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EGG PRODUCTION AND LAYER NUMBERS

The Nation's laying flock produced 5,764 million eggs during March, 1 percent less than in March 1973, according to the Crop Reporting Board. Layers on hand during March averaged 292 million, 2 percent below a year earlier. The average rate of lay during the month was up 1 percent from a year earlier to partially offset the fewer layers.

Layers on farms April 1, 1974 totaled 291 million, down 2 percent from the 298 million a year earlier and 1 percent below the 293 million a month earlier. Rate of lay on April 1 averaged 64.1 eggs per 100 layers, up from 63.4 a year earlier and 63.3 on March 1, 1974.

PULLET CHICKS FOR HATCHERY SUPPLY FLOCKS

Leading primary breeders placed 2.8 million pullet chicks in domestic broiler hatchery supply flocks during March -- down 7 percent from March 1973. Domestic placements of pullet chicks January 1973 through August 1973 total 21.2 million -- down 1 percent from the same period a year earlier. Total placements (domestic plus exports) during March were 7 percent below a year earlier.

Domestic placements of pullet chicks for egg-type hatchery supply flocks by the leading primary breeders totaled 474,000 -- up 5 percent from March 1973. The September 1972 through August 1973 total was 4.7 million -- up 3 percent from a year earlier.

Placement data include pullet chicks sold during the month plus pullet chicks expected from eggs sold the preceding month. The primary breeders included in this report account for a large percentage of replacement pullets for hatchery supply flocks. Sales of replacement pullets by these breeders provide an indication of the potential number of pullets available for addition to hatchery egg supply flocks several months before the pullets will actually move into the flocks.

HATCHERY PRODUCTION

Broiler-type chicks produced during March 1974 totaled 296 million, 3 percent more than the 287 million produced during March a year ago. The number of broiler-type eggs in incubators on April 1, 1974, at 244 million, was slightly less than a year ago.

Egg-type chicks hatched during March totaled 45.7 million, down 12 percent from the 52.0 million produced a year ago. Eggs in incubators on April 1, 1974, at 47.8 million, were 3 percent below a year ago.

The commercial hatch of turkey poults during March was 7 percent above a year ago. The hatch of heavy breeds was up 7 percent from the same month last year and light breeds hatched were up 4 percent.

There were 19.5 million poults hatched during March. Of these poults, about 17.9 million were heavy breeds and 1.6 million were light breeds.

The number of turkey eggs in incubators on April 1, 1974, at 29.6 million, was about the same as last year. Eggs for heavy breed turkeys were down 1 percent but light breeds increased 17 percent from last year.

CHICKENS AND TURKEYS IN FLOCKS TESTED FOR PULLORUM-TYPHOID

Chickens in broiler-breeder flocks tested for pullorum-typhoid during March totaled 1.7 million, down 16 percent from March 1973. Testings January through March 1974 were 5.0 million, a decrease of 18 percent from the same period a year earlier.

Chickens in egg-type breeder flocks tested during March totaled 414 thousand, down 18 percent from March 1973. The number in flocks tested January through March was 1.5 million, down 3 percent from the same period a year earlier.

Heavy breed turkeys in flocks tested totaled 82.7 thousand, 11 percent below March 1973. Testings July through March were 2.8 million, an increase of 9 percent from the same period a year ago.

Light breed turkeys in flocks tested totaled 17.1 thousand, 4 percent below March 1973. The number in flocks tested July through March was 248 thousand, a decrease of 19 percent from the corresponding period a year ago.

Testings summarized in this report are tabulations of records from official State Testing Agencies and include all birds in flocks tested. The degree of coverage may vary from month to month and from State to State. The preparation of these data is a cooperative effort of the Poultry Improvement Staff of the Agricultural Research Service, official State Agencies participating in the National Poultry Improvement Plan and the Estimates Division of the Statistical Reporting Service.

