



Chickens and Eggs

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April Egg Production Down 7 Percent

United States egg production totaled 8.32 billion during April 2025, down 7 percent from last year. Production included 7.09 billion table eggs, and 1.24 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.14 billion were broiler-type and 100 million were egg-type. The average number of layers during April 2025 totaled 352 million, down 6 percent from last year. April egg production per 100 layers was 2,368 eggs, down slightly from April 2024.

Total layers in the United States on May 1, 2025 totaled 352 million, down 5 percent from last year. The 352 million layers consisted of 288 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 60.4 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 3.90 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on May 1, 2025, averaged 78.9 eggs per 100 layers, down slightly from May 1, 2024.

Egg-Type Chicks Hatched Up 8 Percent

Egg-type chicks hatched during April 2025 totaled 60.1 million, up 8 percent from April 2024. Eggs in incubators totaled 59.5 million on May 1, 2025, up 15 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 235 thousand during April 2025, down 6 percent from April 2024.

Broiler-Type Chicks Hatched Down Slightly

Broiler-type chicks hatched during April 2025 totaled 842 million, down slightly from April 2024. Eggs in incubators totaled 751 million on May 1, 2025, up 1 percent from a year ago.

Leading breeders placed 8.87 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during April 2025, up 9 percent from April 2024.

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Average Layers During the Month – United States: 2024-2025

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Month	2024	2025
	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)
December ¹	383,004	373,055
January	377,543	364,443
February	377,789	355,473
March	379,619	351,029
April	375,529	351,568
May	370,879	
June	369,835	
July	368,248	
August	368,951	
September	372,988	
October	375,618	
November	376,396	

¹ December previous year.

Egg Production During the Month by Type – United States: 2024-2025

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Month	Total eggs		Table eggs		Hatching eggs	
	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025
	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)
December ¹	9,431.0	9,115.6	8,132.2	7,832.5	1,298.8	1,283.1
January	9,252.9	8,883.1	7,952.2	7,587.1	1,300.7	1,296.0
February	8,644.3	7,871.1	7,419.5	6,698.7	1,224.8	1,172.4
March	9,325.9	8,619.4	8,014.6	7,337.2	1,311.3	1,282.2
April	8,923.3	8,324.0	7,660.6	7,088.1	1,262.7	1,235.9
May	9,096.5		7,800.9		1,295.6	
June	8,789.2		7,534.0		1,255.2	
July	9,018.9		7,718.9		1,300.0	
August	9,067.7		7,753.8		1,313.9	
September	8,850.6		7,577.3		1,273.3	
October	9,179.9		7,885.8		1,294.1	
November	8,934.7		7,691.9		1,242.8	

¹ December previous year.

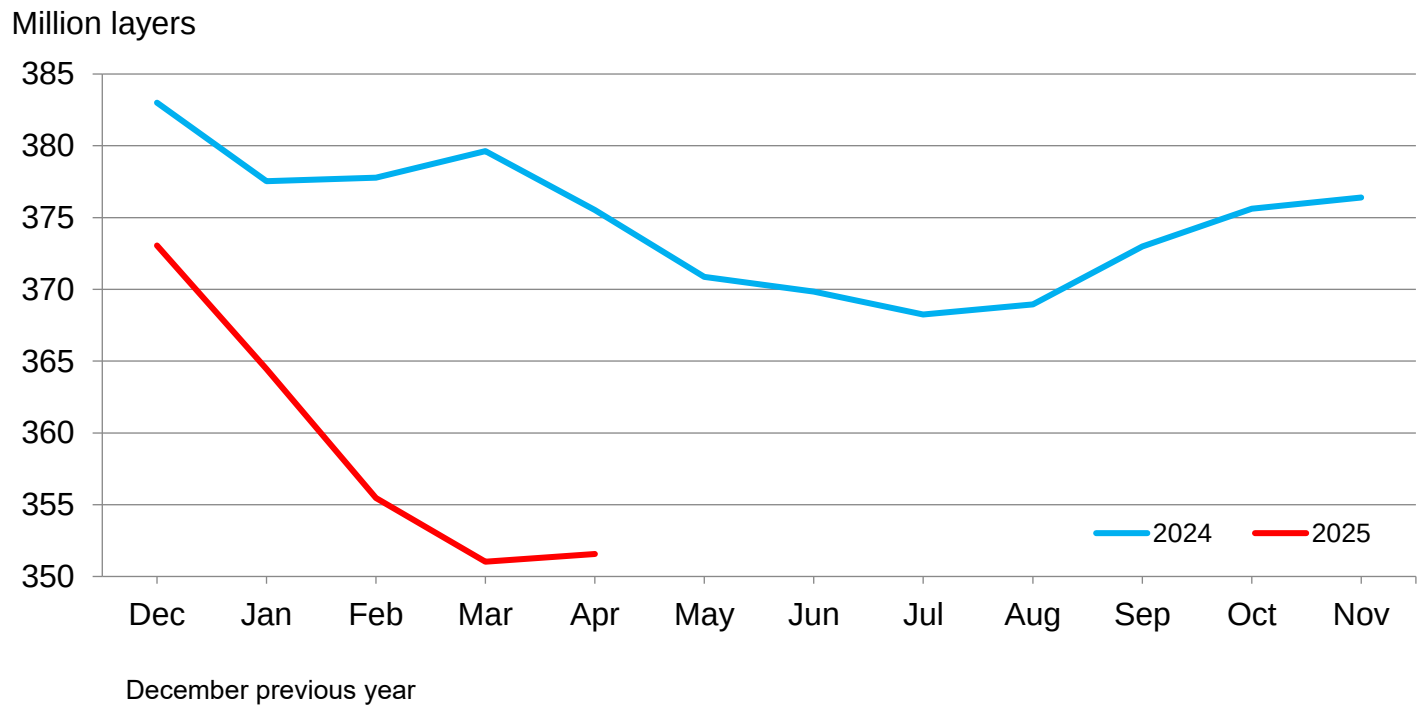
Egg Production During the Month in Dozens by Type – United States: 2024-2025

