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## U.S. SEPTEMBER EGG PRODUCTION

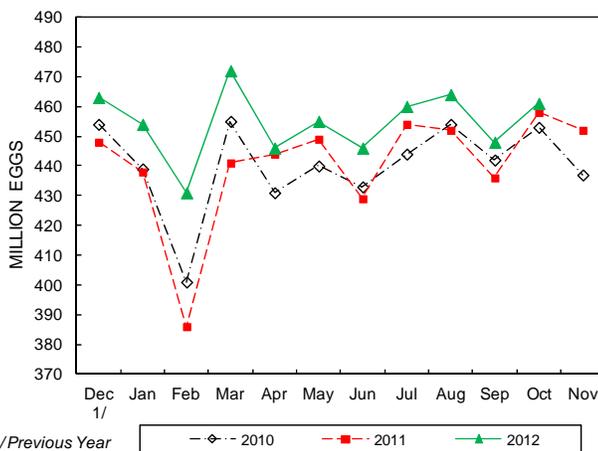
U.S. egg production totaled 7.90 billion during October 2012, up 2 percent from last year. Production included 6.88 billion table eggs, and 1.02 billion hatching eggs, of which 952 million were broiler-type and 69 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during October 2012 averaged 340 million, up 1 percent from last year. October egg production per 100 layers was 2,321 eggs, up slightly from October 2011.

All layers in the U.S. on November 1, 2012 totaled 342 million, up 2 percent from last year. The 342 million layers consisted of 291 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 49.1 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 2.82 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on November 1, 2012, averaged 75.4 eggs per 100 layers, up 1 percent from November 1, 2011.

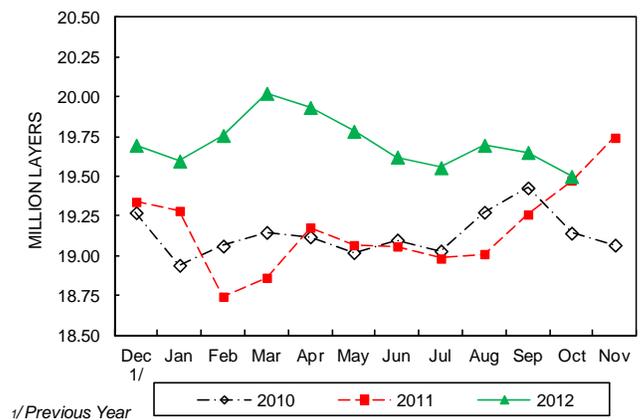
## CALIFORNIA EGG PRODUCTION

California's egg production during October totaled 461 million, up 13 million from September's production, and up 3 million from October 2011. The average number of layers during the month totaled 19.5 million, down 1 percent from last month, but up slightly from October 2011. Eggs per 100 layers during the month were 2,364, compared to 2,280 a month earlier, and 2,352 in October 2011.

