



# Chickens and Eggs

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## August Egg Production Down 2 Percent

United States egg production totaled 9.29 billion during August 2020, down 2 percent from last year. Production included 8.03 billion table eggs, and 1.26 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.17 billion were broiler-type and 85.1 million were egg-type. The average number of layers during August 2020 totaled 380 million, down 3 percent from last year. August egg production per 100 layers was 2,445 eggs, up 1 percent from August 2019.

Total layers in the United States on September 1, 2020 totaled 382 million, down 3 percent from last year. The 382 million layers consisted of 317 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 60.8 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 3.29 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on September 1, 2020, averaged 77.9 eggs per 100 layers, up slightly from September 1, 2019.

## Egg-Type Chicks Hatched Up 8 Percent

Egg-type chicks hatched during August 2020 totaled 50.0 million, up 8 percent from August 2019. Eggs in incubators totaled 47.2 million on September 1, 2020, down 1 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 370,000 during August 2020, up 91 percent from August 2019.

## Broiler-Type Chicks Hatched Down 2 Percent

Broiler-type chicks hatched during August 2020 totaled 837 million, down 2 percent from August 2019. Eggs in incubators totaled 690 million on September 1, 2020, down 1 percent from a year ago.

Leading breeders placed 8.21 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during August 2020, up 1 percent from August 2019.

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## Average Layers During the Month – United States: 2019-2020

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Month	2019		2020	
	(1,000 layers)		(1,000 layers)	
December <sup>1</sup> .....		402,924		404,190
January .....		402,763		402,081
February .....		403,552		396,817
March .....		405,672		395,443
April .....		404,691		392,308
May .....		400,109		386,179
June .....		394,862		382,097
July .....		392,313		379,205
August .....		393,317		379,911
September .....		395,509		
October .....		398,404		
November .....		401,764		

<sup>1</sup> December previous year.

## Egg Production During the Month by Type – United States: 2019-2020

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Month	Total eggs		Table eggs		Hatching eggs	
	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020
	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)
December <sup>1</sup> .....	9,692.5	9,809.0	8,515.1	8,601.0	1,177.4	1,208.0
January .....	9,658.0	9,708.0	8,475.6	8,486.6	1,182.4	1,221.4
February .....	8,688.7	8,945.0	7,603.8	7,790.9	1,084.9	1,154.1
March .....	9,674.8	9,534.2	8,469.9	8,294.3	1,204.9	1,239.9
April .....	9,378.2	9,085.3	8,209.7	7,881.8	1,168.5	1,203.5
May .....	9,618.0	9,099.3	8,401.2	7,860.2	1,216.8	1,239.1
June .....	9,215.3	8,805.2	8,037.9	7,597.8	1,177.4	1,207.4
July .....	9,453.5	9,269.7	8,240.8	8,014.5	1,212.7	1,255.2
August .....	9,490.9	9,287.7	8,286.6	8,032.1	1,204.3	1,255.6
September .....	9,222.8		8,061.5		1,161.3	
October .....	9,663.9		8,458.0		1,205.9	
November .....	9,496.8		8,329.3		1,167.5	

<sup>1</sup> December previous year.

## Egg Production During the Month in Dozens by Type – United States: 2019-2020

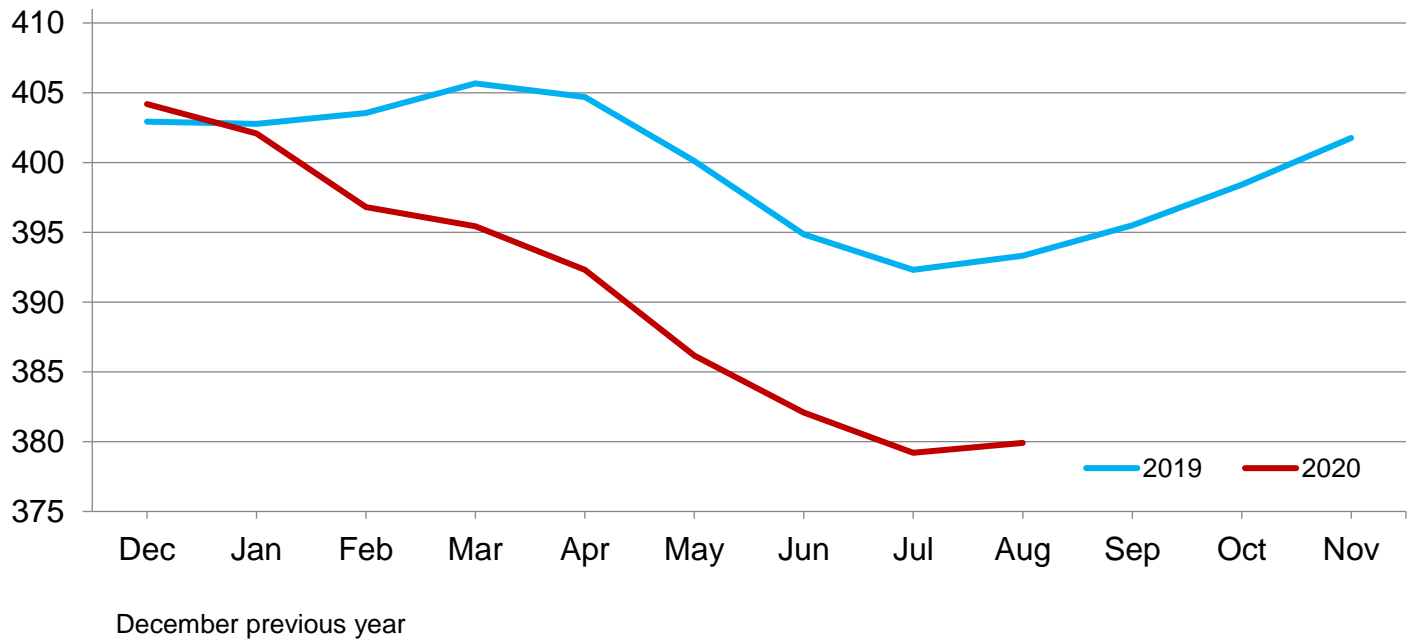
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Month	Total eggs		Table eggs		Hatching eggs	
	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020
	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)
December <sup>1</sup> .....	807,707.9	817,416.3	709,591.3	716,749.8	98,116.6	100,666.5
January .....	804,833.1	808,999.8	706,299.8	707,216.7	98,533.3	101,783.1
February .....	724,058.2	745,416.1	633,650.0	649,241.5	90,408.2	96,174.6
March .....	806,233.1	794,516.7	705,824.9	691,191.6	100,408.2	103,325.1
April .....	781,516.3	757,107.8	684,141.5	656,816.3	97,374.8	100,291.5
May .....	801,499.8	758,274.7	700,099.8	655,016.5	101,400.0	103,258.2
June .....	767,941.8	733,766.4	669,825.2	633,149.8	98,116.6	100,616.6
July .....	787,791.3	772,475.2	686,733.3	667,874.9	101,058.0	104,600.3
August .....	790,908.3	773,974.9	690,550.2	669,341.4	100,358.1	104,633.5
September .....	768,566.2		671,791.1		96,775.1	
October .....	805,325.0		704,833.4		100,491.6	
November .....	791,399.9		694,108.5		97,291.4	

