



# Chickens and Eggs

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## June Egg Production Up 3 Percent

United States egg production totaled 8.58 billion during June 2017, up 3 percent from last year. Production included 7.47 billion table eggs, and 1.11 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.03 billion were broiler-type and 73.0 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during June 2017 averaged 370 million, up 1 percent from last year. June egg production per 100 layers was 2,316 eggs, up 1 percent from June 2016.

All layers in the United States on July 1, 2017 totaled 370 million, up 1 percent from last year. The 370 million layers consisted of 310 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 56.5 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 3.13 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on July 1, 2017, averaged 77.2 eggs per 100 layers, up 1 percent from July 1, 2016.

## Egg-Type Chicks Hatched Down 15 Percent

Egg-type chicks hatched during June 2017 totaled 49.0 million, down 15 percent from June 2016. Eggs in incubators totaled 41.5 million on July 1, 2017, down 6 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 334 thousand during June 2017, up 37 percent from June 2016.

## Broiler-Type Chicks Hatched Up 2 Percent

Broiler-type chicks hatched during June 2017 totaled 802 million, up 2 percent from June 2016. Eggs in incubators totaled 673 million on July 1, 2017, up 3 percent from a year ago.

Leading breeders placed 8.59 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during June 2017, up 1 percent from June 2016.

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## Average Number of All Layers on Hand During the Month – United States: 2016-2017

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Month	2016		2017	
	(1,000 layers)		(1,000 layers)	
December <sup>1</sup> .....		353,821		376,570
January .....		357,784		376,100
February .....		362,856		375,093
March .....		366,521		374,882
April .....		366,498		373,990
May .....		366,038		371,732
June .....		365,142		370,289
July .....		364,698		
August .....		366,550		
September .....		369,205		
October .....		370,864		
November .....		374,040		

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

## Egg Production During the Month by Type – United States: 2016-2017

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

Month	Total eggs		Table eggs		Hatching eggs	
	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017
	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)
December <sup>1</sup> .....	8,261.4	9,083.3	7,124.6	7,950.4	1,136.8	1,132.9
January .....	8,307.9	9,026.9	7,168.2	7,903.5	1,139.7	1,123.4
February .....	7,948.1	8,094.3	6,878.1	7,079.8	1,070.0	1,014.5
March .....	8,622.3	8,970.5	7,475.2	7,842.0	1,147.1	1,128.5
April .....	8,333.2	8,643.1	7,213.0	7,545.9	1,120.2	1,097.2
May .....	8,643.4	8,869.4	7,478.6	7,730.9	1,164.8	1,138.5
June .....	8,349.2	8,577.7	7,228.4	7,472.7	1,120.8	1,105.0
July .....	8,671.9		7,513.9		1,158.0	
August .....	8,750.6		7,597.0		1,153.6	
September .....	8,507.0		7,402.4		1,104.6	
October .....	8,850.6		7,711.8		1,138.8	
November .....	8,707.1		7,602.4		1,104.7	

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

## Egg Production During the Month in Dozens by Type – United States: 2016-2017

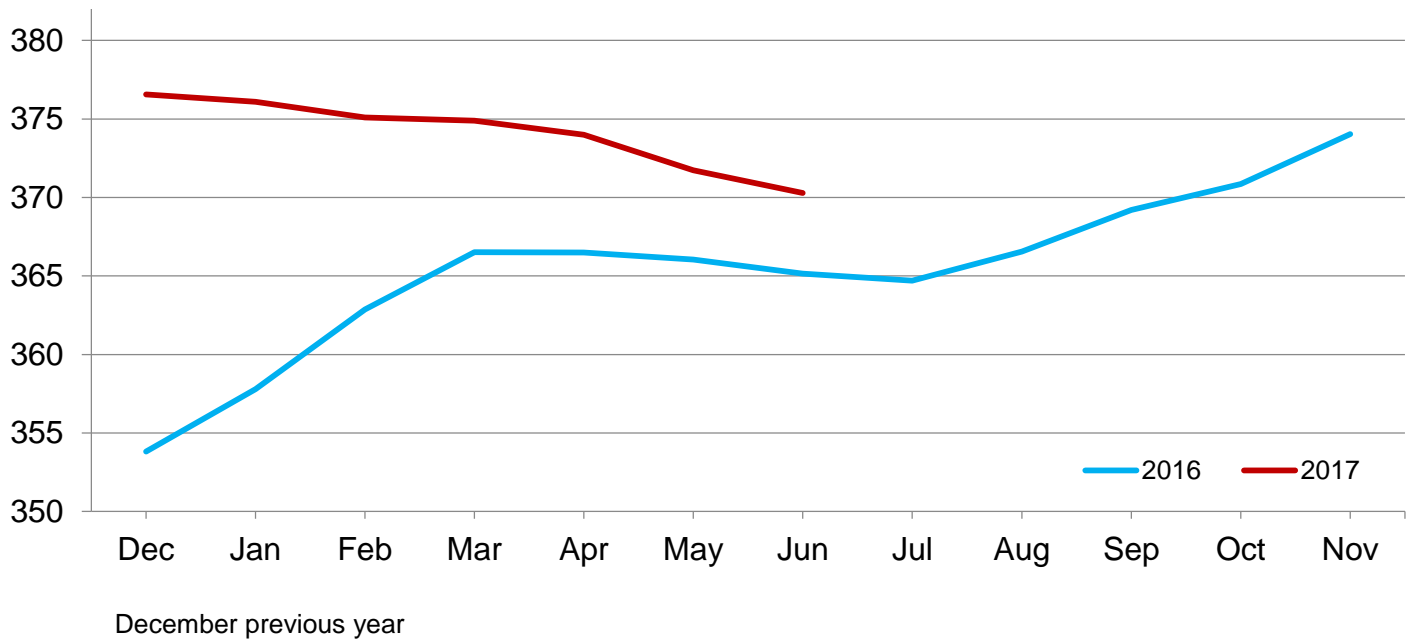
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Month	Total eggs		Table eggs		Hatching eggs	
	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017
	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)
December <sup>1</sup> .....	688,450.7	756,941.4	593,717.2	662,533.1	94,733.5	94,408.3
January .....	692,325.3	752,241.9	597,350.4	658,624.8	94,974.9	93,617.1
February .....	662,341.5	674,525.1	573,175.0	589,983.7	89,166.5	84,541.4
March .....	718,525.0	747,542.1	622,933.2	653,500.1	95,591.8	94,042.0
April .....	694,433.4	720,258.7	601,083.4	628,825.4	93,350.0	91,433.3
May .....	720,283.4	739,116.8	623,216.7	644,241.5	97,066.7	94,875.3
June .....	695,766.8	714,808.6	602,366.9	622,725.0	93,399.9	92,083.6
July .....	722,658.5		626,158.4		96,500.1	
August .....	729,216.4		633,083.3		96,133.1	
September .....	708,917.3		616,867.3		92,050.0	
October .....	737,549.9		642,649.9		94,900.0	
November .....	725,592.3		633,533.7		92,058.6	

