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Southern Region News Release Chickens and Eggs



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This report contains the results from the Monthly Chickens and Eggs Survey. Thanks to all who responded.

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January Egg Production Down 6 Percent

United States egg production totaled 9.06 billion during January 2023, down 6 percent from last year. Production included 7.76 billion table eggs, and 1.30 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.19 billion were broiler-type and 102 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during January 2023 averaged 375 million, down 5 percent from last year. January egg production per 100 layers was 2,413 eggs, down 2 percent from January 2022.

All layers in the United States on February 1, 2023 totaled 376 million, down 4 percent from last year. The 376 million layers consisted of 309 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 63.2 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 3.80 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on February 1, 2023, averaged 77.6 eggs per 100 layers, down 2 percent from February 1, 2022.

Egg Production by Type - States and United States: January 2022 and 2023

| State | Total production | | | Table eggs | | Hatching eggs | |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| | 2022 | 2023 | Percent of previous year | 2022 | 2023 | 2022 | 2023 |
| | (million eggs) | (million eggs) | (percent) | (million eggs) | (million eggs) | (million eggs) | (million eggs) |
| Alabama Georgia South Carolina | 209.9 430.3 86.0 | 219.5 456.0 91.1 | 105 106 106 | 35.9 234.3 63.7 | 36.4 255.2 68.5 | 174.0 196.0 22.3 | 183.1 200.8 22.6 |
| United States | 9,677.0 | 9,058.0 | 94 | 8,370.1 | 7,762.4 | 1,306.9 | 1,295.6 |

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - Chickens and Eggs, February 2023

Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced – States and United States: During January 2022 and 2023

| State | Total layers | | | Total egg layers in flocks 30,000 and above | | Eggs per 100 for total layers | |
|---------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|---|-------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
| | 2022 | 2023 | Percent of previous year | 2022 | 2023 | 2022 | 2023 |
| | (1,000 layers) | (1,000 layers) | (percent) | (1,000 layers) | (1,000 layers) | (eggs) | (eggs) |
| Alabama | 10,748 19,446 3,803 | 11,533 20,472 3,869 | 107 105 102 | 1,342 9,000 2,558 | 1,388 9,914 2,570 | 1,953 2,213 2,261 | 1,903 2,227 2,355 |
| United States | 394,962 | 375,316 | 95 | 311,580 | 291,373 | 2,450 | 2,413 |

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - Chickens and Eggs, February 2023

Average Layers During the Month – United States

Million layers 400 395 390 385 380 375 370 2022 -2023 365 Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov December previous year

Total Egg Production During the Month – United States

