



# Farm Report



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<b>FEATURING:</b>	Chick & Eggs	Poultry PDI	Milk Prod.	Slaughter	Cold Storage
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## OHIO EGG PRODUCTION

Egg production in Ohio during March, 2007, totaled 638 million eggs, up 14 percent from last month but down 3 percent compared with a year earlier when production for March, 2006 totaled 657 million eggs. During March there were 27.7 million layers on Ohio farms. The rate of lay during the month was 2,304 eggs per 100 layers, or 74.3 percent. There were 2.5 percent of the layers in Ohio being force molted on April 1, 2007. There were 25.0 percent of the layers in Ohio that have completed a forced molt compared with 23.5 percent a year ago. In all egg-producing states on April 1, 2007, 2.8 percent of the layers on hand were in a molt and 23.5 percent had completed a molt.

U.S. egg production totaled 7.77 billion during March 2007, down 1 percent from last year. Production included 6.65 billion table eggs, and 1.12 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.06 billion were broiler-type and 68 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during March 2007 averaged 346 million, down 1 percent from last year. March egg production per 100 layers was 2,243 eggs, up slightly from March 2006.

All layers in the U.S. on April 1, 2007 totaled 346 million, down 1 percent from last year. The 346 million layers consisted of 286

million layers producing table or market type eggs, 56.3 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 2.80 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on April 1, 2007, averaged 73.0 eggs per 100 layers, up slightly from April 1, 2006.

Egg-type chicks hatched during March 2007 totaled 40.5 million, up 4 percent from March 2006. Eggs in incubators totaled 39.5 million on April 1, 2007, up 11 percent from a year ago.

Broiler-type chicks hatched during March 2007 totaled 811 million, down 1 percent from March 2006. Eggs in incubators totaled 667 million on April 1, 2007, up 1 percent from a year earlier.

Turkey eggs in incubators in the United States on April 1, 2007 totaled 31.5 million, up 4 percent from April 1, 2006. Eggs in incubators were up 1 percent from the March 1, 2007 total of 31.2 million eggs. Regional changes from the previous year were: East North Central up 1 percent, West North Central up 9 percent, North and South Atlantic up 2 percent, and South Central and West up 1 percent.

## MARCH EGG PRODUCTION

	Layers on hand during month		Eggs per 100 layers 2007	Total production			
	2006	2007		Monthly		Accumulated <sup>1/</sup>	
				2006	2007	2006	2007
	Thousands		Number	Million			
Ohio	29,053	27,687	2,304	657	638	2,594	2,459
U.S.	350,470	346,437	2,243	7,843	7,769	30,343	30,099

<sup>1/</sup> Accumulation period began December of previous year.

## CHICKS HATCHED BY COMMERCIAL HATCHERIES, UNITED STATES

	Egg-Type			Broiler-type			Turkeys placed <sup>1/</sup>		
	2006	2007	2007/2006	2006	2007	2007/2006	2006	2007	2007/2006
Mar.	38,805	40,537	104	817,842	810,732	99	25,230	26,630	106
Jan.-Mar.	107,373	114,229	106	2,356,068	2,331,551	99	164,564	173,043	105

<sup>1/</sup> Accumulation period for turkeys begins September 1.

## EGGS IN INCUBATORS - APRIL 1, 2007

	Egg-type eggs			Broiler-type eggs			Turkey eggs		
	2006	2007	2007/2006	2006	2007	2007/2006	2006	2007	2007/2006
E. North Central <sup>1/</sup>	6,972	8,473	122	9,572	9,681	101	4,880	4,924	101
United States	35,672	39,493	111	660,060	666,950	101	30,189	31,470	104

<sup>1/</sup> Not available by States.

EGG PRODUCTION, PRICE AND VALUE, OHIO AND UNITED STATES, 2005 AND 2006<sup>1</sup>

	Ohio		United States	
	2005	2006	2005	2006
Eggs produced (million eggs)	7,506	7,507	90,027	90,877
Price per dozen (dollars) <sup>2</sup>	0.365	0.459	0.540	0.579
Value of production (000 dollars)	228,182	287,198	4,049,293	4,387,528

1/ December 1, previous year through November 30. 2/ Includes hatching and market (table) eggs.