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

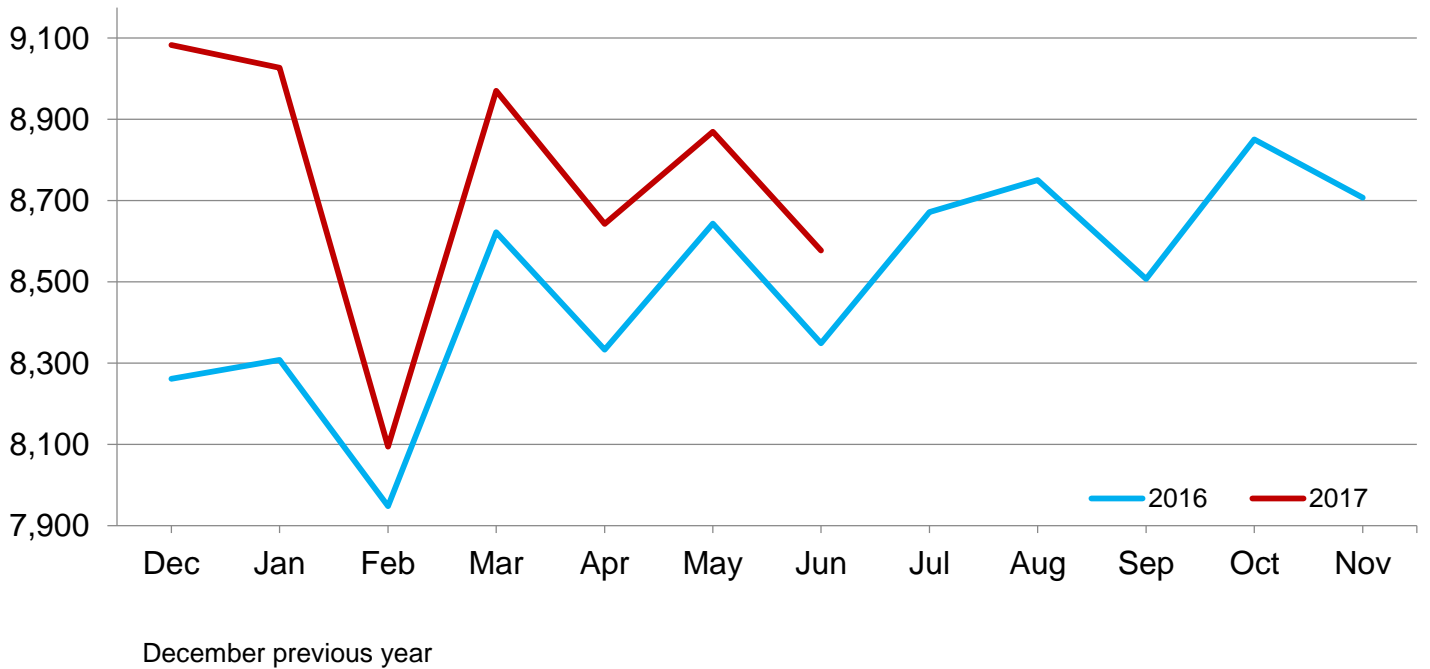
## Average Layers During the Month – United States

Million layers



## All Egg Production During the Month – United States

Million eggs



## Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced by Type and Molt – United States: May-June 2016 and 2017

