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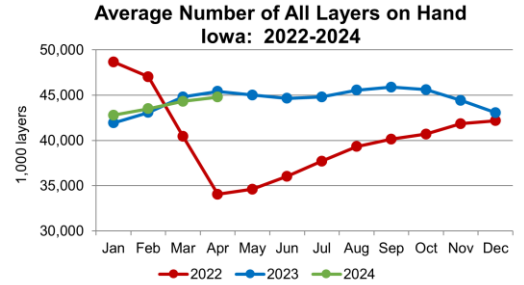
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Iowa **egg production** during April 2024 was 1.13 billion eggs, up 1 percent from the previous April, according to the latest *Chickens and Eggs* report from the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service.

The average number of **all layers on hand** during April 2024 was 44.8 million, down 1 percent from last year. **Eggs per 100 layers** for April was 2,529, up 3 percent from a year ago.



Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced – States and United States: During April 2023 and 2024

[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	
	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024
	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(eggs)	(eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)
Alabama	1,368	1,275	11,726	10,698	1,835	1,855	215.2	198.4	35.4	33.4
Arkansas	(D)	(D)	15,243	15,162	2,067	2,073	315.1	314.3	(D)	(D)
California	11,016	7,458	11,371	7,841	2,341	2,269	266.2	177.9	(D)	(D)
Colorado	1,537	3,925	2,025	4,413	2,523	2,506	51.1	110.6	(D)	(D)
Georgia	9,779	9,747	20,255	20,107	2,130	2,126	431.5	427.4	239.3	235.5
Illinois	6,162	6,334	6,728	6,974	2,341	2,462	157.5	171.7	153.6	166.0
Indiana	35,936	35,232	37,073	36,160	2,405	2,463	891.7	890.7	874.2	877.7
Iowa	43,586	42,845	45,407	44,779	2,462	2,529	1,118.0	1,132.4	1,095.5	1,107.6
Kentucky	(D)	(D)	5,480	5,135	2,124	2,164	116.4	111.1	(D)	(D)
Maryland	2,311	2,012	2,511	2,232	2,589	2,585	65.0	57.7	63.6	56.1
Michigan	16,500	12,876	16,834	13,197	2,509	2,444	422.4	322.5	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	7,426	6,625	7,908	7,141	2,414	2,425	190.9	173.2	183.9	165.7
Mississippi	(D)	(D)	5,569	5,493	2,045	2,123	113.9	116.6	(D)	(D)
Missouri	7,343	7,553	13,943	13,838	2,435	2,552	339.5	353.1	298.4	316.3
Nebraska	6,865	7,750	7,457	8,402	2,426	2,414	180.9	202.8	169.3	190.2
New York	5,112	5,048	5,676	5,547	2,546	2,547	144.5	141.3	(D)	(D)
North Carolina	7,118	7,144	15,870	15,883	2,142	2,166	339.9	344.0	179.4	184.2
Ohio	38,789	37,991	40,021	39,224	2,443	2,481	977.7	973.2	(D)	(D)
Oklahoma	(D)	(D)	2,358	2,387	1,874	1,990	44.2	47.5	(D)	(D)
Oregon	2,021	2,163	2,131	2,273	2,647	2,604	56.4	59.2	56.4	59.2
Pennsylvania	22,829	23,632	25,914	27,003	2,452	2,494	635.3	673.4	591.4	623.0
South Carolina	2,405	2,741	3,696	4,038	2,181	2,261	80.6	91.3	58.5	68.9
South Dakota	1,313	2,011	1,368	2,066	2,259	2,682	30.9	55.4	30.9	55.4
Texas	(D)	(D)	23,511	21,825	2,244	2,267	527.6	494.8	(D)	(D)
Utah	6,055	6,823	6,095	6,863	2,469	2,448	150.5	168.0	150.5	168.0
Virginia	794	833	2,630	2,556	2,243	2,340	59.0	59.8	27.1	29.7
Washington	5,476	5,435	5,640	5,537	2,523	2,612	142.3	144.6	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin	6,931	6,958	8,059	8,129	2,564	2,517	206.6	204.6	200.7	199.0
Other States ¹	25,586	23,998	31,782	30,311	2,339	2,366	743.5	717.2	665.7	634.6
United States	300,644	293,610	384,281	375,214	2,346	2,381	9,014.3	8,934.7	7,744.3	7,678.6

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.
¹ Includes data for states not published in this table.

United States Chickens & Eggs

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.

Total 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.

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.

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.

The complete report can be found on the USDA NASS website at www.nass.usda.gov/Publications.

Average Layers During the Month – United States