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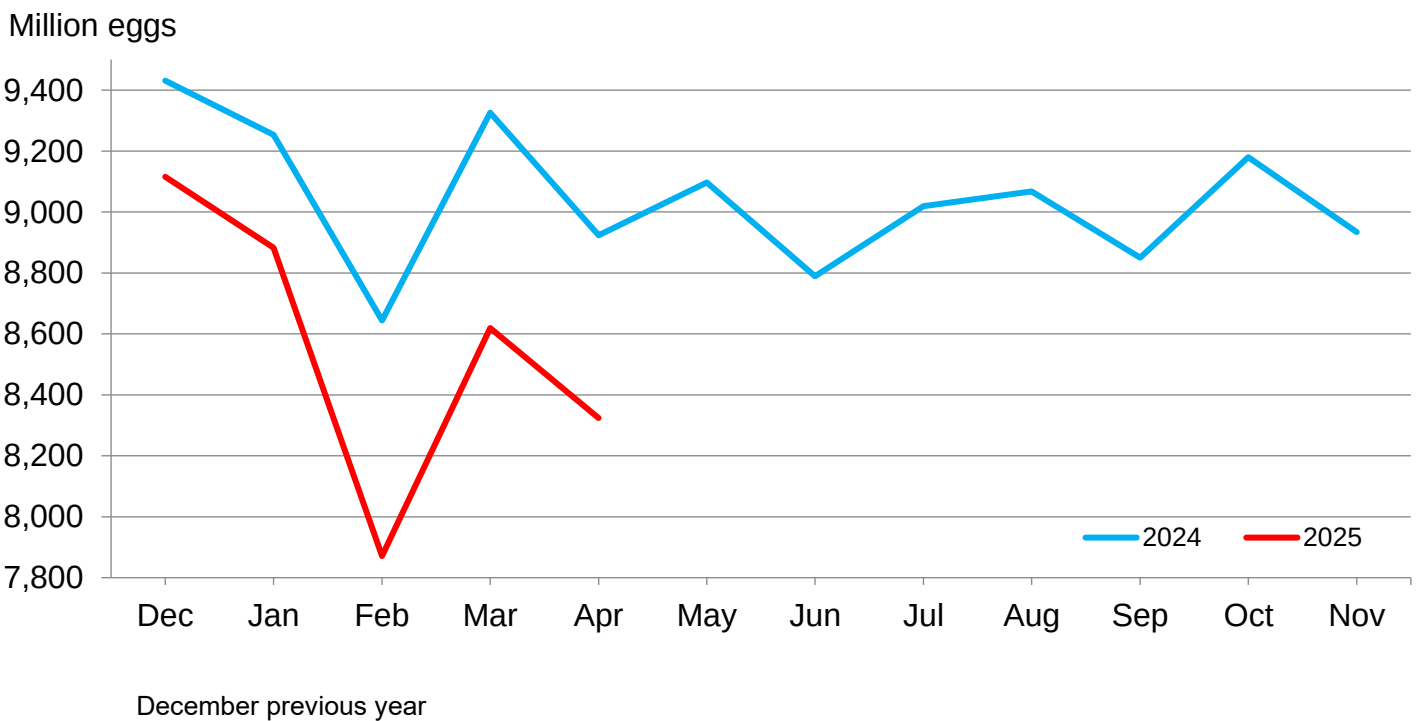
Month	Total eggs		Table eggs		Hatching eggs	
	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025
	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)
December ¹	785,916.8	759,633.3	677,683.4	652,708.5	108,233.4	106,924.8
January	771,075.0	740,258.8	662,683.4	632,258.7	108,391.6	108,000.1
February	720,357.8	655,925.4	618,291.5	558,225.5	102,066.3	97,699.9
March	777,158.3	718,283.7	667,883.4	611,433.5	109,274.9	106,850.2
April	743,608.3	693,666.8	638,383.5	590,675.2	105,224.8	102,991.6
May	758,041.5		650,074.8		107,966.7	
June	732,433.0		627,833.1		104,599.9	
July	751,575.0		643,241.7		108,333.3	
August	755,641.4		646,150.0		109,491.4	
September	737,549.9		631,441.5		106,108.4	
October	764,991.9		657,150.2		107,841.7	
November	744,558.4		640,991.8		103,566.6	

¹ December previous year.

