

Chickens and Eggs



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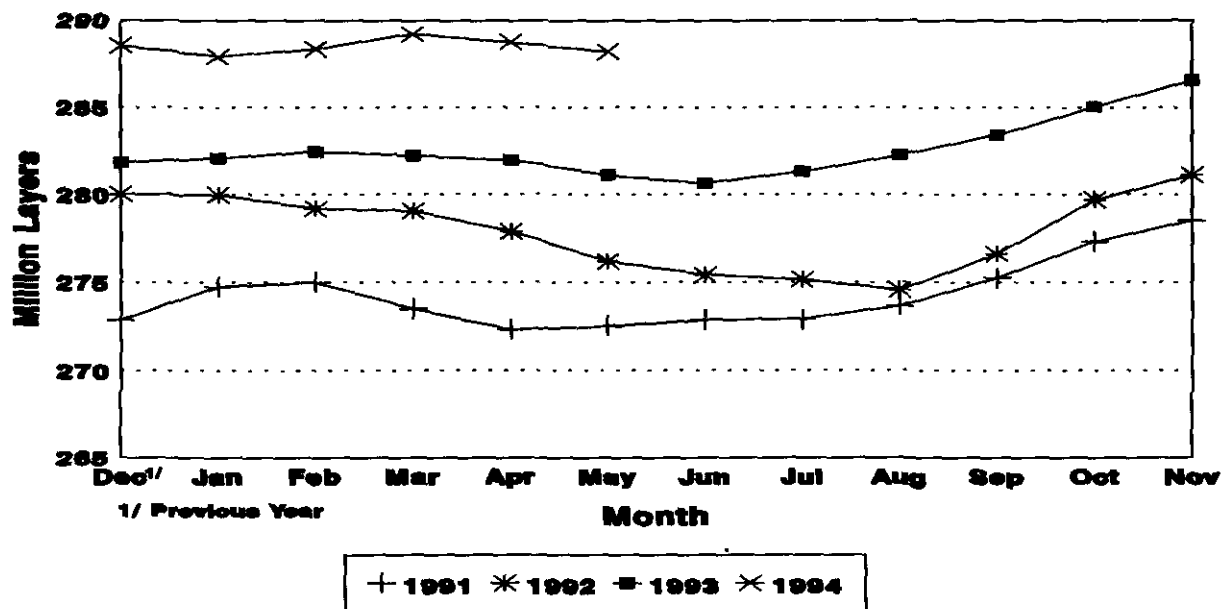
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May Egg Production up 2 Percent

U.S. egg production totaled 6.15 billion during May 1994, up 2 percent from the 6.01 billion produced a year ago. Production included 5.21 billion table eggs, 877 million broiler-type hatching eggs, and 62.0 million egg-type hatching eggs. The total number of layers during May 1994 averaged 287 million, up 2 percent from the 281 million a year ago. May egg production per 100 layers was 2,141 eggs, compared with 2,137 in May 1993.

Average Number of Layers United States, 1991 - 94



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All layers in the U.S. on June 1, 1994, totaled 286 million, compared with 281 million a year ago. The 286 million layers consisted of 236 million layers producing table or commercial type eggs, 47.8 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 2.75 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on June 1, 1994, averaged 69.2 eggs per 100 layers, up fractionally from last year's 69.1.

Laying flocks in the 30 major egg production States produced 5.80 billion eggs during May. The number of layers during May averaged 271 million.

Individual State estimates are available for the 30 major egg producing States. These States are listed on page 8 of this release and account for approximately 94 percent of the total U.S. egg production. Production for the other States are grouped into an "Other States" category and combined with the 30 States published individually to obtain a U.S. estimate. Individual State estimates for "Other States" are available annually in the "Layers and Egg Production" report.

Egg-Type Chicks Hatched Down 4 Percent

Egg-type chicks **hatched** during May totaled 35.2 million, down 4 percent from May 1993. **Eggs in incubators** totaled 29.7 million on June 1, 1994, down 7 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of **egg-type pullet chicks for hatchery supply flocks** by leading breeders totaled 334,000 during May 1994, up 21 percent from the 275,000 of May 1993.

Broiler Hatch Up 4 Percent

The May 1994 **hatch** of broiler-type chicks, at 661 million, was 4 percent above May of the previous year. There were 542 million **eggs in incubators** on June 1, 1994, up 5 percent from a year earlier.

Leading breeders placed 6.27 million **broiler-type pullet chicks in domestic hatchery supply flocks** during May 1994, up 5 percent from May 1993.

