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U.S. JANUARY EGG PRODUCTION

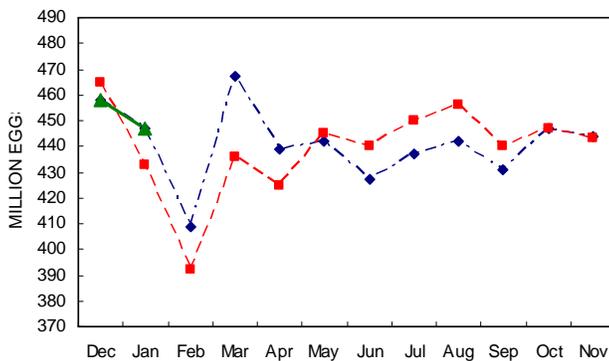
U.S. egg production totaled 7.67 billion during January 2009, up slightly from last year. Production included 6.59 billion table eggs, 1.08 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.00 billion were broiler-type, and 72 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during January 2009 averaged 341 million, down 1 percent from last year. January egg production per 100 layers was 2,249 eggs, up 1 percent from January 2008.

CALIFORNIA EGG PRODUCTION

California's egg production during January totaled 447 million, a decrease of 11.0 million from December's production, but 14.0 million above January 2008. The average number of layers during the month totaled 19.9 million, 1 percent below last month, and down slightly from January 2008. Eggs per 100 layers during the month were 2,242, compared to 2,274 a month earlier and 2,166 in January 2008.

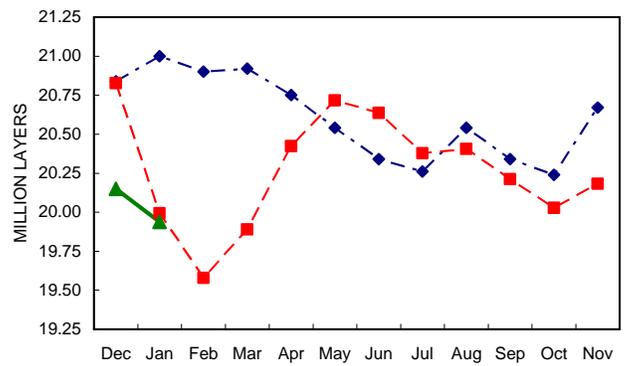
All layers in the U.S. on February 1, 2009 totaled 341 million, down 1 percent from last year. The 341 million layers consisted of 284 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 54.4 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 3.03 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on February 1, 2009 averaged 72.1 eggs per 100 layers, up 2 percent from February 1, 2008.

EGG PRODUCTION, CALIFORNIA
DECEMBER 1/ THROUGH NOVEMBER, 2007-2009



1/ Previous Year

AVERAGE NUMBER OF LAYERS, CALIFORNIA
DECEMBER 1/ THROUGH NOVEMBER, 2007-2009



1/ Previous Year

LAYER NUMBERS AND EGG PRODUCTION JANUARY, FORCED MOLTING AS OF FEBRUARY 1

State	Average Number of Layers on Hand		Eggs Per 100 Layers		Total Egg Production		Layers Being Molted		Layers With Molt Completed	
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009
	Thousands		Number		Millions		Percent			
Alabama	9,583	9,405	1,931	1,914	185	180	1.5	1.5	6.0	7.0
Arkansas	13,777	12,923	1,894	1,989	261	257	3.0	1.5	11.5	8.0
California	19,994	19,938	2,166	2,242	433	447	7.0	4.0	31.5	29.5
Georgia	19,175	18,303	2,096	2,098	402	384	1.5	4.5	13.5	9.5
Indiana	24,401	24,219	2,238	2,279	546	552	4.0	4.0	32.0	36.5
Iowa	54,269	53,753	2,233	2,275	1,212	1,223	6.5	2.5	32.5	36.0
North Carolina	12,802	12,638	2,062	2,089	264	264	0.5	0.0	7.5	12.0
Ohio	26,402	27,527	2,295	2,300	606	633	2.5	4.5	15.0	17.5
Pennsylvania	21,517	22,147	2,431	2,434	523	539	0.5	2.5	12.5	10.5
Texas	18,747	18,270	2,230	2,239	418	409	5.0	4.5	24.5	18.5
UNITED STATES	344,737	340,946	2,218	2,249	7,646	7,667	3.9	3.4	21.7	21.4

REVISED CALIFORNIA LAYERS AND EGG PRODUCTION

Month	Average Number of Layers			Eggs Per 100 Layers			Total Egg Production		
	2007	2008	<u>2008</u> 2007	2007	2008	<u>2008</u> 2007	2007	2008	<u>2008</u> 2007
	Thousands		Percent	Number		Percent	Million		Percent
December 1/	20,839	20,827	100	2,198	2,233	102	458	465	102
January	21,000	19,994	95	2,129	2,166	102	447	433	97
February	20,902	19,578	94	1,957	2,002	102	409	392	96
March	20,916	19,889	95	2,233	2,192	98	467	436	93
April	20,745	20,423	98	2,116	2,081	98	439	425	97
May	20,538	20,716	101	2,152	2,148	100	442	445	101
June	20,336	20,636	101	2,100	2,132	102	427	440	103
July	20,259	20,378	101	2,157	2,208	102	437	450	103
August	20,536	20,405	99	2,152	2,235	104	442	456	103
September	20,335	20,212	99	2,119	2,177	103	431	440	102
October	20,243	20,028	99	2,208	2,232	101	447	447	100
November	20,670	20,182	98	2,148	2,195	102	444	443	100
Avg./Total 2/	20,610	20,272	98	2,139	2,167	101	5,290	5,272	100

1/ December of previous year.