UNITED STATES

Item	1973	1974	1974 as % of 1973
	Thousands		Percent
Egg Production During March			
Number layers during month	297,112	292,166	98
Eggs per 100 layers (number)	1,954	1,973	101
Total eggs produced (million)	5,807	5,764	99
Layers and Rate of Lay on April 1			
Number of layers on hand	297,618	291,088	98
Eggs per day per 100 layers (number)	63.4	64.1	101
Forced Molt Layers, 17 States, April 1	Percent		
Percent being molted	2.6	2.4	
Percent with molt completed	9.7	8.0	
Pullet Chicks Placed in Hatchery	Thousands		
Supply Flocks (domestic)			
Broiler-type :During March	3,056	2,835	93
: 7-14 mos. prev. 1/	21,515	21,232	99
Egg-type :During March	453	474	105
: 7-18 mos. prev. 1/	4,601	4,744	103
Hatchery Production			
Broiler-type chicks :During March	287,359	296,261	103
Jan. thru March	790,963	827,592	105
Egg-type chicks :During March	52,001	45,713	88
Jan. thru March	132,136	119,278	90
Heavy Breed poults :During March	16,737	17,933	107
September thru March	49,564	56,208	113
Light breed poults :During March	1,501	1,557	104
September thru March	9,728	9,604	99
All turkey poults :During March	18,238	19,490	107
September thru March	59,292	65,812	111
Chicken Eggs in Incubators on April 1			
Broiler-type	244,982	244,297	100
Egg-type	49,235	47,752	97
Turkey Eggs in Incubators on April 1			
Heavy breeds	27,708	27,450	99
Light breeds	1,828	2,140	117
All breeds	29,536	29,590	100
Chickens Tested for Pullorum-typhoid			
Broiler-type :During March	1,992	1,669	84
Jan. thru March	6,150	5,029	82
Egg-type :During March	503	414	82
Jan. thru March	1,537	1,493	97
Turkeys Tested for Pullorum-typhoid			
Heavy breeds :During March	93	83	89
: July thru March	2,533	2,755	109
Light breeds :During March	18	17	96
: July thru March	307	248	81
All breeds :During March	111	100	90
: July thru March	2,840	3,003	106

1/ See page 6 footnotes 2 and 3.

March Egg Production

State	Number of layers		Eggs per 100 layers		Total eggs produced	
	on hand during March		during March		during March	
	1973	1974	1973	1974	1973	1974
	Thousands		Number		Millions	
Alabama	12,810	13,200	1,947	1,944	249	257
Arkansas	16,170	15,650	1,978	2,021	320	316
California	34,748	37,178	1,851	1,854	643	689
Connecticut	4,313	3,950	1,925	1,931	83	76
Florida	11,867	12,069	2,043	2,074	242	250
Georgia	24,699	25,597	1,987	2,012	491	515
Illinois	7,274	6,929	1,956	1,891	142	131
Indiana	12,150	11,800	2,006	1,962	244	232
Iowa	9,823	9,100	<u>1/1,962</u>	1,978	<u>1/193</u>	180
Kansas	3,025	2,700	2,068	2,006	63	54
Kentucky	2,370	2,440	1,969	1,978	47	48
Louisiana	3,237	3,148	1,910	1,934	62	61
Maine	6,259	6,790	2,040	2,136	128	145
Massachusetts	2,312	2,084	1,944	1,990	45	42
Michigan	6,902	6,327	1,972	1,984	136	126
Minnesota	10,439	10,000	2,009	2,099	210	210
Mississippi	9,112	8,838	1,910	1,941	174	172
Missouri	6,390	5,325	1,993	1,969	127	105
Nebraska	3,670	3,563	1,916	1,876	70	67
New Jersey	3,463	3,420	1,885	1,854	65	63
New York	9,299	8,645	1,969	1,950	183	169
North Carolina	14,761	13,277	1,876	2,015	277	268
Ohio	9,325	9,135	2,015	2,018	188	184
Oklahoma	2,130	1,920	1,879	1,894	40	36
Oregon	2,326	2,234	2,015	2,021	47	45
Pennsylvania	15,690	15,308	2,003	2,046	314	313
South Carolina	5,485	5,545	1,931	2,089	106	116
South Dakota	3,613	3,532	1,969	2,034	71	72
Tennessee	4,539	4,560	2,068	2,040	94	93
Texas	11,527	11,126	1,913	1,854	221	206
Virginia	3,676	3,465	1,916	1,990	70	69
Washington	4,574	4,569	1,950	2,021	89	92
Wisconsin	5,690	5,369	2,006	1,962	114	105
Other 17 States 2/	13,444	13,373	1,928	1,922	259	257
United States total	297,112	292,166	<u>1/1,954</u>	1,973	<u>1/5,807</u>	5,764

1/ Revised.