Item	2016	2017	2017 as percent of 2016
<b>Layers during May</b>			
All layers ..... 1,000	366,038	371,732	102
Table egg type ..... 1,000	307,014	312,321	102
Hatching egg type ..... 1,000	59,024	59,411	101
Broiler-type hatching ..... 1,000	55,094	56,219	102
Egg-type hatching ..... 1,000	3,930	3,192	81
<b>Eggs per 100 layers during May</b>			
All layers ..... number	2,361	2,386	101
Table egg type ..... number	2,436	2,475	102
Hatching egg type ..... number	1,973	1,916	97
Broiler-type hatching ..... number	1,931	1,887	98
Egg-type hatching ..... number	2,573	2,428	94
<b>Eggs produced during May</b>			
All layers ..... million	8,643.4	8,869.4	103
Table egg type ..... million	7,478.6	7,730.9	103
Hatching egg type ..... million	1,164.8	1,138.5	98
Broiler-type hatching ..... million	1,063.7	1,061.0	100
Egg-type hatching ..... million	101.1	77.5	77
<b>Eggs produced during May</b>			
All layers ..... 1,000 dozen	720,283.4	739,116.8	103
Table egg type ..... 1,000 dozen	623,216.7	644,241.5	103
Hatching egg type ..... 1,000 dozen	97,066.7	94,875.3	98
Broiler-type hatching ..... 1,000 dozen	88,641.7	88,416.9	100
Egg-type hatching ..... 1,000 dozen	8,425.0	6,458.4	77
<b>Layers on June 1</b>			
All layers ..... 1,000	365,830	370,788	101
Table egg type ..... 1,000	306,888	311,131	101
Hatching egg type ..... 1,000	58,942	59,657	101
Broiler-type hatching ..... 1,000	55,063	56,513	103
Egg-type hatching ..... 1,000	3,879	3,144	81
<b>Eggs per 100 layers on June 1</b>			
All layers ..... number	76.3	77.1	101
Table egg type ..... number	78.7	80.1	102
Hatching egg type ..... number	63.5	61.7	97
Broiler-type hatching ..... number	62.0	60.8	98
Egg-type hatching ..... number	84.2	77.1	92
<b>Molted layers on June 1</b>			
Being molted ..... percent	2.9	2.4	83
Molt completed ..... percent	18.2	15.0	82
Layers sold for slaughter during May ..... 1,000	18,028.1	16,384.0	91
Layers rendered, died, destroyed, composted or disappeared for any reason during May ..... 1,000	8,933.9	9,394.7	105
Pullets on June 1 ..... 1,000	118,483	115,918	98
Pullets added during May <sup>1</sup> ..... 1,000	27,339.2	28,437.1	104

<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: June-July 2016 and 2017

Item	2016	2017	2017 as percent of 2016
<b>Layers during June</b>			
All layers ..... 1,000	365,142	370,289	101
Table egg type ..... 1,000	306,458	310,656	101
Hatching egg type ..... 1,000	58,684	59,633	102
Broiler-type hatching ..... 1,000	54,866	56,493	103
Egg-type hatching ..... 1,000	3,818	3,140	82
<b>Eggs per 100 layers during June</b>			
All layers ..... number	2,287	2,316	101
Table egg type ..... number	2,359	2,405	102
Hatching egg type ..... number	1,910	1,853	97
Broiler-type hatching ..... number	1,866	1,827	98
Egg-type hatching ..... number	2,541	2,325	91
<b>Eggs produced during June</b>			
All layers ..... million	8,349.2	8,577.7	103
Table egg type ..... million	7,228.4	7,472.7	103
Hatching egg type ..... million	1,120.8	1,105.0	99
Broiler-type hatching ..... million	1,023.8	1,032.0	101
Egg-type hatching ..... million	97.0	73.0	75
<b>Eggs produced during June</b>			
All layers ..... 1,000 dozen	695,766.8	714,808.6	103
Table egg type ..... 1,000 dozen	602,366.9	622,725.0	103
Hatching egg type ..... 1,000 dozen	93,399.9	92,083.6	99
Broiler-type hatching ..... 1,000 dozen	85,316.7	86,000.1	101
Egg-type hatching ..... 1,000 dozen	8,083.2	6,083.5	75
<b>Layers on July 1</b>			
All layers ..... 1,000	364,432	369,756	101
Table egg type ..... 1,000	306,020	310,165	101
Hatching egg type ..... 1,000	58,412	59,591	102
Broiler-type hatching ..... 1,000	54,664	56,463	103
Egg-type hatching ..... 1,000	3,748	3,128	83
<b>Eggs per 100 layers on July 1</b>			
All layers ..... number	76.1	77.2	101
Table egg type ..... number	78.5	80.2	102
Hatching egg type ..... number	63.8	61.8	97
Broiler-type hatching ..... number	62.3	60.9	98
Egg-type hatching ..... number	85.0	77.8	92
<b>Molted layers on July 1</b>			
Being molted ..... percent	2.6	2.3	88
Molt completed ..... percent	17.6	15.4	88
Layers sold for slaughter during June ..... 1,000	18,375.3	13,949.7	76
Layers rendered, died, destroyed, composted or disappeared for any reason during June ..... 1,000	8,154.5	9,636.2	118
Pullets on July 1 ..... 1,000	119,300	115,077	96
Pullets added during June <sup>1</sup> ..... 1,000	27,423.8	23,192.2	85