Average Layers During the Month – United States



Total Egg Production During the Month – United States



Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced by Type and Molt – United States: March-April 2024 and 2025

Item	2024	2025	2025 as percent of 2024
Layers during March			
Total layers 1,000	379,619	351,029	92
Table egg type 1,000	313,306	286,452	91
Hatching egg type 1,000	66,313	64,577	97
Broiler-type hatching 1,000	62,293	60,596	97
Egg-type hatching 1,000	4,020	3,981	99
Eggs per 100 layers during March			
Total layers number	2,457	2,455	100
Table egg type number	2,558	2,561	100
Hatching egg type number	1,977	1,986	100
Broiler-type hatching number	1,936	1,944	100
Egg-type hatching number	2,617	2,617	100
Eggs produced during March			
Total layers million	9,325.9	8,619.4	92
Table egg type million	8,014.6	7,337.2	92
Hatching egg type million	1,311.3	1,282.2	98
Broiler-type hatching million	1,206.1	1,178.0	98
Egg-type hatching million	105.2	104.2	99
Eggs produced during March			
Total layers 1,000 dozen	777,158.3	718,283.7	92
Table egg type 1,000 dozen	667,883.4	611,433.5	92
Hatching egg type 1,000 dozen	109,274.9	106,850.2	98
Broiler-type hatching 1,000 dozen	100,508.1	98,166.7	98
Egg-type hatching 1,000 dozen	8,766.8	8,683.5	99
Layers on April 1			
Total layers 1,000	379,744	350,792	92
Table egg type 1,000	313,191	286,411	91
Hatching egg type 1,000	66,553	64,381	97
Broiler-type hatching 1,000	62,484	60,382	97
Egg-type hatching 1,000	4,069	3,999	98
Eggs per 100 layers on April 1			
Total layers number	79.4	78.9	99
Table egg type number	82.8	82.3	99
Hatching egg type number	63.5	63.9	101
Broiler-type hatching number	62.2	62.6	101
Egg-type hatching number	83.8	83.7	100
Molted layers on April 1			
Being molted percent	1.8	2.4	133
Molt completed percent	9.3	10.1	109
Layers sold for slaughter during March 1,000	13,226.4	13,163.6	100
Layers rendered, died, destroyed, composted or disappeared for any reason during March 1,000	10,035.2	11,601.4	116
Pullets on April 1 1,000	127,892	128,701	101
Pullets added during March ¹ 1,000	28,861.5	25,269.8	88

¹ Pullet chicks less than 3 days old added to pullet flocks.

Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced by Type and Molt – United States: April-May 2024 and 2025

Item	2024	2025	2025 as percent of 2024
Layers during April			
Total layers1,000	375,529	351,568	94
Table egg type1,000	309,371	287,207	93
Hatching egg type1,000	66,158	64,361	97
Broiler-type hatching1,000	62,146	60,408	97
Egg-type hatching1,000	4,012	3,953	99
Eggs per 100 layers during April			
Total layersnumber	2,376	2,368	100
Table egg typenumber	2,476	2,468	100
Hatching egg typenumber	1,909	1,920	101
Broiler-type hatchingnumber	1,871	1,880	100
Egg-type hatchingnumber	2,498	2,530	101
Eggs produced during April			
Total layersmillion	8,923.3	8,324.0	93
Table egg typemillion	7,660.6	7,088.1	93
Hatching egg typemillion	1,262.7	1,235.9	98
Broiler-type hatchingmillion	1,162.5	1,135.9	98
Egg-type hatchingmillion	100.2	100.0	100
Eggs produced during April			
Total layers1,000 dozen	743,608.3	693,666.8	93
Table egg type1,000 dozen	638,383.5	590,675.2	93
Hatching egg type1,000 dozen	105,224.8	102,991.6	98
Broiler-type hatching1,000 dozen	96,874.7	94,658.1	98
Egg-type hatching1,000 dozen	8,350.1	8,333.5	100
Layers on May 1			
Total layers1,000	371,284	352,312	95
Table egg type1,000	305,535	287,987	94
Hatching egg type1,000	65,749	64,325	98
Broiler-type hatching1,000	61,798	60,423	98
Egg-type hatching1,000	3,951	3,902	99
Eggs per 100 layers on May 1			
Total layersnumber	79.0	78.9	100
Table egg typenumber	82.2	82.2	100
Hatching egg typenumber	63.7	64.1	101
Broiler-type hatchingnumber	62.5	62.7	100
Egg-type hatchingnumber	83.1	84.6	102
Molted layers on May 1			
Being moltedpercent	2.3	2.3	100
Molt completedpercent	8.9	10.5	118
Layers sold for slaughter during April1,000	13,083.8	11,843.6	91
Layers rendered, died, destroyed, composted or disappeared for any reason during April1,000	18,034.3	8,785.1	49
Pullets on May 11,000	130,141	128,719	99
Pullets added during April ¹1,000	26,794.5	24,733.8	92

¹ Pullet chicks less than 3 days old added to pullet flocks.

Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced – States and United States: During March 2024 and 2025