2/ State estimates not available.

Layers on hand and eggs laid per 100 layers, April 1

State	;	Number of layers on		;	Eggs laid per 100	
		hand April 1			layers April 1	
		1973	1974		1973	1974
		Thousands			Number	
Alabama	:	12,902	13,100		62.3	62.6
Arkansas	:	16,214	15,400		62.5	65.3
California	:	35,300	37,733		58.3	60.8
Connecticut	:	4,280	3,970		63.5	64.0
Florida	:	11,737	11,937		67.1	68.4
Georgia	:	24,824	25,258		65.2	64.8
Illinois	:	7,450	6,997		64.0	63.5
Indiana	:	12,100	11,800		67.0	62.5
Iowa	:	9,873	9,000		63.5	64.4
Kansas	:	3,050	2,700		67.4	64.0
Kentucky	:	2,310	2,380		65.0	65.0
Louisiana	:	3,174	3,093		63.6	63.8
Maine	:	6,285	6,900		65.4	68.4
Massachusetts	:	2,288	2,060		62.8	64.3
Michigan	:	7,004	6,327		64.0	64.0
Minnesota	:	10,450	9,900		65.3	66.7
Mississippi	:	8,938	8,750		63.0	62.7
Missouri	:	6,390	5,350		65.0	65.0
Nebraska	:	3,625	3,565		62.5	61.0
New Jersey	:	3,463	3,454		62.5	61.0
New York	:	9,430	8,650		64.5	63.8
North Carolina	:	14,574	13,075		61.2	64.9
Ohio	:	9,183	9,180		65.8	65.2
Oklahoma	:	2,130	1,900		61.0	62.7
Oregon	:	2,290	2,192		64.5	66.9
Pennsylvania	:	15,680	15,384		64.9	66.5
South Carolina	:	5,450	5,490		65.3	68.0
South Dakota	:	3,600	3,561		65.0	64.9
Tennessee	:	4,568	4,525		67.0	66.5
Texas	:	11,651	10,795		62.3	62.3
Virginia	:	3,651	3,490		62.0	64.9
Washington	:	4,614	4,585		63.7	66.7
Wisconsin	:	5,690	5,287		65.0	63.5
Other 17 States 1/	:	13,450	13,300		62.7	62.5
United States	:	297,618	291,088		63.4	64.1

1/ State estimates not available.

Pullet chicks placements for hatchery supply flocks 1/

Month	Placements by months			1974 as % of 1973	Cumulative placements relative to current supply flock		
	1972	1973	1974		1972	1973	1974
EGG-TYPE	Thousands			Percent	Thousands		
January	295	314	306	97	7-18 months earlier 2/ 4,559		
February	348	414	324	78	4,532		
March	306	453	474	105	NA	4,601	4,744
April	470	355				4,597	
May	533	511				4,776	
June	592	530				4,733	
July	385	423			4,869	4,750	
August	426	349			4,900	4,769	
September	409	268			4,862	4,835	
October	476	309			4,716	4,982	
November	236	302			4,597	4,867	
December	274	258			4,648	4,845	
Annual total	4,750	4,486					
BROILER-TYPE DOMESTIC					7-14 months earlier 3/		
January	2,540	2,390	2,372	99	24,000	21,579	20,769
February	2,228	2,170	2,354	108	23,546	21,779	20,893
March	2,676	3,056	2,835	93	23,519	21,515	21,232
April	3,308	3,048			23,328	21,473	
May	2,786	2,958			23,272	21,720	
June	2,694	2,527			22,812	21,415	
July	2,753	2,495			22,446	20,356	
August	2,530	2,588			21,790	19,960	
September	2,498	2,653			20,987	19,436	
October	2,475	2,921			20,822	19,739	
November	2,371	2,306			21,201	20,257	
December	2,249	2,383			21,428	20,717	
Annual total	31,108	31,495					
BROILER-TYPE, TOTAL							
January	3,145	2,894	2,842	98			
February	2,817	2,686	2,809	105			
March	3,074	3,494	3,233	93			
April	3,763	3,533					
May	3,139	3,340					
June	3,176	2,976					
July	3,176	3,083					
August	2,925	3,048					
September	2,873	3,074					
October	2,882	3,345					
November	2,726	2,685					
December	2,743	2,744					
Annual total	36,439	36,902					

