



# Chickens and Eggs

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## Special Note

Due to a change in the summary process, minor changes in monthly egg production began in December 2014. Quick Stats has been updated to reflect these monthly changes. Annual data will be updated on February 27, 2017. Please contact the Livestock Branch at (202) 720-3570 or email at [HQ\\_SD\\_LB@nass.usda.gov](mailto:HQ_SD_LB@nass.usda.gov) with any questions or concerns.

## August Egg Production Up 10 Percent

United States egg production totaled 8.58 billion during August 2016, up 10 percent from last year. Production included 7.44 billion table eggs, and 1.14 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.05 billion were broiler-type and 92.2 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during August 2016 averaged 358 million, up 7 percent from last year. August egg production per 100 layers was 2,395 eggs, up 3 percent from August 2015.

All layers in the United States on September 1, 2016 totaled 360 million, up 7 percent from last year. The 360 million layers consisted of 302 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 53.6 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 3.66 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on September 1, 2016, averaged 76.7 eggs per 100 layers, up 2 percent from September 1, 2015.

## Egg-Type Chicks Hatched Down 7 Percent

Egg-type chicks hatched during August 2016 totaled 43.9 million, down 7 percent from August 2015. Eggs in incubators totaled 44.0 million on September 1, 2016, down 5 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 242 thousand during August 2016, up 46 percent from August 2015.

## Broiler-Type Chicks Hatched Up 1 Percent

Broiler-type chicks hatched during August 2016 totaled 808 million, up 1 percent from August 2015. Eggs in incubators totaled 648 million on September 1, 2016, up 2 percent from a year ago.

Leading breeders placed 7.69 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during August 2016, down 3 percent from August 2015.

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## Average Number of All Layers on Hand During the Month – United States: 2015-2016

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Month	2015		2016	
	(1,000 layers)		(1,000 layers)	
December <sup>1</sup> .....		369,521		347,847
January .....		366,702		351,297
February .....		365,440		357,103
March .....		365,951		361,243
April .....		361,956		361,126
May .....		345,342		360,621
June .....		332,622		359,284
July .....		333,250		357,644
August .....		334,491		358,400
September .....		336,610		
October .....		339,431		
November .....		343,469		

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

## Egg Production During the Month by Type – United States: 2015-2016

[Totals may not add due to rounding. Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

Month	Total eggs		Table eggs		Hatching eggs	
	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016
	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)
December <sup>1</sup> .....	8,823.7	8,116.8	7,726.5	6,985.4	1,097.2	1,131.4
January .....	8,611.6	8,152.4	7,503.1	7,018.9	1,108.5	1,133.5
February .....	7,685.7	7,818.4	6,684.7	6,755.6	1,001.0	1,062.8
March .....	8,634.0	8,495.5	7,515.2	7,356.8	1,118.8	1,138.7
April .....	8,294.0	8,206.5	7,198.5	7,095.5	1,095.5	1,111.0
May .....	8,075.9	8,509.4	6,936.4	7,355.4	1,139.5	1,154.0
June .....	7,508.6	8,208.4	6,400.8	7,098.7	1,107.8	1,109.7
July .....	7,774.5	8,497.5	6,629.2	7,350.5	1,145.3	1,147.0
August .....	7,798.2	8,582.5	6,655.4	7,440.2	1,142.8	1,142.3
September .....	7,562.3		6,465.1		1,097.2	
October .....	7,871.7		6,743.1		1,128.6	
November .....	7,762.9		6,670.5		1,092.4	