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Layers: Average Number During the Month,
United States, 1991-1994 ^{1/}

Month :	1991	:	1992	:	1993	:	1994
1,000 Layers							
Dec ^{2/}	272.902		280.028		281.847		288.547
Jan	274.738		279.996		282.098		287.930
Feb	275.002		279.208		282.481		288.340
Mar	273.511		279.071		282.255		289.206
Apr	272.356		277.894		281.984		288.729
May	272.558		276.212		281.145		287.188
Jun	272.875		275.422		280.664		
Jul	272.897		275.144		281.324		
Aug	273.651		274.562		282.286		
Sep	275.241		276.634		283.442		
Oct	277.324		279.720		285.048		
Nov	278.519		281.119		286.544		

^{1/} Data are for chart on cover page.

^{2/} December preceding year.

Eggs and Layers: Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced by Type,
and Forced Molt, United States, April-May 1993-94

Item	1993	1994 ^{1/}	1994 as % of 1993
Layers During Apr (1,000)			
All Layers	281,984	288,729	102
Table Egg Type	235,283	238,310	101
Hatching Egg Type	46,701	50,419	108
Broiler-Type Hatching	43,709	47,653	109
Egg-Type Hatching	2,992	2,766	92
Eggs per 100 Layers During Apr (Number)			
All Layers	2,078	2,090	101
Table Egg Type	2,133	2,157	101
Hatching Egg Type	1,805	1,775	98
Broiler-Type Hatching	1,780	1,754	99
Egg-Type Hatching	2,172	2,133	98
Eggs Produced During Apr (Million)			
All Layers	5,861	6,035	103
Table Egg Type	5,018	5,140	102
Hatching Egg Type	843	895	106
Broilers-Type Hatching	778	836	107
Egg-Type Hatching	65	59	91
Layers on May 1 (1,000)			
All Layers	281,468	287,905	102
Table Egg Type	234,634	237,307	101
Hatching Egg Type	46,834	50,598	108
Broiler-Type Hatching	43,815	47,872	109
Egg-Type Hatching	3,019	2,726	90
Eggs per 100 Layers on May 1 (Number)			
All Layers	68.9	68.9	100
Table Egg Type	70.5	70.9	101
Hatching Egg Type	60.7	59.8	98
Broiler-Type Hatching	59.9	58.8	98
Egg-Type Hatching	72.7	76.1	105
Forced Molt Layers, May 1			
Percent Being Molted	^{2/}	5.5	
Percent with Molt Completed	^{2/}	20.1	

^{1/} Revised.

^{2/} Data not available.

Eggs and Layers: Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced by Type,
and Forced Molt, United States, May-June 1993-94

Item	1993	1994 <u>1</u> /	1994 as % of 1993
Layers During May (1,000)			
All Layers	281,145	287,188	102
Table Egg Type	234,481	236,612	101
Hatching Egg Type	46,664	50,576	108
Broiler-Type Hatching	43,674	47,832	110
Egg-Type Hatching	2,990	2,744	92
Eggs per 100 Layers During May (Number)			
All Layers	2,137	2,141	100
Table Egg Type	2,183	2,202	101
Hatching Egg Type	1,907	1,857	97
Broiler-Type Hatching	1,891	1,834	97
Egg-Type Hatching	2,140	2,259	106
Eggs Produced During May (Million)			
All Layers	6,009	6,150	102
Table Egg Type	5,119	5,211	102
Hatching Egg Type	890	939	106
Broilers-Type Hatching	826	877	106
Egg-Type Hatching	64	62	97
Layers on Jun 1 (1,000)			
All Layers	280,795	286,425	102
Table Egg Type	234,315	235,893	101
Hatching Egg Type	46,480	50,532	109
Broiler-Type Hatching	43,525	47,780	110
Egg-Type Hatching	2,955	2,752	93
Eggs per 100 Layers on Jun 1 (Number)			
All Layers	69.1	69.2	100
Table Egg Type	70.3	71.1	101
Hatching Egg Type	62.7	60.0	96
Broiler-Type Hatching	62.2	59.1	95
Egg-Type Hatching	71.4	75.4	106
Forced Molt Layers, Jun 1			
Percent Being Molted	<u>2</u> /	5.6	
Percent with Molt Completed	<u>2</u> /	21.1	

1/ Preliminary.

2/ Data not available.