1/ Reported by leading breeders. Includes expected pullet placements from eggs sold during the preceding month at the rate of 125 pullet chicks per 30-dozen case of eggs. 2/ For March 1974, includes pullet chicks placed September 1972, through August 1973. 3/ For March 1974, includes pullet chicks placed January 1973, through August 1973.

POULTS HATCHED AND TURKEY EGGS IN INCUBATORS

Turkey poults hatched by commercial hatcheries, during March 1974

Geographic division	Total breeds					
	Heavy breeds 1/		Light breeds		All breeds	
	1973	1974	1973	1974	1973	1974
	Thousands					
North Atlantic	284	256	70	0	354	256
East North Central	2,329	2,453	96	197	2,425	2,650
West North Central	6,868	6,580	715	738	7,583	7,318
South Atlantic	1,928	2,536	371	323	2,299	2,859
South Central	1,506	1,977	19	1	1,525	1,978
West	3,822	4,131	230	298	4,052	4,429
United States	16,737	17,933	1,501	1,557	18,238	19,490
	Percent					
March 1974 as						
percent of March 1973		107		104		107

Turkey eggs in incubators, April 1, 1974

Geographic division	Total breeds					
	Heavy breeds 1/		Light breeds 2/		All breeds	
	1973	1974	1973	1974	1973	1974
	Thousands					
North Atlantic	683	563	67	87	750	650
East South Central	4,335	4,192	134	271	4,469	4,463
West North Central	10,540	9,507	786	832	11,326	10,439
South Atlantic	3,285	3,594	399	325	3,684	3,919
South Central	2,533	2,984	29	82	2,562	3,066
West	6,332	6,610	413	443	6,745	7,053
United States	27,708	27,450	1,823	2,140	29,536	29,590
	Percent					
April 1, 1974 as						
percent of April 1, 1973		99		117		100

1/ Birds for which the normal mature marketing weight is 12 pounds or over.

2/ Birds for which the normal mature marketing weight is less than 12 pounds.

