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Chickens and Eggs



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March Egg Production Up 4 Percent

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 Production by Type — States and United States: March 2018 and 2019

State	Total production			Table eggs			Hatching eggs		
	2018	2019	Percent of previous year	2018	2019	Percent of previous year	2018	2019	Percent of previous year
	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(percent)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(percent)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(percent)
Alabama	182.2	194.0	106	32.6	35.2	108	149.6	158.8	106
Florida	172.6	(NA)	(NA)	167.8	(NA)	(NA)	4.8	(NA)	(NA)
Georgia	408.6	438.0	107	218.9	242.2	111	189.7	195.8	103
South Carolina	93.8	106.8	114	72.0	84.1	117	21.8	22.7	104
United States	9,243.3	9,624.4	104	8,070.2	8,421.3	104	1,173.1	1,203.1	103

(NA) Not available.

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - *Chickens and Eggs*, April 2019

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

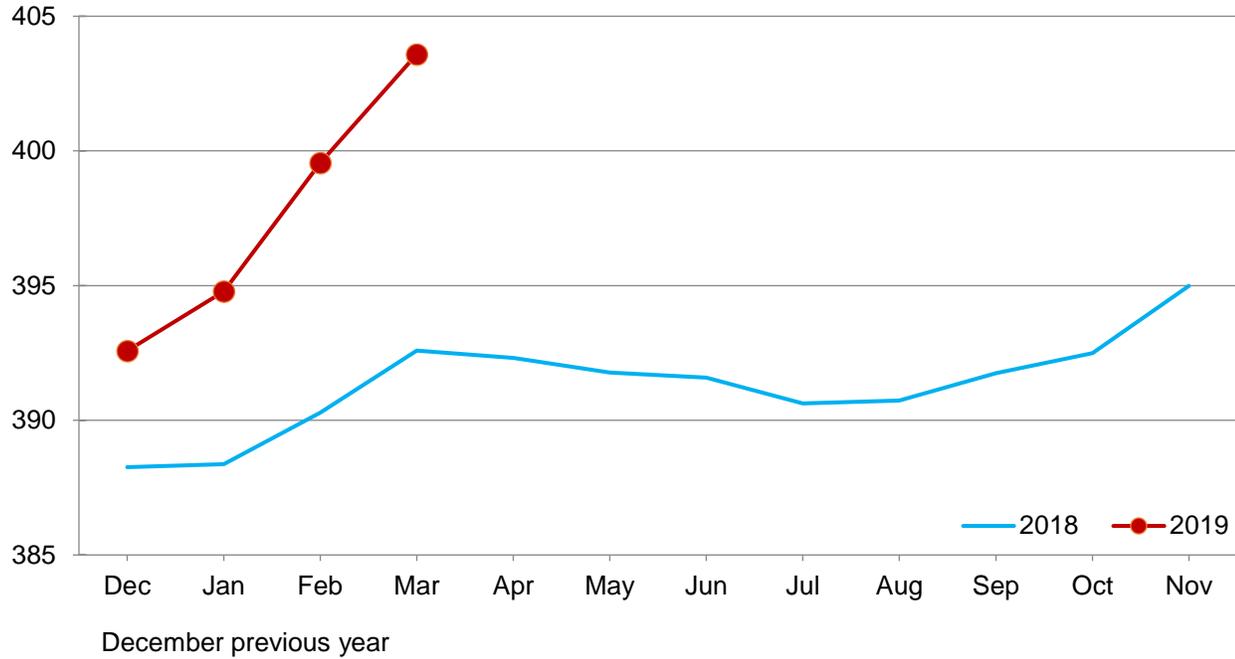
State	Total egg layers in flocks 30,000 and above			All layers			Eggs per 100 for all layers		
	2018	2019	Percent of previous year	2018	2019	Percent of previous year	2018	2019	Percent of previous year
	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(percent)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(percent)	(eggs)	(eggs)	(percent)
Alabama	1,327	1,421	107	9,731	10,203	105	1,872	1,901	102
Florida	7,042	(NA)	(NA)	7,503	(NA)	(NA)	2,300	(NA)	(NA)
Georgia	9,388	9,981	106	19,671	20,513	104	2,077	2,135	103
South Carolina	2,972	3,254	109	4,226	4,541	107	2,220	2,352	106
United States	315,544	325,275	103	392,585	403,590	103	2,354	2,385	101

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Average Layers During the Month — United States

Million layers



All Egg Production During the Month — United States

Million eggs