Eggs and Layers: Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced by Type, and Forced Molt, April-May, 30 Selected States, 1993-94 ^{1/}

Item	1993 ^{2/}	1994 ^{3/}	1994 as % of 1993
Layers During Apr (1,000)			
All Layers		272,471	
Table Egg Type		225,229	
Hatching Egg Type		47,242	
Broiler-Type Hatching		44,641	
Egg-Type Hatching		2,601	
Eggs per 100 Layers During Apr (Number)			
All Layers		2.092	
Table Egg Type		2.158	
Hatching Egg Type		1.772	
Broiler-Type Hatching		1.750	
Egg-Type Hatching		2.153	
Eggs Produced During Apr (Million)			
All Layers		5.699	
Table Egg Type		4.862	
Hatching Egg Type		837	
Broilers-Type Hatching		781	
Egg-Type Hatching		56	
Layers on May 1 (1,000)			
All Layers		271,545	
Table Egg Type		224,208	
Hatching Egg Type		47,337	
Broiler-Type Hatching		44,785	
Egg-Type Hatching		2,552	
Eggs per 100 Layers on May 1 (Number)			
All Layers		68.9	
Table Egg Type		70.9	
Hatching Egg Type		59.6	
Broiler-Type Hatching		58.7	
Egg-Type Hatching		75.7	
Forced Molt Layers, May 1			
Percent Being Molted		5.5	
Percent with Molt Completed		20.1	
Pullets Less Than 20 Weeks of Age, May 1 (1,000)		77,411	
Pullets Added During Apr (1,000)		20,376	
Layers Sold During Apr (1,000)		16,669	
Layers Died, Destroyed, or Disappeared For Any Reason During Apr (1,000)		2,668	

^{1/} Revised.

^{2/} Data not available.

^{3/} The 30 States are listed in the table on page 8.

Eggs and Layers: Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced by Type, and Forced Molt, May-June, 30 Selected States, 1993-94 ^{1/}

Item	1993 ^{2/}	1994 ^{3/}	1994 as % of 1993
Layers During May (1,000)			
All Layers		270,904	
Table Egg Type		223,590	
Hatching Egg Type		47,314	
Broiler-Type Hatching		44,731	
Egg-Type Hatching		2,583	
Eggs per 100 Layers During May (Number)			
All Layers		2,142	
Table Egg Type		2,202	
Hatching Egg Type		1,858	
Broiler-Type Hatching		1,833	
Egg-Type Hatching		2,284	
Eggs Produced During May (Million)			
All Layers		5,802	
Table Egg Type		4,923	
Hatching Egg Type		879	
Broilers-Type Hatching		820	
Egg-Type Hatching		59	
Layers on Jun 1 (1,000)			
All Layers		270,232	
Table Egg Type		222,959	
Hatching Egg Type		47,273	
Broiler-Type Hatching		44,668	
Egg-Type Hatching		2,605	
Eggs per 100 Layers on Jun 1 (Number)			
All Layers		69.2	
Table Egg Type		71.1	
Hatching Egg Type		60.0	
Broiler-Type Hatching		59.1	
Egg-Type Hatching		75.1	
Forced Molt Layers, Jun 1			
Percent Being Molting		5.5	
Percent with Molt Completed		21.3	
Pullets Less Than 20 Weeks of Age, Jun 1 (1,000)		77,208	
Pullets Added During May (1,000)		19,829	
Layers Sold During May (1,000)		15,848	
Layers Died, Destroyed, or Disappeared For Any Reason During May (1,000)		2,696	

^{1/} Preliminary.

^{2/} Data not available.

^{3/} The 30 States are listed in the table on page 8.

Layers and Eggs: Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced by State
and United States. During April 1993-94 1/

