



Chicken and Egg Report

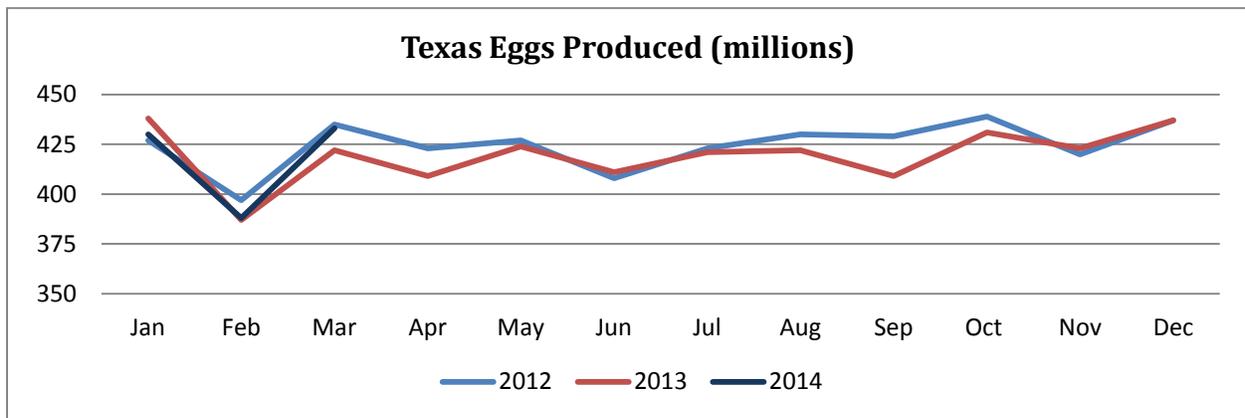
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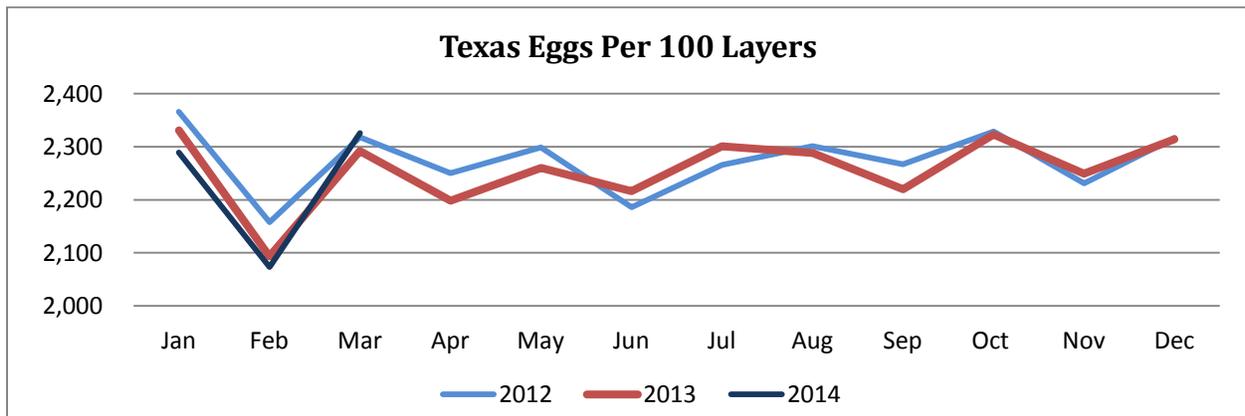
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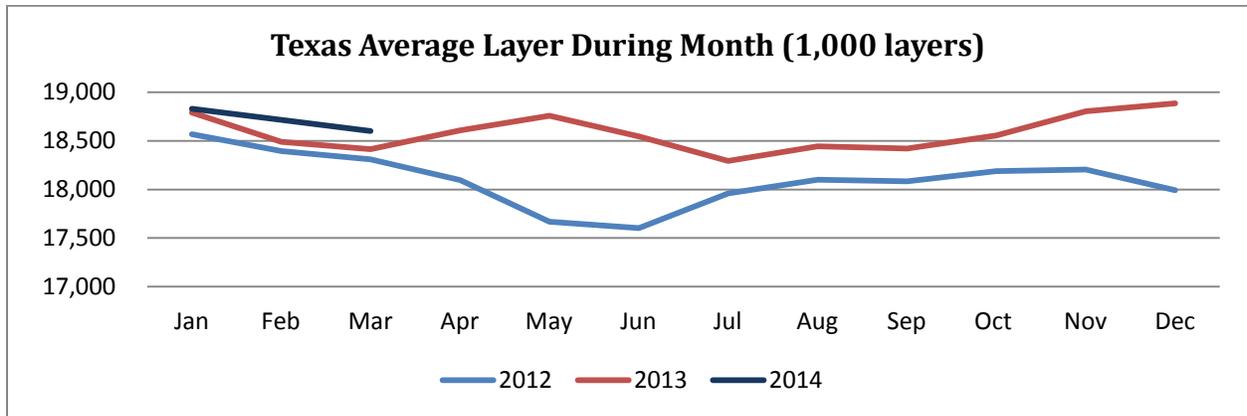
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March 2014 egg production in Texas totaled 433 million eggs, up 3 percent from March 2013 and up 12 percent from February 2014, according to the monthly report released by the Texas Field Office.



The number of layers during March averaged 18.6 million, up 1 percent from last year but down 1 percent from February 2014. Egg production per 100 layers averaged 2,326 eggs, up from last year's 2,292 eggs and up from last month's 2,073 eggs. Texas hatchery production of broiler-type chicks totaled 53.6 million, down 5 percent from last year.





U.S. Highlights: United States egg production totaled 8.20 billion eggs during March 2014, up 1 percent from a year ago. Production included 7.13 billion table eggs, 995 million broiler-type hatching eggs and 77 million egg-type hatching eggs.

Nationally, the total number of layers averaged 350 million during March 2014, up 1 percent from a year ago. Production per 100 layers was 2,341 eggs during March, up 1 percent from last year.

The U.S. monthly hatch of egg-type chicks totaled 44.0 million, up 1 percent from March 2013. The hatch of broiler-type chicks, at 770 million, was down slightly from March of last year.

The leading U.S. breeders placed 6.79 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during March 2014, up 3 percent from March 2013.

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