<sup>1</sup> December previous year.

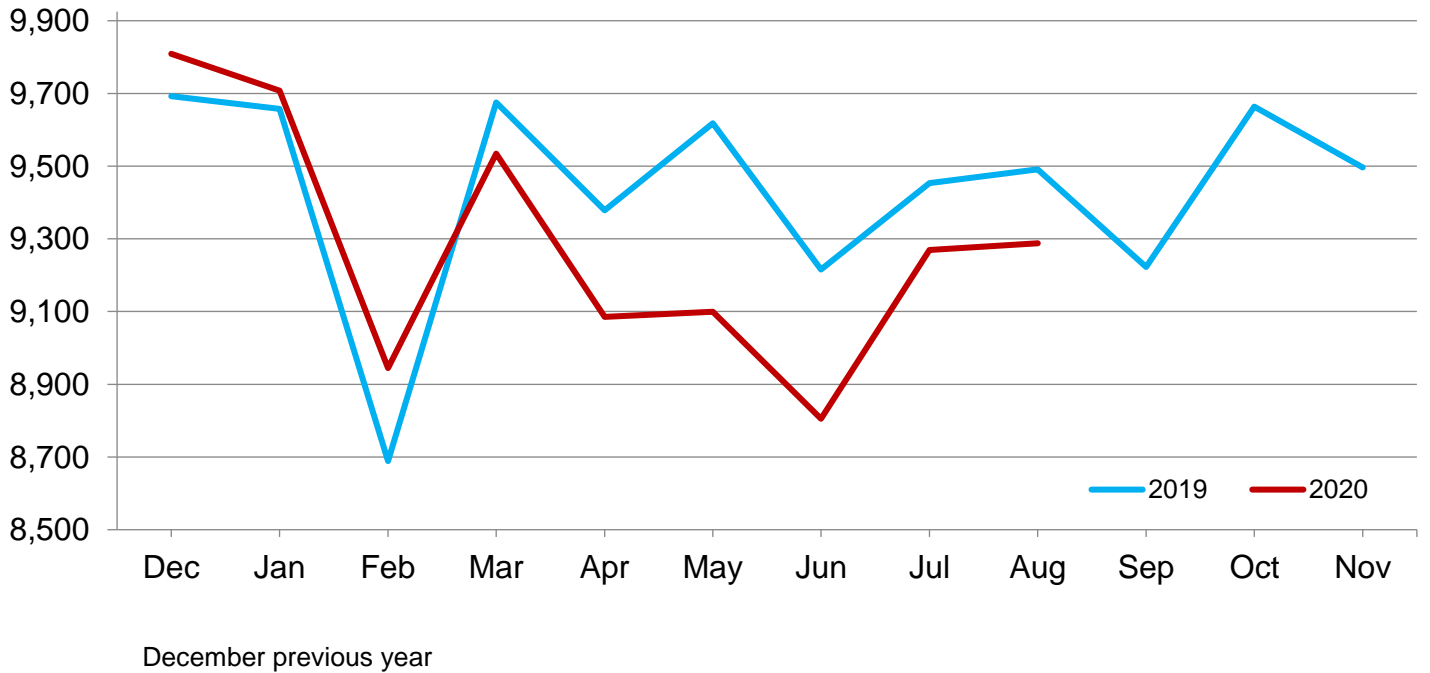
## Average Layers During the Month – United States