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

## Egg Production During the Month in Dozens by Type – United States: 2015-2016

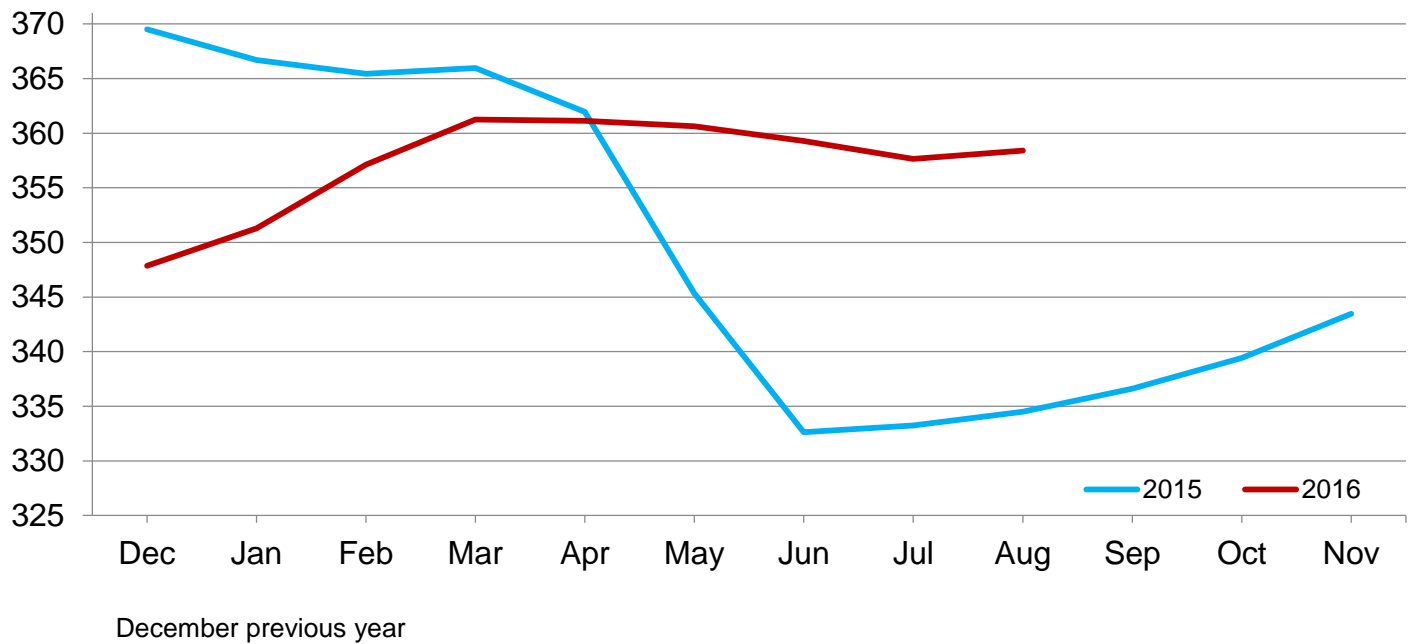
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Month	Total eggs		Table eggs		Hatching eggs	
	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016
	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)
December <sup>1</sup> .....	735,308.0	676,400.6	643,874.7	582,117.1	91,433.3	94,283.5
January .....	717,633.8	679,366.9	625,258.7	584,908.6	92,375.1	94,458.3
February .....	640,475.0	651,533.4	557,058.6	562,966.9	83,416.4	88,566.5
March .....	719,500.3	707,958.2	626,266.9	613,066.4	93,233.4	94,891.8
April .....	691,166.9	683,875.0	599,875.3	591,291.7	91,291.6	92,583.3
May .....	672,991.4	709,116.9	578,033.2	612,950.1	94,958.2	96,166.8
June .....	625,716.8	684,033.6	533,400.2	591,558.6	92,316.6	92,475.0
July .....	647,875.3	708,125.4	552,433.7	612,541.9	95,441.6	95,583.5
August .....	649,850.4	715,208.1	554,617.0	620,016.7	95,233.4	95,191.4
September .....	630,191.8		538,758.6		91,433.2	
October .....	655,975.0		561,924.9		94,050.1	
November .....	646,908.4		555,875.1		91,033.3	