<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 May 2016 and 2017

State	Table egg layers in flocks 30,000 and above		All layers		Eggs per 100 for all layers	
	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017
	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(eggs)	(eggs)
Alabama .....	1,493	1,241	9,209	9,031	1,927	1,916
Arkansas .....	3,899	3,632	13,893	13,664	2,089	2,067
California .....	11,772	11,649	12,300	12,255	2,412	2,452
Colorado .....	4,299	4,016	4,739	4,456	2,568	2,677
Florida .....	7,987	7,003	8,381	7,373	2,316	2,426
Georgia .....	9,856	9,562	19,124	18,842	2,131	2,134
Illinois .....	4,972	4,595	5,450	5,069	2,413	2,391
Indiana .....	29,278	31,623	30,308	32,452	2,455	2,492
Iowa .....	48,723	53,042	50,108	54,398	2,404	2,486
Maryland .....	2,493	2,687	2,665	2,856	2,473	2,514
Michigan .....	12,705	14,092	12,954	14,338	2,588	2,473
Minnesota .....	9,358	9,995	9,812	10,469	2,342	2,544
Mississippi .....	1,408	1,446	5,643	5,727	2,077	2,038
Missouri .....	7,131	7,076	10,574	10,699	2,487	2,504
Nebraska .....	9,088	7,999	9,196	8,107	2,486	2,499
New York .....	5,207	5,243	5,597	5,615	2,516	2,538
North Carolina .....	6,466	6,942	14,159	14,978	2,158	2,203
Ohio .....	32,592	29,271	33,451	30,183	2,393	2,435
Oregon .....	2,315	2,303	2,454	2,442	2,588	2,645
Pennsylvania .....	25,013	25,700	27,203	27,768	2,564	2,484
South Carolina .....	3,100	2,437	4,398	3,645	2,299	2,294
South Dakota .....	1,906	2,658	2,048	2,800	2,446	2,418
Texas .....	16,327	17,018	20,647	21,418	2,290	2,252
Utah .....	4,439	5,074	4,477	5,112	2,390	2,473
Virginia .....	1,231	947	2,968	2,692	2,166	2,325
Washington .....	6,639	6,836	6,804	7,001	2,387	2,625
Wisconsin .....	5,108	5,411	5,796	6,067	2,334	2,532
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	22,695	23,404	31,680	32,275	2,319	2,257
United States .....	297,500	302,902	366,038	371,732	2,361	2,386

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



## Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced – States and United States: During June 2016 and 2017

State	Table egg layers in flocks 30,000 and above		All layers		Eggs per 100 for all layers	
	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017
	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(eggs)	(eggs)
Alabama .....	1,504	1,277	9,119	9,071	1,852	1,853
Arkansas .....	3,885	3,631	13,769	13,582	1,987	1,995
California .....	11,563	11,315	12,085	11,921	2,346	2,383
Colorado .....	4,019	4,122	4,471	4,574	2,467	2,488
Florida .....	7,838	6,640	8,221	7,002	2,304	2,362
Georgia .....	9,569	9,615	18,779	18,941	2,084	2,085
Illinois .....	4,748	4,610	5,225	5,086	2,494	2,314
Indiana .....	29,238	31,266	30,214	32,090	2,347	2,459
Iowa .....	49,918	53,373	51,271	54,745	2,321	2,396
Maryland .....	2,479	2,678	2,647	2,843	2,410	2,438
Michigan .....	12,863	14,101	13,109	14,326	2,437	2,354
Minnesota .....	9,360	9,898	9,800	10,407	2,296	2,490
Mississippi .....	1,416	1,456	5,600	5,707	2,027	2,029
Missouri .....	7,187	6,585	10,646	10,216	2,420	2,402
Nebraska .....	9,094	7,928	9,202	8,036	2,418	2,516
New York .....	5,239	5,330	5,609	5,697	2,432	2,450
North Carolina .....	6,577	6,950	14,286	15,157	2,064	2,126
Ohio .....	31,956	29,174	32,816	30,098	2,337	2,406
Oregon .....	2,197	2,228	2,336	2,367	2,521	2,602
Pennsylvania .....	24,954	25,432	27,205	27,451	2,480	2,419
South Carolina .....	2,987	2,523	4,271	3,739	2,259	2,174
South Dakota .....	1,926	2,607	2,068	2,749	2,268	2,375
Texas .....	16,173	16,944	20,510	21,331	2,196	2,211
Utah .....	4,496	5,117	4,534	5,155	2,263	2,390
Virginia .....	1,194	842	2,944	2,645	2,164	2,238
Washington .....	6,577	6,788	6,742	6,953	2,382	2,540
Wisconsin .....	5,035	5,352	5,723	5,992	2,315	2,390
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	22,952	23,455	31,940	32,408	2,242	2,161
United States .....	296,944	301,237	365,142	370,289	2,287	2,316

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

## Egg Production by Type – States and United States: May 2016 and 2017

[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	
	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017
	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)
Alabama .....	177.5	173.0	36.6	31.5	140.9	141.5
Arkansas .....	290.2	282.4	100.6	96.7	189.6	185.7
California .....	296.7	300.5	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Colorado .....	121.7	119.3	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Florida .....	194.1	178.9	189.1	174.0	5.0	4.9
Georgia .....	407.5	402.0	226.6	226.1	180.9	175.9
Illinois .....	131.5	121.2	126.4	116.3	5.1	4.9
Indiana .....	744.2	808.8	723.6	793.3	20.6	15.5
Iowa .....	1,204.8	1,352.5	1,183.1	1,334.9	21.7	17.6
Maryland .....	65.9	71.8	64.4	70.4	1.5	1.4
Michigan .....	335.2	354.6	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota .....	229.8	266.3	223.4	259.4	6.4	6.9
Mississippi .....	117.2	116.7	35.2	35.3	82.0	81.4
Missouri .....	263.0	267.9	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Nebraska .....	228.6	202.6	228.6	202.6	-	-
New York .....	140.8	142.5	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina .....	305.6	329.9	160.0	179.6	145.6	150.3
Ohio .....	800.5	735.0	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oregon .....	63.5	64.6	63.5	64.6	-	-
Pennsylvania .....	697.4	689.8	661.7	658.0	35.7	31.8
South Carolina .....	101.1	83.6	76.7	61.0	24.4	22.6
South Dakota .....	50.1	67.7	50.1	67.7	-	-
Texas .....	472.9	482.3	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Utah .....	107.0	127.0	107.0	127.0	-	-
Virginia .....	64.3	62.6	32.1	30.9	32.2	31.7
Washington .....	162.4	183.8	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin .....	135.3	153.6	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	734.6	728.5	598.1	597.9	136.5	130.6
United States .....	8,643.4	8,869.4	7,478.6	7,730.9	1,164.8	1,138.5