Million layers



## Total Egg Production During the Month – United States

Million eggs



**Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced by Type and Molt – United States: July-August 2019 and 2020**

Item	2019	2020	2020 as percent of 2019
<b>Layers during July</b>			
Total layers ..... 1,000	392,313	379,205	97
Table egg type ..... 1,000	329,588	314,852	96
Hatching egg type ..... 1,000	62,725	64,353	103
Broiler-type hatching ..... 1,000	59,312	61,062	103
Egg-type hatching ..... 1,000	3,413	3,291	96
<b>Eggs per 100 layers during July</b>			
Total layers ..... number	2,410	2,445	101
Table egg type ..... number	2,500	2,545	102
Hatching egg type ..... number	1,933	1,950	101
Broiler-type hatching ..... number	1,901	1,919	101
Egg-type hatching ..... number	2,488	2,528	102
<b>Eggs produced during July</b>			
Total layers ..... million	9,453.5	9,269.7	98
Table egg type ..... million	8,240.8	8,014.5	97
Hatching egg type ..... million	1,212.7	1,255.2	104
Broiler-type hatching ..... million	1,127.8	1,172.0	104
Egg-type hatching ..... million	84.9	83.2	98
<b>Eggs produced during July</b>			
Total layers ..... 1,000 dozen	787,791.3	772,475.2	98
Table egg type ..... 1,000 dozen	686,733.3	667,874.9	97
Hatching egg type ..... 1,000 dozen	101,058.0	104,600.3	104
Broiler-type hatching ..... 1,000 dozen	93,983.0	97,666.9	104
Egg-type hatching ..... 1,000 dozen	7,075.0	6,933.4	98
<b>Layers on August 1</b>			
Total layers ..... 1,000	392,182	378,247	96
Table egg type ..... 1,000	329,666	313,996	95
Hatching egg type ..... 1,000	62,516	64,251	103
Broiler-type hatching ..... 1,000	59,194	60,956	103
Egg-type hatching ..... 1,000	3,322	3,295	99
<b>Eggs per 100 layers on August 1</b>			
Total layers ..... number	77.8	79.7	102
Table egg type ..... number	80.7	83.2	103
Hatching egg type ..... number	62.6	62.8	100
Broiler-type hatching ..... number	61.6	61.7	100
Egg-type hatching ..... number	79.8	83.2	104
<b>Molted layers on August 1</b>			
Being molted ..... percent	2.0	1.5	75
Molt completed ..... percent	13.3	14.8	111
Layers sold for slaughter during July ..... 1,000	14,484.9	13,953.7	96
Layers rendered, died, destroyed, composted or disappeared for any reason during July ..... 1,000	11,976.2	12,097.2	101
Pullets on August 1 ..... 1,000	128,624	122,674	95
Pullets added during July <sup>1</sup> ..... 1,000	26,588.1	23,877.4	90

<sup>1</sup> Pullet chicks less than 3 days old added to pullet flocks.

**Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced by Type and Molt – United States:  
August-September 2019 and 2020**

Item	2019	2020	2020 as percent of 2019
<b>Layers during August</b>			
Total layers ..... 1,000	393,317	379,911	97
Table egg type ..... 1,000	331,133	315,722	95
Hatching egg type ..... 1,000	62,184	64,189	103
Broiler-type hatching ..... 1,000	58,846	60,893	103
Egg-type hatching ..... 1,000	3,338	3,296	99
<b>Eggs per 100 layers during August</b>			
Total layers ..... number	2,413	2,445	101
Table egg type ..... number	2,502	2,544	102
Hatching egg type ..... number	1,937	1,956	101
Broiler-type hatching ..... number	1,906	1,922	101
Egg-type hatching ..... number	2,481	2,582	104
<b>Eggs produced during August</b>			
Total layers ..... million	9,490.9	9,287.7	98
Table egg type ..... million	8,286.6	8,032.1	97
Hatching egg type ..... million	1,204.3	1,255.6	104
Broiler-type hatching ..... million	1,121.5	1,170.5	104
Egg-type hatching ..... million	82.8	85.1	103
<b>Eggs produced during August</b>			
Total layers ..... 1,000 dozen	790,908.3	773,974.9	98
Table egg type ..... 1,000 dozen	690,550.2	669,341.4	97
Hatching egg type ..... 1,000 dozen	100,358.1	104,633.5	104
Broiler-type hatching ..... 1,000 dozen	93,458.1	97,541.7	104
Egg-type hatching ..... 1,000 dozen	6,900.0	7,091.8	103
<b>Layers on September 1</b>			
Total layers ..... 1,000	394,418	381,549	97
Table egg type ..... 1,000	332,582	317,436	95
Hatching egg type ..... 1,000	61,836	64,113	104
Broiler-type hatching ..... 1,000	58,488	60,821	104
Egg-type hatching ..... 1,000	3,348	3,292	98
<b>Eggs per 100 layers on September 1</b>			
Total layers ..... number	77.8	77.9	100
Table egg type ..... number	80.7	80.9	100
Hatching egg type ..... number	62.3	63.3	102
Broiler-type hatching ..... number	61.3	62.2	101
Egg-type hatching ..... number	80.2	83.5	104
<b>Molted layers on September 1</b>			
Being molted ..... percent	2.0	2.2	110
Molt completed ..... percent	13.0	14.1	108
Layers sold for slaughter during August ..... 1,000	14,524.1	14,461.1	100
Layers rendered, died, destroyed, composted or disappeared for any reason during August ..... 1,000	11,991.0	9,879.5	82
Pullets on September 1 ..... 1,000	127,152	120,196	95
Pullets added during August <sup>1</sup> ..... 1,000	28,995.4	27,287.5	94

<sup>1</sup> Pullet chicks less than 3 days old added to pullet flocks.

## Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced – States and United States: During July 2019 and 2020

State	Table egg layers in flocks 30,000 and above		Total layers		Eggs per 100 for total layers	
	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020
	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(eggs)	(eggs)
Alabama .....	1,437	1,359	10,130	10,695	1,946	2,005
Arkansas .....	(D)	(D)	14,657	15,732	2,077	2,057
California .....	11,966	12,650	12,605	13,343	2,513	2,424
Colorado .....	4,132	4,102	4,645	4,610	2,536	2,722
Georgia .....	9,154	9,665	19,401	20,031	2,158	2,191
Illinois .....	5,725	5,282	6,313	5,829	2,606	2,542
Indiana .....	32,222	32,111	33,437	33,395	2,427	2,584
Iowa .....	55,414	44,808	57,053	46,705	2,493	2,619
Kentucky .....	(D)	(D)	5,680	5,918	2,157	2,268
Maryland .....	2,433	2,436	2,631	2,636	2,573	2,530
Michigan .....	14,343	14,483	14,637	14,778	2,529	2,470
Minnesota .....	10,278	7,749	10,842	8,238	2,578	2,452
Mississippi .....	(D)	(D)	5,582	5,447	2,100	2,142
Missouri .....	7,078	7,759	12,223	12,972	2,463	2,569
Nebraska .....	8,536	8,006	9,102	8,531	2,562	2,327
New York .....	5,049	5,078	5,592	5,639	2,561	2,612
North Carolina .....	6,405	7,045	14,946	15,637	2,191	2,194
Ohio .....	34,673	32,242	35,868	33,465	2,455	2,557
Oklahoma .....	(D)	(D)	3,063	2,511	1,965	1,995
Oregon .....	1,930	2,049	2,123	2,220	2,614	2,518
Pennsylvania .....	27,244	26,868	29,915	29,482	2,565	2,606
South Carolina .....	2,646	2,351	3,943	3,598	2,168	2,268
South Dakota .....	2,564	2,596	2,619	2,651	2,814	2,659
Texas .....	(D)	(D)	21,921	22,335	2,309	2,313
Utah .....	4,585	4,443	4,637	4,495	2,620	2,661
Virginia .....	945	777	2,752	2,539	2,369	2,312
Washington .....	6,655	6,596	6,820	6,761	2,575	2,625
Wisconsin .....	6,079	6,720	7,204	7,823	2,611	2,518
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	25,843	25,253	31,972	31,189	2,375	2,408
United States .....	314,118	299,167	392,313	379,205	2,410	2,445

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

<sup>1</sup> Includes data for States not published in this table.



## Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced – States and United States: During August 2019 and 2020

State	Table egg layers in flocks 30,000 and above		Total layers		Eggs per 100 for total layers	
	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020
	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(eggs)	(eggs)
Alabama .....	1,435	1,339	10,105	10,615	1,916	1,954
Arkansas .....	(D)	(D)	14,660	15,940	2,078	2,102
California .....	12,525	12,579	13,134	13,289	2,430	2,402
Colorado .....	4,383	4,201	4,896	4,709	2,547	2,546
Georgia .....	9,093	9,753	19,244	20,116	2,191	2,211
Illinois .....	5,804	5,078	6,380	6,634	2,542	2,607
Indiana .....	32,535	32,551	33,707	33,885	2,435	2,578
Iowa .....	55,680	45,092	57,367	47,002	2,501	2,639
Kentucky .....	(D)	(D)	5,589	5,861	2,210	2,303
Maryland .....	2,370	2,437	2,576	2,636	2,492	2,519
Michigan .....	13,815	14,349	14,109	14,644	2,517	2,492
Minnesota .....	10,197	7,801	10,743	8,296	2,586	2,578
Mississippi .....	(D)	(D)	5,510	5,413	2,120	2,160
Missouri .....	7,196	7,702	12,320	12,841	2,524	2,540
Nebraska .....	8,656	8,007	9,186	8,569	2,560	2,502
New York .....	4,971	5,119	5,503	5,680	2,542	2,625
North Carolina .....	6,607	7,051	15,131	15,487	2,156	2,235
Ohio .....	34,743	32,558	35,952	33,782	2,473	2,526
Oklahoma .....	(D)	(D)	3,037	2,606	1,986	1,915
Oregon .....	2,007	1,980	2,200	2,151	2,532	2,506
Pennsylvania .....	27,403	26,138	30,022	28,676	2,573	2,577
South Carolina .....	2,697	2,445	4,013	3,693	2,160	2,234
South Dakota .....	2,599	2,626	2,654	2,681	2,739	2,686
Texas .....	(D)	(D)	22,048	22,816	2,315	2,290
Utah .....	4,436	4,602	4,488	4,654	2,660	2,581
Virginia .....	898	798	2,652	2,579	2,451	2,129
Washington .....	6,733	6,499	6,898	6,664	2,491	2,638
Wisconsin .....	5,974	6,585	7,100	7,657	2,630	2,509
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	26,000	25,468	32,093	31,335	2,396	2,399
United States .....	315,663	300,037	393,317	379,911	2,413	2,445

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

<sup>1</sup> Includes data for States not published in this table.

