



Texas Chicken and Egg Report

Southern Plains Regional Field Office · Post Office Box 70, Austin, Texas 78767 · 800-626-3142 · www.nass.usda.gov

Cooperating with the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food and Forestry and Texas Department of Agriculture

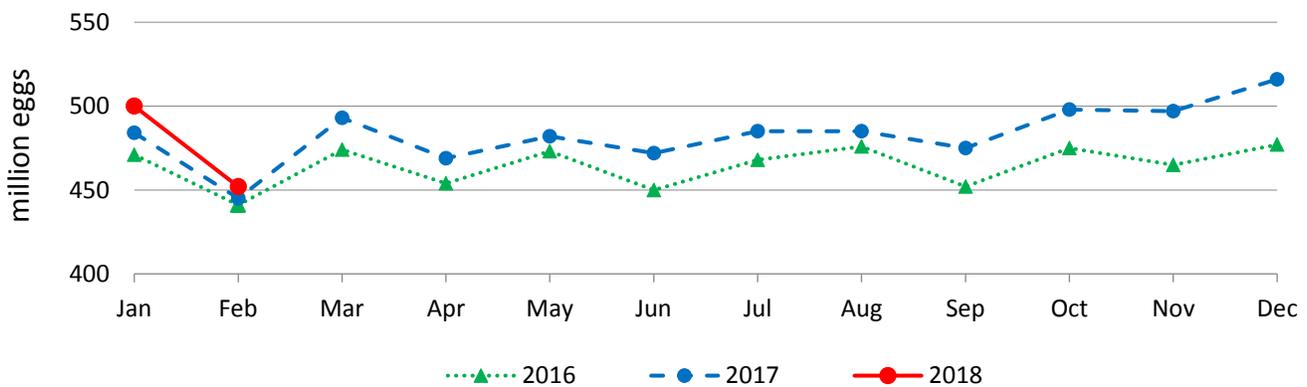
March 23, 2018

Contact: [Eun Kang](#) or [Jason Hardegree](#)

This report contains the results from the March 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 April 23, 2018.

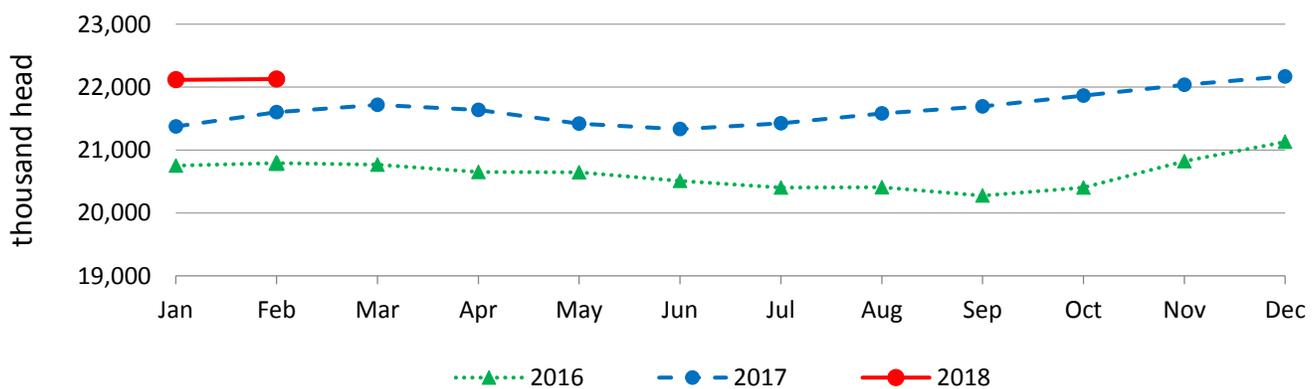
February 2018 egg production in Texas totaled 452 million eggs, up 2 percent from February 2017, but down 11 percent from January 2018.

Texas Monthly Egg Production

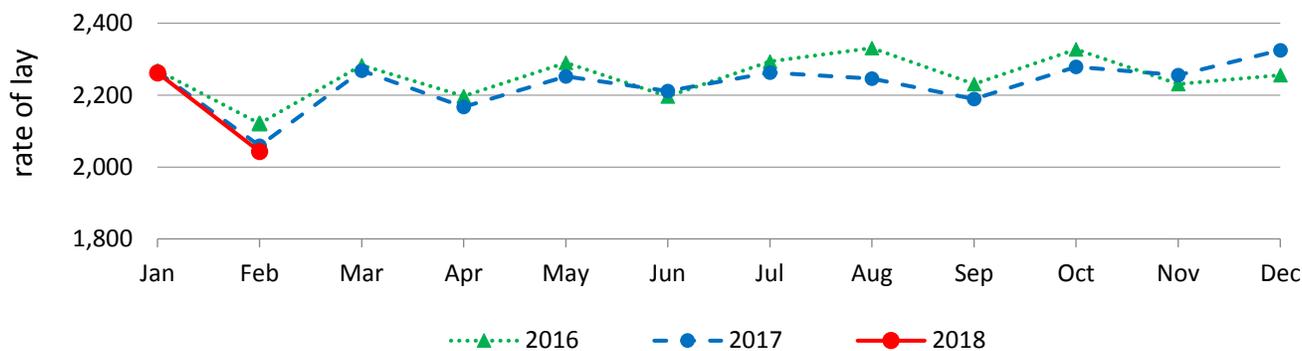


The number of layers during February 2018 averaged 22.1 million, up 2 percent from last year, and up slightly from January 2018. Egg production per 100 layers averaged 2,043 eggs, down 1 percent from last year's 2,059 eggs, and down 11 percent from last month's 2,262 eggs.

Texas Average Layers During the Month



Texas Monthly Eggs Produced Per 100 Layers



U.S. Highlights: United States egg production totaled 8.14 billion eggs during February 2018, up slightly from a year ago. Production included 7.10 billion table eggs, 972 million broiler-type hatching eggs and 73.7 million egg-type hatching eggs. Nationally, the total number of layers averaged 384 million during February 2018, up 2 percent from a year ago. Production per 100 layers was 2,121 eggs during February, down 2 percent from last year.

The U.S. monthly hatch of egg-type chicks totaled 50.5 million, up 4 percent from February 2017. The hatch of broiler-type chicks, at 735 million, up 1 percent from February of last year. The leading U.S. breeders placed 7.63 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during February 2018, down 3 percent from February 2017.

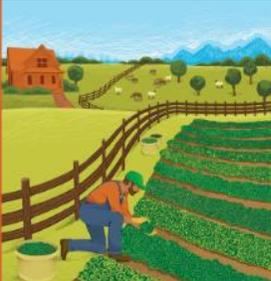
NASS is the federal statistical agency responsible for producing official data about U.S. agriculture and is committed to providing timely, accurate and useful statistics in service to U.S. agriculture. We invite you to provide occasional feedback on our products and services. Sign up at http://bit.ly/NASS_Subscriptions and look for the "NASS Data User Community."

Link to U.S. Report: <http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/MannUsda/viewDocumentInfo.do?documentID=1028>

2017 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE
YOUR VOICE. YOUR FUTURE. YOUR OPPORTUNITY.



United States Department of Agriculture
National Agricultural Statistics Service



**There's Still Time to Be Counted.
Respond Now!**

Respond Online. www.agcounts.usda.gov

For assistance completing the census,
call toll-free (888) 424-7828.

www.agcensus.usda.gov