179
CA	21,928	20,226	22,565	20,702	2,194	2,174	495	450				
FL	10,053	10,530	10,601	11,039	2,170	2,292	230	253	221	243	9	10
GA	11,186	11,403	20,393	20,674	2,084	2,075	425	429	253	257	172	172
IN	22,323	22,508	22,949	23,240	2,227	2,250	511	523	499	511	12	12
<u>IA</u>	<u>37,652</u>	<u>39,913</u>	<u>38,413</u>	<u>40,565</u>	<u>2,273</u>	<u>2,246</u>	<u>873</u>	<u>911</u>				
MN	10,800	10,498	11,408	11,093	2,253	2,254	257	250	248	241	9	9
NE	11,610	11,691	11,710	11,766	2,195	2,269	257	267	257	267	0	0
NC	3,330	3,399	10,845	10,839	1,973	1,947	214	211	81	85	133	126
OH	30,058	26,831	30,567	27,231	2,182	2,218	667	604				
PA	23,479	21,882	25,321	23,643	2,341	2,301	593	544	575	528	18	16
TX	14,322	14,259	18,809	18,601	2,100	2,226	395	414				
U.S.	275,879	273,878	340,910	337,892	2,168	2,184	7,390	7,380	6,301	6,324	1,088	1,056

¹2004 preliminary, 2003 revised. ²Includes all layers and eggs produced in both table egg and hatching egg flocks regardless of size. ³Data by type of flock not shown for some States to avoid disclosing individual operations.

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