



Texas Chicken and Egg Report

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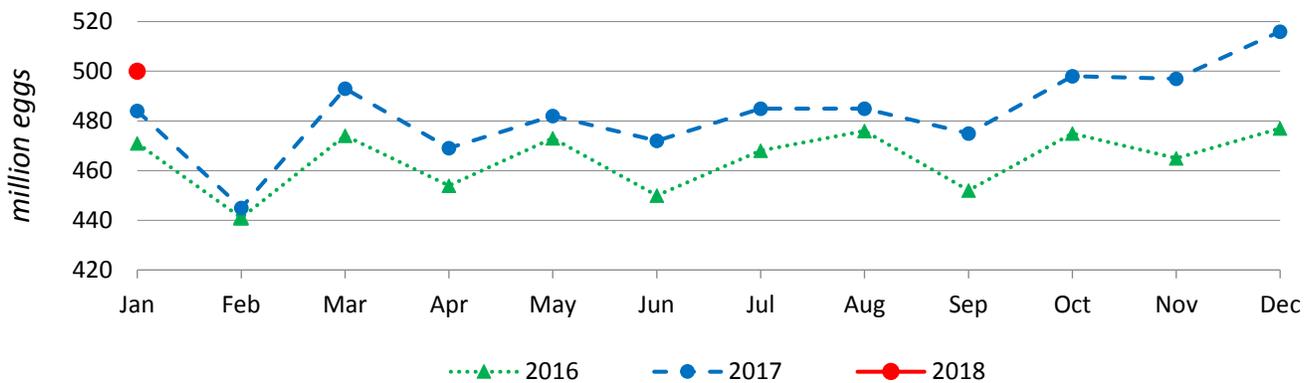
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This report contains the results from the February 2018 Chicken and Egg Survey. The estimates in this report are based on a monthly survey of contractors and independent producers who have at least 30,000 laying hens for table egg and/or hatchery supply. We would like to thank all producers whose responses to the survey made these estimates for Texas possible. Results from the next monthly survey will be made available on March 23, 2018.

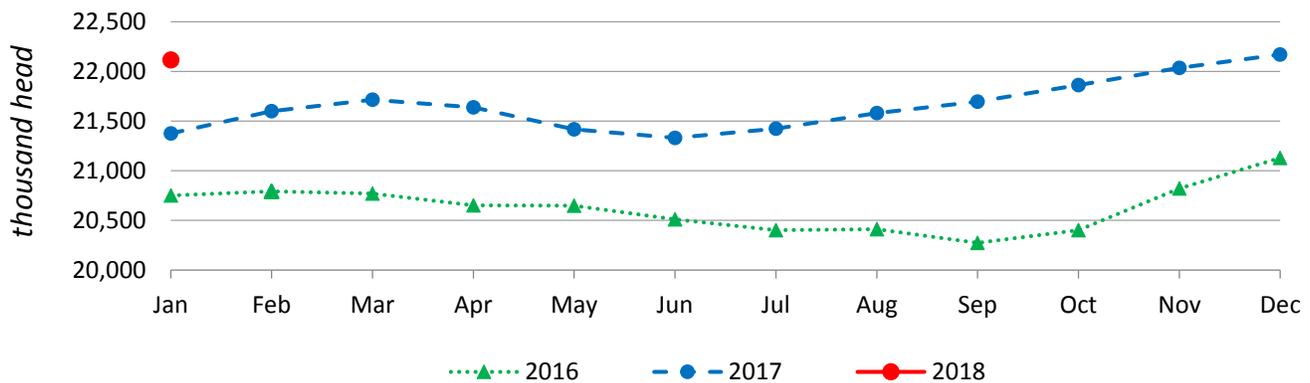
January 2018 egg production in Texas totaled 500 million eggs, up 3 percent from January 2017, and down 3 percent from December 2017.

Texas Monthly Egg Production

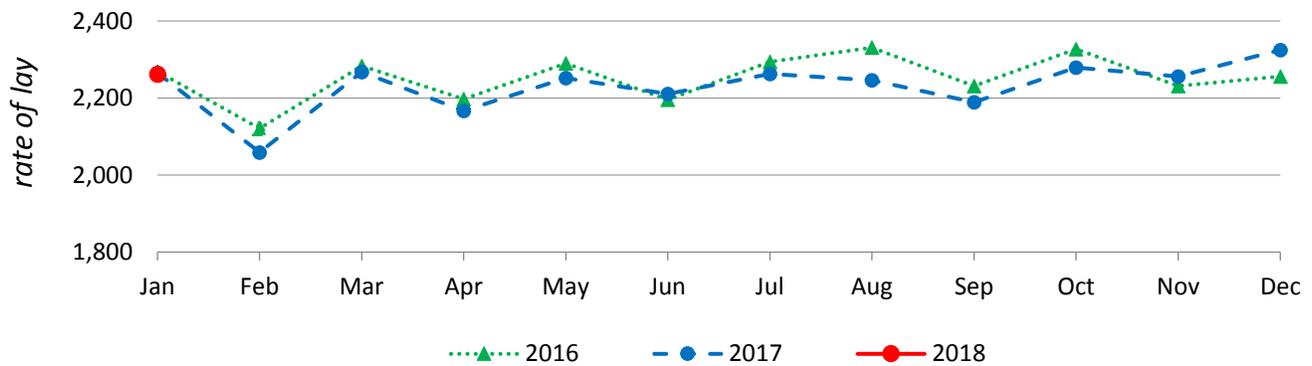


The number of layers during January 2018 averaged 22.1 million, 3 percent higher than last year, but slightly lower than December 2017. Egg production per 100 layers averaged 2,262 eggs, down from last year's 2,265 eggs, and down from last month's 2,325 eggs.

Texas Average Layers During the Month



Texas Monthly Eggs Produced Per 100 Layers



U.S. Highlights: United States egg production totaled 8.98 billion eggs during January 2018, 1 percent below a year ago. Production included 7.84 billion table eggs, 1.06 billion broiler-type hatching eggs and 79.9 million egg-type hatching eggs. Nationally, the total number of layers averaged 382 million during January 2018, up 1 percent from a year ago. Production per 100 layers was 2,351 eggs during January, down 2 percent from last year.

The U.S. monthly hatch of egg-type chicks totaled 52.2 million, 16 percent higher than January 2017. The hatch of broiler-type chicks, at 823 million, was 2 percent higher than January of last year. The leading U.S. breeders placed 7.07 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during January 2018, down 1 percent from January 2017.

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