State	Table egg layers in flocks 30,000 and above		Total layers		Eggs per 100 for total layers	
	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025
	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(eggs)	(eggs)
Alabama	1,103	1,306	10,705	11,146	1,915	1,944
Arkansas	(D)	(D)	15,242	14,953	2,159	2,151
California	7,722	3,361	8,119	3,739	2,340	2,428
Colorado	3,970	1,953	4,458	2,441	2,633	2,409
Georgia	9,787	9,830	20,139	19,776	2,198	2,258
Illinois	6,597	5,955	7,208	6,575	2,494	2,506
Indiana	35,135	31,343	36,067	32,314	2,529	2,575
Iowa	42,435	40,962	44,316	42,845	2,599	2,558
Kentucky	(D)	(D)	5,248	5,384	2,214	2,162
Maryland	2,072	(NA)	2,289	(NA)	2,674	(NA)
Michigan	16,080	11,491	16,646	12,078	2,550	2,543
Minnesota	6,600	6,786	7,114	7,276	2,505	2,593
Mississippi	(D)	(D)	5,509	5,931	2,200	2,162
Missouri	7,559	4,786	14,044	11,068	2,604	2,533
Nebraska	7,618	7,923	8,275	8,623	2,493	2,571
New York	5,093	5,363	5,596	5,872	2,613	2,643
North Carolina	7,374	4,898	16,121	13,411	2,244	2,180
Ohio	37,909	32,463	39,189	33,716	2,545	2,578
Oklahoma	(D)	(D)	2,174	2,107	2,061	2,140
Oregon	2,071	2,365	2,181	2,475	2,733	2,606
Pennsylvania	23,729	21,709	26,973	24,903	2,581	2,613
South Carolina	2,489	2,680	3,784	3,999	2,267	2,356
South Dakota	2,002	(NA)	2,057	(NA)	2,684	(NA)
Texas	(D)	(D)	22,637	22,353	2,366	2,394
Utah	7,032	6,383	7,072	6,423	2,486	2,483
Virginia	874	(NA)	2,654	(NA)	2,434	(NA)
Washington	5,400	4,831	5,502	4,933	2,684	2,461
Wisconsin	6,643	7,136	7,808	8,333	2,650	2,676
Other States ¹	24,276	30,403	30,492	38,355	2,450	2,449
United States	297,661	270,749	379,619	351,029	2,457	2,455

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(NA) Not available.

¹ Includes data for States not published in this table.

Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced – States and United States: During April 2024 and 2025

State	Table egg layers in flocks 30,000 and above		Total layers		Eggs per 100 for total layers	
	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025
	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(eggs)	(eggs)
Alabama	1,199	1,310	10,622	11,201	1,841	1,823
Arkansas	(D)	(D)	15,200	14,870	2,061	2,063
California	7,850	3,728	8,233	4,095	2,266	2,283
Colorado	3,925	1,980	4,413	2,468	2,506	2,326
Georgia	9,747	9,628	20,101	19,509	2,141	2,153
Illinois	6,488	5,882	7,128	6,500	2,462	2,408
Indiana	34,957	31,110	35,885	32,108	2,463	2,464
Iowa	42,795	41,623	44,709	43,488	2,530	2,479
Kentucky	(D)	(D)	5,138	5,433	2,131	2,093
Maryland	2,062	(NA)	2,282	(NA)	2,585	(NA)
Michigan	12,718	11,488	13,297	12,055	2,431	2,507
Minnesota	6,625	6,763	7,125	7,259	2,421	2,507
Mississippi	(D)	(D)	5,532	5,934	2,108	2,073
Missouri	7,553	4,900	13,888	11,167	2,551	2,434
Nebraska	7,750	8,043	8,389	8,739	2,420	2,430
New York	5,048	5,338	5,547	5,856	2,547	2,573
North Carolina	7,443	4,977	16,209	13,520	2,182	2,135
Ohio	38,061	32,064	39,348	33,330	2,475	2,504
Oklahoma	(D)	(D)	2,297	2,079	1,955	2,059
Oregon	2,163	2,344	2,273	2,454	2,604	2,563
Pennsylvania	23,632	21,944	27,003	25,105	2,494	2,530
South Carolina	2,466	2,570	3,776	3,860	2,267	2,293
South Dakota	2,011	(NA)	2,066	(NA)	2,682	(NA)
Texas	(D)	(D)	21,846	22,391	2,210	2,270
Utah	6,823	6,517	6,863	6,557	2,451	2,379
Virginia	833	(NA)	2,556	(NA)	2,347	(NA)
Washington	5,407	4,732	5,509	4,834	2,621	2,369
Wisconsin	6,788	7,109	7,959	8,305	2,510	2,561
Other States ¹	24,076	30,532	30,335	38,451	2,360	2,383
United States	293,726	271,504	375,529	351,568	2,376	2,368

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(NA) Not available.

¹ Includes data for States not published in this table.

Egg Production by Type – States and United States: March 2024 and 2025

[Data by type of flock not shown for some States to avoid disclosing individual operations, data included in United States totals]

State	Total production		Table eggs		Hatching eggs	
	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025
	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)
Alabama	205.0	216.7	30.9	35.5	174.1	181.2
Arkansas	329.1	321.7	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
California	190.0	90.8	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Colorado	117.4	58.8	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Georgia	442.6	446.5	243.7	253.1	198.9	193.4
Illinois	179.8	164.8	174.3	159.2	5.5	5.6
Indiana	912.0	832.0	898.9	817.9	13.1	14.1
Iowa	1,151.9	1,096.0	1,127.1	1,071.6	24.8	24.4
Kentucky	116.2	116.4	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Maryland	61.2	(NA)	59.5	(NA)	1.7	(NA)
Michigan	424.5	307.1	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	178.2	188.7	170.4	180.5	7.8	8.2
Mississippi	121.2	128.2	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Missouri	365.7	280.3	323.2	242.0	42.5	38.3
Nebraska	206.3	221.7	192.8	207.9	13.5	13.8
New York	146.2	155.2	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina	361.8	292.3	195.8	132.7	166.0	159.6
Ohio	997.4	869.3	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oklahoma	44.8	45.1	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oregon	59.6	64.5	59.6	64.5	-	-
Pennsylvania	696.2	650.6	645.6	603.8	50.6	46.8
South Carolina	85.8	94.2	62.6	70.1	23.2	24.1
South Dakota	55.2	(NA)	55.2	(NA)	-	(NA)
Texas	535.7	535.2	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Utah	175.8	159.5	175.8	159.5	-	-
Virginia	64.6	(NA)	31.9	(NA)	32.7	(NA)
Washington	147.7	121.4	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin	206.9	223.0	201.1	216.5	5.8	6.5
Other States ¹	747.1	939.4	662.3	826.4	84.8	113.0
United States	9,325.9	8,619.4	8,014.6	7,337.2	1,311.3	1,282.2

- Represents zero.