Turkey poults hatched by commercial hatcheries - United States

Month	By months				Cumulative			
	1971-72	1972-73	1973-74	Percent of previous yr.	1971-72	1972-73	1973-74	Percent of previous yr.
	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Percent	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Percent
<u>Heavy breeds 1/</u>								
September	2,152	2,192	2,865	131	2,152	2,192	2,865	131
October	1,999	2,305	2,725	118	4,151	4,497	5,590	124
November	2,720	2,968	3,895	131	6,871	7,465	9,485	127
December	4,210	5,064	6,518	129	11,081	12,529	16,003	128
January	7,404	8,278	9,545	115	18,485	20,807	25,548	123
February	12,509	12,020	12,727	106	30,994	32,827	38,275	117
March	18,472	16,737	17,933	107	49,466	49,564	56,208	113
April	20,330	19,357			69,796	68,921		
May	20,524	20,585			90,320	89,506		
June	17,667	17,947			107,987	107,453		
July	11,078	12,170			119,065	119,623		
August	4,999	5,809			124,064	125,432		
<u>Light breeds 2/</u>								
September	1,027	1,168	1,180	101	1,027	1,168	1,180	101
October	1,171	1,227	1,218	99	2,198	2,395	2,398	100
November	1,301	1,644	1,551	94	3,499	4,039	3,949	98
December	1,014	1,615	1,566	97	4,513	5,654	5,515	98
January	983	1,436	1,322	92	5,496	7,090	6,837	96
February	984	1,137	1,210	106	6,480	8,227	8,047	98
March	1,168	1,501	1,557	104	7,648	9,728	9,604	99
April	1,266	1,276			8,914	11,004		
May	1,350	1,130			10,264	12,134		
June	1,398	1,536			11,662	13,670		
July	1,668	1,683			13,330	15,353		
August	1,596	1,465			14,926	16,818		
<u>Total all breeds</u>								
September	3,179	3,360	4,045	120	3,179	3,360	4,045	120
October	3,170	3,532	3,943	112	6,349	6,892	7,988	116
November	4,021	4,612	5,446	118	10,370	11,504	13,434	117
December	5,224	6,679	8,084	121	15,594	18,183	21,518	118
January	8,387	9,714	10,867	112	23,981	27,897	32,385	116
February	13,493	13,157	13,937	106	37,474	41,054	46,322	113
March	19,640	18,238	19,490	107	57,114	59,292	65,812	111
April	21,596	20,633			78,710	79,925		
May	21,874	21,715			100,584	101,640		
June	19,065	19,483			119,649	121,123		
July	12,746	13,853			132,395	134,976		
August	6,595	7,274			138,990	142,250		

1/ Birds for which the normal mature marketing weight is 12 pounds or over.

2/ Birds for which the normal mature marketing weight is less than 12 pounds.

Chicks hatched by commercial hatcheries, United States

Month	By months				Cumulative			
	1972	1973	1974	1974 as % of 1973	1972	1973	1974	1974 as % of 1973
	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Percent	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Percent
Broiler-type								
January	273,903	261,668	277,231	106	273,903	261,668	277,281	106
February	269,427	241,909	254,050	105	543,330	503,577	531,331	106
March	297,287	287,359	296,261	103	840,617	790,936	827,592	105
April	293,856	289,423			1,134,473	1,080,359		
May	303,014	297,989			1,437,487	1,378,348		
June	286,178	282,673			1,723,665	1,661,021		
July	273,061	258,372			1,996,726	1,919,393		
August	272,229	270,358			2,268,955	2,189,751		
September	239,660	246,306			2,508,615	2,436,057		
October	246,983	249,477			2,755,598	2,685,534		
November	251,151	253,911			3,006,749	2,939,445		
December	260,708	267,541			3,267,457	3,206,986		
Egg-type								
January	39,110	38,600	35,547	92	39,110	38,600	35,547	92
February	41,645	41,535	38,018	92	80,755	80,135	73,565	92
March	47,979	52,001	45,713	88	128,734	132,136	119,278	90
April	53,002	53,962			181,736	186,098		
May	51,989	55,362			233,725	241,469		
June	42,888	44,729			276,613	286,189		
July	38,569	41,159			315,182	327,348		
August	37,493	42,476			352,675	369,824		
September	35,985	42,858			388,660	412,682		
October	37,890	45,974			426,550	458,656		
November	32,426	40,335			458,976	498,991		
December	32,378	35,265			491,354	534,256		

Chicken eggs in incubators, April 1, 1974

Geographic division	Broiler-type		Egg-type	
	1973	1974	1973	1974
	Thousands			
North Atlantic	14,390	13,826	6,752	6,528
East North Central	4,134	3,933	7,562	7,492
West North Central	4,363	4,658	8,111	9,066
South Atlantic	97,383	99,544	10,558	9,728
South Central	114,631	112,002	9,445	8,741
West 1/	10,081	10,334	6,807	6,197
United States	244,982	244,297	49,235	47,752
	Percent			
April 1, 1974 as percent of April 1, 1973		100		97

1/ Includes Hawaii.