EGG PRODUCTION, CALIFORNIA  
DECEMBER 1/ THROUGH NOVEMBER, 2010-2012



AVERAGE NUMBER OF LAYERS, CALIFORNIA  
DECEMBER 1/ THROUGH NOVEMBER, 2010-2012



LAYER NUMBERS AND EGG PRODUCTION DURING OCTOBER, FORCED MOLTING AS OF NOVEMBER 1

| State          | Average Number of Layers on Hand |         | Eggs Per 100 Layers |       | Total Egg Production |       | Layers Being Molted |      | Layers With Molt Completed |      |
|----------------|----------------------------------|---------|---------------------|-------|----------------------|-------|---------------------|------|----------------------------|------|
|                | 2011                             | 2012    | 2011                | 2012  | 2011                 | 2012  | 2011                | 2012 | 2011                       | 2012 |
|                | Thousands                        |         | Number              |       | Millions             |       | Percent             |      |                            |      |
| Alabama        | 9,015                            | 9,025   | 1,963               | 2,006 | 177                  | 181   | 0.5                 | 0.5  | 7.5                        | 7.0  |
| Arkansas       | 11,485                           | 12,212  | 2,064               | 2,137 | 237                  | 261   | 2.0                 | 1.0  | 9.5                        | 11.5 |
| California     | 19,476                           | 19,501  | 2,352               | 2,364 | 458                  | 461   | 3.5                 | 4.0  | 30.5                       | 31.5 |
| Georgia        | 16,100                           | 17,000  | 2,224               | 2,171 | 358                  | 369   | 0.0                 | 1.0  | 15.0                       | 15.5 |
| Indiana        | 22,559                           | 25,014  | 2,332               | 2,275 | 526                  | 569   | 4.5                 | 3.0  | 29.0                       | 29.0 |
| Iowa           | 53,235                           | 52,498  | 2,309               | 2,408 | 1,229                | 1,264 | 2.5                 | 3.5  | 35.0                       | 30.0 |
| North Carolina | 12,529                           | 12,401  | 2,123               | 2,064 | 266                  | 256   | 0.0                 | 0.0  | 16.5                       | 15.5 |
| Ohio           | 27,740                           | 27,920  | 2,343               | 2,346 | 650                  | 655   | 2.0                 | 2.0  | 13.5                       | 23.5 |
| Pennsylvania   | 25,029                           | 24,435  | 2,453               | 2,451 | 614                  | 599   | 4.5                 | 1.5  | 9.5                        | 9.0  |
| Texas          | 18,190                           | 18,848  | 2,331               | 2,329 | 424                  | 439   | 1.0                 | 1.0  | 22.5                       | 20.0 |
| UNITED STATES  | 335,884                          | 340,473 | 2,317               | 2,321 | 7,783                | 7,903 | 2.5                 | 2.2  | 21.2                       | 20.9 |

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

Broiler-type chicks hatched during October 2012 totaled 727 million, up 2 percent from October 2011. Eggs in incubators totaled 569 million on November 1, 2012, down 1 percent from a year earlier.

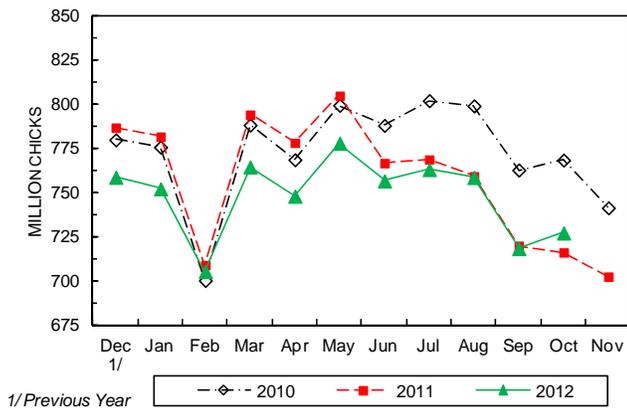
Leading breeders placed 6.22 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during October 2012, down 1 percent from October 2011.

#### BROILER-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED, OCTOBER

| State                                       | 2011           | 2012           | <u>2012</u><br>2011 |
|---|----------------|----------------|---------------------|
|   | Thousands      |                | Percent             |
| Alabama                                     | 99,703         | 100,378        | 101                 |
| Arkansas                                    | 72,260         | 75,937         | 105                 |
| Delaware                                    | 11,117         | 11,887         | 107                 |
| Florida                                     | 4,723          | 4,773          | 101                 |
| Georgia                                     | 113,376        | 116,206        | 102                 |
| Kentucky                                    | 26,387         | 27,459         | 104                 |
| Louisiana                                   | 12,028         | 12,034         | 100                 |
| Maryland                                    | 26,054         | 26,382         | 101                 |
| Mississippi                                 | 62,217         | 61,667         | 99                  |
| Missouri                                    | 28,178         | 27,927         | 99                  |
| North Carolina                              | 68,184         | 70,243         | 103                 |
| Oklahoma                                    | 23,937         | 24,622         | 103                 |
| Pennsylvania                                | 13,117         | 13,107         | 100                 |
| South Carolina                              | 19,142         | 18,174         | 95                  |
| Texas                                       | 50,783         | 50,570         | 100                 |
| Virginia                                    | 20,895         | 21,838         | 105                 |
| California, Tennessee,<br>and West Virginia | 38,702         | 36,488         | 94                  |
| Other States 1/                             | 25,083         | 27,216         | 109                 |
| <b>UNITED STATES</b>                        | <b>715,886</b> | <b>726,908</b> | <b>102</b>          |