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¹ Not published separately to avoid disclosing individual operations.

Egg Production by Type – States and United States: April 2024 and 2025

[Data by type of flock not shown for some States to avoid disclosing individual operations, data included in United States totals]

State	Total production		Table eggs		Hatching eggs	
	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025
	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)
Alabama	195.6	204.2	31.1	32.0	164.5	172.2
Arkansas	313.3	306.8	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
California	186.6	93.5	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Colorado	110.6	57.4	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Georgia	430.3	420.0	235.5	234.4	194.8	185.6
Illinois	175.5	156.5	169.8	151.0	5.7	5.5
Indiana	883.9	791.3	870.9	777.2	13.0	14.1
Iowa	1,131.0	1,078.0	1,106.7	1,054.8	24.3	23.2
Kentucky	109.5	113.7	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Maryland	59.0	(NA)	57.4	(NA)	1.6	(NA)
Michigan	323.3	302.2	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	172.5	182.0	165.7	174.1	6.8	7.9
Mississippi	116.6	123.0	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Missouri	354.3	271.8	316.3	234.9	38.0	36.9
Nebraska	203.0	212.4	190.2	199.5	12.8	12.9
New York	141.3	150.7	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina	353.6	288.6	192.8	130.6	160.8	158.0
Ohio	973.7	834.7	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oklahoma	44.9	42.8	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oregon	59.2	62.9	59.2	62.9	-	-
Pennsylvania	673.4	635.2	623.0	590.3	50.4	44.9
South Carolina	85.6	88.5	63.0	65.5	22.6	23.0
South Dakota	55.4	(NA)	55.4	(NA)	-	(NA)
Texas	482.8	508.3	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Utah	168.2	156.0	168.2	156.0	-	-
Virginia	60.0	(NA)	30.0	(NA)	30.0	(NA)
Washington	144.4	114.5	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin	199.8	212.7	194.2	206.4	5.6	6.3
Other States ¹	716.0	916.3	633.1	806.3	82.9	110.0
United States	8,923.3	8,324.0	7,660.6	7,088.1	1,262.7	1,235.9

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Egg Production in Dozens by Type – States and United States: March 2024 and 2025

[Data by type of flock not shown for some States to avoid disclosing individual operations, data included in United States totals]

State	Total production		Table eggs		Hatching eggs	
	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025
	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)
Alabama	17,083.3	18,058.4	2,575.0	2,958.4	14,508.3	15,100.0
Arkansas	27,425.0	26,808.3	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
California	15,833.3	7,566.7	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Colorado	9,783.3	4,899.9	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Georgia	36,883.3	37,208.4	20,308.3	21,091.7	16,575.0	16,116.7
Illinois	14,983.4	13,733.3	14,525.0	13,266.7	458.4	466.6
Indiana	76,000.1	69,333.3	74,908.4	68,158.3	1,091.7	1,175.0
Iowa	95,991.7	91,333.4	93,925.0	89,300.0	2,066.7	2,033.4
Kentucky	9,683.3	9,700.0	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Maryland	5,100.0	(NA)	4,958.3	(NA)	141.7	(NA)
Michigan	35,374.9	25,591.7	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	14,850.0	15,725.1	14,200.0	15,041.7	650.0	683.4
Mississippi	10,099.9	10,683.4	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Missouri	30,475.0	23,358.3	26,933.3	20,166.6	3,541.7	3,191.7
Nebraska	17,191.7	18,475.0	16,066.7	17,325.0	1,125.0	1,150.0
New York	12,183.4	12,933.3	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina	30,150.0	24,358.4	16,316.7	11,058.4	13,833.3	13,300.0
Ohio	83,116.7	72,441.7	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oklahoma	3,733.4	3,758.3	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oregon	4,966.7	5,375.0	4,966.7	5,375.0	-	-
Pennsylvania	58,016.7	54,216.7	53,800.0	50,316.7	4,216.7	3,900.0
South Carolina	7,149.9	7,850.0	5,216.6	5,841.7	1,933.3	2,008.3
South Dakota	4,600.0	(NA)	4,600.0	(NA)	-	(NA)
Texas	44,641.7	44,600.0	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Utah	14,650.0	13,291.6	14,650.0	13,291.6	-	-
Virginia	5,383.3	(NA)	2,658.3	(NA)	2,725.0	(NA)
Washington	12,308.3	10,116.6	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin	17,241.7	18,583.4	16,758.3	18,041.7	483.4	541.7
Other States ¹	62,258.3	78,283.5	55,191.8	68,866.8	7,066.5	9,416.7
United States	777,158.3	718,283.7	667,883.4	611,433.5	109,274.9	106,850.2

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Egg Production in Dozens by Type – States and United States: April 2024 and 2025

[Data by type of flock not shown for some States to avoid disclosing individual operations, data included in United States totals]