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

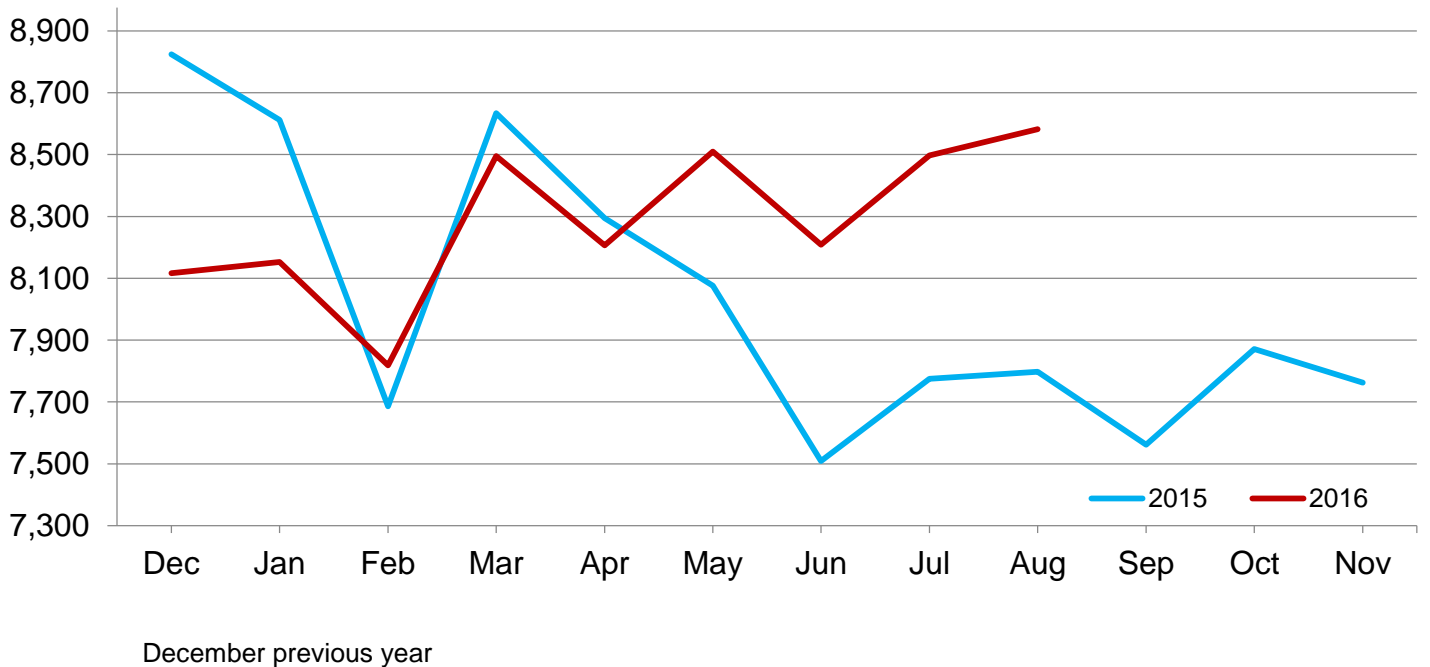
## Average Layers During the Month – United States

Million layers



## All Egg Production During the Month – United States

Million eggs



## Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced by Type and Molt – United States: July-August 2015 and 2016

[Totals may not add due to rounding]

Item	2015	2016	2016 as percent of 2015
<b>Layers during July</b>			
All layers ..... 1,000	333,250	357,644	107
Table egg type ..... 1,000	275,146	299,669	109
Hatching egg type ..... 1,000	58,104	57,975	100
Broiler-type hatching ..... 1,000	54,797	54,244	99
Egg-type hatching ..... 1,000	3,307	3,731	113
<b>Eggs per 100 layers during July</b>			
All layers ..... number	2,333	2,376	102
Table egg type ..... number	2,409	2,453	102
Hatching egg type ..... number	1,971	1,978	100
Broiler-type hatching ..... number	1,936	1,938	100
Egg-type hatching ..... number	2,546	2,573	101
<b>Eggs produced during July</b>			
All layers ..... million	7,774.5	8,497.5	109
Table egg type ..... million	6,629.2	7,350.5	111
Hatching egg type ..... million	1,145.3	1,147.0	100
Broiler-type hatching ..... million	1,061.1	1,051.0	99
Egg-type hatching ..... million	84.2	96.0	114
<b>Eggs produced during July</b>			
All layers ..... 1,000 dozen	647,875.3	708,125.4	109
Table egg type ..... 1,000 dozen	552,433.7	612,541.9	111
Hatching egg type ..... 1,000 dozen	95,441.6	95,583.5	100
Broiler-type hatching ..... 1,000 dozen	88,425.1	87,583.5	99
Egg-type hatching ..... 1,000 dozen	7,016.5	8,000.0	114
<b>Layers on August 1</b>			
All layers ..... 1,000	334,040	357,213	107
Table egg type ..... 1,000	275,972	299,337	108
Hatching egg type ..... 1,000	58,068	57,876	100
Broiler-type hatching ..... 1,000	54,754	54,143	99
Egg-type hatching ..... 1,000	3,314	3,733	113
<b>Eggs per 100 layers on August 1</b>			
All layers ..... number	75.1	77.2	103
Table egg type ..... number	77.5	79.7	103
Hatching egg type ..... number	63.6	64.0	101
Broiler-type hatching ..... number	62.5	62.9	101
Egg-type hatching ..... number	82.2	80.4	98
<b>Molted layers on August 1</b>			
Being molted ..... percent	2.7	2.6	96
Molt completed ..... percent	19.2	17.4	91
Layers sold for slaughter during July ..... 1,000	15,091.7	15,644.8	104
Layers rendered, died, destroyed, composted or disappeared for any reason during July ..... 1,000	5,999.5	8,581.5	143
Pullets on August 1 ..... 1,000	109,184	117,020	107
Pullets added during July <sup>1</sup> ..... 1,000	27,447.6	24,728.4	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 2015 and 2016

