



# News Release

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## **ANNUAL SOUTH DAKOTA CHICKEN AND EGGS**

SIOUX FALLS, SD, February 26, 2016 -- South Dakota's layer numbers during 2015 averaged 2.08 million, down 21 percent from the year earlier, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. The annual average production per layer on hand in 2015 was 291 eggs, up 2 percent from 2014.

South Dakota egg production during the year ending November 30, 2015 totaled 603 million eggs, down 20 percent from 2014.

Total number of chickens on hand on December 1, 2015 (excluding commercial broilers) was 2.05 million birds, down 40 percent from last year.

The total value of all chickens in South Dakota on December 1, 2015 was \$6.56 million, down 17 percent from December 1, 2014. The average value increased from \$2.30 per bird on December 1, 2014, to \$3.20 per bird on December 1, 2015.

Access the National publication for this release at:

<http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/ChickEgg//2010s/2016/ChickEgg-02-25-2016.pdf>

## **MONTHLY SOUTH DAKOTA CHICKEN AND EGGS**

SIOUX FALLS, SD, February 26, 2016 – All layers in South Dakota during January 2016 totaled 1.61 million, down from 2.64 million the previous year, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service.

South Dakota egg production during January totaled 38.0 million eggs, down from 64.0 million in 2015. January egg production per 100 layers was 2,365 eggs, compared to 2,426 eggs in 2015.

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<http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/ChicEggs//2010s/2016/ChicEggs-02-26-2016.pdf>

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