



# California Poultry Report

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### U.S. February Egg Production

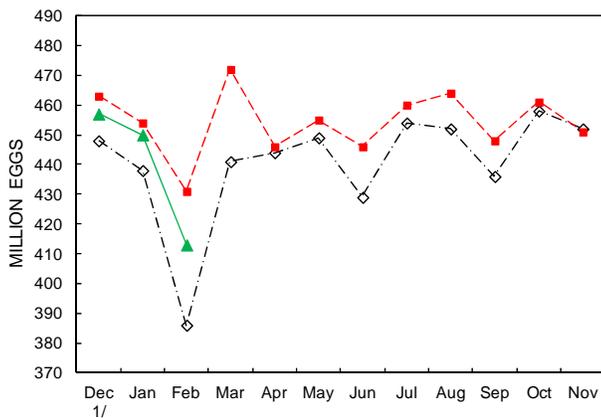
U.S. egg production totaled 7.19 billion during February 2013, down 1 percent from last year. Production included 6.23 billion table eggs, and 962 million hatching eggs, of which 893 million were broiler-type and 69 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during February 2013 averaged 344 million, up 2 percent from last year. February egg production per 100 layers was 2,088 eggs, down 2 percent from February 2012.

All layers in the U.S. on March 1, 2013 totaled 345 million, up 2 percent from last year. The 345 million layers consisted of 291 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 51.7 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 2.98 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on March 1, 2013, averaged 74.3 eggs per 100 layers, up slightly from March 1, 2012.

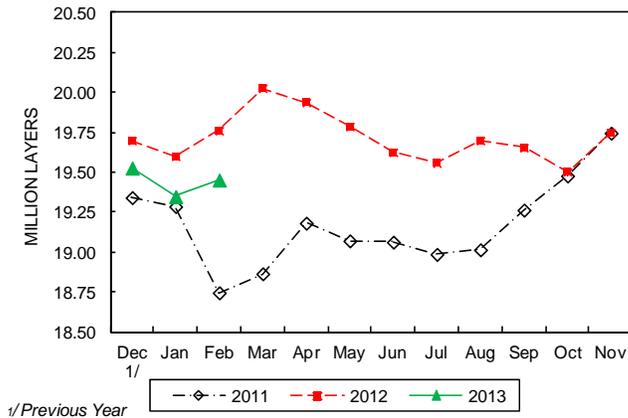
### CALIFORNIA EGG PRODUCTION

California's egg production during February totaled 413 million, down 37 million from January's production, and 18 million from February 2012. The average number of layers during the month totaled 19.5 million, up one percent from last month, but down two percent from February 2012. Eggs per 100 layers during the month were 2,123, compared to 2,326 a month earlier, and 2,181 in February 2012.

EGG PRODUCTION, CALIFORNIA  
DECEMBER 1/ THROUGH NOVEMBER, 2011-2013



AVERAGE NUMBER OF LAYERS, CALIFORNIA  
DECEMBER 1/ THROUGH NOVEMBER, 2011-2013



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

State	Average Number of Layers on Hand		Eggs Per 100 Layers		Total Egg Production		Layers Being Molted		Layers With Molt Completed	
	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013
	Thousands		Number		Millions		Percent			
Alabama	9,093	9,217	1,826	1,834	166	169	2.0	0.5	8.5	3.0
Arkansas	11,917	12,647	1,938	1,842	231	233	1.5	1.0	8.5	10.5
California	19,762	19,453	2,181	2,123	431	413	3.5	3.0	28.5	29.0
Georgia	16,478	17,486	2,027	1,962	334	343	3.0	3.0	13.5	17.5
Indiana	24,310	26,632	2,127	2,106	517	561	6.5	1.5	32.5	26.5
Iowa	51,006	52,450	2,161	2,099	1,102	1,101	5.0	3.0	30.0	27.5
North Carolina	12,707	12,713	1,889	1,856	240	236	2.5	0.0	16.0	14.5
Ohio	28,200	28,372	2,131	2,101	601	596	5.0	2.5	14.0	27.5
Pennsylvania	25,296	24,896	2,313	2,237	585	557	2.0	1.5	9.5	6.5
Texas	18,396	18,518	2,158	2,095	397	388	5.5	4.0	20.5	24.0
UNITED STATES	338,936	344,482	2,139	2,088	7,249	7,194	3.9	2.5	20.0	19.4

**U.S. BROILER-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED**

Broiler-type chicks hatched during February 2013 totaled 690 million, down 2 percent from February 2012. Eggs in incubators totaled 622 million on March 1, 2013, up 2 percent from a year earlier.