2/ Totals may not add due to rounding.

U.S. BROILER HATCH

Broiler-type chicks hatched during January 2009 totaled 778 million, down 5 percent from January 2008. Eggs in incubators totaled 624 million on February 1, 2009, down 8 percent from a year earlier.

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U.S. EGG-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED

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BROILER-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED, JANUARY

State	2008	2009	<u>2009</u> 2008
	Thousands		Percent
Alabama	118,123	108,270	92
Arkansas	104,378	90,672	87
Delaware	14,870	12,360	83
Florida	5,013	3,871	77
Georgia	127,761	121,074	95
Kentucky	27,966	27,937	100
Louisiana	13,896	12,992	93
Maryland	32,983	32,553	99
Mississippi	69,781	65,269	94
North Carolina	72,808	69,749	96
Oklahoma	23,889	24,307	102
Pennsylvania	15,217	14,251	94
South Carolina	20,191	20,111	100
Texas	56,404	57,257	102
Virginia	22,550	22,121	98
California, Missouri, Tennessee, and West Virginia	72,283	72,171	100
Other States 1/	23,753	23,436	99
UNITED STATES	821,866	778,401	95

1/ Not published separately to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

EGG-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED, JANUARY

State	2008	2009	<u>2009</u> 2008
	Thousands		Percent
Georgia	2,357	2,194	93
Indiana	5,964	5,779	97
Iowa	7,375	6,925	94
Minnesota	849	1,231	145
Pennsylvania	4,725	5,087	108
Other States 1/	18,897	16,867	89
UNITED STATES	40,167	38,083	95

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EGGS IN INCUBATORS, FEBRUARY 1

Geographic Division	Broiler-Type			Egg-Type		
	2008	2009	<u>2009</u> 2008	2008	2009	<u>2009</u> 2008
	Thousands		Percent	Thousands		Percent
North Atlantic	12,958	11,811	91	5,000	5,222	104
East North Central	12,141	11,436	94	7,087	7,037	99
West North Central	29,629	27,937	94	8,638	8,482	98
South Atlantic	249,975	232,117	93	4,251	4,186	98
South Central	345,795	318,343	92	5,616	5,625	100
West	24,138	21,940	91	4,947	4,646	94
UNITED STATES	674,636	623,584	92	35,539	35,198	99

POULTRY AND EGG PRICES

California mid-month market egg price for January 2009 was 95.0 cents per dozen, up 4.0 cents per dozen from December mid-month price, but a 25.0 cent decrease from January 2008.

Nationally, the January market egg price, at 89.6 cents per dozen, increased 3.6 cents from December, but is 30.4 cents below January 2008. The January broiler price, at 48.0 cents per pound, is unchanged from December, but 4.0 cents above a year ago. The January turkey price, at 43.7 cents per pound, declined 0.8 cent from the previous month, and 1.1 cents from a year earlier.

Turkey poult hatchings during January 2009 in the United States totaled 24.9 million, down 8 percent from January 2008. Poults hatched were up 3 percent from December 2008 total of 24.3 million poults. Regional changes from the previous year were: East North Central down 3 percent, West North Central down 5 percent, North and South Atlantic down 9 percent, and South Central and West down 16 percent.

The 24.2 million net poults placed during January 2009 in the United States were down 7 percent from the number placed during the same month a year earlier. Net placements were up 4 percent from the December 2008 total of 23.2 million.

POULTRY AND EGG AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED 1/

Commodity	Unit	January 2008	December 2008	January 2009
		Cents		
CALIFORNIA				
Market Eggs 2/	Doz.	120.0	91.0	95.0
UNITED STATES				
Chickens-Broilers	Lb.	44.0	48.0	48.0
Market Eggs 2/	Doz.	120.0	86.0	89.6
Turkeys 2/	Lb.	44.8	44.5	43.7