## Egg Production by Type – States and United States: July 2019 and 2020

[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	
	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020
	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)
Alabama .....	197.1	214.4	37.8	37.5	159.3	176.9
Arkansas .....	304.4	323.6	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
California .....	316.8	323.5	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Colorado .....	117.8	125.5	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Georgia .....	418.7	438.9	225.0	242.2	193.7	196.7
Illinois .....	164.5	148.2	160.5	144.5	4.0	3.7
Indiana .....	811.5	862.8	796.3	846.6	15.2	16.2
Iowa .....	1,422.3	1,223.1	1,405.0	1,199.8	17.3	23.3
Kentucky .....	122.5	134.2	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Maryland .....	67.7	66.7	66.2	65.1	1.5	1.6
Michigan .....	370.1	365.0	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota .....	279.5	202.0	271.4	194.8	8.1	7.2
Mississippi .....	117.2	116.7	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Missouri .....	301.0	333.3	262.5	293.6	38.5	39.7
Nebraska .....	233.2	198.5	222.8	188.4	10.4	10.1
New York .....	143.2	147.3	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina .....	327.4	343.1	168.8	181.2	158.6	161.9
Ohio .....	880.5	855.8	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oklahoma .....	60.2	50.1	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oregon .....	55.5	55.9	55.5	55.9	-	-
Pennsylvania .....	767.3	768.4	735.7	738.1	31.6	30.3
South Carolina .....	85.5	81.6	62.2	58.9	23.3	22.7
South Dakota .....	73.7	70.5	73.7	70.5	-	-
Texas .....	506.1	516.7	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Utah .....	121.5	119.6	121.5	119.6	-	-
Virginia .....	65.2	58.7	34.6	27.9	30.6	30.8
Washington .....	175.6	177.5	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin .....	188.1	197.0	182.0	190.7	6.1	6.3
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	759.4	751.1	681.6	677.9	77.8	73.2
United States .....	9,453.5	9,269.7	8,240.8	8,014.5	1,212.7	1,255.2

- Represents zero.

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<sup>1</sup> Not published separately to avoid disclosing individual operations.

## Egg Production by Type – States and United States: August 2019 and 2020

[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	
	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020
	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)
Alabama .....	193.6	207.4	37.7	35.6	155.9	171.8
Arkansas .....	304.7	335.1	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
California .....	319.1	319.2	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Colorado .....	124.7	119.9	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Georgia .....	421.6	444.8	227.5	247.8	194.1	197.0
Illinois .....	162.2	146.9	158.3	142.9	3.9	4.0
Indiana .....	820.8	873.4	806.0	855.9	14.8	17.5
Iowa .....	1,435.0	1,240.2	1,416.9	1,215.8	18.1	24.4
Kentucky .....	123.5	135.0	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Maryland .....	64.2	66.4	62.6	64.8	1.6	1.6
Michigan .....	355.1	364.9	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota .....	277.8	213.9	269.9	206.8	7.9	7.1
Mississippi .....	116.8	116.9	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Missouri .....	311.0	326.1	271.9	286.9	39.1	39.2
Nebraska .....	235.2	214.4	226.1	203.8	9.1	10.6
New York .....	139.9	149.1	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina .....	326.3	346.1	167.5	186.0	158.8	160.1
Ohio .....	889.2	853.5	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oklahoma .....	60.3	49.9	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oregon .....	55.7	53.9	55.7	53.9	-	-
Pennsylvania .....	772.6	739.0	742.4	710.4	30.2	28.6
South Carolina .....	86.7	82.5	62.9	59.5	23.8	23.0
South Dakota .....	72.7	72.0	72.7	72.0	-	-
Texas .....	510.4	522.6	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Utah .....	119.4	120.1	119.4	120.1	-	-
Virginia .....	65.0	54.9	35.0	24.2	30.0	30.7
Washington .....	171.8	175.8	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin .....	186.7	192.1	180.5	186.4	6.2	5.7
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	768.9	751.7	691.6	679.2	77.3	72.5
United States .....	9,490.9	9,287.7	8,286.6	8,032.1	1,204.3	1,255.6

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## Egg Production in Dozens by Type – States and United States: July 2019 and 2020