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

#### BROILER CHICKS HATCHED, UNITED STATES DECEMBER 1/ THROUGH NOVEMBER, 2010-2012



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

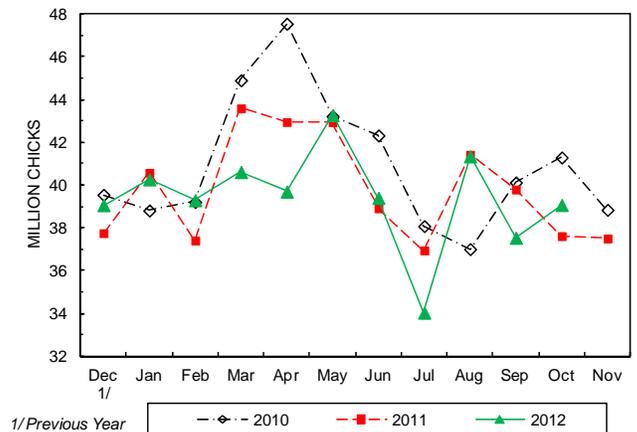
Egg-type chicks hatched during October 2012 totaled 39.1 million, up 4 percent from October 2011. Eggs in incubators totaled 35.0 million on November 1, 2012, down 7 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 196 thousand during October 2012, down 26 percent from October 2011.

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

| State | 2011      | 2012   | <u>2012</u><br>2011 |
|-------|-----------|--------|---------------------|
|       | Thousands |        | Percent             |
| Jan   | 40,590    | 40,277 | 99                  |
| Feb   | 37,415    | 39,300 | 105                 |
| Mar   | 43,603    | 40,622 | 93                  |
| Apr   | 42,959    | 39,702 | 92                  |
| May   | 42,949    | 43,280 | 101                 |
| Jun   | 38,920    | 39,410 | 101                 |
| Jul   | 36,950    | 34,041 | 92                  |
| Aug   | 41,431    | 41,357 | 100                 |
| Sep   | 39,805    | 37,542 | 94                  |
| Oct   | 37,624    | 39,077 | 104                 |
| Nov   | 37,512    |        |                     |
| Dec   | 39,071    |        |                     |

#### EGG-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED, UNITED STATES DECEMBER 1/ THROUGH NOVEMBER, 2010-2012



#### EGGS IN INCUBATORS, NOVEMBER 1

| Geographic Division  | Broiler-Type   |                |                     | Egg-Type      |               |                     |
|----------------------|----------------|----------------|---------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------------|
|                      | 2011           | 2012           | <u>2012</u><br>2011 | 2011          | 2012          | <u>2012</u><br>2011 |
|                      | Thousands      |                | Percent             | Thousands     |               | Percent             |
| North Atlantic       | 11,986         | 10,488         | 88                  | 5,205         | 3,125         | 60                  |
| East North Central   | 11,906         | 12,096         | 102                 | 6,933         | 5,893         | 85                  |
| West North Central   | 26,311         | 27,389         | 104                 | 8,508         | 9,502         | 112                 |
| South Atlantic       | 220,339        | 218,043        | 99                  | 4,948         | 4,838         | 98                  |
| South Central        | 281,841        | 280,475        | 100                 | 4,939         | 5,005         | 101                 |
| West                 | 22,491         | 20,033         | 89                  | 7,119         | 6,612         | 93                  |
| <b>UNITED STATES</b> | <b>574,874</b> | <b>568,524</b> | <b>99</b>           | <b>37,652</b> | <b>34,975</b> | <b>93</b>           |