State	Total production		Table eggs		Hatching eggs	
	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025
	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)
Alabama	16,300.0	17,016.7	2,591.7	2,666.7	13,708.3	14,350.0
Arkansas	26,108.4	25,566.7	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
California	15,549.9	7,791.7	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Colorado	9,216.7	4,783.4	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Georgia	35,858.3	35,000.0	19,625.0	19,533.3	16,233.3	15,466.7
Illinois	14,625.0	13,041.7	14,150.0	12,583.4	475.0	458.3
Indiana	73,658.3	65,941.6	72,575.0	64,766.6	1,083.3	1,175.0
Iowa	94,250.0	89,833.3	92,225.0	87,900.0	2,025.0	1,933.3
Kentucky	9,125.0	9,475.0	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Maryland	4,916.6	(NA)	4,783.3	(NA)	133.3	(NA)
Michigan	26,941.7	25,183.4	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	14,375.1	15,166.7	13,808.4	14,508.4	566.7	658.3
Mississippi	9,716.7	10,250.0	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Missouri	29,525.0	22,650.0	26,358.3	19,575.0	3,166.7	3,075.0
Nebraska	16,916.6	17,700.0	15,850.0	16,625.0	1,066.6	1,075.0
New York	11,775.0	12,558.3	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina	29,466.7	24,050.1	16,066.7	10,883.4	13,400.0	13,166.7
Ohio	81,141.7	69,558.3	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oklahoma	3,741.7	3,566.6	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oregon	4,933.4	5,241.6	4,933.4	5,241.6	-	-
Pennsylvania	56,116.7	52,933.2	51,916.7	49,191.6	4,200.0	3,741.6
South Carolina	7,133.3	7,375.0	5,250.0	5,458.3	1,883.3	1,916.7
South Dakota	4,616.7	(NA)	4,616.7	(NA)	-	(NA)
Texas	40,233.3	42,358.3	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Utah	14,016.6	13,000.0	14,016.6	13,000.0	-	-
Virginia	5,000.0	(NA)	2,500.0	(NA)	2,500.0	(NA)
Washington	12,033.4	9,541.7	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin	16,650.0	17,725.0	16,183.3	17,200.0	466.7	525.0
Other States ¹	59,666.5	76,358.5	52,758.2	67,191.9	6,908.3	9,166.6
United States	743,608.3	693,666.8	638,383.5	590,675.2	105,224.8	102,991.6

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Total Layers Molted First Day of the Month by Month – United States: 2024-2025

[Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

Month	Being molted		Molt completed	
	2024	2025	2024	2025
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
January	1.6	1.9	10.0	10.2
February	2.1	2.2	9.8	10.4
March	1.8	2.2	9.6	10.1
April	1.8	2.4	9.3	10.1
May	2.3	2.3	8.9	10.5
June	1.8		9.2	
July	1.8		9.4	
August	2.5		9.6	
September	1.8		10.2	
October	2.7		10.2	
November	2.3		10.9	
December	1.9		10.7	

Total Layers Molted First Day of the Month – States and United States: April 1 and May 1, 2024-2025

State	Being molted				Molt completed			
	April 1		May 1		April 1		May 1	
	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	0.5	2.0	2.5	3.0	4.5	4.5	5.5	4.5
Arkansas	1.5	1.5	2.5	2.0	9.0	13.5	10.0	14.0
California	0.5	2.0	1.0	1.5	3.5	6.0	4.0	4.0
Colorado	4.5	2.0	2.0	1.0	6.5	2.5	5.5	2.0
Georgia	1.5	1.0	1.0	2.0	12.5	8.5	12.5	8.0
Illinois	4.0	6.0	3.5	6.0	23.5	20.5	22.5	19.0
Indiana	0.5	1.5	1.0	2.5	7.0	7.0	5.5	7.0
Iowa	2.0	6.0	3.0	4.0	6.0	9.5	6.5	13.0
Kentucky	3.0	3.5	3.5	3.5	15.0	27.0	17.5	27.0
Maryland	1.0	(NA)	1.0	(NA)	1.0	(NA)	1.0	(NA)
Michigan	2.0	1.0	3.0	1.0	7.5	1.0	10.0	1.5
Minnesota	0.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.0	4.5	1.0	4.0
Mississippi	1.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	13.0	14.5	13.5	15.0
Missouri	2.5	1.5	1.5	3.5	5.0	6.0	5.0	7.0
Nebraska	1.0	2.5	2.0	3.0	1.0	2.0	1.5	2.5
New York	-	1.0	1.0	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5
North Carolina	1.5	2.0	1.0	1.0	4.0	6.0	5.0	6.5
Ohio	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.5	5.5	8.0	5.5	8.0
Oklahoma	2.5	2.0	6.0	3.0	4.0	20.5	3.5	20.0
Oregon	2.0	1.5	2.0	1.5	2.0	1.0	0.5	1.0
Pennsylvania	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	1.0	2.0	0.5	2.0
South Carolina	4.0	3.0	4.5	3.0	4.0	9.5	4.0	11.0
South Dakota	-	(NA)	2.0	(NA)	2.5	(NA)	2.5	(NA)
Texas	4.0	4.0	8.5	4.0	37.5	34.5	32.5	34.5
Utah	5.5	4.5	6.0	2.5	13.5	1.0	14.5	5.0
Virginia	-	(NA)	-	(NA)	-	(NA)	-	(NA)
Washington	-	1.0	-	0.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	1.5
Wisconsin	4.0	2.0	3.0	1.0	7.0	10.0	7.5	10.0
Other States ¹	2.8	2.0	3.6	2.3	20.3	15.9	19.5	15.0
United States	1.8	2.4	2.3	2.3	9.3	10.1	8.9	10.5

- Represents zero.

