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2018 Poultry Production and Value

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. May 23, 2019 - The value of **egg production** in South Dakota during 2018 was \$63.8 million, up \$23.2 million from \$40.6 million in 2017, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service.

Egg production in 2018 was estimated at 798 million eggs, up 13.6 million from the previous year. Average number of layers for 2018 at 2.60 million was down 98,000.0 from 2017.

South Dakota producers raised 4.25 million **turkeys** in 2018, up 150,000 birds from 2017. The value of this production was \$91.5 million in 2018, down \$22.4 million from \$114 million in 2017. Pounds produced in 2018 totaled 179 million, up 3.05 million from 176 million pounds produced in 2017.

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