## U.S. POULTRY AND EGG PRICES

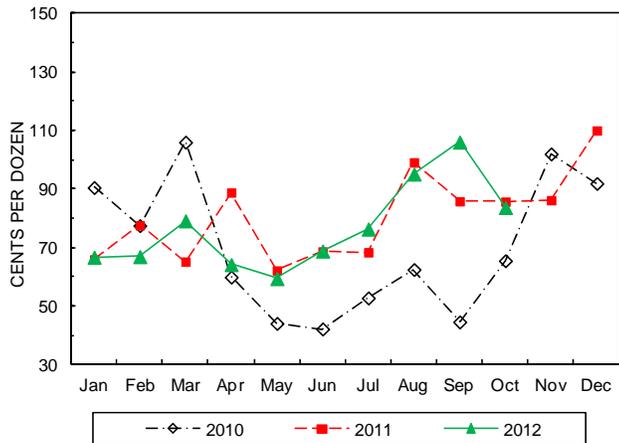
Nationally, the October market egg price, at 83.7 cents per dozen, is down 22.3 cents from September, and down 2.1 cents from last year. The October broiler price, at 50.0 cents per pound, increased 1.0 cents from last month, and 7.0 cents from a year ago. The October turkey price, at 76.5 cents per pound, is up 0.3 cents from September, but down 0.8 cents from a year earlier.

### POULTRY AND EGG AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED 1/

| Commodity            | Unit | October 2011 | September 2012 | October 2012 |
|----------------------|------|--------------|----------------|--------------|
|                      |      | Cents        |                |              |
| <b>UNITED STATES</b> |      |              |                |              |
| Chickens-Broilers    | Lbs. | 43.0         | 49.0           | 50.0         |
| Market Eggs 2/       | Doz. | 85.8         | 106.0          | 83.7         |
| Turkeys 2/           | Lbs. | 77.3         | 76.2           | 76.5         |

- 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.

### MARKET EGG PRICE, UNITED STATES JANUARY THROUGH DECEMBER, 2010-2012



## U.S. TURKEY HATCHERY PRODUCTION

Turkey eggs in incubators on November 1, 2012, in the U.S. totaled 27.3 million, down 1 percent from November 1, 2011. Eggs in incubators were up 1 percent from the October 1, 2012 total of 27.0 million eggs.

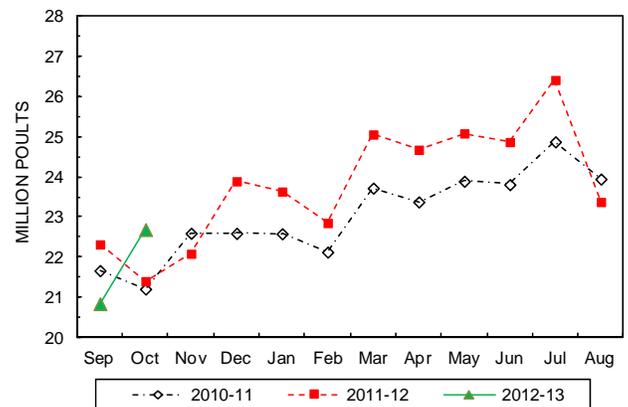
Turkey poult hatched during October 2012, in the U.S. totaled 23.3 million, up 4 percent from October 2011. Poults hatched were up 9 percent from the September 2012 total of 21.4 million poults.

The 22.7 million net poults placed during October 2012 in the U.S. were up 6 percent from the number placed during the same month a year earlier. Net placements were up 9 percent from the September 2012 total of 20.8 million.

