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ANNUAL SOUTH DAKOTA CHICKEN AND EGGS

SIoux FALLS, S.D. February 27, 2020 - South Dakota's layer numbers during 2019 averaged 2.76 million, up 6 percent from the year earlier, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. The annual average production per layer on hand in 2019 was 309 eggs, up 1 percent from 2018.

South Dakota egg production during the year ending November 30, 2019 totaled 854 million eggs, up 7 percent from 2018.

Total number of chickens on hand on December 1, 2019 (excluding commercial broilers) was 3.37 million birds, down 2 percent from last year.

The total value of all chickens in South Dakota on December 1, 2019 was \$12.1 million, up 1 percent from December 1, 2018. The average value increased from \$3.50 per bird on December 1, 2018, to \$3.60 per bird on December 1, 2019.

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