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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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### August Egg Production Up 2 Percent

United States egg production totaled 9.38 billion during August 2023, up 2 percent from last year. Production included 8.06 billion table eggs, and 1.32 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.23 billion were broiler-type and 94.9 million were egg-type. The average number of layers during August 2023 totaled 384 million, up 3 percent from last year. August egg production per 100 layers was 2,440 eggs, down slightly from August 2022.

Total layers in the United States on September 1, 2023 totaled 386 million, up 3 percent from last year. The 386 million layers consisted of 318 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 63.6 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 3.75 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on September 1, 2023, averaged 78.4 eggs per 100 layers, down 1 percent from September 1, 2022.

### Egg Production by Type – States and United States: August 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 .....       | 224.8            | 222.7          | 99                       | 32.8           | 35.0           | 192.0          | 187.7          |
| Georgia.....        | 441.2            | 429.5          | 97                       | 237.8          | 231.1          | 203.4          | 198.4          |
| South Carolina..... | 89.1             | 83.9           | 94                       | 65.8           | 60.1           | 23.3           | 23.8           |
| United States ..... | 9,158.4          | 9,380.9        | 102                      | 7,838.1        | 8,059.1        | 1,320.3        | 1,321.8        |

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - [Chickens and Eggs](#), September 2023

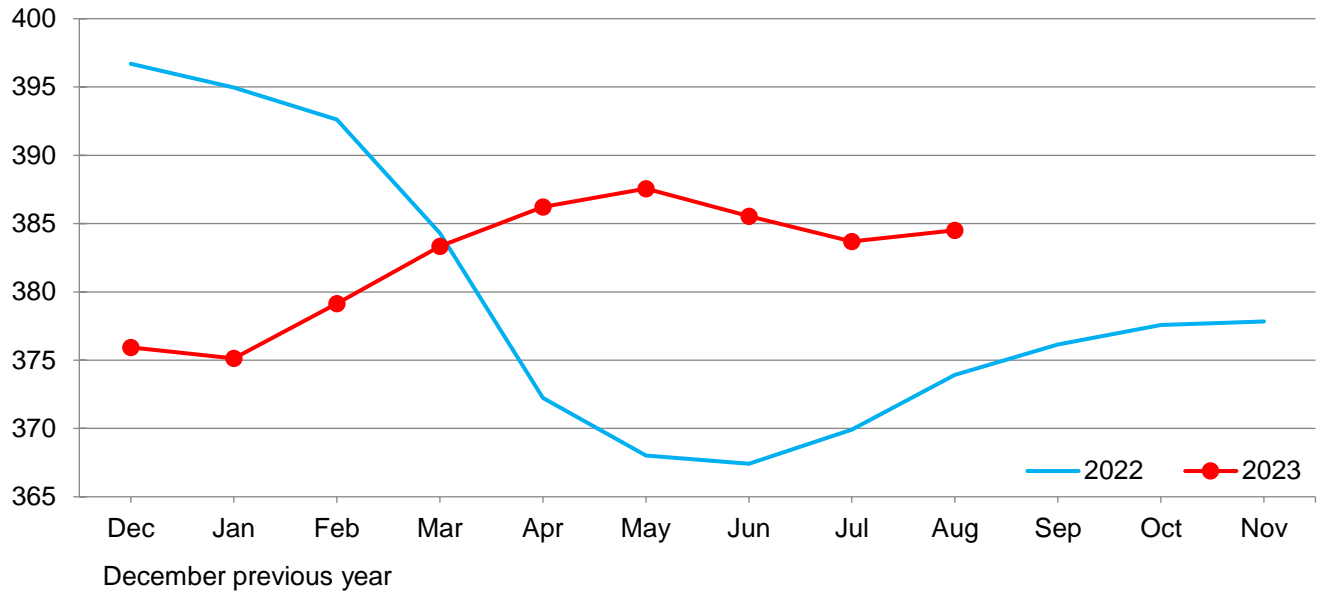
### Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced – States and United States: During August 2022 and 2023

| 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 .....       | 11,697         | 11,836         | 101                      | 1,274                                       | 1,386          | 1,922                         | 1,882  |
| Georgia.....        | 20,014         | 19,705         | 98                       | 9,560                                       | 9,252          | 2,204                         | 2,180  |
| South Carolina..... | 3,696          | 3,623          | 98                       | 2,418                                       | 2,332          | 2,411                         | 2,316  |
| United States ..... | 373,915        | 384,496        | 103                      | 290,413                                     | 299,989        | 2,449                         | 2,440  |

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - [Chickens and Eggs](#), September 2023

## Average Layers During the Month – United States

Million layers



## Total Egg Production During the Month – United States

Million eggs