Broiler-type chicks hatched by commercial hatcheries

State.	March		January through March	
	1973	1974	1973	1974
	Thousands			
Alabama	40,778	39,724	110,652	109,120
Arkansas	49,124	51,340	135,791	143,163
California	7,955	8,480	22,786	23,717
Connecticut	442	177	1,090	670
Delaware	11,961	12,867	32,605	35,624
Florida	6,426	7,584	17,926	21,693
Georgia	38,690	40,970	107,918	117,316
Illinois	13	--	17	12
Indiana	1,522	1,502	4,017	4,040
Kansas	158	200	211	241
Louisiana	4,125	4,209	11,703	11,673
Maine	7,111	7,281	19,721	20,729
Maryland	20,981	20,275	57,967	56,622
Minnesota	1,089	1,168	2,841	2,896
Mississippi	20,831	21,571	58,209	60,602
Missouri	1,059	1,125	2,562	2,579
Nebraska	304	240	397	323
North Carolina	28,302	29,754	81,318	84,332
Ohio	880	950	2,525	3,050
Oregon	1,840	1,826	4,485	4,300
Pennsylvania	7,241	7,013	19,355	20,067
South Carolina	1,972	2,483	5,921	7,131
Tennessee	2,016	2,282	6,376	6,863
Texas	17,138	17,951	45,151	48,381
Utah	6	31	6	33
Virginia	7,871	8,073	21,963	22,621
Washington	1,366	1,550	3,646	4,183
Wisconsin	1,301	1,077	3,179	2,839
Other States ^{1/}	4,857	4,558	10,598	12,772
United States	287,359	296,261	790,936	827,592

^{1/} Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, New York, New Jersey, Michigan, Iowa, North Dakota, South Dakota, Kentucky, Oklahoma, Montana, Idaho, Colorado, and Hawaii combined to avoid disclosing individual operations.

Egg-type chicks hatched by commercial hatcheries

State	March		January through March	
	1973	1974	1973	1974
	Thousands			
Alabama	1,287	1,015	3,191	2,257
Arkansas	2,694	2,412	6,937	5,777
California	5,719	3,836	15,304	12,651
Connecticut	227	359	490	741
Florida	3,298	3,211	9,498	8,816
Georgia	4,586	3,146	11,793	8,022
Illinois	1,788	1,400	4,341	3,915
Indiana	2,939	2,654	7,681	6,853
Iowa	1,855	1,865	4,440	5,565
Kansas	598	810	1,358	1,629
Louisiana	256	320	794	737
Maine	888	1,157	2,368	3,000
Michigan	530	800	1,820	2,480
Minnesota	2,551	2,400	5,615	5,146
Mississippi	1,447	1,182	3,834	3,300
Missouri	2,111	2,154	4,178	3,898
Nebraska	374	440	632	1,050
New York	2,360	1,560	6,380	5,140
North Carolina	985	966	2,598	2,168
Ohio	1,615	1,350	4,670	3,700
Oklahoma	384	527	708	915
Oregon	832	965	2,572	2,652
Pennsylvania	2,783	2,487	6,605	6,406
South Carolina	994	920	2,329	2,304
Tennessee	1,152	552	2,984	1,763
Texas	2,178	2,102	4,870	5,381
Utah	371	153	577	343
Virginia	863	766	2,046	1,844
Washington	727	747	1,709	1,496
Wisconsin	530	632	1,592	2,108
Other States ^{1/}	3,079	2,825	8,222	7,221
United States	52,001	45,713	132,136	119,278

^{1/} Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, New Jersey, North Dakota, South Dakota, West Virginia, Delaware, Maryland, Kentucky, Montana, Idaho, Colorado, and Hawaii are combined to avoid disclosing individual operations.