(NA) Not available.

¹ Includes data for States not published in this table.

Hatchery Production – United States: 2024 and 2025

Item	2024	2025	2025 as percent of 2024
	(1,000)	(1,000)	(percent)
Egg-type			
Eggs in incubators on May 1	51,828	59,486	115
Chicks hatched during April	55,823	60,121	108
Chicks hatched January through April	215,230	234,756	109
Pullets hatched during April for intended placements:			
Hatchery supply flocks	249	235	94
Cumulative potential placements 7-18 months earlier ¹	2,710	2,771	102
Broiler-type			
Eggs in incubators on May 1	745,775	750,556	101
Chicks hatched during April	842,966	841,516	100
Chicks hatched January through April	3,356,317	3,361,153	100
Pullets hatched during April for intended placements:			
Hatchery supply flocks	8,152	8,873	109
Cumulative potential placements 7-15 months earlier ²	76,848	77,528	101

¹ 2025 includes pullet chicks hatched October 2023 through September 2024.

² 2025 includes pullet chicks hatched January 2024 through September 2024.

Egg-Type Eggs in Incubators on the First of the Month – United States: 2024-2025

[Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

Month	2024	2025	2025 as percent of 2024
	(1,000)	(1,000)	(percent)
January	46,593	52,411	112
February	49,892	56,430	113
March	53,913	57,939	107
April	53,065	61,895	117
May	51,828	59,486	115
June	53,641		
July	50,275		
August	51,472		
September	49,023		
October	49,645		
November	46,704		
December	47,941		

Egg-Type Chicks Hatched by Month – United States: 2024-2025

[Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

Month	Monthly			Cumulative		
	2024	2025	2025 as percent of 2024	2024	2025	2025 as percent of 2024
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)
January	51,447	56,675	110	51,447	56,675	110
February	53,241	57,191	107	104,688	113,866	109
March	54,719	60,769	111	159,407	174,635	110
April	55,823	60,121	108	215,230	234,756	109
May	56,352			271,582		
June	55,034			326,616		
July	55,860			382,476		
August	54,571			437,047		
September	51,178			488,225		
October	53,787			542,012		
November	46,760			588,772		
December	51,145			639,917		

Intended Placements of Egg-Type Pullet Chicks for Hatchery Supply Flocks by Month and Total – United States: 2024-2025

[Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

Month	Pullet chicks hatched		2025 as percent of 2024	Cumulative potential placements relative to current supply flocks 7-18 months earlier ¹	
	2024	2025		2024	2025
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)
January	206	200	97	2,667	2,753
February	236	226	96	2,697	2,757
March	198	197	99	2,703	2,765
April	249	235	94	2,710	2,771
May	257			2,708	2,767
June	219			2,707	2,759
July	200			2,709	2,755
August	263			2,718	2,749
September	276			2,724	2,739
October	245			2,721	2,738
November	191			2,736	2,724
December	215			2,733	
Annual total	2,755				

¹ For April 2025, includes breeder pullet chicks hatched October 2023 through September 2024. The 7-18 months represent the first laying cycle. Molting and additional laying cycles will increase the cumulative potential placements.

Broiler-Type Eggs in Incubators on the First of the Month – United States: 2024-2025

[Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

Month	2024	2025	2025 as percent of 2024
	(1,000)	(1,000)	(percent)
January	727,907	745,127	102
February	728,996	746,009	102
March	740,311	748,226	101
April	746,487	747,273	100
May	745,775	750,556	101
June	746,770		
July	744,092		
August	747,663		
September	741,040		
October	719,938		
November	725,905		
December	751,570		

Broiler-Type Chicks Hatched – States and United States: April 2024 and 2025

State	During April			January-April		
	2024	2025	2025 as percent of 2024	2024	2025	2025 as percent of 2024
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)
Alabama	120,029	120,104	100	480,428	479,288	100
Arkansas	87,282	90,293	103	343,826	356,261	104
Delaware	18,435	19,021	103	74,975	76,919	103
Florida	3,811	(NA)	(NA)	15,478	(NA)	(NA)
Georgia	123,324	114,594	93	490,415	463,158	94
Kentucky	26,873	27,014	101	100,449	106,628	106
Louisiana	11,969	(NA)	(NA)	47,745	(NA)	(NA)
Maryland	26,609	28,754	108	107,797	113,713	105
Mississippi	60,359	61,360	102	240,679	247,209	103
Missouri	30,358	31,440	104	122,865	123,959	101
North Carolina	84,548	84,797	100	344,323	343,299	100
Oklahoma	20,139	19,610	97	77,681	77,627	100
Pennsylvania	29,012	29,641	102	116,632	118,038	101
South Carolina	20,122	19,122	95	80,002	78,361	98
Texas	65,088	65,025	100	257,119	261,430	102
Virginia	18,736	18,884	101	77,024	76,385	99
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	54,414	55,194	101	213,274	213,867	100
Other States ¹	41,858	56,663	135	165,605	225,011	136
United States	842,966	841,516	100	3,356,317	3,361,153	100

(NA) Not available.

