



# California Poultry Report

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## U.S. DECEMBER EGG PRODUCTION

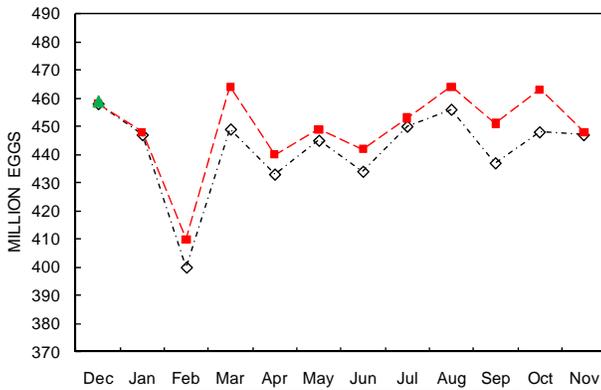
United States egg production totaled 7.90 billion during December 2010, up 1 percent from last year. Production included 6.83 billion table eggs, and 1.07 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.00 billion were broiler-type and 67 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during December 2010 averaged 341 million, up 1 percent from last year. December egg production per 100 layers was 2,313 eggs, up slightly from December 2009.

## CALIFORNIA EGG PRODUCTION

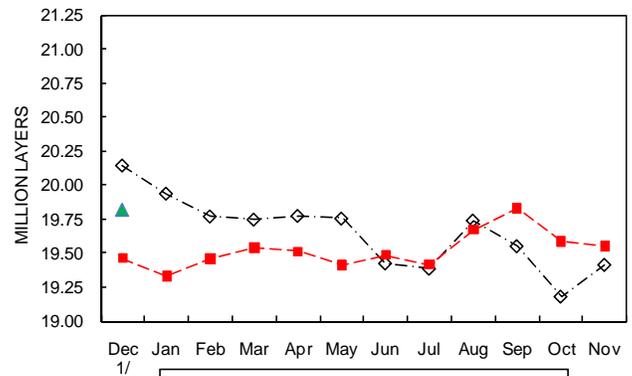
California's egg production during December 2010 totaled 459 million, up eleven million from November's production, and up one million from December 2009. The average number of layers during the month totaled 19.8 million, up 1 percent from last month, and up 2 percent from December 2009. Eggs per 100 layers during the month were 2,316, compared to 2,292 a month earlier, and 2,353 in December 2009.

All layers in the United States on January 1, 2011 totaled 343 million, up 1 percent from last year. The 343 million layers consisted of 285 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 54.5 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 2.82 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on January 1, 2011, averaged 74.2 eggs per 100 layers, up 1 percent from January 1, 2010.

EGG PRODUCTION, CALIFORNIA  
DECEMBER 1/ THROUGH NOVEMBER, 2009-2011



AVERAGE NUMBER OF LAYERS, CALIFORNIA  
DECEMBER 1/ THROUGH NOVEMBER, 2009-2011



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

State	Average Number of Layers on Hand		Eggs Per 100 Layers		Total Egg Production		Layers Being Molted		Layers With Molt Completed	
	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010	2010	2011	2010	2011
	Thousands		Number		Millions		Percent			
Alabama	9,133	9,529	1,938	1,952	177	186	0.5	1.0	8.0	5.5
Arkansas	12,234	12,286	2,027	2,035	248	250	1.0	1.5	9.5	12.0
California	19,461	19,817	2,353	2,316	458	459	4.5	5.5	31.0	28.0
Georgia	17,817	17,178	2,195	2,235	391	384	1.5	2.5	17.0	18.5
Indiana	23,539	23,596	2,362	2,348	556	554	3.0	3.5	34.0	24.0
Iowa	54,475	53,374	2,296	2,299	1,251	1,227	3.0	3.5	29.0	36.0
North Carolina	13,186	13,242	2,139	2,084	282	276	2.0	0.5	7.0	16.0
Ohio	27,508	28,525	2,341	2,380	644	679	2.5	4.0	20.5	18.0
Pennsylvania	23,542	25,012	2,481	2,491	584	623	2.5	1.5	12.0	9.5
Texas	17,998	18,618	2,328	2,331	419	434	1.0	2.0	17.5	20.0
UNITED STATES	339,744	341,479	2,304	2,313	7,827	7,899	2.7	2.8	20.6	21.5

### U.S. BROILER-TYPE CHICK HATCH

Broiler-type chicks hatched during December 2010 totaled 786 million, up 1 percent from December 2009. Eggs in incubators totaled 635 million on January 1, 2011, up slightly from a year earlier.

Leading breeders placed 6.50 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during December 2010, down 2 percent from December 2009.