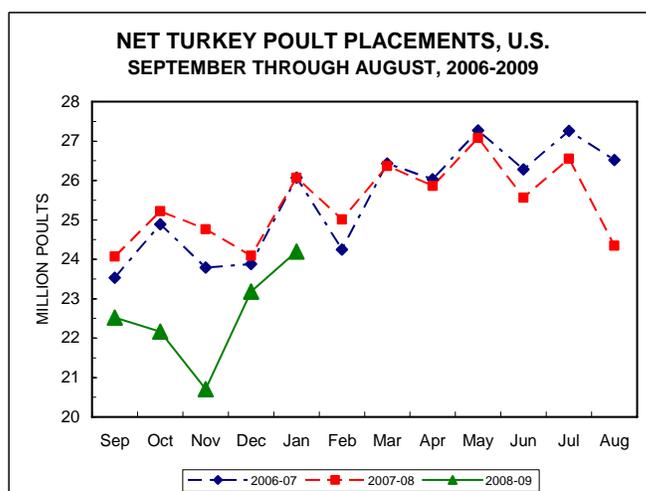
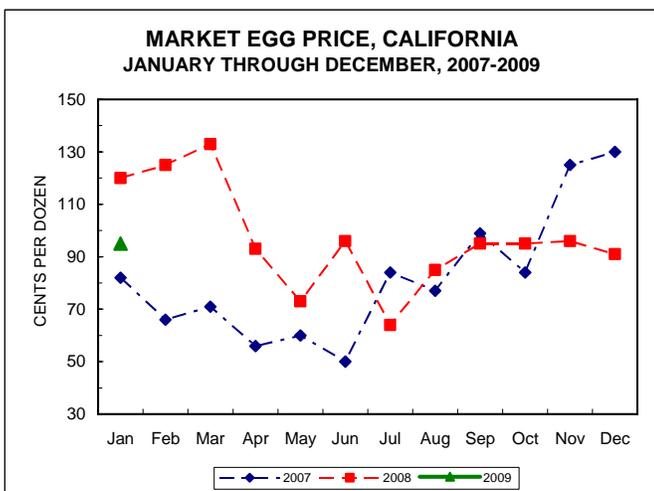
1/ The estimated prices shown in the table represent composite average prices received by producers. They are averages for all grades, classes and methods of sale of each commodity for the State and U.S. as a whole.

2/ Mid-month prices.

ALL TURKEYS 1/

Geographic Division	Eggs in Incubators Feb. 1		2009 2008	Eggs Hatched During Jan.		2009 2008
	2008	2009		2008	2009	
	Thousands		Percent	Thousands		Percent
E N Central	4,821	4,298	89	3,935	3,798	97
W N Central	12,005	10,997	92	10,272	9,738	95
N & S Atlantic	10,761	10,253	95	9,591	8,681	91
S Central & West	3,893	2,803	72	3,233	2,730	84
U.S.	31,480	28,351	90	27,031	24,947	92

1/ Regions (No. & So. Atlantic and So. Central & West) combined to avoid disclosure of individual operations.



U.S. TURKEY HATCHERY PRODUCTION

Turkey eggs in incubators on February 1, 2009 in the United States totaled 28.4 million, down 10 percent from February 1, 2008. Eggs in incubators were down 4 percent from the January 1, 2009 total of 29.7 million eggs. Regional changes from the previous year were: East North Central down 11 percent, West North Central down 8 percent, North and South Atlantic down 5 percent, and South Central and West down 28 percent.

NET U.S. TURKEY POULT PLACEMENTS 1/

Month	Total All Breeds		2008-09	Cumulative Total		2008-09
	2007-08	2008-09	2007-08	2007-08	2008-09	2007-08
	Thousands		Percent	Thousands		Percent
Sept.	24,073	22,515	94	24,073	22,515	94
Oct.	25,222	22,165	88	49,295	44,680	91
Nov.	24,755	20,702	84	74,050	65,382	88
Dec. 2/	24,091	23,179	96	98,141	88,561	90
Jan.	26,067	24,195	93	124,208	112,756	91
Feb.	25,011			149,219		
Mar.	26,369			175,588		
Apr.	25,863			201,451		
May	27,084			228,535		
June	25,557			254,092		
July	26,551			280,643		
Aug.	24,337			304,980		

1/ Includes imports and excludes exports.

2/ Revised 2008 data only.

PACIFIC COAST AND UNITED STATES COLD STORAGE

Commodity	Unit	January 31, 2008	December 31, 2008	January 31, 2009	Jan. 2009 Jan. 2008	Jan. 2009 Dec. 2008
		Thousands			Percent	
PACIFIC COAST						
Turkeys	Lbs.	23,160	16,565	22,267	96	134
Chickens	Lbs.	38,656	46,492	42,916	111	92
Ducks 1/	Lbs.	822	271	1,419	173	524
Total Frozen Poultry Supplies	Lbs.	62,638	63,328	66,602	106	105
UNITED STATES						
Turkeys	Lbs.	327,590	396,144	454,002	139	115
Chickens	Lbs.	773,005	765,442	687,522	89	90
Ducks 1/	Lbs.	5,088	1,993	3,416	67	171
Total Frozen Poultry Supplies	Lbs.	1,105,683	1,163,579	1,144,940	104	98
Eggs, Frozen	Lbs.	12,007	22,638	21,925	183	97

1/ Beginning with January 31, 2009 estimates, an increase in duck inventory is the result of increased coverage of cold storage facilities. Updated historic reported duck data for 2008 are unavailable. Year-to-year relationships for duck and the total poultry category are impacted by this change.