- Represents zero.

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

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

## Egg Production by Type – States and United States: June 2016 and 2017

[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	
	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017
	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)
Alabama .....	168.9	168.1	33.5	31.1	135.4	137.0
Arkansas .....	273.6	271.0	96.0	93.7	177.6	177.3
California .....	283.5	284.1	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Colorado .....	110.3	113.8	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Florida .....	189.4	165.4	185.0	160.9	4.4	4.5
Georgia .....	391.3	395.0	216.7	223.8	174.6	171.2
Illinois .....	130.3	117.7	125.4	113.1	4.9	4.6
Indiana .....	709.0	789.0	690.5	774.2	18.5	14.8
Iowa .....	1,190.0	1,311.8	1,168.1	1,295.1	21.9	16.7
Maryland .....	63.8	69.3	62.3	67.9	1.5	1.4
Michigan .....	319.5	337.3	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota .....	225.0	259.1	219.1	252.2	5.9	6.9
Mississippi .....	113.5	115.8	34.1	36.1	79.4	79.7
Missouri .....	257.6	245.4	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Nebraska .....	222.5	202.2	222.5	202.2	-	-
New York .....	136.4	139.6	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina .....	294.8	322.2	153.5	173.4	141.3	148.8
Ohio .....	766.9	724.3	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oregon .....	58.9	61.6	58.9	61.6	-	-
Pennsylvania .....	674.6	664.1	638.9	633.6	35.7	30.5
South Carolina .....	96.5	81.3	73.2	59.4	23.3	21.9
South Dakota .....	46.9	65.3	46.9	65.3	-	-
Texas .....	450.4	471.7	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Utah .....	102.6	123.2	102.6	123.2	-	-
Virginia .....	63.7	59.2	32.3	27.5	31.4	31.7
Washington .....	160.6	176.6	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin .....	132.5	143.2	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	716.2	700.4	583.8	572.4	132.4	128.0
United States .....	8,349.2	8,577.7	7,228.4	7,472.7	1,120.8	1,105.0

- Represents zero.

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

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

## Egg Production in Dozens by Type – States and United States: May 2016 and 2017

[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	
	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017
	(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 .....	14,791.7	14,416.7	3,050.0	2,625.0	11,741.7	11,791.7
Arkansas .....	24,183.3	23,533.4	8,383.3	8,058.4	15,800.0	15,475.0
California .....	24,725.0	25,041.6	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Colorado .....	10,141.7	9,941.7	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Florida .....	16,175.1	14,908.3	15,758.4	14,500.0	416.7	408.3
Georgia .....	33,958.4	33,500.1	18,883.4	18,841.7	15,075.0	14,658.4
Illinois .....	10,958.3	10,100.0	10,533.3	9,691.7	425.0	408.3
Indiana .....	62,016.7	67,400.1	60,300.0	66,108.4	1,716.7	1,291.7
Iowa .....	100,400.0	112,708.4	98,591.7	111,241.7	1,808.3	1,466.7
Maryland .....	5,491.7	5,983.4	5,366.7	5,866.7	125.0	116.7
Michigan .....	27,933.3	29,550.0	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota .....	19,150.1	22,191.7	18,616.7	21,616.7	533.4	575.0
Mississippi .....	9,766.6	9,724.9	2,933.3	2,941.6	6,833.3	6,783.3
Missouri .....	21,916.6	22,325.0	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Nebraska .....	19,050.0	16,883.3	19,050.0	16,883.3	-	-
New York .....	11,733.3	11,875.0	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina .....	25,466.8	27,491.7	13,333.4	14,966.7	12,133.4	12,525.0
Ohio .....	66,708.3	61,250.0	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oregon .....	5,291.7	5,383.3	5,291.7	5,383.3	-	-
Pennsylvania .....	58,116.6	57,483.3	55,141.6	54,833.3	2,975.0	2,650.0
South Carolina .....	8,425.0	6,966.7	6,391.7	5,083.4	2,033.3	1,883.3
South Dakota .....	4,175.0	5,641.6	4,175.0	5,641.6	-	-
Texas .....	39,408.3	40,191.6	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Utah .....	8,916.7	10,583.3	8,916.7	10,583.3	-	-
Virginia .....	5,358.3	5,216.7	2,675.0	2,575.0	2,683.3	2,641.7
Washington .....	13,533.3	15,316.6	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin .....	11,275.0	12,800.0	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	61,216.6	60,708.4	49,841.6	49,824.8	11,375.0	10,883.6
United States .....	720,283.4	739,116.8	623,216.7	644,241.5	97,066.7	94,875.3

- Represents zero.

