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## Chickens and Eggs



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This report contains the results from the **Monthly Chickens and Eggs Survey**. Thanks to all who responded.

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### April Egg Production Down 1 Percent

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 Production by Type – States and United States: April 2023 and 2024

State	Total production			Table eggs		Hatching eggs	
	2023	2024	Percent of previous year	2023	2024	2023	2024
	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(percent)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)
Alabama .....	215.2	198.4	92	35.4	33.4	179.8	165.0
Georgia.....	431.5	427.4	99	239.3	235.5	192.2	191.9
South Carolina.....	80.6	91.3	113	58.5	68.9	22.1	22.4
United States .....	9,014.3	8,934.7	99	7,744.3	7,678.6	1,270.0	1,256.1

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - [Chickens and Eggs](#), May 2024

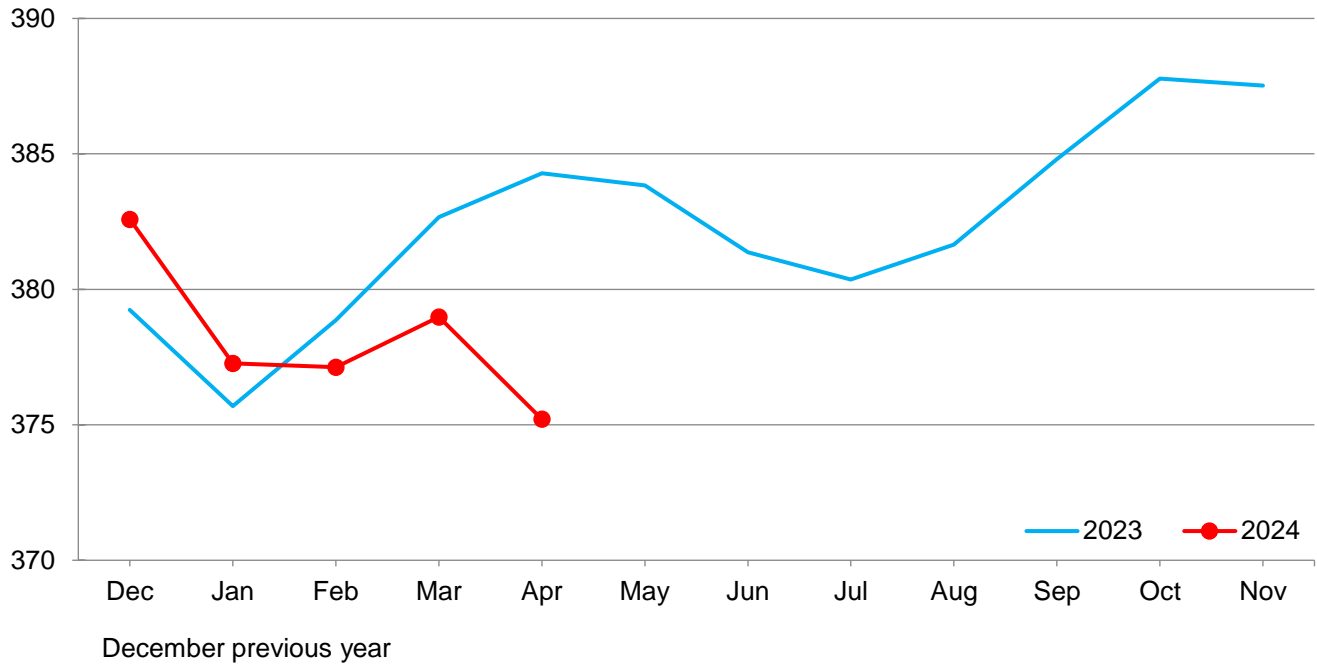
### Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced – States and United States: During April 2023 and 2024

State	Total layers			Total egg layers in flocks 30,000 and above		Eggs per 100 for total layers	
	2023	2024	Percent of previous year	2023	2024	2023	2024
	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(percent)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(eggs)	(eggs)
Alabama .....	11,726	10,698	91	1,368	1,275	1,835	1,855
Georgia.....	20,255	20,107	99	9,779	9,747	2,130	2,126
South Carolina.....	3,696	4,038	109	2,405	2,741	2,181	2,261
United States .....	384,281	375,214	98	300,644	293,610	2,346	2,381

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## Average Layers During the Month – United States

Million layers



## Total Egg Production During the Month – United States

Million eggs