[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	
	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020
	(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 .....	16,425.0	17,866.7	3,150.0	3,125.0	13,275.0	14,741.7
Arkansas .....	25,366.6	26,966.7	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
California .....	26,400.0	26,958.4	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Colorado .....	9,816.6	10,458.3	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Georgia .....	34,891.7	36,574.9	18,750.0	20,183.3	16,141.7	16,391.6
Illinois .....	13,708.3	12,350.0	13,375.0	12,041.6	333.3	308.4
Indiana .....	67,624.9	71,900.0	66,358.3	70,550.0	1,266.6	1,350.0
Iowa .....	118,525.0	101,925.1	117,083.4	99,983.4	1,441.6	1,941.7
Kentucky .....	10,208.3	11,183.3	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Maryland .....	5,641.7	5,558.3	5,516.7	5,425.0	125.0	133.3
Michigan .....	30,841.6	30,416.7	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota .....	23,291.7	16,833.4	22,616.7	16,233.4	675.0	600.0
Mississippi .....	9,766.7	9,725.0	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Missouri .....	25,083.3	27,775.1	21,875.0	24,466.7	3,208.3	3,308.4
Nebraska .....	19,433.4	16,541.7	18,566.7	15,700.0	866.7	841.7
New York .....	11,933.3	12,274.9	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina .....	27,283.3	28,591.7	14,066.6	15,100.0	13,216.7	13,491.7
Ohio .....	73,375.0	71,316.7	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oklahoma .....	5,016.6	4,175.0	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oregon .....	4,625.0	4,658.3	4,625.0	4,658.3	-	-
Pennsylvania .....	63,941.6	64,033.3	61,308.3	61,508.3	2,633.3	2,525.0
South Carolina .....	7,125.1	6,800.0	5,183.4	4,908.3	1,941.7	1,891.7
South Dakota .....	6,141.7	5,875.0	6,141.7	5,875.0	-	-
Texas .....	42,175.0	43,058.3	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Utah .....	10,125.0	9,966.7	10,125.0	9,966.7	-	-
Virginia .....	5,433.3	4,891.7	2,883.3	2,325.0	2,550.0	2,566.7
Washington .....	14,633.3	14,791.6	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin .....	15,675.0	16,416.6	15,166.7	15,891.6	508.3	525.0
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	63,283.3	62,591.8	56,800.0	56,491.7	6,483.3	6,100.1
United States .....	787,791.3	772,475.2	686,733.3	667,874.9	101,058.0	104,600.3

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## Egg Production in Dozens by Type – States and United States: August 2019 and 2020

[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	
	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020
	(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 .....	16,133.3	17,283.3	3,141.6	2,966.6	12,991.7	14,316.7
Arkansas .....	25,391.7	27,924.9	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
California .....	26,591.7	26,600.0	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Colorado .....	10,391.6	9,991.6	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Georgia .....	35,133.3	37,066.7	18,958.3	20,650.0	16,175.0	16,416.7
Illinois .....	13,516.7	12,241.6	13,191.7	11,908.3	325.0	333.3
Indiana .....	68,400.0	72,783.3	67,166.7	71,325.0	1,233.3	1,458.3
Iowa .....	119,583.3	103,350.1	118,075.0	101,316.7	1,508.3	2,033.4
Kentucky .....	10,291.7	11,250.0	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Maryland .....	5,349.9	5,533.3	5,216.6	5,400.0	133.3	133.3
Michigan .....	29,591.6	30,408.3	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota .....	23,150.0	17,825.1	22,491.7	17,233.4	658.3	591.7
Mississippi .....	9,733.3	9,741.6	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Missouri .....	25,916.7	27,174.9	22,658.4	23,908.3	3,258.3	3,266.6
Nebraska .....	19,600.1	17,866.6	18,841.7	16,983.3	758.4	883.3
New York .....	11,658.3	12,425.0	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina .....	27,191.6	28,841.7	13,958.3	15,500.0	13,233.3	13,341.7
Ohio .....	74,100.0	71,125.1	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oklahoma .....	5,025.1	4,158.4	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oregon .....	4,641.6	4,491.6	4,641.6	4,491.6	-	-
Pennsylvania .....	64,383.4	61,583.4	61,866.7	59,200.0	2,516.7	2,383.4
South Carolina .....	7,225.0	6,875.0	5,241.7	4,958.3	1,983.3	1,916.7
South Dakota .....	6,058.3	6,000.0	6,058.3	6,000.0	-	-
Texas .....	42,533.3	43,550.0	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Utah .....	9,950.0	10,008.3	9,950.0	10,008.3	-	-
Virginia .....	5,416.7	4,575.0	2,916.7	2,016.6	2,500.0	2,558.4
Washington .....	14,316.6	14,650.0	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin .....	15,558.3	16,008.3	15,041.7	15,533.3	516.6	475.0
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	64,075.2	62,641.8	57,633.5	56,600.1	6,441.7	6,041.7
United States .....	790,908.3	773,974.9	690,550.2	669,341.4	100,358.1	104,633.5

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## Total Layers Molted by Month – United States: 2019-2020

[As of the first of the month. Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

Month	Being molted		Molt completed	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
January .....	1.5	1.7	13.5	11.8
February .....	2.5	2.2	13.2	12.0
March .....	1.5	1.7	13.8	12.3
April .....	1.3	1.3	13.7	12.2
May .....	2.5	3.5	13.1	11.0
June .....	2.0	4.5	13.3	11.8
July .....	2.0	2.3	13.3	13.8
August .....	2.0	1.5	13.3	14.8
September .....	2.0	2.2	13.0	14.1
October .....	1.9		13.0	
November .....	1.5		13.2	
December .....	0.9		12.9	