State	Table Egg Layers in : Flocks 30,000 and Above: All Layers <u>3/</u>				Eggs per 100 for All Layers <u>3/</u>	
	1993 <u>2/</u>	1994	1993	1994	1993	1994
	1,000				Number	
AL	5,094	10,649	11,571	1,897	1,962	
AR	7,083	16,164	17,016	1,881	1,863	
CA	23,761	25,851	24,396	2,073	2,095	
CO	2,684	<u>2/</u>	3,250	<u>2/</u>	2,000	
CT	3,400	3,679	3,607	2,229	2,135	
FL	8,735	9,684	9,580	2,127	2,192	
GA	10,888	18,418	18,620	1,976	2,041	
HI	743	868	822	2,040	2,007	
IL	2,970	<u>2/</u>	3,151	<u>2/</u>	2,158	
IN	19,921	19,683	20,817	2,139	2,128	
IA	13,620	13,325	14,400	2,056	2,160	
ME	5,022	4,138	5,201	2,247	2,250	
MD	2,617	<u>2/</u>	3,134	<u>2/</u>	2,106	
MI	4,892	5,050	5,200	2,130	2,178	
MN	9,593	10,730	10,456	2,088	2,142	
MS	2,654	6,068	6,527	2,044	1,961	
MO	6,008	6,508	6,653	2,136	2,044	
NE	7,625	<u>2/</u>	7,775	<u>2/</u>	2,094	
NY	3,427	3,850	3,768	2,234	2,256	
NC	6,520	13,414	13,873	1,923	1,889	
OH	20,474	18,850	20,925	2,212	2,227	
OK	2,000	<u>2/</u>	3,570	<u>2/</u>	1,793	
OR	2,539	<u>2/</u>	2,738	<u>2/</u>	2,191	
PA	19,170	21,220	20,541	2,215	2,239	
SC	4,091	4,931	5,116	2,129	2,209	
SD	1,728	<u>2/</u>	2,005	<u>2/</u>	2,139	
TX	12,607	14,526	15,801	1,996	2,025	
VA	1,555	<u>2/</u>	3,860	<u>2/</u>	1,943	
WA	4,582	4,625	4,836	2,249	2,213	
WI	2,755	<u>2/</u>	3,262	<u>2/</u>	2,177	
30 Sts	218,758	<u>2/</u>	272,471	<u>2/</u>	2,092	
Oth Sts <u>4/</u>	11,681	<u>2/</u>	16,258	<u>2/</u>	2,067	
US	230,439	281,984	288,729	2,078	2,090	

1/ 1994 revised.

2/ Data not available.

3/ Includes all layers and eggs produced in both table egg and hatching egg flocks regardless of size.

4/ Estimates for individual States are not available.

Layers and Eggs: Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced by State
and United States, During May 1993-94 1/

State	Table Egg Layers in : Flocks 30,000 and Above: All Layers <u>3/</u>				Eggs per 100 for All Layers <u>3/</u>	
	1993 <u>2/</u>	1994	1993	1994	1993	1994
	1,000				Number	
AL	4,979	10,835	11,469	2,003	2,014	
AR	7,018	16,022	17,012	1,979	1,952	
CA	23,595	25,401	24,230	2,110	2,130	
CO	2,629	<u>2/</u>	3,190	<u>2/</u>	2,069	
CT	3,385	3,570	3,588	2,297	2,202	
FL	8,688	9,557	9,460	2,124	2,199	
GA	10,337	18,086	18,068	2,018	2,048	
HI	747	860	824	2,102	2,024	
IL	2,918	<u>2/</u>	3,103	<u>2/</u>	2,224	
IN	19,808	19,841	20,664	2,197	2,197	
IA	13,643	13,275	14,426	2,109	2,190	
ME	4,998	4,167	5,173	2,448	2,358	
MD	2,558	<u>2/</u>	3,027	<u>2/</u>	2,279	
MI	4,900	5,100	5,200	2,176	2,254	
MN	9,293	10,628	10,151	2,145	2,167	
MS	2,627	6,142	6,460	2,084	2,043	
MO	5,925	6,488	6,551	2,204	2,045	
NE	7,700	<u>2/</u>	7,850	<u>2/</u>	2,117	
NY	3,338	3,875	3,670	2,271	2,289	
NC	6,524	13,561	13,983	1,962	1,931	
OH	20,865	18,650	21,300	2,257	2,319	
OK	2,000	<u>2/</u>	3,605	<u>2/</u>	1,914	
OR	2,503	<u>2/</u>	2,697	<u>2/</u>	2,225	
PA	19,080	21,346	20,435	2,281	2,276	
SC	4,061	4,906	5,098	2,201	2,275	
SD	1,730	<u>2/</u>	2,008	<u>2/</u>	2,120	
TX	12,344	14,376	15,601	2,052	2,064	
VA	1,547	<u>2/</u>	3,889	<u>2/</u>	2,006	
WA	4,624	4,684	4,866	2,284	2,281	
WI	2,798	<u>2/</u>	3,306	<u>2/</u>	2,178	
30 Sts	217,162	<u>2/</u>	270,904	<u>2/</u>	2,141	
Oth Sts <u>4/</u>	11,672	<u>2/</u>	16,284	<u>2/</u>	2,137	
US	228,834	281,145	287,188	2,137	2,141	

1/ 1994 preliminary.

2/ Data not available.

3/ Includes all layers and eggs produced in both table egg and hatching egg flocks regardless of size.