Chickens in flocks tested for pullorum-typhoid by official State agencies - United States

Month	By months			Cumulative		
	1973	1974	1974 as % of 1973	1973	1974	1974 as % of 1973
	Number		Percent	Number		Percent
<u>For Broiler Production</u>						
January	2,196,034	1,836,792	84	2,196,034	1,836,792	84
February	1,962,287	1,523,132	78	4,158,321	3,359,924	81
March	1,991,911	1,669,317	84	6,150,232	5,029,241	82
April	1,994,519			8,144,751		
May	1,586,606			9,731,357		
June	1,710,115			11,441,472		
July	1,508,702			12,950,174		
August	1,600,642			14,550,816		
September	1,793,487			16,344,303		
October	1,943,409			18,287,712		
November	1,585,628			19,873,340		
December	1,703,384			21,576,724		
<u>Egg-Type Chickens</u>						
January	605,065	660,782	109	605,065	660,782	109
February	428,201	417,445	97	1,033,266	1,078,227	104
March	503,438	414,428	82	1,536,704	1,492,655	97
April	411,330			1,948,034		
May	445,041			2,393,075		
June	200,230			2,593,305		
July	1/359,581			1/2,952,886		
August	365,856			1/3,318,742		
September	395,443			1/3,714,185		
October	378,547			1/4,092,732		
November	452,608			1/4,545,340		
December	1/361,749			1/4,907,089		

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Turkeys in flocks tested for pullorum-typhoid by official State agencies - United States

Month	By months			Cumulative		
	1972-73	1973-74	Percent of year earlier	1972-73	1973-74	Percent of year earlier
	Number		Percent	Number		Percent
<u>Heavy breeds</u>						
July	159,345	159,843	100	159,345	159,843	100
August	176,102	241,147	137	335,447	400,990	120
September	304,379	403,280	132	639,826	804,270	126
October	574,563	504,086	88	1,214,389	1,308,356	108
November	491,855	519,045	106	1,706,244	1,827,401	107
December	400,209	419,646	105	2,106,453	2,247,047	107
January	227,016	242,448	107	2,333,469	2,489,495	107
February	105,879	<u>1/</u> 182,974	173	2,439,348	<u>1/2</u> 2,672,469	110
March	93,244	82,700	89	2,532,592	2,755,169	109
April	30,780			2,563,372		
May	75,552			2,638,924		
June	87,801			2,726,725		
<u>Light breeds</u>						
July	27,373	26,792	98	27,373	26,792	98
August	33,968	17,708	52	61,341	44,500	73
September	13,568	43,596	321	74,909	88,096	118
October	73,606	29,908	41	148,515	118,004	79
November	28,054	22,659	81	176,569	140,663	80
December	27,668	45,507	164	204,237	186,170	91
January	44,459	9,996	22	248,696	196,166	79
February	40,694	<u>1/34</u> 938	86	289,390	<u>1/231</u> 104	80
March	17,761	17,127	96	307,151	248,231	81
April	19,968			327,119		
May	27,649			354,768		
June	51,875			406,643		
<u>Total all breeds</u>						
July	186,718	186,635	100	186,718	186,635	100
August	210,070	258,855	123	396,788	445,490	112
September	317,947	446,876	141	714,735	892,366	125
October	648,169	533,994	82	1,362,904	1,426,360	105
November	519,909	541,704	104	1,882,813	1,968,064	105
December	427,877	465,153	109	2,310,690	2,433,217	105
January	271,475	252,444	93	2,582,165	2,685,661	104
February	146,573	<u>1/</u> 217,912	149	2,728,738	<u>1/2</u> 2,903,573	106
March	111,005	99,827	90	2,839,743	3,003,400	106
April	50,748			2,890,491		
May	103,201			2,993,692		
June	139,676			3,133,368		

