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February Egg Production Up 3 Percent

United States egg production totaled 8.94 billion during February 2020, up 3 percent from last year. Production included 7.79 billion table eggs, and 1.15 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.07 billion were broiler-type and 81.3 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during February 2020 averaged 397 million, down 2 percent from last year. February egg production per 100 layers was 2,254 eggs, up 5 percent from February 2019.

Total layers in the United States on March 1, 2020 totaled 394 million, down 3 percent from last year. The 394 million layers consisted of 330 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 60.9 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 3.41 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on March 1, 2020, averaged 77.5 eggs per 100 layers, up 1 percent from March 1, 2019.

Egg Production by Type — States and United States: February 2019 and 2020

State	Total production			Table eggs			Hatching eggs		
	2019	2020	Percent of previous year	2019	2020	Percent of previous year	2019	2020	Percent of previous year
	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(percent)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(percent)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(percent)
Alabama	173.6	191.6	110	31.8	33.7	106	141.8	157.9	111
Georgia.....	386.9	395.0	102	211.8	211.4	100	175.1	183.6	105
South Carolina.....	90.0	84.1	93	69.5	62.1	89	20.5	22.0	107
United States	8,688.7	8,940.0	103	7,603.8	7,785.8	102	1,084.9	1,154.2	106

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - [Chickens and Eggs](#), March 2020

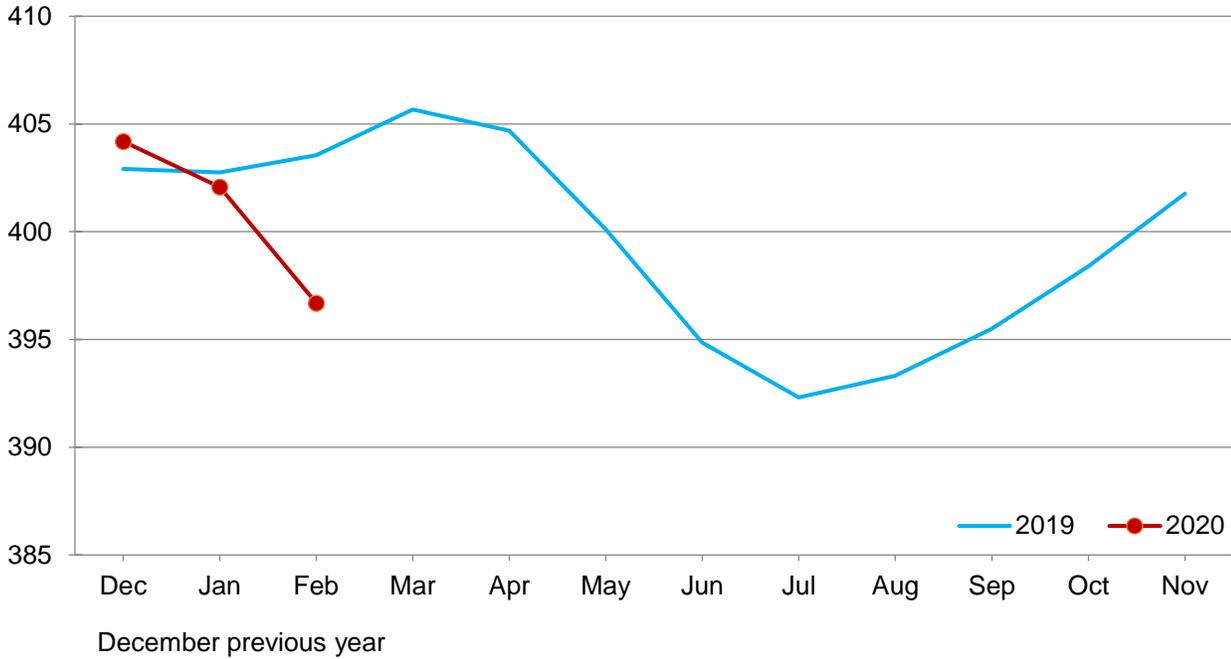
Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced — States and United States: During February 2019 and 2020

State	Total egg layers in flocks 30,000 and above			All layers			Eggs per 100 for all layers		
	2019	2020	Percent of previous year	2019	2020	Percent of previous year	2019	2020	Percent of previous year
	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(percent)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(percent)	(eggs)	(eggs)	(percent)
Alabama	1,405	1,432	102	10,135	10,635	105	1,713	1,802	105
Georgia.....	9,797	9,327	95	20,157	19,796	98	1,919	1,995	104
South Carolina.....	3,082	2,667	87	4,354	3,990	92	2,067	2,108	102
United States	325,217	316,612	97	403,552	396,689	98	2,153	2,254	105

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Average Layers During the Month — United States

Million layers



All Egg Production During the Month — United States

Million eggs

