



# Iowa Ag News – Chickens & Eggs

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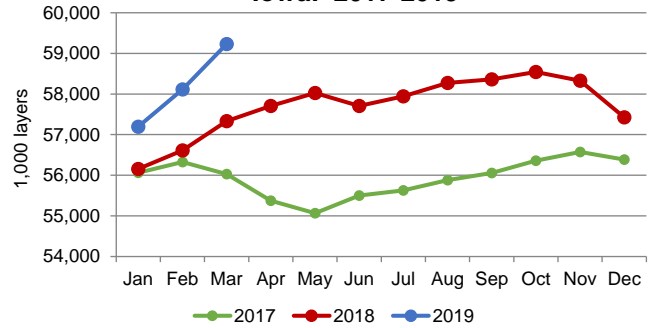
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Iowa **egg production** during March 2019 was 1.43 billion eggs, up 10 percent from last month and up 5 percent from last year, according to the latest *Chickens and Eggs* report from the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service.

The average number of **all layers on hand** during March 2019 was 59.2 million, up 2 percent from last month and up 3 percent from last year. **Eggs per 100 layers** for March were 2,414, up 8 percent from last month and up 2 percent from last year.

**Average Number of All Layers on Hand  
Iowa: 2017-2019**



## Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced – States and United States: During March 2018 and 2019

[Data may not add to totals due to rounding. Data by type of flock not shown for some states to avoid disclosing individual operations, data included in United States totals.]

State	Table egg layers in flocks 30,000 & above		All layers on hand		Eggs per 100 layers		Total egg production		Table egg production	
	2018	2019	2018	2019	2018	2019	2018	2019	2018	2019
	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(eggs)	(eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)
Alabama .....	1,327	1,421	9,731	10,203	1,872	1,901	182.2	194.0	32.6	35.2
Arkansas .....	4,329	(D)	14,821	14,993	2,063	2,026	305.7	303.8	123.0	(D)
California .....	13,676	12,937	14,419	13,665	2,524	2,402	363.9	328.3	(D)	(D)
Colorado .....	4,231	4,391	4,751	4,904	2,578	2,571	122.5	126.1	(D)	(D)
Florida <sup>1</sup> .....	7,042	(NA)	7,503	(NA)	2,300	(NA)	172.6	(NA)	167.8	(NA)
Georgia .....	9,388	9,981	19,671	20,513	2,077	2,135	408.6	438.0	218.9	242.2
Illinois .....	5,378	6,047	5,951	6,585	2,541	2,237	151.2	147.3	147.0	144.8
Indiana .....	32,113	34,028	33,341	35,304	2,390	2,507	797.0	885.2	782.5	868.1
<b>Iowa</b> .....	<b>55,554</b>	<b>57,502</b>	<b>57,332</b>	<b>59,229</b>	<b>2,378</b>	<b>2,414</b>	<b>1,363.1</b>	<b>1,429.8</b>	<b>1,345.4</b>	<b>1,408.2</b>
Kentucky <sup>2</sup> .....	(NA)	(D)	(NA)	5,733	(NA)	2,226	(NA)	127.6	(NA)	(D)
Maryland .....	2,538	2,512	2,734	2,704	2,524	2,548	69.0	68.9	67.8	67.6
Michigan .....	15,242	15,943	15,554	16,257	2,531	2,483	393.7	403.6	(D)	(D)
Minnesota .....	10,327	10,582	10,904	11,151	2,422	2,516	264.1	280.6	256.0	272.3
Mississippi .....	1,450	(D)	5,785	5,706	2,140	2,114	123.8	120.6	38.9	(D)
Missouri .....	7,363	7,761	11,819	12,752	2,469	2,436	291.8	310.6	(D)	275.9
Nebraska .....	7,453	8,211	7,685	8,491	2,570	2,527	197.5	214.6	193.8	209.4
New York .....	4,971	4,959	5,497	5,506	2,574	2,621	141.5	144.3	(D)	(D)
North Carolina .....	7,027	6,282	15,550	14,915	2,153	2,132	334.8	318.0	180.6	157.9
Ohio .....	31,781	35,938	32,981	37,137	2,360	2,547	778.3	945.7	(D)	(D)
Oklahoma <sup>2</sup> .....	(NA)	(D)	(NA)	3,069	(NA)	1,952	(NA)	59.9	(NA)	(D)
Oregon .....	2,306	2,184	2,499	2,377	2,689	2,541	67.2	60.4	67.2	60.4
Pennsylvania .....	26,088	25,380	28,607	27,900	2,526	2,453	722.5	684.4	694.3	654.5
South Carolina .....	2,972	3,254	4,226	4,541	2,220	2,352	93.8	106.8	72.0	84.1
South Dakota .....	2,563	2,795	2,618	2,850	2,628	2,488	68.8	70.9	68.8	70.9
Texas .....	17,779	(D)	22,601	22,442	2,295	2,334	518.6	523.9	(D)	(D)
Utah .....	5,187	4,777	5,239	4,829	2,453	2,618	128.5	126.4	128.5	126.4
Virginia .....	733	922	2,573	2,774	2,347	2,199	60.4	61.0	29.6	30.5
Washington .....	6,496	6,764	6,661	6,929	2,491	2,670	165.9	185.0	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin .....	6,114	6,038	7,202	7,152	2,417	2,328	174.1	166.5	(D)	160.5
Other States <sup>3</sup> .....	24,116	26,874	34,330	32,979	2,278	2,402	782.2	792.2	646.0	715.0
<b>United States</b> .....	<b>315,544</b>	<b>325,275</b>	<b>392,585</b>	<b>403,590</b>	<b>2,354</b>	<b>2,385</b>	<b>9,243.3</b>	<b>9,624.4</b>	<b>8,070.2</b>	<b>8,421.3</b>

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

(NA) Not available.

<sup>1</sup> Included in Other States in 2019.

<sup>2</sup> Included in Other States in 2018.

<sup>3</sup> Includes data for states not published in the table.

## United States Chickens & Eggs – March 2019

United States egg production totaled 9.62 billion during March 2019, up 4 percent from last year. Production included 8.42 billion table eggs, and 1.20 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.11 billion were broiler-type and 89.6 million were egg-type. The average number of layers during March 2019 totaled 404 million, up 3 percent from last year. March egg production per 100 layers was 2,385 eggs, up 1 percent from March 2018.

All layers in the United States on April 1, 2019 totaled 404 million, up 3 percent from last year. The 404 million layers consisted of 341 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 59.4 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 3.38 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on April 1, 2019, averaged 77.3 eggs per 100 layers, up 2 percent from April 1, 2018.

Egg-type chicks hatched during March 2019 totaled 55.7 million, down 4 percent from March 2018. Eggs in incubators totaled 58.1 million on April 1, 2019, up 4 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 189 thousand during March 2019, up 3 percent from March 2018.

Broiler-type chicks hatched during March 2019 totaled 836 million, up 1 percent from March 2018. Eggs in incubators totaled 694 million on April 1, 2019, up 2 percent from a year ago.

### Average Layers During the Month – United States