4/ Estimates for individual States are not available.

**Egg Production: By Type, State, and United States,
April 1993-94 ^{1/}**

State	Total Production		Table Eggs ^{2/}		Hatching Eggs ^{2/}	
	1993	1994	1993	1994	1993	1994
	Million Eggs					
AL	202	227	93	113	109	114
AR	304	317	146	148	158	169
CA	536	511				
CO	^{3/}	65				
CT	82	77				
FL	206	210	192	193	14	17
GA	364	380	234	240	130	140
HI	17	17	17	17	0	0
IL	^{3/}	68	^{3/}	67	^{3/}	1
IN	421	443	409	432	12	11
IA	274	311				
ME	93	117				
MD	^{3/}	66	^{3/}	58	^{3/}	8
MI	107	113				
MN	224	224	215	215	9	9
MS	124	128	70	60	54	68
MO	139	136				
NE	^{3/}	163	^{3/}	163	^{3/}	0
NY	86	85				
NC	258	262	141	143	117	119
OH	417	466				
OK	^{3/}	64	^{3/}	42	^{3/}	22
OR	^{3/}	60	^{3/}	58	^{3/}	2
PA	470	460	456	443	14	17
SC	105	113	90	95	15	18
SD	^{3/}	43	^{3/}	43	^{3/}	0
TX	290	320	248	276	42	44
VA	^{3/}	75	^{3/}	39	^{3/}	36
WA	104	107				
WI	^{3/}	71				
30 Sts	^{3/}	5,699	^{3/}	4,862	^{3/}	837
Oth Sts ^{4/}	^{3/}	336	^{3/}	278	^{3/}	58
US	5,861	6,035	5,018	5,140	843	895

^{1/} 1994 revised.

^{2/} Data by type of flock not shown for some States to avoid disclosing individual operations.

^{3/} Data not available.

^{4/} Estimates for individual States are not available.

Egg Production: By Type, State, and United States.
May 1993-94 ^{1/}

State	Total Production		Table Eggs ^{2/}		Hatching Eggs ^{2/}	
	1993	1994	1993	1994	1993	1994
	Million Eggs					
AL	217	231	100	113	117	118
AR	317	332	149	154	168	178
CA	536	516				
CO	^{3/}	66				
CT	82	79				
FL	203	208	188	191	15	17
GA	365	370	225	224	140	146
HI	18	17	18	17	0	0
IL	^{3/}	69	^{3/}	68	^{3/}	1
IN	436	454	423	443	13	11
IA	280	316				
ME	102	122				
MD	^{3/}	69	^{3/}	61	^{3/}	8
MI	111	117				
MN	228	220	219	211	9	9
MS	128	132	71	60	57	72
MO	143	134				
NE	^{3/}	166	^{3/}	166	^{3/}	0
NY	88	84				
NC	266	270	143	144	123	126
OH	421	494				
OK	^{3/}	69	^{3/}	45	^{3/}	24
OR	^{3/}	60	^{3/}	59	^{3/}	1
PA	487	465	473	448	14	17
SC	108	116	92	97	16	19
SD	^{3/}	43	^{3/}	43	^{3/}	0
TX	295	322	252	276	43	46
VA	^{3/}	78	^{3/}	38	^{3/}	40
WA	107	111				
WI	^{3/}	72				
30 Sts	^{3/}	5,802	^{3/}	4,923	^{3/}	879
Oth Sts ^{4/}	^{3/}	348	^{3/}	288	^{3/}	60
US	6,009	6,150	5,119	5,211	890	939

^{1/} 1994 preliminary.

^{2/} Data by type of flock not shown for some States to avoid disclosing individual operations.

^{3/} Data not available.

^{4/} Estimates for individual States are not available.

Forced Molt: Percent of All Layers by Month.
United States, 1993-94 ^{1/}

Month	Percent Being Molted		Percent with Molt Completed	
	1993	1994	1993	1994
	Percent			
Jan	^{2/}	4.5	^{2/}	22.1
Feb	^{2/}	5.4	^{2/}	21.2
Mar	^{2/}	3.6	^{2/}	20.8
Apr	^{2/}	2.7	^{2/}	20.9
May	^{2/}	5.5	^{2/}	20.1
Jun	^{2/}	5.6	^{2/}	21.1
Jul				
Aug				
Sep				
Oct				
Nov				
Dec				

^{1/} As of first of month.

^{2/} Data not available.

