



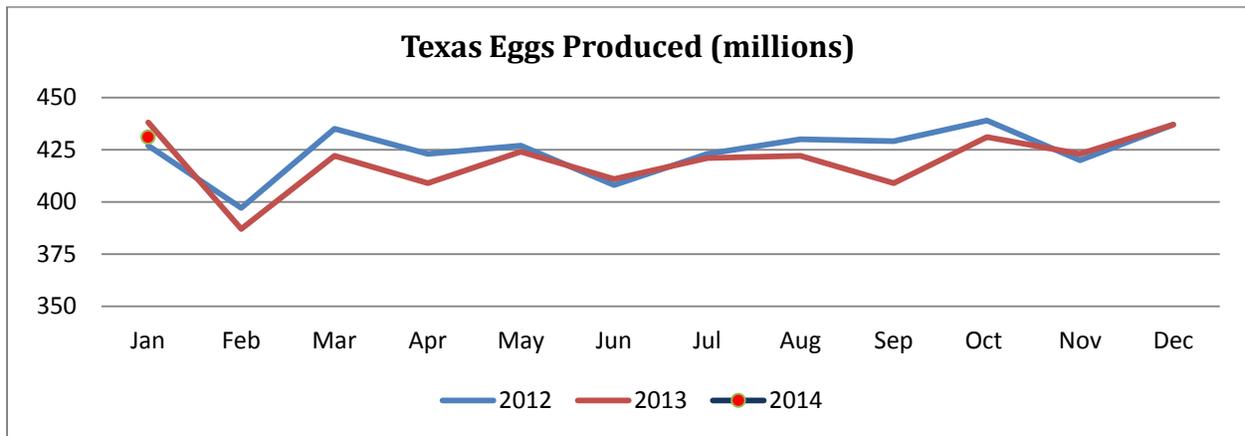
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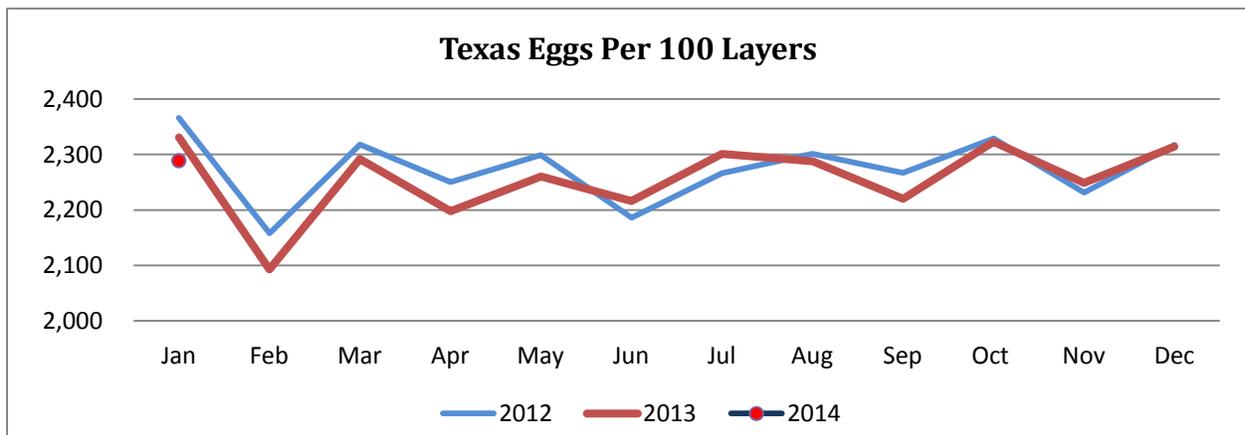
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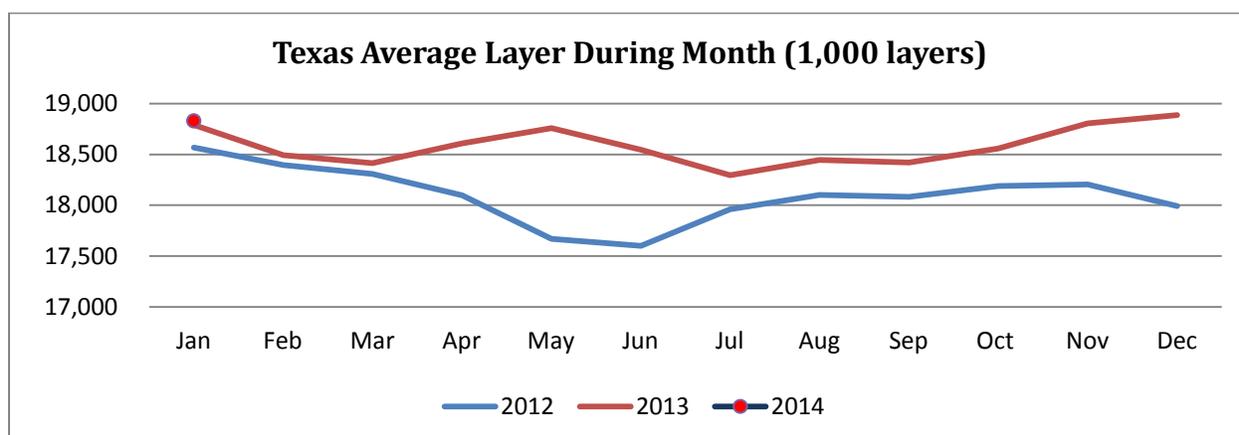
January 2014 egg production in Texas totaled 431 million eggs, down 2 percent from January 2013 and down 1 percent from December 2013, according to the monthly report released by the Texas Field Office.



The number of layers during January averaged 18.8 million, up slightly from last year, but down slightly from December 2013. Egg production per 100 layers averaged 2,289 eggs, down from last year's 2,331 eggs and down from last month's 2,314 eggs.



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Texas hatchery production of broiler-type chicks totaled 52.7 million in January, down 2 percent from last year.

U.S. Highlights: United States egg production totaled 8.21 billion during January 2014, up 2 percent from last year. Production included 7.13 billion table eggs, 997 million broiler-type hatching eggs and 78 million egg-type hatching eggs.

Nationally, the total number of layers averaged 351 million during January 2014, up 2 percent from last year. Production per 100 layers was 2,336 eggs during January 2014, up slightly from January 2013.

The U.S. monthly hatch of egg-type chicks totaled 43.9 million, up 5 percent from January 2013. The hatch of broiler-type chicks during January 2014, at 767 million, was up 1 percent from last year.

The leading U.S. breeders placed 6.47 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during January 2014, up 3 percent from January 2013.

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