MONTHLY CHICKENS AND EGGS – MARCH 2021

COLORADO

Colorado egg production during March 2021 was 143.5 million eggs, up 7 percent from February 2021 and up 6 percent from March 2020 production, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. The average number of layers on hand in March 2021 was 5.51 million, down 1 percent from February 2021 but up 6 percent from last year. Eggs per 100 layers were 2,605 eggs, up less than one-half percent from last year.

UTAH

Utah egg production during March 2021 was 147.3 million eggs, up 13 percent from February 2021 and up 28 percent from March 2020 production, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. The average number of layers on hand during March 2021 was 5.49 million, down less than one-half percent from February 2021 but up 24 percent from last year. Eggs per 100 layers were 2,681 eggs, up 3 percent from last year.

UNITED STATES

United States egg production totaled 9.54 billion during March 2021, down slightly from last year. Production included 8.25 billion table eggs, and 1.29 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.21 billion were broiler-type and 82.8 million were eggtype. The average number of layers during March 2021 totaled 393 million, down 1 percent from last year. March egg production per 100 layers was 2,427 eggs, up 1 percent from March 2020.

Total layers in the United States on April 1, 2021 totaled 392 million, down 1 percent from last year. The 392 million layers consisted of 326 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 63.6 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 3.09 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on April 1, 2021, averaged 78.8 eggs per 100 layers, up 1 percent from April 1, 2020.

Egg-type chicks hatched during March 2021 totaled 62.3 million, up 11 percent from March 2020. Eggs in incubators totaled 55.7 million on April 1, 2021, down 3 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 327 thousand during March 2021, up 2 percent from March 2020.

Broiler-type chicks hatched during March 2021 totaled 842 million, down 2 percent from March 2020. Eggs in incubators totaled 717 million on April 1, 2021, up 4 percent from a year ago.

Leading breeders placed 8.23 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during March 2021, down 4 percent from March 2020.

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