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## Egg Production in Dozens by Type – States and United States: June 2016 and 2017

[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	
	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017
	(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 .....	14,075.0	14,008.4	2,791.7	2,591.7	11,283.3	11,416.7
Arkansas .....	22,800.0	22,583.3	8,000.0	7,808.3	14,800.0	14,775.0
California .....	23,625.0	23,675.1	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Colorado .....	9,191.7	9,483.3	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Florida .....	15,783.4	13,783.3	15,416.7	13,408.3	366.7	375.0
Georgia .....	32,608.4	32,916.7	18,058.4	18,650.0	14,550.0	14,266.7
Illinois .....	10,858.4	9,808.4	10,450.0	9,425.0	408.4	383.4
Indiana .....	59,083.3	65,750.1	57,541.6	64,516.7	1,541.7	1,233.4
Iowa .....	99,166.7	109,316.7	97,341.7	107,925.0	1,825.0	1,391.7
Maryland .....	5,316.6	5,775.1	5,191.6	5,658.4	125.0	116.7
Michigan .....	26,625.0	28,108.4	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota .....	18,749.9	21,591.6	18,258.3	21,016.6	491.6	575.0
Mississippi .....	9,458.2	9,650.0	2,841.6	3,008.3	6,616.6	6,641.7
Missouri .....	21,466.6	20,450.0	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Nebraska .....	18,541.7	16,850.0	18,541.7	16,850.0	-	-
New York .....	11,366.6	11,633.3	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina .....	24,566.7	26,850.0	12,791.7	14,450.0	11,775.0	12,400.0
Ohio .....	63,908.3	60,358.4	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oregon .....	4,908.4	5,133.3	4,908.4	5,133.3	-	-
Pennsylvania .....	56,216.6	55,341.6	53,241.6	52,800.0	2,975.0	2,541.6
South Carolina .....	8,041.7	6,775.0	6,100.0	4,950.0	1,941.7	1,825.0
South Dakota .....	3,908.4	5,441.6	3,908.4	5,441.6	-	-
Texas .....	37,533.3	39,308.3	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Utah .....	8,550.0	10,266.7	8,550.0	10,266.7	-	-
Virginia .....	5,308.4	4,933.4	2,691.7	2,291.7	2,616.7	2,641.7
Washington .....	13,383.3	14,716.7	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin .....	11,041.6	11,933.3	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	59,683.6	58,366.6	48,650.3	47,700.0	11,033.3	10,666.6
United States .....	695,766.8	714,808.6	602,366.9	622,725.0	93,399.9	92,083.6

- Represents zero.

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

## Molted as Percent of All Layers by Month – United States: 2016-2017

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

Month	Being molted		Molt completed	
	2016	2017	2016	2017
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
January .....	2.5	1.7	21.3	15.7
February .....	3.0	2.2	20.5	15.3
March .....	1.5	2.4	20.6	15.3
April .....	3.0	1.7	19.2	15.6
May .....	2.8	2.7	18.7	15.0
June .....	2.9	2.4	18.2	15.0
July .....	2.6	2.3	17.6	15.4
August .....	2.6		17.3	
September .....	2.7		16.5	
October .....	2.1		16.8	
November .....	2.3		16.5	
December .....	1.5		16.4	

## Molted as Percent of All Layers – States and United States: June 1 and July 1, 2016 and 2017

State	Being molted				Molt completed			
	June 1		July 1		June 1		July 1	
	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama .....	2.0	1.0	3.0	0.5	9.5	7.5	10.0	7.5
Arkansas .....	1.0	1.5	2.0	0.5	21.0	20.0	20.0	19.0
California .....	5.5	2.5	2.5	4.0	14.0	18.0	14.5	16.0
Colorado .....	-	3.0	1.0	2.5	22.5	3.5	19.0	6.0
Florida .....	7.0	1.5	7.0	5.0	66.5	82.0	69.5	80.0
Georgia .....	4.0	1.5	4.0	1.0	17.5	5.0	17.5	4.5
Illinois .....	-	-	-	-	16.5	11.5	14.5	12.0
Indiana .....	4.0	2.0	3.0	1.5	16.5	13.0	16.0	13.0
Iowa .....	1.0	3.0	2.0	2.5	16.5	13.5	13.0	16.0
Maryland .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Michigan .....	2.0	3.0	-	1.5	7.5	5.0	7.0	5.0
Minnesota .....	4.0	1.0	0.5	1.0	19.0	5.5	19.5	5.5
Mississippi .....	1.0	4.0	3.0	3.0	25.0	22.5	24.5	26.0
Missouri .....	2.0	4.0	2.5	2.0	5.0	5.5	5.5	8.5
Nebraska .....	2.0	-	3.0	-	19.5	-	20.0	-
New York .....	1.5	2.5	3.5	1.0	2.0	2.5	2.5	4.5
North Carolina .....	6.0	0.5	-	1.5	11.0	12.5	16.5	10.5
Ohio .....	6.0	7.0	6.5	5.5	24.5	20.5	24.0	21.5
Oregon .....	2.5	-	3.0	5.0	13.5	11.0	17.0	8.0
Pennsylvania .....	0.5	0.5	-	0.5	4.0	1.0	2.5	1.5
South Carolina .....	2.5	6.5	-	5.5	23.0	18.5	22.0	19.5
South Dakota .....	5.0	-	-	-	24.0	-	19.0	-
Texas .....	5.5	3.5	5.0	4.5	47.5	52.5	49.0	52.5
Utah .....	1.0	4.0	9.0	4.0	26.5	24.0	21.5	20.0
Virginia .....	-	-	-	-	18.5	3.5	16.0	4.0
Washington .....	3.5	0.5	0.5	1.5	14.0	14.5	14.0	13.0
Wisconsin .....	4.0	-	4.0	4.0	21.5	12.5	20.5	12.5
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	1.5	2.1	1.7	2.2	12.5	12.8	12.2	13.3
United States .....	2.9	2.4	2.6	2.3	18.2	15.0	17.6	15.4

- Represents zero.