[Totals may not add due to rounding]

Item	2015	2016	2016 as percent of 2015
<b>Layers during August</b>			
All layers ..... 1,000	334,491	358,400	107
Table egg type ..... 1,000	276,561	300,825	109
Hatching egg type ..... 1,000	57,930	57,575	99
Broiler-type hatching ..... 1,000	54,667	53,875	99
Egg-type hatching ..... 1,000	3,263	3,700	113
<b>Eggs per 100 layers during August</b>			
All layers ..... number	2,331	2,395	103
Table egg type ..... number	2,406	2,473	103
Hatching egg type ..... number	1,973	1,984	101
Broiler-type hatching ..... number	1,938	1,949	101
Egg-type hatching ..... number	2,562	2,492	97
<b>Eggs produced during August</b>			
All layers ..... million	7,798.2	8,582.5	110
Table egg type ..... million	6,655.4	7,440.2	112
Hatching egg type ..... million	1,142.8	1,142.3	100
Broiler-type hatching ..... million	1,059.2	1,050.1	99
Egg-type hatching ..... million	83.6	92.2	110
<b>Eggs produced during August</b>			
All layers ..... 1,000 dozen	649,850.4	715,208.1	110
Table egg type ..... 1,000 dozen	554,617.0	620,016.7	112
Hatching egg type ..... 1,000 dozen	95,233.4	95,191.4	100
Broiler-type hatching ..... 1,000 dozen	88,266.8	87,508.3	99
Egg-type hatching ..... 1,000 dozen	6,966.6	7,683.1	110
<b>Layers on September 1</b>			
All layers ..... 1,000	334,912	359,548	107
Table egg type ..... 1,000	277,136	302,295	109
Hatching egg type ..... 1,000	57,776	57,253	99
Broiler-type hatching ..... 1,000	54,570	53,595	98
Egg-type hatching ..... 1,000	3,206	3,658	114
<b>Eggs per 100 layers on September 1</b>			
All layers ..... number	75.2	76.7	102
Table egg type ..... number	77.6	79.2	102
Hatching egg type ..... number	63.6	63.9	100
Broiler-type hatching ..... number	62.5	62.8	100
Egg-type hatching ..... number	82.5	80.1	97
<b>Molted layers on September 1</b>			
Being molted ..... percent	3.4	2.5	74
Molt completed ..... percent	19.7	16.5	84
Layers sold for slaughter during August ..... 1,000	13,497.7	17,068.0	126
Layers rendered, died, destroyed, composted or disappeared for any reason during August ..... 1,000	7,654.2	8,035.6	105
Pullets on September 1 ..... 1,000	111,061	113,935	103
Pullets added during August <sup>1</sup> ..... 1,000	25,805.2	26,271.5	102

<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 2015 and 2016

State	Table egg layers in flocks 30,000 and above		All layers		Eggs per 100 for all layers	
	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016
	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(eggs)	(eggs)
Alabama .....	1,512	1,491	9,449	9,004	1,990	1,936
Arkansas .....	3,913	3,803	13,479	13,719	2,076	2,104
California .....	11,438	11,458	11,941	11,975	2,284	2,438
Colorado .....	4,093	3,771	4,576	4,225	2,598	2,544
Florida .....	8,533	7,868	8,926	8,291	2,317	2,406
Georgia .....	9,593	9,340	18,461	18,383	2,187	2,232
Illinois .....	4,215	4,678	4,689	5,159	2,254	2,634
Indiana .....	27,653	28,340	28,613	29,321	2,425	2,457
Iowa .....	32,448	50,782	33,593	52,128	2,306	2,388
Maryland .....	2,539	2,476	2,703	2,636	2,508	2,492
Michigan .....	12,852	12,814	13,069	13,052	2,434	2,492
Minnesota .....	7,854	9,528	8,314	9,971	2,412	2,462
Mississippi .....	1,536	1,438	5,801	5,601	2,091	2,121
Missouri .....	6,980	7,032	10,510	10,532	2,335	2,528
Nebraska .....	5,769	9,120	5,877	9,228	2,573	2,489
New York .....	4,567	5,349	4,927	5,713	2,559	2,501
North Carolina .....	6,831	6,735	14,747	14,330	2,089	2,150
Ohio .....	32,126	29,997	32,978	30,857	2,412	2,421
Oregon .....	2,306	2,057	2,445	2,196	2,622	2,596
Pennsylvania .....	23,843	24,755	25,797	27,013	2,505	2,603
South Carolina .....	3,066	2,956	4,309	4,241	2,332	2,252
South Dakota .....	1,408	2,039	1,550	2,181	2,535	2,251
Texas .....	15,360	16,169	19,421	20,078	2,268	2,279
Utah .....	4,354	4,405	4,392	4,443	2,507	2,325
Virginia .....	1,113	1,260	2,836	3,022	2,077	2,191
Washington .....	7,162	6,789	7,327	6,954	2,476	2,452
Wisconsin .....	3,527	4,756	4,267	5,445	2,487	2,402
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	19,028	18,949	28,253	27,946	2,168	2,297
United States .....	265,619	290,155	333,250	357,644	2,333	2,376