## U.S. TURKEY EGGS IN INCUBATORS AND POUELTS HATCHED BY MONTH

| Month | Eggs in incubators first of month |         | 2012-13 | Poults hatched entire month |         | 2012-13 |
|-------|-----------------------------------|---------|---------|-----------------------------|---------|---------|
|       | 2011-12                           | 2012-13 | 2011-12 | 2011-12                     | 2012-13 | 2011-12 |
|       | Thousands                         |         | Percent | Thousands                   |         | Percent |
| Sept. | 28,072                            | 26,366  | 94      | 23,157                      | 21,429  | 93      |
| Oct.  | 27,170                            | 27,015  | 99      | 22,423                      | 23,296  | 104     |
| Nov.  | 27,502                            | 27,251  | 99      | 22,734                      |         |         |
| Dec.  | 28,741                            |         |         | 24,812                      |         |         |
| Jan.  | 28,308                            |         |         | 24,463                      |         |         |
| Feb.  | 28,044                            |         |         | 23,191                      |         |         |
| Mar.  | 29,039                            |         |         | 25,234                      |         |         |
| Apr.  | 28,231                            |         |         | 24,291                      |         |         |
| May   | 29,648                            |         |         | 25,483                      |         |         |
| June  | 30,385                            |         |         | 25,021                      |         |         |
| July  | 29,758                            |         |         | 26,199                      |         |         |
| Aug.  | 28,891                            |         |         | 23,814                      |         |         |

### NET TURKEY POULT PLACEMENTS, U.S. SEPTEMBER THROUGH AUGUST, 2010-2013



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

| Month | Total All Breeds |         | 2012-13 | Cumulative Total |         | 2012-13 |
|-------|------------------|---------|---------|------------------|---------|---------|
|       | 2011-12          | 2012-13 | 2011-12 | 2011-12          | 2012-13 | 2011-12 |
|       | Thousands        |         | Percent | Thousands        |         | Percent |
| Sept. | 22,320           | 20,848  | 93      | 22,320           | 20,848  | 93      |
| Oct.  | 21,407           | 22,691  | 106     | 43,727           | 43,539  | 100     |
| Nov.  | 22,090           |         |         | 65,817           |         |         |
| Dec.  | 23,893           |         |         | 89,710           |         |         |
| Jan.  | 23,636           |         |         | 113,346          |         |         |
| Feb.  | 22,855           |         |         | 136,201          |         |         |
| Mar.  | 25,055           |         |         | 161,256          |         |         |
| Apr.  | 24,675           |         |         | 185,931          |         |         |
| May   | 25,082           |         |         | 211,013          |         |         |
| June  | 24,868           |         |         | 235,881          |         |         |
| July  | 26,410           |         |         | 262,291          |         |         |
| Aug.  | 23,378           |         |         | 285,669          |         |         |

1/ Includes imports, but excludes exported.

**PACIFIC COAST AND UNITED STATES COLD STORAGE**

| Commodity                     | Unit | October 31, 2011 | September 30, 2012 | October 31, 2012 | Oct-12<br>Oct-11 | Oct-12<br>Sep-12 |
|-------------------------------|------|------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
|                               |      | <i>Thousands</i> |                    |                  | <i>Percent</i>   |                  |
| <b>PACIFIC COAST</b>          |      |                  |                    |                  |                  |                  |
| Turkeys                       | Lbs. | 12,556           | 37,581             | 47,007           | 374              | 125              |
| Chickens                      | Lbs. | 43,565           | 37,808             | 31,510           | 72               | 83               |
| Ducks                         | Lbs. | 1,237            | 259                | 340              | 27               | 131              |
| Total Frozen Poultry Supplies | Lbs. | 57,358           | 75,648             | 78,857           | 137              | 104              |
| <b>UNITED STATES</b>          |      |                  |                    |                  |                  |                  |
| Turkeys                       | Lbs. | 406,864          | 521,810            | 454,043          | 112              | 87               |
| Chickens                      | Lbs. | 695,410          | 650,823            | 648,009          | 93               | 100              |
| Ducks                         | Lbs. | 3,635            | 2,646              | 1,669            | 46               | 63               |
| Total Frozen Poultry Supplies | Lbs. | 1,105,909        | 1,175,279          | 1,103,721        | 100              | 94               |
| Eggs, Frozen                  | Lbs. | 33,895           | 31,375             | 29,024           | 86               | 93               |




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