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CALIFORNIA EGG PRODUCTION

California's egg production during April totaled 178 million, down 12 million from March's production and down 88.3 million from April 2023. The all layers during the month totaled 7.8 million, down 3 percent from last month, and down 31 percent from April 2023. Eggs per 100 layers during the month were 2,269, compared to 2,340 a month earlier, and 2,341 in April 2023.

U.S. APRIL EGG PRODUCTION

United States egg production totaled 8.93 billion during April 2024, down 1 percent from last year. Production included 7.68 billion table eggs, and 1.26 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.16 billion were broiler-type and 97.5 million were egg-type. The average number of layers during April 2024 totaled 375 million, down 2 percent from last year. April egg production per 100 layers was 2,381 eggs, up 1 percent from April 2023.

All layers in the United States on May 1, 2024 totaled 371 million, down 4 percent from last year. The 371 million layers consisted of 305 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 61.8 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 3.86 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on May 1, 2024, averaged 79.3 eggs per 100 layers, up 1 percent from May 1, 2023.

U.S. EGG-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED

Egg-type chicks hatched during April 2024 totaled 57.7 million, up 4 percent from April 2023. Eggs in incubators totaled 54.1 million on May 1, 2024, down 2 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 249 thousand during April 2024, up 6 percent from April 2023.

U.S. BROILER-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED

Broiler-type chicks hatched during April 2024 totaled 834 million, up 2 percent from April 2023. Eggs in incubators totaled 738 million on May 1, 2024, up 2 percent from a year ago.

Leading breeders placed 8.18 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during April 2024, up 1 percent from April 2023.

U.S. TURKEY HATCHERY PRODUCTION

Turkey eggs in incubators on May 1, 2024, in the United States totaled 25.5 million, down 8 percent from May 1, 2023. Eggs in incubators were down 3 percent from the April 1, 2024 total of 26.3 million eggs.

Turkey poults hatched during April 2024, in the United States totaled 21.3 million, up 1 percent from April 2023. Poults hatched were down 2 percent from the March 2024 total of 21.7 million.

The 20.2 million net poults placed during April 2024 in the United States were up 1 percent from the number placed during the same month a year earlier. Net placements were down slightly from the March 2024 total of 20.2 million.

Layer on Hand & Egg Production During April, Molted as Percent of All Layers as of May 1 – States & United States

State	All layers		Eggs per	100 layers	Total egg production Layers being molted		Layers with molt completed			
	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024
	Thousands	Thousands	Number	Number	Millions	Millions	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Alabama	11,726	10,698	1,835	1,855	215.2	198.4	0.5	2.5	2.5	5.0
Arkansas	15,243	15,162	2,067	2,073	315.1	314.3	1.0	2.5	9.0	9.5
California	11,371	7,841	2,341	2,269	266.2	177.9	-	1.0	4.0	4.0
Georgia	20,255	20,107	2,130	2,126	431.5	427.4	2.0	1.0	6.5	12.5
Indiana	37,073	36,160	2,405	2,463	891.7	890.7	1.0	2.0	7.0	4.5
lowa	45,407	44,779	2,462	2,529	1,118.0	1,132.4	3.5	3.0	9.5	6.5
North Carolina	15,870	15,883	2,142	2,166	339.9	344.0	-	1.0	6.5	4.5
Ohio	40,021	39,224	2,443	2,481	977.7	973.2	2.5	1.0	7.5	6.0
Pennsylvania	25,914	27,003	2,452	2,494	635.3	673.4	1.0	0.5	1.0	0.5
Texas	23,511	21,825	2,244	2,267	527.6	494.8	5.0	8.0	52.5	33.0
United States	384,281	375,214	2,346	2,381	9,014.3	8,934.7	2.3	2.4	10.6	8.9

⁻ Represents zero.

Egg-Type Chicks Hatched by Month – United States: 2023-2024 [Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

Month	2023	2024	Percent of previous year	
	Thousands	Thousands	Percent	
January	50,776	53,237	105	
February	52,233	54,920	105	
March	58,764	56,618	96	
April	55,737	57,722	104	
May	59,081			
June	58,377			
July	50,918			
August	52,791			
September	51,149			
October	51,173			
November	48,468			
December	48,753			

Broiler-Type Chicks Hatched – States and United States: April 2023 and 2024

State	2023	2024	Percent of previous year	
	Thousands	Thousands	Percent	
Alabama	119,026	120,029	101	
Arkansas	84,063 18,546	87,362 18,435	104 99	
Delaware Florida	4,073	3,841	94	
Georgia	120,534	123,324	102	
Kentucky	21,765	26,873	123	
Louisiana	11,776	12,089	103	
Maryland	27,332	26,609	97	
Mississippi	58,181	60,359	104	
Missouri	33,112	30,772	93	
North Carolina	84,021	84,570	101	
Oklahoma	24,302	20,139	83	
Pennsylvania	23,780	27,265	115	
South Carolina	19,215	20,122	105	
Texas	62,393	65,088	104	
Virginia	19,790	18,736	95	
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	44,802	47,073	105	
Other States ¹	42,539	41,151	97	
United States	819,250	833,837	102	

¹ Not published separately to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

Turkey Eggs in Incubators and Poults Hatched by Month – United States: 2022 - 2024 [Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

Month	Eggs in incubato	rs first of month	Percent of	Poults hatched entire month		Percent of	
	2022-2023	2023-2024	previous year	2022-2023	2023-2024	previous year	
	Thousands	Thousands	Percent	Thousands	Thousands	Percent	
September	27,508	26,636	97	22,254	21,571	97	
October	26,648	27,010	101	22,454	22,665	101	
November	26,479	25,537	96	22,615	21,668	96	
December	26,595	25,346	95	22,853	21,671	95	
January	27,284	24,945	91	23,399	21,527	92	
February	27,608	25,422	92	21,700	20,274	93	
March	26,757	24,689	92	23,619	21,676	92	
April	26,389	26,341	100	21,115	21,345	101	
May	27,625	25,528	92	23,576			
June	27,455			23,976			
July	26,984			22,627			
August	27,208			23,451			

Net Poults Placements by Month – United States: 2022-2024 [Includes imports and excludes exports. Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

Month	Total all b	reeds	Percent of	Cumulati	Percent of	
	2022-2023	2023-2024	previous year	2022-2023	2023-2024	previous year
	Thousands	Thousands	Percent	Thousands	Thousands	Percent
September	19,763	19,091	97	19,763	19,091	97
October	20,472	20,645	101	40,235	39,736	99
November	20,802	19,934	96	61,037	59,670	98
December	20,955	19,807	95	81,992	79,477	97
January	21,582	19,795	92	103,574	99,272	96
February	19,871	18,542	93	123,445	117,814	95
March	21,912	20,246	92	145,357	138,060	95
April	19,919	20,214	101	165,276	158,274	96
May	22,295			187,571		
June	23,095			210,666		
July	22,447			233,113		
August	22,429			255,542		

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