Forced Molt: Percent of All Layers by State
and United States, 1993-94 ^{1/}

State	June			
	Percent Being Molted		Percent with Molt Completed	
	1993	1994	1993	1994
	Percent			
AL	3.5	5.0	13.0	14.0
AR	4.5	2.5	13.0	13.0
CA	11.0	7.5	40.5	46.5
CO	<u>2/</u>	6.0	<u>2/</u>	27.0
CT	4.5	4.5	8.0	13.5
FL	11.5	8.0	26.0	37.0
GA	8.0	8.5	20.0	15.5
HI	<u>2/</u>	8.5	<u>2/</u>	45.5
IL	<u>2/</u>	3.0	<u>2/</u>	25.0
IN	3.5	7.5	12.0	26.5
IA	7.0	5.5	23.0	27.0
ME	0.0	0.5	0.5	0.0
MD	<u>2/</u>	2.5	<u>2/</u>	23.0
MI	2.5	5.5	19.0	7.0
MN	10.0	8.5	27.0	27.5
MS	8.5	3.5	22.5	15.5
MO	.5	1.0	30.5	22.0
NE	<u>2/</u>	5.0	<u>2/</u>	15.0
NY	4.5	3.5	12.0	6.5
NC	3.5	3.5	20.5	15.0
OH	1.5	3.5	10.0	11.0
OK	<u>2/</u>	0.0	<u>2/</u>	6.0
OR	<u>2/</u>	7.0	<u>2/</u>	26.5
PA	3.0	5.0	21.0	13.0
SC	10.0	5.0	32.0	23.0
SD	<u>2/</u>	8.0	<u>2/</u>	40.0
TX	8.5	8.5	27.5	22.5
VA	<u>2/</u>	3.0	<u>2/</u>	12.0
WA	4.0	4.5	34.0	41.0
WI	<u>2/</u>	6.5	<u>2/</u>	25.5
30 Sts ^{3/}	5.8	5.5	21.5	21.3
Oth Sts ^{4/}	<u>2/</u>	6.4	<u>2/</u>	18.4
US	<u>2/</u>	5.6	<u>2/</u>	21.1

^{1/} As of first of month.

^{2/} Data not available.

^{3/} 1993 data are for 20 major States.

^{4/} Estimates for individual States are not available.

Hatchery Production: Eggs in Incubators, Chicks Hatched,
and Placements by Type, United States, May-June 1993-94

Item	1993	1994	1994 as % of 1993
	1,000		Percent
Egg-Type			
Eggs in Incubators on Jun 1	31,933	29,729	93
Chicks Hatched During May	36,741	35,179	96
Chicks Hatched Jan thru May	180,952	168,104	93
Pullets Placed in Hatchery			
Supply Flocks During May	275	334	121
7-18 Month Earlier <u>1/</u>	2,637	2,801	106
Broiler-Type			
Eggs in Incubators on Jun 1	518,208	541,943	105
Chicks Hatched During May	634,205	661,046	104
Chicks Hatched Jan thru May	3,004,167	3,108,733	103
Pullets Placed in Hatchery			
Supply Flocks During May	5,944	6,266	105
7-14 Months Earlier <u>2/</u>	41,866	44,907	107

1/ 1994 includes pullet chicks placed Nov 1992 through Oct 1993.

2/ 1994 includes pullet chicks placed Mar 1993 through Oct 1993.

Egg-Type Eggs in Incubators: By Region and United States,
June 1, 1993-94

Geographic Division	1993	1994	1994 as % of 1993
	1,000		Percent
North Atlantic	5,287	5,102	97
E North Central	9,273	7,574	82
W North Central	5,060	5,037	100
South Atlantic	4,937	4,109	83
South Central	2,900	3,740	129
West	4,476	4,167	93
US	31,933	29,729	93

Regional Listing:

North Atlantic = CT, ME, MA, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT.

E North Central = IL, IN, MI, OH, WI.

W North Central = IA, KS, MN, MO, NE, ND, SD.

South Atlantic = DE, FL, GA, MD, NC, SC, VA, WV.

South Central = AL, AR, KY, LA, MS, OK, TN, TX.

West = AK, AZ, CA, CO, HI, ID, MT, NM, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY.

