



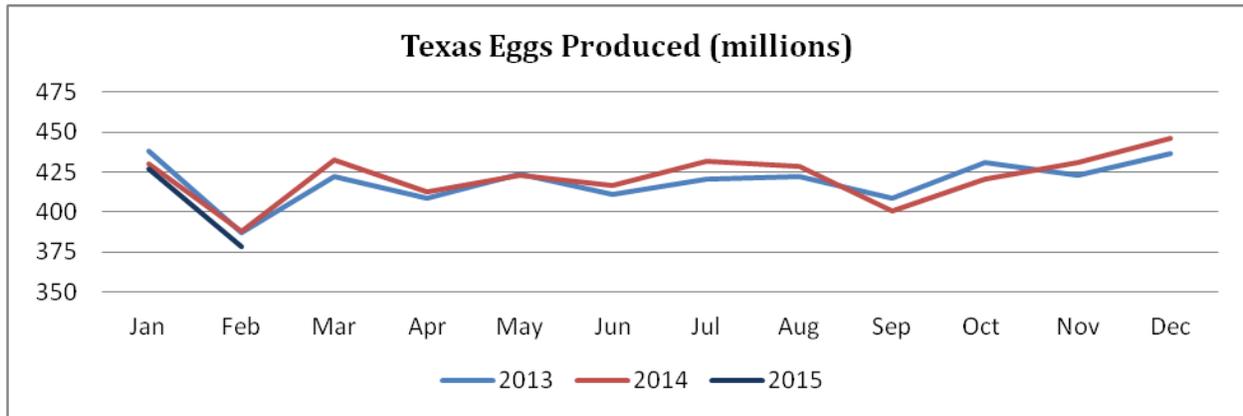
# Texas Chicken and Egg Report

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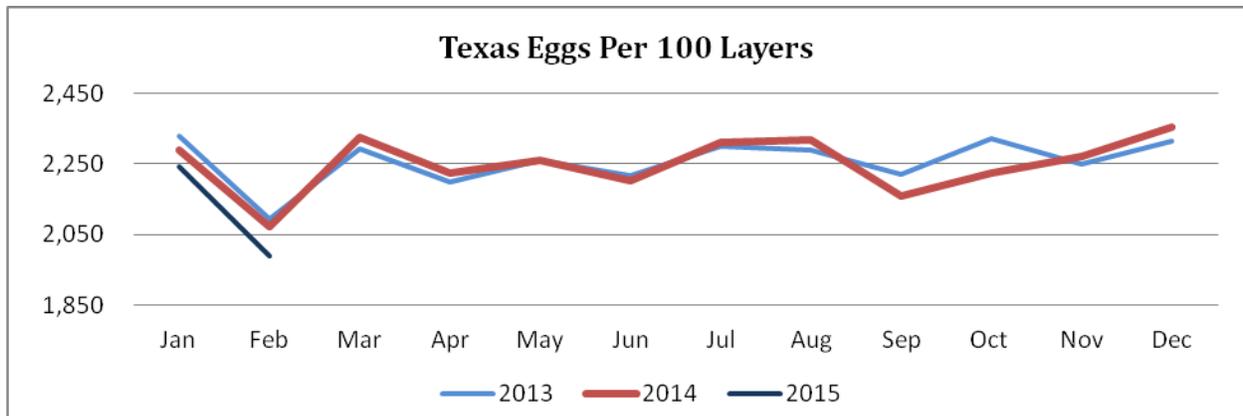
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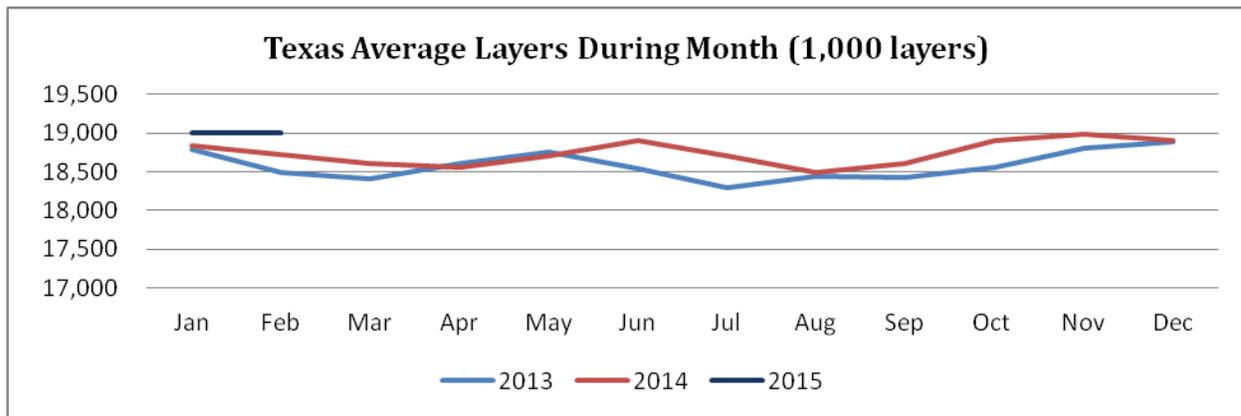
February 2015 egg production in Texas totaled 378 million eggs, down 4 percent from February 2014 and down 11 percent from January 2015, according to the monthly report released by the Texas Field Office.



The number of layers during February averaged 19 million, up slightly from last year but virtually unchanged from January 2015. Egg production per 100 layers averaged 1,989 eggs, down from last year's 2,072 eggs and down from last month's 2,243 eggs.



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Texas hatchery production of broiler-type chicks totaled 50.4 million in February, up 4 percent from last year.

**U.S. Highlights:** United States egg production totaled 7.62 billion during February 2015, up 1 percent from last year. Production included 6.61 billion table eggs, 928 million broiler-type hatching eggs and 80 million egg-type hatching eggs.

Nationally, the total number of layers totaled 362 million on March 1, 2015, up 1 percent from last year. Rate of lay per day on March 1, 2015, averaged 75.3 eggs per 100 layers, unchanged from March 1, 2014.

The U.S. monthly hatch of egg-type chicks totaled 42.8 million during February 2015, up 6 percent from February 2014. The hatch of broiler-type chicks totaled during February 2015, at 711 million, up 3 percent from February 2014.

The leading U.S. breeders placed 7.92 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during February 2015, up 9 percent from February 2014.

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