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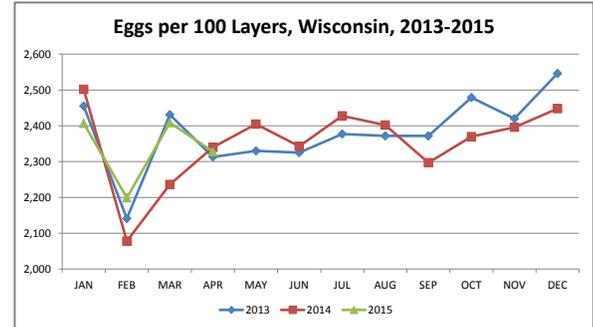
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Wisconsin Egg production during April 2015 was 120 million eggs, down 7 percent from last month, but up 2 percent from last year, according to the latest *Chickens and Eggs* release from USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service.

The average number of **all layers on hand during April 2015** was 5.15 million, down 4 percent from the March, but up 3 percent from last year. Eggs per 100 layers for the month of April were 2,328, down 3 percent from March, and down 1 percent from last year.

In April, avian influenza affected a number of Wisconsin flocks. Losses resulting from the disease are reflected in these estimates. The June 22nd *Chicken and Egg* report will reflect average inventory for the month of May. Additional information about the current avian influenza situation in the United States is available at www.usda.gov/avian_influenza.html.



Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced – States and United States: During April 2014 and 2015

[Data may not add to totals due to rounding. Data by type of flock not shown for some states to avoid disclosing individual operations, data included in United States totals.]

State	Table egg layers in flocks 30,000 & above		All layers on hand		Eggs per 100 layers		Total egg production		Table egg production	
	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015
	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(eggs)	(eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)
Alabama	1,470	1,415	9,434	9,551	1,855	1,864	175	178	36	34
Arkansas	3,613	3,719	11,962	13,083	2,006	2,048	240	268	88	95
California	16,335	12,733	16,764	13,226	2,309	2,351	387	311	(D)	(D)
Colorado	4,410	4,172	4,783	4,621	2,530	2,316	121	107	(D)	(D)
Connecticut ¹	2,296	(NA)	2,390	(NA)	2,343	(NA)	56	(NA)	(D)	(NA)
Florida	8,106	8,688	8,488	9,052	2,344	2,254	199	204	194	200
Georgia	9,655	9,785	18,474	18,860	2,127	2,089	393	394	231	225
Illinois	4,414	4,403	4,882	4,862	2,417	2,283	118	111	113	107
Indiana	26,300	25,204	27,258	26,119	2,374	2,324	647	607	630	590
Iowa	58,019	54,876	59,206	56,105	2,297	2,319	1,360	1,301	1,343	1,282
Maine ¹	3,476	(NA)	3,531	(NA)	2,351	(NA)	83	(NA)	(D)	(NA)
Maryland	2,658	2,278	2,829	2,441	2,298	2,376	65	58	64	57
Michigan	12,885	12,457	13,123	12,710	2,484	2,478	326	315	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	10,258	11,175	10,696	11,629	2,291	2,408	245	280	240	274
Mississippi	1,530	1,516	5,805	5,738	1,964	2,022	114	116	36	37
Missouri	6,414	6,630	8,681	8,850	2,292	2,316	199	205	(D)	(D)
Nebraska	9,351	9,353	9,459	9,461	2,442	2,473	231	234	231	234
New York	4,655	4,528	5,014	4,889	2,413	2,454	121	120	(D)	(D)
North Carolina	5,744	6,417	13,289	14,162	2,032	2,125	270	301	139	162
Ohio	29,851	30,826	30,717	31,687	2,315	2,345	711	743	(D)	(D)
Oregon	2,178	2,199	2,317	2,338	2,546	2,524	59	59	59	59
Pennsylvania	23,240	23,559	25,114	25,567	2,429	2,542	610	650	583	620
South Carolina	2,993	3,089	4,254	4,417	2,163	2,151	92	95	71	72
South Dakota	2,550	2,518	2,692	2,660	2,192	2,444	59	65	59	65
Texas	14,658	14,845	18,750	18,892	2,229	2,213	418	418	(D)	(D)
Utah	3,944	4,111	3,982	4,149	2,310	2,314	92	96	92	96
Virginia	1,250	1,269	3,048	3,123	2,100	1,921	64	60	32	28
Washington	6,802	6,881	6,967	7,046	2,297	2,455	160	173	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin	4,254	4,375	5,027	5,154	2,347	2,328	118	120	(D)	(D)
Other States ²	12,944	18,928	21,890	28,063	2,156	2,220	472	623	342	488
United States	296,253	291,949	360,826	358,455	2,274	2,291	8,205	8,212	7,160	7,114

(NA) Not available. (D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

¹Included in Other States in 2015. ²Includes data for states not published in this table.

United States Chickens & Eggs

United States egg production totaled 8.21 billion during April 2015, up slightly from last year. Production included 7.11 billion table eggs, and 1.10 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.01 billion were broiler-type and 87 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during April 2015 averaged 358 million, down 1 percent from last year. April egg production per 100 layers was 2,291 eggs, up 1 percent from April 2014.

All layers in the United States on May 1, 2015 totaled 354 million, down 2 percent from last year. The 354 million layers consisted of 296 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 55.1 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 3.38 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on May 1, 2015, averaged 75.8 eggs per 100 layers, unchanged from May 1, 2014.

Egg-type chicks hatched during April 2015 totaled 49.6 million, up 9 percent from April 2014. Eggs in incubators totaled 48.0 million on May 1, 2015, up 1 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 219 thousand during April 2015, down 10 percent from April 2014.

Broiler-type chicks hatched during April 2015 totaled 773 million, up 3 percent from April 2014. Eggs in incubators totaled 654 million on May 1, 2015, up 2 percent from a year ago. Leading breeders placed 7.09 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during April 2015, up 6 percent from April 2014.