Leading breeders placed 7.16 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during February 2013, up 2 percent from February 2012.

**BROILER-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED, FEBRUARY**

State	2012	2013	<u>2013</u> 2012
	Thousands		Percent
Alabama	97,030	94,350	97
Arkansas	70,855	73,292	103
Delaware	11,502	11,648	101
Florida	4,519	4,042	89
Georgia	109,902	110,350	100
Kentucky	26,250	25,075	96
Louisiana	12,107	11,328	94
Maryland	25,383	24,044	95
Mississippi	62,805	58,045	92
Missouri	27,674	27,180	98
North Carolina	69,876	66,861	96
Oklahoma	23,561	22,376	95
Pennsylvania	13,072	12,514	96
South Carolina	17,787	17,049	96
Texas	51,075	49,896	98
Virginia	21,181	21,480	101
California, Missouri, Tennessee and West Virginia	35,826	33,734	94
Other States 1/	24,708	26,509	107
UNITED STATES	705,113	689,773	98

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

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

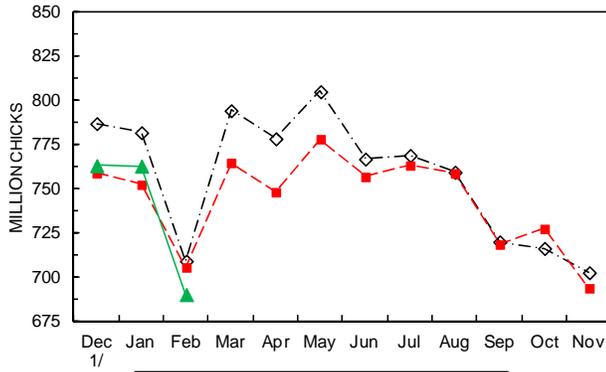
Egg-type chicks hatched during February 2013 totaled 40.8 million, up 4 percent from February 2012. Eggs in incubators totaled 41.8 million on March 1, 2013, up 6 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 236 thousand during February 2013, down 1 percent from February 2012.

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

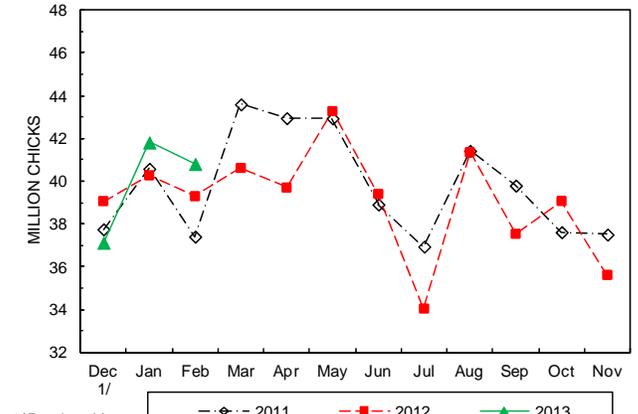
State	2012	2013	<u>2013</u> 2012
	Thousands		Percent
Jan	40,277	41,820	104
Feb	39,300	40,814	104
Mar	40,622		
Apr	39,702		
May	43,280		
Jun	39,410		
Jul	34,041		
Aug	41,357		
Sep	37,542		
Oct	39,077		
Nov	35,617		
Dec	37,130		

**BROILER CHICKS HATCHED, UNITED STATES  
DECEMBER 1/ THROUGH NOVEMBER, 2011-2013**



1/Previous Year

**EGG-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED, UNITED STATES  
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**EGGS IN INCUBATORS, MARCH 1**

Geographic Division	Broiler-Type			Egg-Type		
	2012	2013	<u>2013</u> 2012	2012	2013	<u>2013</u> 2012
	Thousands		Percent	Thousands		Percent
North Atlantic	12,443	12,727	102	4,359	5,029	115
East North Central	12,951	13,004	100	7,976	7,228	91
West North Central	28,495	30,176	106	8,723	10,806	124
South Atlantic	233,027	237,427	102	3,812	4,455	117
South Central	301,712	308,740	102	5,838	6,376	109
West	21,990	20,182	92	8,614	7,909	92
UNITED STATES	610,618	622,256	102	39,322	41,803	106

