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MONTHLY CHICKENS AND EGGS – MARCH 2020

COLORADO

Colorado egg production during March 2020 was 132.7 million eggs, up 5 percent from February 2020 and up 5 percent from March 2019 production, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. The average number of layers on hand in March 2020 was 5.12 million, up 1 percent from February 2020 and up 4 percent from last year. Eggs per 100 layers were 2,594 eggs, up 1 percent from last year.

UTAH

Utah egg production during March 2020 was 115.1 million eggs, up 7 percent from February 2020 but down 9 percent from March 2019 production, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. The average number of layers on hand during March 2020 was 4.44 million, up 1 percent from February 2020 but down 8 percent from last year. Eggs per 100 layers were 2,591 eggs, down 1 percent from last year.

UNITED STATES

United States egg production totaled 9.53 billion during March 2020, down 1 percent from last year. Production included 8.29 billion table eggs, and 1.24 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.15 billion were broiler-type and 90.3 million were egg-type. The average number of layers during March 2020 totaled 395 million, down 3 percent from last year. March egg production per 100 layers was 2,411 eggs, up 1 percent from March 2019.

Total layers in the United States on April 1, 2020 totaled 396 million, down 3 percent from last year. The 396 million layers consisted of 331 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 61.8 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 3.40 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on April 1, 2020, averaged 78.0 eggs per 100 layers, up 1 percent from April 1, 2019.

Egg-type chicks hatched during March 2020 totaled 55.9 million, up slightly from March 2019. Eggs in incubators totaled 57.6 million on April 1, 2020, down 1 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 322 thousand during March 2020, up 70 percent from March 2019.

Broiler-type chicks hatched during March 2020 totaled 855 million, up 2 percent from March 2019. Eggs in incubators totaled 710 million on April 1, 2020, up 2 percent from a year ago.

Leading breeders placed 8.82 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during March 2020, up 7 percent from March 2019.

For a full copy of the *Chicken and Eggs* report please visit www.nass.usda.gov. For state specific questions please contact:

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