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

## Hatchery Production – United States: 2016 and 2017

Item	2016	2017	2017 as percent of 2016
	(1,000)	(1,000)	(percent)
<b>Egg-type</b>			
Eggs in incubators on July 1 .....	44,077	41,528	94
Chicks hatched during June .....	57,562	48,986	85
Chicks hatched January through June .....	325,253	302,903	93
<b>Pullets hatched during June for intended placements:</b>			
Hatchery supply flocks .....	244	334	137
Cumulative potential placements 7-18 months earlier <sup>1</sup> .....	3,149	3,019	96
<b>Broiler-type</b>			
Eggs in incubators on July 1 .....	652,305	672,523	103
Chicks hatched during June .....	789,665	801,987	102
Chicks hatched January through June .....	4,730,025	4,774,397	101
<b>Pullets hatched during June for intended placements:</b>			
Hatchery supply flocks .....	8,500	8,585	101
Cumulative potential placements 7-15 months earlier <sup>2</sup> .....	67,487	69,989	104

<sup>1</sup> 2017 includes pullet chicks hatched December 2015 through November 2016.

<sup>2</sup> 2017 includes pullet chicks hatched March 2016 through November 2016.

## Egg-Type Eggs in Incubators on the First of the Month – Regions and United States: 2016-2017

[See regional listing on page 21]

Region	June 1		2017 as percent of 2016	July 1		2017 as percent of 2016
	2016	2017		2016	2017	
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(percent)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(percent)
North Atlantic .....	7,878	7,242	92	6,335	7,344	116
East North Central .....	10,403	6,646	64	7,472	5,056	68
West North Central .....	17,369	18,147	104	13,048	14,237	109
South Atlantic .....	4,728	5,026	106	4,685	4,519	96
South Central .....	6,829	4,081	60	6,281	5,013	80
West .....	6,843	5,414	79	6,256	5,359	86
United States .....	54,050	46,556	86	44,077	41,528	94

## Egg-Type Chicks Hatched by Month – United States: 2016-2017

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

Month	By months			Cumulative		
	2016	2017	2017 as percent of 2016	2016	2017	2017 as percent of 2016
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)
January .....	47,775	44,906	94	47,775	44,906	94
February .....	54,289	48,456	89	102,064	93,362	91
March .....	57,055	55,457	97	159,119	148,819	94
April .....	51,266	52,025	101	210,385	200,844	95
May .....	57,306	53,073	93	267,691	253,917	95
June .....	57,562	48,986	85	325,253	302,903	93
July .....	41,609			366,862		
August .....	43,258			410,120		
September .....	44,892			455,012		
October .....	43,344			498,356		
November .....	41,648			540,004		
December .....	45,633			585,637		



## Intended Placements of Egg-Type Pullet Chicks for Hatchery Supply Flocks by Month – United States: 2016-2018

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

Month	Pullet chicks hatched		2017 as percent of 2016	Cumulative potential placements relative to current supply flocks 7-18 months earlier <sup>1</sup>	
	2016	2017		2017	2018
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)
January .....	148	222	150	2,836	3,012
February .....	189	180	95	2,855	
March .....	160	189	118	3,013	
April .....	351	245	70	2,972	
May .....	327	298	91	2,966	
June .....	244	334	137	3,019	
July .....	286			2,963	
August .....	324			3,037	
September .....	181			3,028	
October .....	324			3,057	
November .....	270			2,951	
December .....	159			2,922	
Total .....	2,963				

<sup>1</sup> For June 2017, includes breeder pullet chicks hatched December 2015 through November 2016. 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 – Regions and United States: 2016-2017

[See regional listing on page 21]

Region	June 1		2017 as percent of 2016	July 1		2017 as percent of 2016
	2016	2017		2016	2017	
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(percent)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(percent)
North Atlantic .....	13,957	14,746	106	13,473	15,480	115
East North Central .....	15,113	16,590	110	15,279	16,819	110
West North Central .....	30,940	32,299	104	30,338	32,668	108
South Atlantic .....	254,428	257,733	101	252,705	256,963	102
South Central .....	320,256	329,557	103	318,031	326,022	103
West .....	23,821	23,878	100	22,479	24,571	109
United States .....	658,515	674,803	102	652,305	672,523	103