Egg-Type Chicks Hatched: By State and United States.
May 1993-94

State	May			Jan-May		
	1993	1994	1994 as % of 1993	1993	1994	1994 as % of 1993
	----- 1,000 -----	----- 1,000 -----	Percent	----- 1,000 -----	----- 1,000 -----	Percent
AR	1,327	902	68	6,115	5,832	95
FL	1,525	1,063	70	7,706	5,114	66
GA	2,832	2,105	74	12,656	8,385	66
IN	6,063	7,021	116	32,182	32,811	102
IA	2,828	2,525	89	13,239	11,897	90
KS	424	392	92	1,843	1,389	75
MN	2,191	2,418	110	9,646	10,557	109
MO	632	651	103	3,302	2,792	85
PA	4,343	4,536	104	22,305	22,722	102
Oth Sts <u>1/</u>	14,576	13,566	93	71,958	66,605	93
US	36,741	35,179	96	180,952	168,104	93

1/ Not published separately to avoid disclosing data of individual operations.

Egg-Type Chicks Hatched: By Month, United States, 1992-94

Month	By Months				Cumulative			
	1992	1993	1994	1994 as % of 1993	1992	1993	1994	1994 as % of 1993
	----- 1,000 -----	----- 1,000 -----	----- 1,000 -----	Percent	----- 1,000 -----	----- 1,000 -----	----- 1,000 -----	Percent
Jan	32,496	34,852	32,816	94	32,496	34,852	32,816	94
Feb	31,950	33,984	31,056	91	64,446	68,836	63,872	93
Mar	36,490	38,232	33,335	87	100,936	107,068	97,207	91
Apr	35,755	37,143	35,718	96	136,691	144,211	132,925	92
May	38,513	36,741	35,179	96	175,204	180,952	168,104	93
Jun	34,568	35,587			209,772	216,539		
Jul	32,265	33,980			242,037	250,519		
Aug	28,349	31,455			270,386	281,974		
Sep	28,760	31,775			299,146	313,749		
Oct	32,843	31,634			331,989	345,383		
Nov	27,718	30,073			359,707	375,456		
Dec	31,612	30,446			391,319	405,902		

**Intended Placements: Egg-Type Pullet Chicks for Hatchery Supply
Flocks by Month and Total, United States, 1992-94 ^{1/}**

Month	Pullet Chicks Hatched			1994 as % of 1993	Cumulative Potential Placements Relative to Current Supply Flocks 7-18 Months Earlier ^{2/}		
	1992	1993	1994		1992	1993	1994
	----- 1,000 -----	----- 1,000 -----	----- 1,000 -----		----- 1,000 -----	----- 1,000 -----	----- 1,000 -----
Jan	181	193	197	102	2,483	2,529	2,806
Feb	273	119	186	156	2,375	2,553	2,812
Mar	186	268	259	97	2,322	2,604	2,754
Apr	178	251	277	110	2,337	2,655	2,787
May	262	275	334	121	2,437	2,637	2,801
Jun	225	267			2,476	2,696	2,690
Jul	237	243			2,381	2,738	2,782
Aug	277	219			2,483	2,750	2,786
Sep	237	270			2,617	2,596	2,853
Oct	237	251			2,524	2,678	2,844
Nov	269	158			2,471	2,751	2,870
Dec	176	268			2,483	2,764	2,929
Total	2,738	2,782					

^{1/} Reported by leading breeders. Coverage may not be 100 percent. Includes expected pullet chicks from eggs sold during the preceding month at the rate of 125 pullet chicks per 30 dozen case of eggs.

^{2/} For May 1994, includes breeder pullet chicks hatched Nov 1992 through Oct 1993.

**Broiler-Type Eggs in Incubators: By Region
and United States, June 1, 1993-94**

Geographic Division	1993	1994	1994 as % of 1993
	----- 1,000 -----	----- 1,000 -----	Percent
	----- 1,000 -----	----- 1,000 -----	Percent
North Atlantic	11,630	12,377	106
E North Central	6,165	6,880	112
W North Central	11,771	12,387	105
South Atlantic	206,767	215,128	104
South Central	259,682	271,868	105
West	22,193	23,303	105
US	518,208	541,943	105

**Broiler-Type Chicks Hatched: Number by State
and United States, May 1993-94**

State	May			Jan-May		
	1993	1994	1994 as % of 1993	1993	1994	1994 as % of 1993
	1,000		Percent	1,000		Percent
AL	90,961	90,748	100	432,992	440,251	102
AR	107,323	107,290	100	508,601	513,469	101
DE	17,364	16,511	95	80,328	76,241	95
FL	13,398	11,894	89	63,605	60,986	96
GA	86,938	94,094	108	412,609	437,761	106
MD	37,275	37,199	100	174,821	175,471	100
MS	46,261	54,036	117	216,252	248,652	115
NC	59,400	61,667	104	287,314	289,876	101
PA	11,257	11,572	103	52,600	56,952	108
SC	14,083	15,899	113	59,968	74,352	124
TX	35,729	37,934	106	173,802	175,723	101
VA	18,783	19,179	102	91,340	93,112	102
CA TN & WV	32,494	34,083	105	152,454	160,512	105
15 Sts <u>1/</u>	571,266	592,106	104	2,706,686	2,803,358	104
OR & WA	6,101	6,216	102	28,100	29,594	105
Oth Sts <u>2/</u>	56,838	62,724	110	269,381	275,781	102
US	634,205	661,046	104	3,004,167	3,108,733	103

1/ States in the weekly hatchery production estimating program.