## Total Layers Molted First Day of the Month – States and United States: August 1 and September 1, 2019-2020

State	Being molted				Molt completed			
	August 1		September 1		August 1		September 1	
	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama .....	1.0	0.5	1.0	0.5	6.5	4.5	6.0	4.5
Arkansas .....	1.5	0.5	1.0	1.5	11.0	13.0	10.5	12.0
California .....	1.5	2.0	1.0	2.0	12.0	7.5	10.5	7.0
Colorado .....	1.0	-	1.0	-	7.5	6.0	7.5	3.5
Georgia .....	2.0	1.5	1.5	0.5	10.0	10.5	9.5	10.0
Illinois .....	-	1.5	1.0	-	11.5	1.5	9.5	3.0
Indiana .....	2.0	2.5	2.0	1.0	18.0	13.0	19.0	13.0
Iowa .....	3.5	0.5	3.5	0.5	16.0	15.5	16.0	14.5
Kentucky .....	5.0	3.0	0.5	3.0	3.0	8.0	4.0	7.0
Maryland .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Michigan .....	-	-	0.5	-	4.5	0.5	4.0	1.0
Minnesota .....	1.0	-	1.0	1.5	4.0	19.5	3.5	19.0
Mississippi .....	3.5	2.0	1.5	3.0	20.5	24.0	21.0	24.0
Missouri .....	0.5	3.0	0.5	-	6.5	2.0	6.5	5.0
Nebraska .....	-	1.0	3.0	-	7.5	40.0	6.5	40.0
New York .....	-	-	3.5	-	7.5	6.0	7.5	3.5
North Carolina .....	-	2.0	1.5	2.0	6.0	7.5	3.5	9.0
Ohio .....	3.0	1.5	2.5	3.5	12.5	20.5	13.0	18.5
Oklahoma .....	0.5	3.5	0.5	9.0	21.5	11.0	22.5	5.5
Oregon .....	-	-	-	-	-	1.5	-	-
Pennsylvania .....	0.5	-	0.5	5.5	2.5	6.0	2.5	1.0
South Carolina .....	2.5	3.0	3.5	2.5	24.0	20.0	21.0	21.0
South Dakota .....	0.5	-	0.5	-	3.5	-	3.5	-
Texas .....	3.5	4.0	3.5	6.5	39.0	48.0	38.5	46.5
Utah .....	2.5	2.5	2.5	7.0	23.5	17.5	21.5	14.5
Virginia .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Washington .....	3.0	-	4.5	1.0	15.0	14.0	13.5	12.0
Wisconsin .....	-	-	-	-	13.0	23.5	8.5	24.0
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	3.1	3.5	2.9	4.8	19.8	17.9	19.9	20.1
United States .....	2.0	1.5	2.0	2.2	13.3	14.8	13.0	14.1

- Represents zero.

<sup>1</sup> Includes data for States not published in this table.

## Hatchery Production – United States: 2019 and 2020

Item	2019	2020	2020 as percent of 2019
	(1,000)	(1,000)	(percent)
<b>Egg-type</b>			
Eggs in incubators on September 1 .....	47,878	47,219	99
Chicks hatched during August .....	46,246	50,004	108
Chicks hatched January through August .....	434,197	422,461	97
<b>Pullets hatched during August for intended placements:</b>			
Hatchery supply flocks .....	194	370	191
Cumulative potential placements 7-18 months earlier <sup>1</sup> .....	2,532	2,869	113
<b>Broiler-type</b>			
Eggs in incubators on September 1 .....	694,562	689,597	99
Chicks hatched during August .....	855,076	836,633	98
Chicks hatched January through August .....	6,632,918	6,624,373	100
<b>Pullets hatched during August for intended placements:</b>			
Hatchery supply flocks .....	8,094	8,211	101
Cumulative potential placements 7-15 months earlier <sup>2</sup> .....	71,937	74,484	104

<sup>1</sup> 2020 includes pullet chicks hatched February 2019 through January 2020.

<sup>2</sup> 2020 includes pullet chicks hatched May 2019 through January 2020.

## Egg-Type Eggs in Incubators on the First of the Month – United States: 2019 and 2020

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

Item	2019	2020	2020 as percent of 2019
	(1,000)	(1,000)	(percent)
January .....	51,443	47,756	93
February .....	55,001	50,243	91
March .....	53,586	49,225	92
April .....	58,422	57,631	99
May .....	55,489	49,575	89
June .....	51,648	50,029	97
July .....	47,615	46,093	97
August .....	47,490	46,242	97
September .....	47,878	47,219	99
October .....	48,512		
November .....	48,069		
December .....	47,798		

## Egg-Type Chicks Hatched by Month – United States: 2019-2020

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

Month	Monthly			Cumulative		
	2019	2020	2020 as percent of 2019	2019	2020	2020 as percent of 2019
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)
January .....	55,850	52,825	95	55,850	52,825	95
February .....	52,182	48,169	92	108,032	100,994	93
March .....	55,658	56,065	101	163,690	157,059	96
April .....	60,668	60,931	100	224,358	217,990	97
May .....	60,816	52,790	87	285,174	270,780	95
June .....	51,858	55,537	107	337,032	326,317	97
July .....	50,919	46,140	91	387,951	372,457	96
August .....	46,246	50,004	108	434,197	422,461	97
September .....	50,386			484,583		
October .....	52,066			536,649		
November .....	48,113			584,762		
December .....	46,114			630,876		



## Intended Placements of Egg-Type Pullet Chicks for Hatchery Supply Flocks by Month and Total – United States: 2019-2021

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

Month	Pullet chicks hatched		2020 as percent of 2019	Cumulative potential placements relative to current supply flocks 7-18 months earlier <sup>1</sup>	
	2019	2020		2020	2021
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)
January .....	268	265	99	2,791	3,352
February .....	201	482	240	2,887	3,391
March .....	189	322	170	2,818	3,567
April .....	295	243	82	2,954	
May .....	215	233	108	2,882	
June .....	270	373	138	2,838	
July .....	255	294	115	2,872	
August .....	194	370	191	2,869	
September .....	286			3,150	
October .....	199			3,283	
November .....	198			3,231	
December .....	302			3,249	
Annual total .....	2,872				

