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MARCH EGG PRODUCTION UP 1 PERCENT

United States egg production totaled 8.20 billion during March 2014, up 1 percent from last year. Production included 7.13 billion table eggs, and 1.07 billion hatching eggs, of which 995 million were broiler-type and 77 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during March 2014 averaged 350 million, up 1 percent from last year. March egg production per 100 layers was 2,341 eggs, up 1 percent from March 2013.

All layers in the United States on April 1, 2014 totaled 350 million, up slightly from last year. The 350 million layers consisted of 294 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 53.2 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 3.02 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on April 1, 2014, averaged 75.7 eggs per 100 layers, up slightly from April 1, 2013.

Egg Production by Type – States and United States: March 2013 and 2014

State	Total production			Table eggs			Hatching eggs		
	2013	2014	Percent of previous year	2013	2014	Percent of previous year	2013	2014	Percent of previous year
	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(percent)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(percent)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(percent)
Alabama	194	175	90	38	36	95	156	139	89
Florida	188	206	110	183	201	110	5	5	100
Georgia	387	399	103	216	231	107	171	168	98
South Carolina	95	91	96	73	70	96	22	21	95
United States	8,090	8,196	101	7,003	7,125	102	1,087	1,072	99

Source: USDA-National Agriculture Statistics Service, *Chickens and Eggs* Report, April 2014.

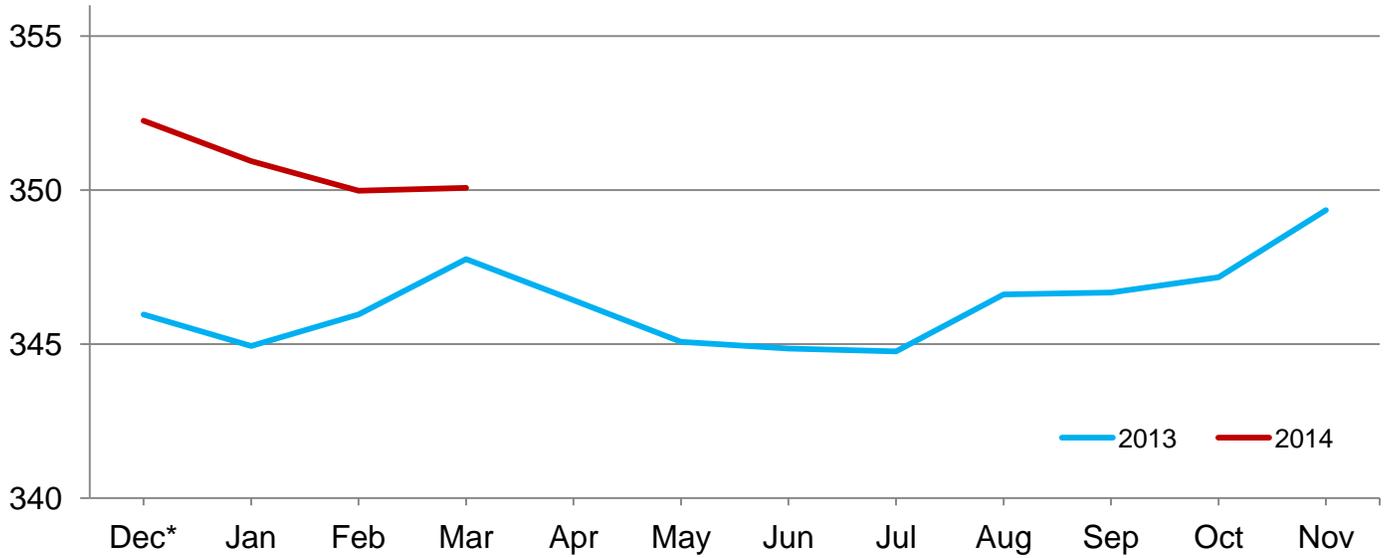
Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced – States and United States: During March 2013 and 2014

State	Total egg layers in flocks 30,000 and above			All layers			Eggs per 100 for all layers		
	2013	2014	Percent of previous year	2013	2014	Percent of previous year	2013	2014	Percent of previous year
	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(percent)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(percent)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(percent)
Alabama	1,547	1,468	95	9,468	9,155	97	2,049	1,912	93
Florida	7,856	8,181	104	8,192	8,491	104	2,295	2,426	106
Georgia	8,875	9,412	106	17,650	18,177	103	2,193	2,195	100
South Carolina	3,153	2,968	94	4,407	4,174	95	2,156	2,180	101
United States	287,546	289,191	101	347,762	350,071	101	2,326	2,341	101

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Average Layers During the Month – United States

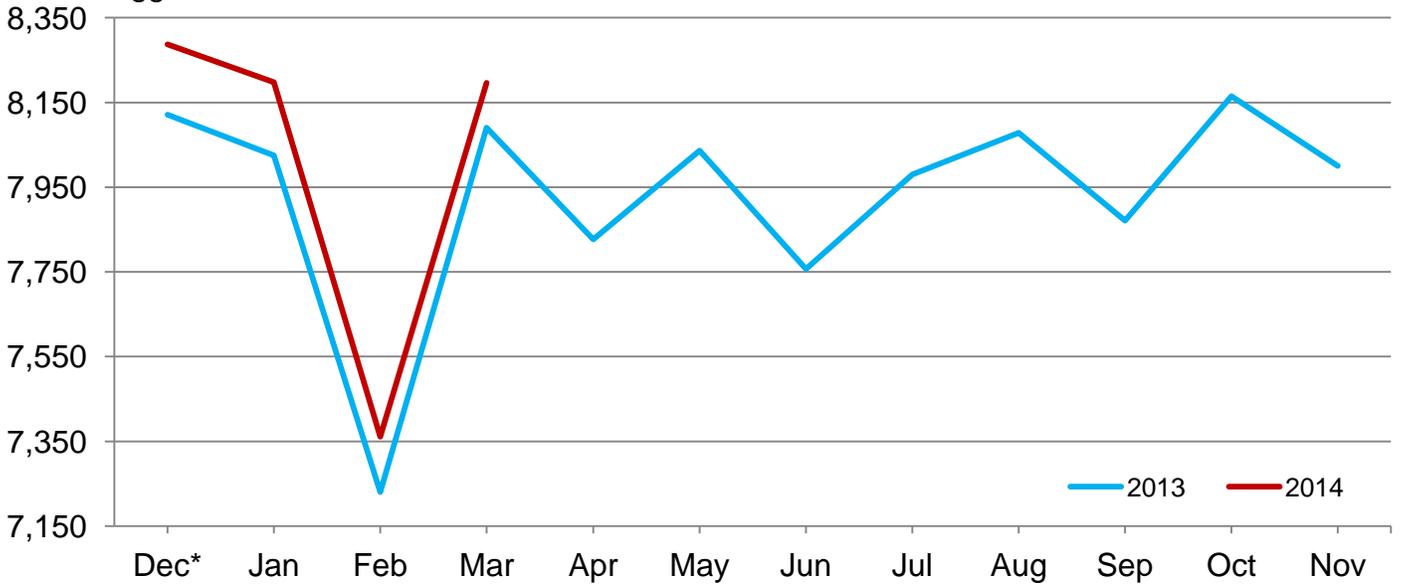
Million layers



* December previous year

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