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On: NOVEMBER EGG PRODUCTION  
DOWN 2 PERCENT FROM A YEAR AGO

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Austin . . . November 2008 egg production in Texas totaled 426 million eggs, down 2 percent from November 2007 and down 2 percent from October 2008, according to the monthly report released by the Texas Field Office.

The number of layers during November averaged 18.8 million, down 2 percent from last year and down slightly from October 2008's 18.9 million. Egg production per 100 layers averaged 2261 eggs, up from last year's 2256 eggs and down 2 percent from last month.

Texas hatchery production of broiler-type chicks totaled 50.9 million, down 2 percent from last year.

United States egg production totaled 7.51 billion eggs during November 2008, down slightly from a year ago. Production included 6.47 billion table eggs, 970 million broiler-type hatching eggs and 71 million egg-type hatching eggs.

Nationally, the total number of layers averaged 339 million during November 2008, down 2 percent from a year ago. Production per 100 layers was 2217 eggs, up 1 percent from November 2007.

The U.S. monthly hatch of egg-type chicks totaled 36.6 million, up 1 percent from November 2007. The hatch of broiler-type chicks, at 706 million, was down 7 percent from November of last year.

The leading U.S. breeders placed 7.22 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during November 2008, down 5 percent from November 2007.