<sup>1</sup> For August 2020, includes breeder pullet chicks hatched February 2019 through January 2020. 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: 2019 and 2020

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

Item	2019	2020	2020 as percent of 2019
	(1,000)	(1,000)	(percent)
January .....	683,775	715,246	105
February .....	687,702	716,997	104
March .....	694,560	718,593	103
April .....	696,510	711,218	102
May .....	703,505	660,894	94
June .....	705,839	701,891	99
July .....	694,935	700,493	101
August .....	700,675	687,522	98
September .....	694,562	689,597	99
October .....	674,657		
November .....	677,193		
December .....	711,590		

## Broiler-Type Chicks Hatched – States and United States: August 2019 and 2020

State	During August			January-August		
	2019	2020	2020 as percent of 2019	2019	2020	2020 as percent of 2019
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)
Alabama .....	117,865	118,413	100	890,567	939,042	105
Arkansas .....	90,466	84,194	93	708,856	662,987	94
Delaware .....	19,100	16,878	88	149,832	136,740	91
Florida .....	4,387	4,343	99	34,102	34,061	100
Georgia .....	127,679	122,598	96	993,963	971,778	98
Kentucky .....	27,703	26,896	97	218,131	212,336	97
Louisiana .....	13,390	11,705	87	105,673	96,684	91
Maryland .....	29,801	28,657	96	231,791	228,798	99
Mississippi .....	68,673	62,508	91	545,226	510,603	94
Missouri .....	32,629	33,368	102	244,094	254,604	104
North Carolina .....	86,838	88,146	102	677,806	686,099	101
Oklahoma .....	27,049	25,428	94	215,803	204,193	95
Pennsylvania .....	20,321	23,780	117	155,785	179,058	115
South Carolina .....	20,630	20,043	97	162,555	157,202	97
Texas .....	64,771	63,425	98	493,839	497,666	101
Virginia .....	23,380	22,825	98	183,982	176,572	96
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia .....	43,890	42,312	96	344,151	353,422	103
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	36,504	41,114	113	276,762	322,528	117
United States .....	855,076	836,633	98	6,632,918	6,624,373	100

<sup>1</sup> Not published separately to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

## Broiler-Type Chicks Hatched by Month – United States: 2019-2020

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

Month	Monthly			Cumulative		
	2019	2020	2020 as percent of 2019	2019	2020	2020 as percent of 2019
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)
January .....	828,918	861,200	104	828,918	861,200	104
February .....	750,551	806,862	108	1,579,469	1,668,062	106
March .....	837,361	859,346	103	2,416,830	2,527,408	105
April .....	819,404	773,623	94	3,236,234	3,301,031	102
May .....	857,507	807,506	94	4,093,741	4,108,537	100
June .....	833,708	828,448	99	4,927,449	4,936,985	100
July .....	850,393	850,755	100	5,777,842	5,787,740	100
August .....	855,076	836,633	98	6,632,918	6,624,373	100
September .....	815,567			7,448,485		
October .....	816,263			8,264,748		
November .....	796,660			9,061,408		
December .....	857,789			9,919,197		

## Intended Placements of Broiler-Type Pullet Chicks for Hatchery Supply Flocks by Month and Total: 2019-2021

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

Month	Pullet chicks hatched		2020 as percent of 2019	Cumulative potential placements relative to current supply flocks 7-15 months earlier <sup>1</sup>	
	2019	2020		2020	2021
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)
United States placements .....					
January .....	7,478	7,482	100	72,170	72,886
February .....	7,882	8,135	103	73,411	73,590
March .....	8,222	8,547	104	73,604	73,660
April .....	7,339	8,161	111	73,624	
May .....	8,767	8,188	93	73,677	
June .....	8,717	8,074	93	73,936	
July .....	8,510	8,235	97	74,341	
August .....	8,094	8,211	101	74,484	
September .....	8,615			73,852	
October .....	7,531			73,682	
November .....	8,141			73,333	
December .....	8,627			73,427	
Annual total .....	97,923				
Total placements <sup>2</sup>					
January .....	8,957	9,022	101		
February .....	9,525	9,581	101		
March .....	10,161	10,183	100		
April .....	9,146	9,700	106		
May .....	10,797	9,860	91		
June .....	10,606	9,713	92		
July .....	10,444	9,726	93		
August .....	9,763	9,902	101		
September .....	10,468				
October .....	9,063				
November .....	9,653				
December .....	10,365				
Annual total .....	118,948				

<sup>1</sup> For August 2020, includes breeder pullet chicks hatched May 2019 through January 2020.

<sup>2</sup> 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.

To assist in evaluating the reliability of the estimates in this report, the "Root Mean Square Error" is shown for selected items in the following table. The "Root Mean Square Error" is a statistical measure based on past performance and is computed using the differences between first and final estimates. The "Root Mean Square Error" for total layers over the past 24 months is 1.3 percent. This means that chances are 2 out of 3 that the final estimate will not be above or below the current estimate of 380 million layers by more than 1.3 percent. Chances are 9 out of 10 that the difference will not exceed 2.2 percent.

## 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
Total layers .....	(percent) 1.3	(percent) 2.2	(1,000) 3,467.8	(1,000) 107	(1,000) 10,395	(number) 21	(number) 3
Eggs .....	1.3	2.3	(million) 84.6	(million) 1	(million) 257	21	3

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