 BROILER PRODUCTION, PRICE AND VALUE, OHIO AND UNITED STATES, 2005 AND 2006<sup>1 2</sup>

	Ohio		United States <sup>3</sup>	
	2005	2006	2005	2006
Number produced (000 head)	43,100	45,600	8,872,000	8,636,500
Pounds produced (000 pounds)	228,400	241,700	47,855,600	47,575,000
Price per pound (dollars) <sup>4</sup>	0.44	0.39	0.436	0.386
Value production (000 dollars)	100,496	94,263	20,877,916	18,367,639

1/ Broiler production including other domestic meat-type strains. 2/ December 1, 2005, through November 30, 2006. 3/ Excludes states producing less than 500,000 broilers. 4/ Live-weight equivalent price.

 TURKEY PRODUCTION, PRICE AND VALUE, OHIO AND UNITED STATES, 2005 AND 2006<sup>1</sup>

	Ohio		United States	
	2005	2006	2005	2006
Number raised (000 head) <sup>1</sup>	6,000	5,100	252,053	261,960
Pounds produced (000 pounds)	223,800	190,740	7,095,977	7,417,935
Price per pound (dollars) <sup>2</sup>	0.44	0.46	0.449	0.479
Value of production (000 dollars)	98,472	87,740	3,182,767	3,551,127

1/ Based on turkeys placed September 1, 2005 through August 31, 2006. Excludes young turkeys lost. 2/ Actual live weight prices for Ohio, U.S. combined actual live weight and live weight equivalent prices.

 CHICKEN DISPOSITION, PRICE AND VALUE, OHIO AND UNITED STATES, 2005 AND 2006<sup>1</sup>

Year	Lost <sup>2</sup>	Sold for Slaughter	Pounds Sold	Price per Pound	Value of Sales
	Thousand head	Thousand head	Thousand lbs.	Dollars	Thousand dollars
Ohio					
2005	6,266	15,977	54,322	0.002	109
2006	9,895	9,870	33,558	0.004	134
United States					
2005	93,041	193,246	1,001,792	0.065	64,739
2006	100,054	172,421	914,580	0.058	53,124

1/ December 1, 2005, through November 30, 2006. Excludes broilers. 2/ Includes rendered, died, destroyed, composted or disappeared for any reason during the 12 month period.

## U.S. MARCH MILK PRODUCTION UP 1.1 PERCENT

The total milk production in Ohio during March 2007 was 424 million pounds; 2 million pounds less than a year earlier. The average number of cows on Ohio farms during March 2007 was 275 thousand; 2,000 head more than a year earlier. The yield per cow, at 1,540 pounds, was down 1 percent from last year's milk per cow.

Milk production in the 23 major States during March totaled 14.8 billion pounds, up 1.1 percent from March 2006. February

revised production, at 13.1 billion pounds, was up 0.6 percent from February 2006. The February revision represented a decrease of 31 million pounds or 0.2 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,782 pounds for March, 7 pounds above March 2006. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.28 million head, 58,000 head more than March 2006, and 5,000 head more than February 2007.

### FEBRUARY MANUFACTURED DAIRY PRODUCTS

	Ohio			United States		
	2006	2007	07/06	2006	2007	07/06
	1,000 Gallons			1,000 Gallons		
Ice Cream (Hard)	1,677	1,963	117	62,916	64,615	103

### MARCH MILK COWS AND MILK PRODUCTION

State	Milk cow on farm <sup>1/</sup>			Milk per cow			Milk Production <sup>2/</sup>			07/06
	Mar. 2006	Feb. 2007	Mar. 2007	Mar. 2006	Feb. 2007	Mar. 2007	Mar. 2006	Feb. 2007	Mar. 2007	
	Thousand			Pounds			Million Pounds			Percent
California	1,781	1,793	1,796	1,925	1,755	1,975	3,428	3,147	3,547	104
<b>Ohio</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>1,560</b>	<b>1,390</b>	<b>1,540</b>	<b>426</b>	<b>382</b>	<b>424</b>	<b>100</b>
Wisconsin	1,241	1,246	1,246	1,620	1,470	1,640	2,010	1,832	2,043	102
23 State Total	8,224	8,277	8,282	1,775	1,582	1,782	14,599	13,098	14,760	101

1/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. 2/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

## U.S. RED MEAT PRODUCTION UP FROM PREVIOUS MONTH

Commercial red meat production in Ohio during March 2007 totaled 25.0 million pounds; down 2 percent from a year earlier. Total live weight slaughtered in Ohio by species, compared with a year earlier was: cattle, 11.3 million pounds, up 8 percent; calves, 26,000 pounds, up 30 percent; hogs, 25.8 million pounds, down 4 percent; sheep & lambs, 110,000 pounds, up 38 percent from last year. March 2007 included 22 weekdays and 5 Saturdays.

Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 4.01 billion pounds in March, down 2 percent from the 4.11 billion pounds produced in March 2006.

Beef production, at 2.12 billion pounds, was 4 percent below the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.79 million head, down 2 percent from March 2006. The average live weight was down 10

pounds from the previous year, at 1,259 pounds. Veal production totaled 13.5 million pounds, 7 percent above March a year ago. Calf slaughter totaled 70,800 head, up 20 percent from March 2006. The average live weight was down 38 pounds from last year, at 321 pounds.

Pork production totaled 1.86 billion pounds, down 1 percent from the previous year. Hog kill totaled 9.20 million head, down slightly from March 2006. The average live weight was down 1 pound from the previous year, at 270 pounds.

Lamb and mutton production, at 19.6 million pounds, was up 7 percent from March 2006. Sheep slaughter totaled 278,600 head, 12 percent above last year. The average live weight was 140 pounds, down 5 pounds from March a year ago.

### MARCH COMMERCIAL LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER

Item	Ohio			United States		
	2006	2007	Pct. of prev. yr.	2006	2007	Pct. of prev. yr.
	Number of Head (000)					
Cattle	9.1	9.6	105	2,854.0	2,792.6	98
Calves	.1	.1	100	59.1	70.8	120
Hogs	99.0	95.8	97	9,235.8	9,203.2	100
Sheep & Lambs	.8	1.0	125	249.8	278.6	112
	Average live weight (lbs)					
Cattle	1,176	1,192	101	1,269	1,259	99
Calves	350	350	100	359	321	89
Hogs	272	270	99	271	270	100
Sheep & Lambs	104	107	103	145	140	97
	Total live weight (000 lbs)					
Cattle	10,500	11,298	108	3,607,680	3,504,629	97
Calves	20	26	130	21,078	22,588	107
Hogs	26,915	25,826	96	2,504,377	2,485,226	99
Sheep & Lambs	80	110	138	36,178	39,013	108

## MARCH COLD STORAGE REPORT

Frozen food stocks in refrigerated warehouses on March 31, 2007 were greater than year earlier levels for cheese and pork.

Stocks of pork bellies were up 18 percent from last month but down 10 percent from last year.

Butter stocks were up 4 percent from last month but down 1 percent from a year ago.

Total frozen poultry supplies on March 31, 2007 were up 2 percent from the previous month but down 24 percent from a year ago. Total stocks of chicken were down 4 percent from the previous month and down 32 percent from last year. Total pounds of turkey in freezers were up 13 percent from last month but down 7 percent from March 31, 2006.

Total red meat supplies in freezers were down slightly from last month but slightly from the previous year. Frozen pork supplies were up 5 percent from last month and up slightly from last year.

### STOCKS IN COLD STORAGE MARCH 31, 2007 WITH COMPARISONS

Commodity	Mar 31, 2006	Feb 28, 2007	Mar 31, 2007	March 31, 2007 as percent of	
				03/31/06	02/28/07
		1,000 Pounds			Percent
Butter	195,330	185,426	193,083	99	104
Cheese, Total Natural	810,674	856,419	872,881	108	102
Eggs, Frozen	20,757	15,693	14,738	71	94
Fruits, Frozen	746,981	942,383	835,576	112	89
Fruit Juices, Frozen	1,319,462	1,095,124	1,198,237	91	109
Meats, Total Red	959,752	961,727	959,800	100	100
Beef, Total Frozen	436,157	457,254	432,571	99	95
Pork, Total Frozen	504,978	483,200	505,649	100	105
Poultry, Total Frozen	1,255,037	937,584	952,130	76	102
Chicken	869,367	620,074	594,415	68	96
Turkeys	377,747	312,737	352,054	93	113
Vegetables, Total Frozen	1,711,204	1,766,620	1,541,470	90	87
Potatoes, Total Frozen	1,158,885	1,063,645	1,114,130	96	105

Data for this report are collected from public and private refrigerated warehouses storing commodities for 30 days or more. Stocks in space owned or leased by the armed forces are excluded. Food stocks held under bond are included in the storage data.

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