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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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November Egg Production Up 4 Percent

United States egg production totaled 9.30 billion during November 2023, up 4 percent from last year. Production included 8.02 billion table eggs, and 1.28 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.19 billion were broiler-type and 91.8 million were egg-type. The average number of layers during November 2023 totaled 390 million, up 3 percent from last year. November egg production per 100 layers was 2,385 eggs, up 1 percent from November 2022.

Total layers in the United States on December 1, 2023 totaled 389 million, up 3 percent from last year. The 389 million layers consisted of 322 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 63.9 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 3.62 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on December 1, 2023, averaged 79.4 eggs per 100 layers, up 1 percent from December 1, 2022.

Egg Production by Type – States and United States: November 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	210.7	217.6	103	38.9	36.1	171.8	181.5
Georgia.....	432.8	433.2	100	241.7	241.4	191.1	191.8
South Carolina.....	81.5	80.6	99	59.7	57.9	21.8	22.7
United States	8,947.2	9,302.4	104	7,691.3	8,021.9	1,255.9	1,280.5

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

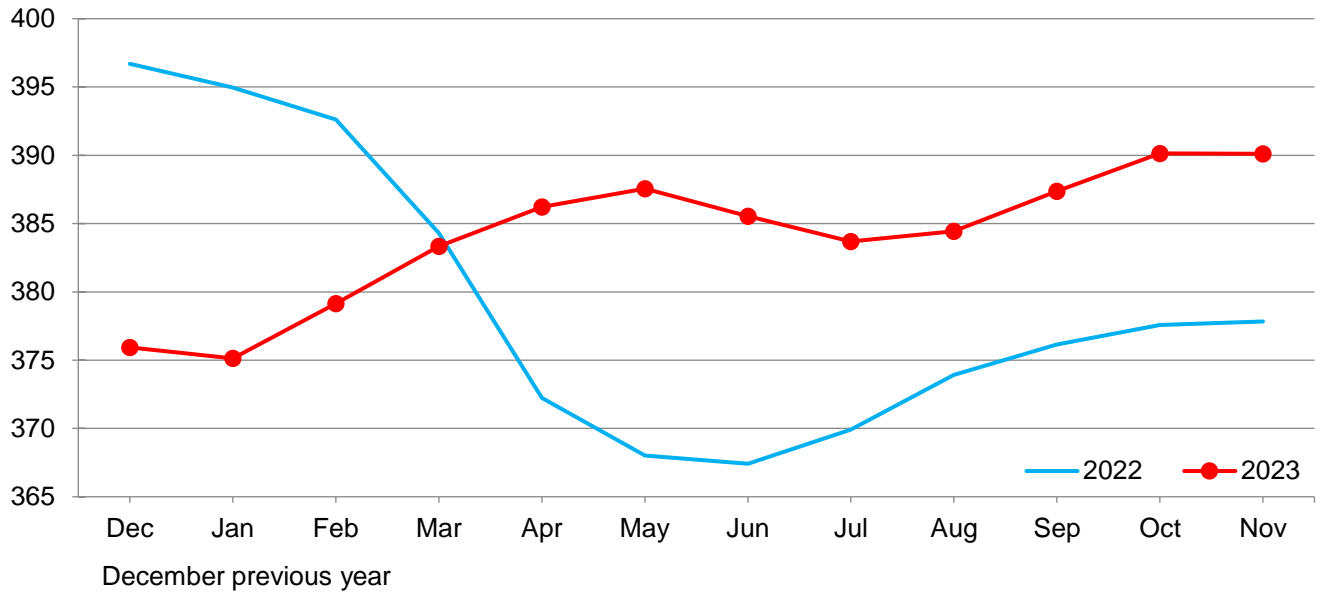
Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced – States and United States: During November 2022 and 2023

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	11,166	11,676	105	1,443	1,358	1,887	1,864
Georgia.....	20,159	20,031	99	9,920	9,605	2,147	2,163
South Carolina.....	3,699	3,514	95	2,438	2,204	2,203	2,294
United States	377,842	390,106	103	294,859	305,788	2,368	2,385

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Average Layers During the Month – United States

Million layers



Total Egg Production During the Month – United States

Million eggs