#### BROILER-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED, DECEMBER

State	2009	2010	2010 2009
	Thousands		
	Alabama	108,444	109,235
Arkansas	88,619	86,488	98
Delaware	12,393	15,253	123
Florida	4,818	4,743	98
Georgia	114,450	121,481	106
Kentucky	29,288	27,704	95
Louisiana	12,789	12,782	100
Maryland	32,286	26,902	83
Mississippi	69,919	69,813	100
North Carolina	69,864	74,013	106
Oklahoma	25,865	23,534	91
Pennsylvania	14,130	14,313	101
South Carolina	20,366	19,890	98
Texas	58,554	59,435	102
Virginia	22,812	21,922	96
California, Missouri, Tennessee and West Virginia	68,280	71,916	105
Other States 1/	26,656	26,225	98
<b>UNITED STATES</b>	<b>779,533</b>	<b>785,649</b>	<b>101</b>

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

### U.S. EGG-TYPE CHICK HATCH

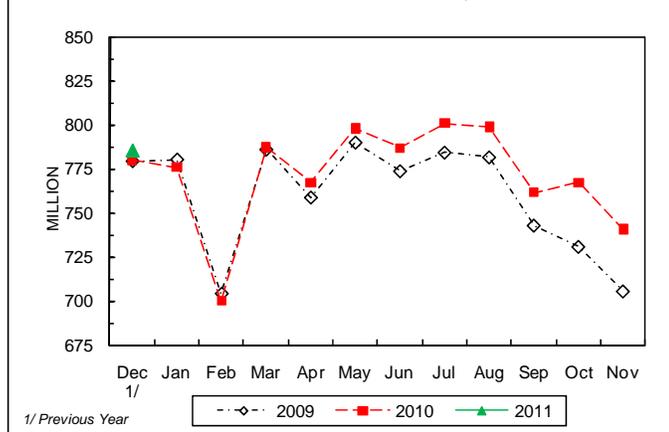
Egg-type chicks hatched during December 2010 totaled 37.9 million, down 4 percent from December 2009. Eggs in incubators totaled 38.7 million on January 1, 2011, down 1 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 264 thousand during December 2010, down 15 percent from December 2009.

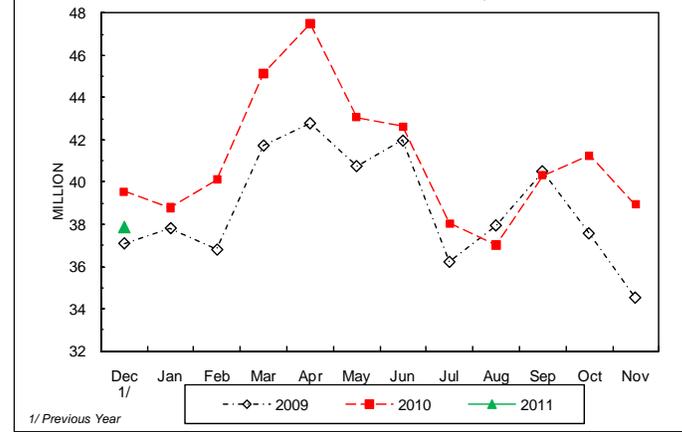
#### EGG-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED, BY MONTH, UNITED STATES

State	2009	2010	2010 2009
	Thousands		
	Jan	37,812	38,794
Feb	36,795	40,120	109
Mar	41,737	45,151	108
Apr	42,794	47,503	111
May	40,758	43,075	106
Jun	41,968	42,623	102
Jul	36,213	38,053	105
Aug	37,945	37,023	98
Sep	40,515	40,307	99
Oct	37,566	41,263	110
Nov	34,512	38,947	113
Dec	39,554	37,845	96

**BROILER CHICKS HATCHED, UNITED STATES**  
DECEMBER 1/ THROUGH NOVEMBER, 2009-2011



**EGG-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED, UNITED STATES**  
DECEMBER 1/ THROUGH NOVEMBER, 2009-2011



#### EGGS IN INCUBATORS, JANUARY 1

Geographic Division	Broiler-Type			Egg-Type		
	2010	2011	2011 2010	2010	2011	2011 2010
	Thousands		Percent	Thousands		Percent
North Atlantic	11,378	12,875	113	5,645	4,688	83
East North Central	12,866	12,327	96	7,514	7,508	100
West North Central	28,044	28,776	103	7,939	8,413	106
South Atlantic	232,302	236,998	102	4,261	5,645	132
South Central	326,940	321,807	98	5,896	5,223	89
West	21,396	22,285	104	7,674	7,216	94
<b>UNITED STATES</b>	<b>632,926</b>	<b>635,068</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>38,929</b>	<b>38,693</b>	<b>99</b>

### U.S. POULTRY AND EGG PRICES

Nationally, the December market egg price, at 91.9 cents per dozen, decreased 10.1 cents from November, and increased 0.1 cents from a year earlier. The December broiler price, at 46.0 cents per pound decreased 1.0 cents from November, but increased 4.0 cents from a year ago. The December turkey price, at 67.7 cents per pound, is down 5.9 cents from the previous month, but up 14.0 cents from a year earlier.