2/ Not published separately to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

Broiler Chicks Hatched: By Month, United States, 1992-94

Month	By Months				Cumulative			
	1992	1993	1994	1994 as % of 1993	1992	1993	1994	1994 as % o 1993
	1,000			Percent	1,000			Percent
Jan	578,860	598,698	617,706	103	578,860	598,698	617,706	103
Feb	535,608	547,731	557,767	102	1,114,468	1,146,429	1,175,473	103
Mar	589,391	622,864	643,034	103	1,703,859	1,769,293	1,818,507	103
Apr	576,427	600,669	629,180	105	2,280,286	2,369,962	2,447,687	103
May	602,025	634,205	661,046	104	2,882,311	3,004,167	3,108,733	103
Jun	588,462	619,301			3,470,773	3,623,468		
Jul	589,979	618,808			4,060,752	4,242,276		
Aug	580,860	612,180			4,641,612	4,854,456		
Sep	561,683	582,580			5,203,295	5,437,036		
Oct	554,547	583,979			5,757,842	6,021,015		
Nov	536,927	574,055			6,294,769	6,595,070		
Dec	598,075	623,255			6,892,844	7,218,325		

Intended Placements: Broiler-Type Pullet Chicks for Hatchery
Supply Flocks by Month and Total, 1992-94 1/

Month	Pullet Chicks Hatched			1994 as % of 1993	Cumulative Potential Placements Relative to Current Supply Flocks 7-14 Months Earlier <u>2/</u>		
	1992	1993	1994		1992	1993	1994
	----- 1,000 -----			Percent	----- 1,000 -----		
US Place-ments							
Jan	4,995	5,664	5,989	106	39,950	40,202	42,665
Feb	4,674	4,549	5,518	121	39,903	40,819	43,906
Mar	5,234	5,678	6,301	111	40,103	40,908	44,486
Apr	5,492	5,531	6,101	110	40,588	41,133	43,943
May	4,831	5,944	6,266	105	40,590	41,866	44,907
Jun	5,170	5,568			40,453	41,358	44,746
Jul	5,431	5,967			39,889	40,871	44,884
Aug	5,081	5,585			39,270	41,704	44,929
Sep	5,220	5,121			39,092	41,083	44,879
Oct	5,407	5,513			39,659	41,330	45,213
Nov	4,726	5,517			40,211	41,780	45,729
Dec	5,005	5,669			39,963	42,504	46,874
Annual Total	61,266	66,306					
Total Place-ments ^{3/}							
Jan	6,339	7,098	7,168	101			
Feb	6,056	5,664	6,829	121			
Mar	6,685	6,909	7,544	109			
Apr	6,796	6,420	7,234	113			
May	5,984	7,182	7,394	103			
Jun	6,401	6,723					
Jul	6,464	7,114					
Aug	6,022	6,587					
Sep	6,242	6,177					
Oct	6,599	6,634					
Nov	5,814	6,718					
Dec	6,493	6,949					
Annual Total	75,895	80,175					

1/ Reported by leading breeders. Coverage may not be 100 percent. Includes expected pullet chicks from eggs sold during the preceding month at the rate of 125 pullet chicks per 30 dozen case of eggs.

2/ For May 1994, includes breeder pullet chicks hatched Mar 1993 through Oct 1993.

3/ U.S. production of intended placements worldwide.

Data Sources: Primary data for the "Chickens & Eggs" report are collected from weekly and/or monthly questionnaires sent to producers. An attempt is made to collect information for the layer and egg estimates from all known contractors and independent producers with over 30,000 table egg layers in their flock. Coverage for table egg operations with less than 30,000 table egg layers are estimated each month based on data reported in December. Approximately 910 contractors, independent egg producers and started pullet operations are contacted each month. An attempt is made to collect hatchery information from all known hatcheries. Approximately 340 hatcheries are contacted on a weekly and/or monthly basis.

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