## Broiler-Type Chicks Hatched – States and United States: June 2016 and 2017

State	During June			January-June		
	2016	2017	2017 as percent of 2016	2016	2017	2017 as percent of 2016
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)
Alabama .....	102,396	107,851	105	629,172	639,329	102
Arkansas .....	81,900	84,189	103	484,556	501,666	104
Delaware .....	17,155	17,411	101	105,266	104,648	99
Florida .....	4,264	4,259	100	26,440	24,173	91
Georgia .....	124,901	124,988	100	748,189	737,292	99
Kentucky .....	27,743	26,670	96	167,716	158,723	95
Louisiana .....	13,071	12,758	98	77,686	77,128	99
Maryland .....	28,915	29,352	102	171,728	175,608	102
Mississippi .....	67,040	65,974	98	398,963	392,665	98
Missouri .....	28,985	30,110	104	174,771	177,828	102
North Carolina .....	76,897	78,402	102	458,084	466,590	102
Oklahoma .....	24,061	25,966	108	147,686	160,841	109
Pennsylvania .....	16,615	16,409	99	100,929	99,707	99
South Carolina .....	20,377	20,541	101	118,178	119,342	101
Texas .....	57,411	57,660	100	338,157	345,126	102
Virginia .....	23,827	23,577	99	140,846	141,727	101
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia .....	43,820	42,776	98	262,241	258,027	98
19 States <sup>1</sup> .....	759,378	768,893	101	4,550,608	4,580,420	101
Other States <sup>2</sup> .....	30,287	33,094	109	179,417	193,977	108
United States .....	789,665	801,987	102	4,730,025	4,774,397	101

<sup>1</sup> States in the weekly hatchery production estimating program.

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

## Broiler-Type Chicks Hatched by Month – United States: 2016-2017

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

Month	By months			Cumulative		
	2016	2017	2017 as percent of 2016	2016	2017	2017 as percent of 2016
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)
January .....	799,283	809,163	101	799,283	809,163	101
February .....	748,726	730,514	98	1,548,009	1,539,677	99
March .....	803,974	818,706	102	2,351,983	2,358,383	100
April .....	780,702	793,352	102	3,132,685	3,151,735	101
May .....	807,675	820,675	102	3,940,360	3,972,410	101
June .....	789,665	801,987	102	4,730,025	4,774,397	101
July .....	810,621			5,540,646		
August .....	808,478			6,349,124		
September .....	771,937			7,121,061		
October .....	779,476			7,900,537		
November .....	759,396			8,659,933		
December .....	811,139			9,471,072		

## Intended Placements of Broiler-Type Pullet Chicks for Hatchery Supply Flocks by Month and Total: 2016-2018

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

Month	Pullet chicks hatched		2017 as percent of 2016	Cumulative potential placements relative to current supply flocks 7-15 months earlier <sup>1</sup>	
	2016 (1,000 chicks)	2017 (1,000 chicks)		2017 (1,000 chicks)	2018 (1,000 chicks)
<b>United States placements</b>					
January .....	6,726	7,163	106	68,802	69,200
February .....	8,098	7,832	97	69,669	
March .....	8,143	8,262	101	70,129	
April .....	7,615	7,045	93	70,194	
May .....	8,083	8,159	101	70,377	
June .....	8,500	8,585	101	69,989	
July .....	7,730			69,381	
August .....	7,690			68,929	
September .....	7,609			68,678	
October .....	6,909			68,440	
November .....	7,710			67,755	
December .....	7,535			68,224	
Annual total .....	92,348				
<b>Total placements <sup>2</sup></b>					
January .....	8,275	8,764	106		
February .....	10,098	9,958	99		
March .....	10,025	10,047	100		
April .....	9,128	8,592	94		
May .....	9,954	9,806	99		
June .....	10,257	10,142	99		
July .....	9,119				
August .....	9,708				
September .....	9,584				
October .....	8,522				
November .....	9,379				
December .....	9,459				
Annual total .....	113,508				

<sup>1</sup> For June 2017, includes breeder pullet chicks hatched March 2016 through November 2016.

<sup>2</sup> United States production of intended placements worldwide.

## 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 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. Individual hatchery data are summed to State, regional, and United States totals.

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 all layers over the past 24 months is 1.8 percent. This means that chances are 2 out of 3 that the final estimate will not be above or below the current estimate of 370 million layers by more than 1.8 percent. Chances are 9 out of 10 that the difference will not exceed 3.1 percent.

## Reliability of Layer and Egg Estimates

[Based on data for the past twenty-four months]

Item	Root mean square error	90 percent confidence level	Difference between first and latest estimate				
			Average	Smallest	Largest	Months	
						Below latest	Above latest
All layers .....	(percent) 1.8	(percent) 3.1	(1,000) 5,742	(1,000) 26	(1,000) 9,308	(number) 21	(number) 3
Eggs .....	1.9	3.2	(million) 136	(million) 0	(million) 277	22	2

## Egg-Type Regional Listing

**North Atlantic:** Connecticut, New York, Pennsylvania.  
**East North Central:** Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, Wisconsin.  
**West North Central:** Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska.  
**South Atlantic:** Florida, Georgia, Virginia.  
**South Central:** Alabama, Mississippi, Texas.  
**West:** California, Idaho, New Mexico.

## Broiler-Type Regional Listing

**North Atlantic:** New York, Pennsylvania.  
**East North Central:** Indiana, Ohio, Wisconsin.  
**West North Central:** Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri.  
**South Atlantic:** Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia.  
**South Central:** Alabama, Arkansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Texas.  
**West:** California, Oregon, Washington.

## Chicken Hatchery Capacity Regional Listing

**North Atlantic:** Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York, Pennsylvania.  
**East North Central:** Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, Wisconsin.  
**West North Central:** Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska.  
**South Atlantic:** Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia.  
**South Central:** Alabama, Arkansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Texas.  
**West:** California, Hawaii, Idaho, New Mexico, Oregon, Washington.

## Terms and Definitions of Chickens and Eggs Estimates

**All 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.

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