## U.S. POULTRY AND EGG PRICES

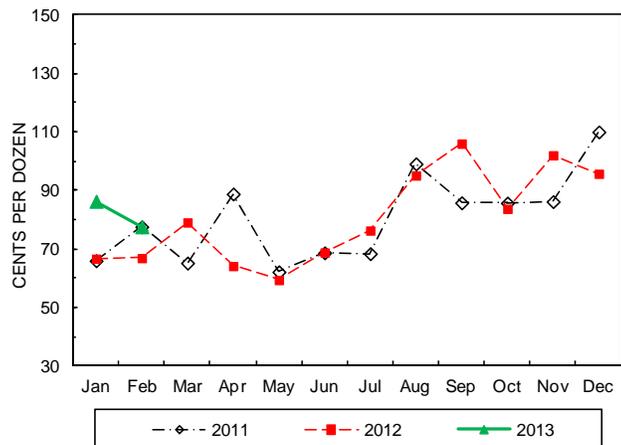
Nationally, the February market egg price, at 77.6 cents per dozen, is down 8.7 cents from January, but up 10.7 cents from last year. The February broiler price, at 61.0 cents per pound, is unchanged from last month, but up 8.0 cents from a year ago. The February turkey price, at 62.6 cents per pound, is down 0.3 cents from January, and down 2.4 cents from a year earlier.

### POULTRY AND EGG AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED 1/

Commodity	Unit	February 2012	January 2013	February 2013
		Cents		
<b>UNITED STATES</b>				
Chickens-Broilers	Lb.	53.0	61.0	61.0
Market Eggs 2/	Doz.	66.9	86.3	77.6
Turkeys 2/	Lb.	65.0	62.9	62.6

- 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 U.S. as a whole.  
2/ Mid-month prices.

### MARKET EGG PRICE, UNITED STATES JANUARY THROUGH DECEMBER, 2011-2013



## U.S. TURKEY HATCHERY PRODUCTION

Turkey eggs in incubators on March 1, 2013, in the U.S. totaled 27.1 million, down 7 percent from March 1, 2012. Eggs in incubators were down 3 percent from the February 1, 2013 total of 27.9 million eggs.

Turkey poults hatched during February 2013, in the U.S. totaled 22.6 million, down 2 percent from February 2012. Poults hatched were down 6 percent from the January 2013 total of 24.1 million poults.

The 22.0 million net poults placed during February 2013 in the U.S. were down 4 percent from the number placed during the same month a year earlier. Net placements were down 7 percent from the January 2013 total of 23.5 million.

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

Month	Eggs in incubators first of month		Poults hatched entire month		2012-13	
	2011-12	2012-13	2011-12	2012-13	2011-12	2012-13
	Thousands		Percent		Percent	
Sept.	28,072	26,366	94	23,157	21,429	93
Oct.	27,170	27,015	99	22,423	23,292	104
Nov.	27,502	27,622	100	22,734	23,677	104
Dec.	28,741	26,700	93	24,812	22,020	89
Jan.	28,308	27,887	99	24,463	24,106	99
Feb.	28,044	27,923	100	23,191	22,646	98
Mar.	29,039	27,068	93	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 U.S. TURKEY POULT PLACEMENTS 1/

Month	Total All Breeds		Cumulative Total		2012-13	
	2011-12	2012-13	2011-12	2012-13	2011-12	2012-13
	Thousands		Thousands		Percent	
Sept.	22,320	20,848	93	22,320	20,848	93
Oct.	21,407	23,067	108	43,727	43,915	100
Nov.	22,090	23,159	105	65,817	67,074	102
Dec.	23,893	21,417	90	89,710	88,491	99
Jan.	23,636	23,542	100	113,346	112,033	99
Feb.	22,855	21,986	96	136,201	134,019	98
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/ Excludes exported poults.

### PACIFIC COAST AND UNITED STATES COLD STORAGE

Commodity	Unit	February 29, 2012	January 31, 2013	February 28, 2013	Feb. 2013 Feb. 2012	Feb. 2013 Jan. 2013
		Thousands			Percent	
<b>PACIFIC COAST</b>						
Turkeys	Lbs.	9,296	18,119	18,333	197	101
Chickens	Lbs.	38,587	37,965	34,278	89	90
Ducks	Lbs.	405	545	529	131	97
Total Frozen Poultry Supplies	Lbs.	48,288	56,629	53,140	110	94
<b>UNITED STATES</b>						
Turkeys	Lbs.	349,577	360,018	398,933	114	111
Chickens	Lbs.	599,698	657,548	636,222	106	97
Ducks	Lbs.	2,222	1,444	1,482	67	103
Total Frozen Poultry Supplies	Lbs.	951,497	1,019,010	1,036,637	109	102
Eggs, Frozen	Lbs.	36,326	29,659	28,557	79	96



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