#### POULTRY AND EGG AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED 1/

Commodity	Unit	December 2009	November 2010	December 2010
		Cents		
<b>UNITED STATES</b>				
Chickens-Broilers	Lb.	42.0	47.0	46.0
Market Eggs 2/	Doz.	91.8	102.0	91.9
Turkeys 2/	Lb.	53.7	73.6	67.7

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 January 1		2011 2010	Eggs Hatched During Dec.		2010 2009
	2010	2011		2009	2010	
	Thousands		Percent	Thousands		Percent
E N Central	4,053	4,501	111	3,546	3,748	106
W N Central	11,462	11,309	99	9,534	9,108	96
N & S Atlantic	9,191	9,286	101	7,435	8,028	108
S Central & West	2,795	2,795	100	2,079	2,432	117
U.S.	27,501	27,891	101	22,594	23,316	103

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 January 1, 2011, in the United States totaled 27.9 million, up 1 percent from January 1, 2010. Eggs in incubators were up 2 percent from the December 1, 2010 total of 27.3 million eggs. Regional changes from the previous year were: East North Central up 11 percent, West North Central down 1 percent, North and South Atlantic up 1 percent, and South Central and West unchanged.

Turkey poults hatched during December 2010, in the United States totaled 23.3 million, up 3 percent from December 2009. Poults hatched were down 2 percent from the November 2010 total of 23.8 million poults. Regional changes from the previous year were: East North Central up 6 percent, West North Central down 4 percent, North and South Atlantic up 8 percent, and South Central and West up 17 percent.

The 22.7 million net poults placed during December 2010 in the United States were up 3 percent from the number placed during the same month a year earlier. Net placements were up slightly from the November 2010 total of 22.6 million.

#### NET U.S. TURKEY POULT PLACEMENTS 1/

Month	Total All Breeds		2010-11	Cumulative Total		2010-11
	2009-10	2010-11	2009-10	2009-10	2010-11	2009-10
	Thousands		Percent	Thousands		Percent
Sept.	20,852	21,670	104	20,852	21,670	104
Oct.	21,245	21,211	100	42,097	42,881	102
Nov. 2/	21,061	22,604	107	63,158	65,485	104
Dec.	22,074	22,707	103	85,232	88,192	103
Jan.	21,833			107,065		
Feb.	21,005			128,070		
Mar.	23,007			151,077		
Apr.	24,546			175,623		
May	24,045			199,668		
June	23,946			223,614		
July	26,006			249,620		
Aug.	22,798			272,418		

1/ Includes imports and excludes exported poults.

2/ Revised 2010 data only.

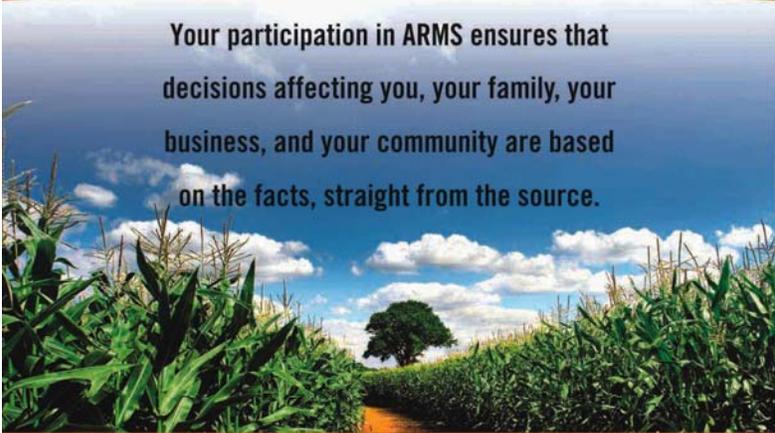
#### PACIFIC COAST AND UNITED STATES COLD STORAGE

Commodity	Unit	December 31, 2009	November 30, 2010	December 31, 2010	Dec. 2010 Dec. 2009	Dec. 2010 Nov. 2010
		Thousands			Percent	
<b>PACIFIC COAST</b>						
Turkeys	Lbs.	22,377	10,963	7,458	33	68
Chickens	Lbs.	48,364	29,611	33,682	70	114
Ducks	Lbs.	1,525	1,923	1,710	112	89
Total Frozen Poultry Supplies	Lbs.	72,266	42,497	42,850	59	101
<b>UNITED STATES</b>						
Turkeys	Lbs.	261,838	174,110	187,895	72	108
Chickens	Lbs.	633,290	762,790	790,552	125	104
Ducks	Lbs.	3,588	3,120	2,493	69	80
Total Frozen Poultry Supplies	Lbs.	898,716	940,020	980,940	109	104
Eggs, Frozen	Lbs.	23,644	22,910	25,355	107	111



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