Minnesota egg production during March 2021 was 204 million eggs, up 10% from last month but down 8% from a year ago, 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 2021 was 8.10 million, down slightly from last month and down 4% from last March. Eggs per 100 layers for March were 2.519, up 11% from last month but down 4% from March 2020.

### Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced – States and United States: During March 2020 and 2021

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<th>State</th>
<th>Table egg layers in flocks 30,000 &amp; above</th>
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(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.
1 Includes data for States not published in the table.

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United States egg production totaled 9.54 billion during March 2021, down slightly from last year. Production included 8.25 billion table eggs, and 1.29 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.21 billion were broiler-type and 82.8 million were egg-type. The average number of layers during March 2021 totaled 393 million, down 1% from last year. March egg production per 100 layers was 2,427 eggs, up 1% from March 2020.

Total layers in the United States on April 1, 2021 totaled 392 million, down 1% from last year. The 392 million layers consisted of 326 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 63.6 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 3.09 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on April 1, 2021, averaged 78.8 eggs per 100 layers, up 1% from April 1, 2020.

Egg-type chicks hatched during March 2021 totaled 62.3 million, up 11% from March 2020. Eggs in incubators totaled 55.7 million on April 1, 2021, down 3% from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 327 thousand during March 2021, up 2% from March 2020.

Broiler-type chicks hatched during March 2021 totaled 842 million, down 2% from March 2020. Eggs in incubators totaled 717 million on April 1, 2021, up 4% from a year ago.

The complete report can be found under Publications on the USDA NASS website at www.nass.usda.gov.