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

Broiler-Type Chicks Hatched by Month – United States: 2024-2025

[Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

Month	Monthly			Cumulative		
	2024	2025	2025 as percent of 2024	2024	2025	2025 as percent of 2024
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)
January	852,857	869,331	102	852,857	869,331	102
February	796,596	782,831	98	1,649,453	1,652,162	100
March	863,898	867,475	100	2,513,351	2,519,637	100
April	842,966	841,516	100	3,356,317	3,361,153	100
May	868,850			4,225,167		
June	844,444			5,069,611		
July	870,062			5,939,673		
August	874,850			6,814,523		
September	837,266			7,651,789		
October	842,542			8,494,331		
November	823,344			9,317,675		
December	878,103			10,195,778		

Intended Placements of Broiler-Type Pullet Chicks for Hatchery Supply Flocks by Month and Total: 2024-2025

[Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

Month	Pullet chicks hatched		2025 as percent of 2024	Cumulative potential placements relative to current supply flocks 7-15 months earlier ¹	
	2024	2025		2024	2025
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)
United States placements					
January	7,436	7,774	105	75,299	77,087
February	8,197	8,223	100	76,516	76,843
March	9,419	9,408	100	77,096	77,337
April	8,152	8,873	109	76,848	77,528
May	8,232			76,849	78,150
June	9,784			77,350	78,216
July	7,767			78,008	77,934
August	8,701			77,327	77,556
September	9,840			76,881	77,547
October	8,058			76,590	77,171
November	8,263			76,223	78,277
December	9,137			76,213	
Annual total	102,986				
Total placements ²					
January	8,968	9,698	108		
February	9,620	10,431	108		
March	11,042	11,681	106		
April	9,823	10,805	110		
May	10,115				
June	11,439				
July	9,714				
August	10,373				
September	11,896				
October	9,670				
November	10,153				
December	10,486				
Annual total	123,299				

¹ For April 2025, includes breeder pullet chicks hatched January 2024 through September 2024.

² United States production of intended placements worldwide.

Terms and Definitions of Chickens and Eggs Estimates

Total Layers includes both table egg and hatching egg flocks regardless of size.

Intended Placements are 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 case of 30 dozen eggs.

Molted Layers is the same data series as the previously published Forced Molt Layers. Nomenclature changed as of January 2015.

Statistical Methodology

Survey Procedures: Primary data for the *Chickens and Eggs* report are from weekly and/or monthly questionnaires sent to producers. An attempt is made to collect information for layer and egg estimates from each known contractor and independent producer who has at least 30,000 table egg layers, flocks of hatchery supply layers, or pullet only operations with at least 500 pullets. Coverage for operations with less than 30,000 table egg layers are estimated each month based on data reported in December. Approximately 500 contractors, independent egg producers, and pullet only operations are contacted each month. Data for broiler hatchery estimates are collected weekly from all broiler-type hatcheries that hatch at least one million chicks a year. Data for egg-type hatchery estimates are collected monthly from all egg-type hatcheries that hatch at least 50,000 chicks a year.

Estimating Procedures: Sound statistical methodology is employed to derive estimates from the reported data. All data are analyzed for unusual values. Data from each operation are compared to their own past operating profile and to trends from similar operations. Data for missing operations are estimated based on similar operations or historical data. NASS regional field offices prepare these estimates by using a combination of survey indications and historic trends. Individual State estimates are reviewed by the Agricultural Statistics Board for reasonableness.

For chicken hatcheries, chicks hatched consist of all chicks of domesticated breeds including males and chicks destined for hatchery supply flocks and research purposes. Eggs set are eggs in incubators for the purpose of hatching. The relationship of egg-type chicks hatched to chicken inventory and poultry marketings are carefully monitored. The disposition of egg-type chicks hatched prior to placement into the laying flock can vary significantly, which can make comparisons to changes in layer inventory inconsistent over time. Broiler chicks placed are specifically for meat production. Intended placement data reported by leading breeders include pullet chicks expected from eggs sold the preceding month. The breeders in this report account for a large percentage of replacement pullets for hatchery supply flocks. Production of replacement pullets by these breeders indicates the number of pullets available to hatchery supply layer flocks several months before the pullets will actually move into the laying flocks. "Hatchery Supply Flocks" include all generations of layers which could lay eggs to supply a hatchery. This includes the generations of parents, grandparents, great-grandparents, pedigree, etc. Also included are research flocks, vaccine flocks, and specific pathogen-free flocks. The broiler cumulative potential placements are a moving total of the intended placements 7-15 months earlier. The egg-type cumulative potential placements of 7-18 months earlier represent the first laying cycle. Molting and additional laying cycles will increase the cumulative potential placements of egg-type hatching flocks.

Revision Policy: The previous month's estimates are subject to revision if late reports or corrected data indicates a different level. Additionally, revisions after the monthly report will be made at the end of the marketing year and published in the annual reports of *Chickens and Eggs Summary* and *Hatchery Production Summary*. Estimates will also be reviewed for chickens and eggs after data from the 5-year Census of Agriculture are available. No revisions will be made after that date.

Reliability: Estimates are based on a census of all known contractors and independent producers who have at least 30,000 table egg layers, flocks of hatchery supply layers, pullet only operations with at least 500 pullets, or operating hatcheries and therefore, have no sampling error. However, estimates are subject to errors such as omission, duplication, and mistakes in reporting, recording, and processing the data. While these errors cannot be measured directly, they are minimized through strict quality controls in the data collection process and a careful review of all reported data for consistency and reasonableness.

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Reliability of Layer and Egg Estimates

[Based on data for the past 24 months]

Item	Root mean square error	90 percent confidence level	Difference between first and latest estimate				
			Average	Smallest	Largest	Months	
						Below latest	Above latest
	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(number)	(number)
Total layers	0.5	0.9	1,559	104	5,209	8	16
			(million)	(million)	(million)		
Eggs	0.5	0.8	33	6	126	6	18

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