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State	During March				July through March			
	Heavy breeds		Light breeds		Heavy breeds		Light breeds	
	1973	1974	1973	1974	1973-1974	1973-1974	1973-1974	1973-1974
	Number							
Alabama	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arizona	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arkansas	-	-	-	-	39,650	19,713	4,500	-
California	-	8,000	-	3,349	578,927	613,071	45,896	61,444
Colorado	5,000	-	-	-	53,200	51,000	-	-
Connecticut	-	-	-	-	2,202	-	-	-
Delaware	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Florida	-	-	-	-	4,530	345	-	-
Georgia	-	-	-	-	27,400	19,230	-	-
Idaho	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Illinois	-	-	-	-	33,880	40,162	-	-
Indiana	-	-	-	-	11,489	1,100	-	-
Iowa	-	4,713	-	-	149,658	166,232	-	-
Kansas	-	-	-	-	17,212	21,330	-	-
Kentucky	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Louisiana	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maine	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maryland	-	-	-	-	650	1,250	350	-
Massachusetts	219	268	-	-	1,358	1,386	-	-
Michigan	-	3,442	-	-	77,743	62,518	-	-
Minn. & Wisc. 1/	11,683	17,364	17,761	13,778	449,376	510,651	146,142	122,619
Mississippi	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Missouri	-	3,152	-	-	93,789	138,357	-	-
Montana	-	-	-	-	49	-	-	-
Nebraska	-	-	-	-	33,259	17,433	-	-
Nevada	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Hampshire	-	-	-	-	2,854	2,660	9,769	-
New Jersey	1,400	-	-	-	1,400	-	-	-
New Mexico	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
New York	606	768	-	-	6,779	6,426	-	-
North Carolina	40,200	12,100	-	-	227,353	292,577	-	-
North Dakota	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ohio	-	12,000	-	-	114,197	144,068	5,200	5,000
Oklahoma	-	-	-	-	243	-	5,849	23
Oregon	3,603	-	-	-	95,605	78,125	34,708	14,967
Pennsylvania	230	-	-	-	4,202	4,839	94	328
Rhode Island	-	-	-	-	269	223	-	-
South Carolina	1,515	-	-	-	14,879	13,096	-	3,749
South Dakota	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tennessee	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Texas	20,347	11,969	-	-	386,670	398,654	-	6,821
Utah	-	-	-	-	34,300	50,000	-	-
Vermont	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Virginia	3,594	8,924	-	-	58,723	81,770	54,306	33,280
Washington	4,847	-	-	-	10,347	18,953	-	-
West Virginia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wyoming	-	-	-	-	399	-	337	-
United States	93,244	82,700	17,761	17,127	2,532,592	2,755,169	307,151	248,231

1/ Minnesota & Wisconsin combined to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

Forced molt layers as a percent of hens and pullets of laying age,
first of month, 17 States

Month	By months					
	1972	1973	1974	1972	1973	1974
	Percent being molted			Percent with molt completed		
January	2.7	3.9	2.5	11.3	14.5	9.2
February	3.5	2.6	3.0	12.3	10.6	8.8
March	3.1	3.5	2.6	10.7	10.2	7.9
April	3.6	2.6	2.4	11.4	9.7	8.0
May	5.1	3.0		10.4	9.2	
June	5.6	3.8		11.8	7.2	
July	3.7	3.5		13.4	8.1	
August	3.4	2.8		13.3	8.5	
September	3.3	3.0		13.4	8.1	
October	3.7	2.8		13.1	8.3	
November	3.8	3.4		13.9	8.0	
December	3.3	2.4		14.4	10.2	

Forced molt layers as a percent of hens and pullets of laying age,
first of month, selected States 1973-74

State	April		April	
	1973	1974	1973	1974
	Percent being molted		Percent with molt completed	
Alabama	2.0	1.0	9.5	6.0
Arkansas	2.5	2.0	6.0	2.0
California	7.0	7.0	17.0	21.0
Florida	1.5	.5	7.5	7.0
Georgia	2.5	1.5	12.0	7.5
Indiana	.5	.5	2.0	2.0
Iowa	.5	.5	2.5	1.5
Mississippi	2.0	1.5	1.0	1.0
New York	1.0	1.0	12.0	5.5
North Carolina	1.0	1.5	10.0	4.0
Ohio	.5	.5	6.0	2.0
Oregon	8.0	3.0	26.0	31.5
Pennsylvania	.5	2.0	5.5	4.0
South Carolina	3.0	1.0	10.5	4.0
Tennessee	1.0	1.5	6.5	5.5
Texas	1.5	2.5	5.0	2.5
Washington	6.0	3.5	34.5	23.5
17 States	2.6	2.4	9.7	8.0

