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MONTHLY CHICKENS AND EGGS – APRIL 2023

COLORADO

Colorado egg production during April 2023 was 52.2 million eggs, up 5 percent from March 2023 but down 59 percent from April 2022 production, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. The average number of layers on hand in April 2023 was 2.07 million, up 16 percent from March 2023 but down 58 percent from last year. Eggs per 100 layers were 2,528 eggs, down less than one half a percent from last year.

UTAH

Utah egg production during April 2023 was 150.8 million eggs, down 10 percent from March 2023 and down slightly from April 2022 production, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. The average number of layers on hand during April 2023 was 6.11 million, up 2 percent from April 2023 and up 5 percent from last year. Eggs per 100 layers were 2,469 eggs, down 5 percent from last year.

UNITED STATES

United States egg production totaled 9.01 billion during April 2023, up 1 percent from last year. Production included 7.71 billion table eggs, and 1.30 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.19 billion were broiler-type and 103 million were eggtype. The average number of layers during April 2023 totaled 386 million, up 4 percent from last year. April egg production per 100 layers was 2,336 eggs, down 2 percent from April 2022.

Total layers in the United States on May 1, 2023 totaled 387 million, up 5 percent from last year. The 387 million layers consisted of 317 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 65.6 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 4.00 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on May 1, 2023, averaged 77.8 eggs per 100 layers, down 2 percent from May 1, 2022.

Egg-type chicks hatched during April 2023 totaled 46.4 million, down 8 percent from April 2022. Eggs in incubators totaled 47.4 million on May 1, 2023, down 7 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 234 thousand during April 2023, up 13 percent from April 2022.

Broiler-type chicks hatched during April 2023 totaled 819 million, down slightly from April 2022. Eggs in incubators totaled 723 million on May 1, 2023, up slightly from a year ago.

Leading breeders placed 7.88 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during April 2023, down 1 percent from April 2022.

For the full copy of *Chicken and Eggs* report, please visit <u>www.nass.usda.gov</u>. For state specific questions, please contact the following State Statisticians at 1-800-392-3202.

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