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



## Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced – States and United States: During August 2015 and 2016

State	Table egg layers in flocks 30,000 and above		All layers		Eggs per 100 for all layers	
	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016
	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(eggs)	(eggs)
Alabama .....	1,518	1,481	9,520	9,039	2,003	1,969
Arkansas .....	4,015	3,765	13,591	13,641	2,057	2,115
California .....	11,346	11,412	11,857	11,930	2,337	2,443
Colorado .....	4,191	3,965	4,644	4,408	2,562	2,439
Florida .....	8,484	7,914	8,884	8,343	2,337	2,359
Georgia .....	9,753	9,391	18,625	18,278	2,185	2,226
Illinois .....	4,275	4,665	4,753	5,142	2,291	2,633
Indiana .....	28,047	27,647	29,019	28,629	2,391	2,501
Iowa .....	32,601	51,200	33,752	52,563	2,278	2,458
Maryland .....	2,527	2,459	2,688	2,614	2,511	2,494
Michigan .....	12,775	12,724	12,991	12,962	2,499	2,457
Minnesota .....	8,232	9,837	8,690	10,298	2,343	2,448
Mississippi .....	1,526	1,443	5,656	5,527	2,088	2,149
Missouri .....	7,267	7,558	10,812	11,041	2,272	2,421
Nebraska .....	5,754	9,237	5,862	9,345	2,559	2,474
New York .....	4,795	5,314	5,147	5,675	2,524	2,520
North Carolina .....	6,839	6,983	14,696	14,467	2,107	2,149
Ohio .....	32,007	30,148	32,859	31,006	2,424	2,524
Oregon .....	2,345	2,066	2,484	2,205	2,641	2,544
Pennsylvania .....	23,850	24,488	25,745	26,748	2,518	2,595
South Carolina .....	2,809	2,871	4,056	4,128	2,364	2,200
South Dakota .....	1,403	2,230	1,545	2,372	2,544	2,281
Texas .....	15,614	16,277	19,689	20,095	2,267	2,317
Utah .....	4,216	4,407	4,254	4,445	2,525	2,326
Virginia .....	1,123	1,265	2,839	3,048	2,061	2,224
Washington .....	6,835	6,717	7,001	6,882	2,552	2,537
Wisconsin .....	3,821	4,929	4,559	5,617	2,441	2,373
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	19,066	18,918	28,273	27,952	2,166	2,290
United States .....	267,034	291,311	334,491	358,400	2,331	2,395

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

## Egg Production by Type – States and United States: July 2015 and 2016

[Totals may not add due to rounding. 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	
	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016
	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)
Alabama .....	188.0	174.3	39.6	36.0	148.4	138.3
Arkansas .....	279.8	288.6	98.3	99.1	181.5	189.5
California .....	272.7	292.0	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Colorado .....	118.9	107.5	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Florida .....	206.8	199.5	201.6	194.3	5.2	5.2
Georgia .....	403.8	410.4	228.4	232.0	175.4	178.4
Illinois .....	105.7	135.9	100.6	131.0	5.1	4.9
Indiana .....	693.8	720.4	674.1	702.4	19.7	18.0
Iowa .....	774.7	1,244.9	758.0	1,223.0	16.7	21.9
Maryland .....	67.8	65.7	66.2	64.3	1.6	1.4
Michigan .....	318.1	325.2	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota .....	200.5	245.5	193.8	239.6	6.7	5.9
Mississippi .....	121.3	118.8	38.6	36.3	82.7	82.5
Missouri .....	245.4	266.2	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Nebraska .....	151.2	229.7	151.2	229.7	-	-
New York .....	126.1	142.9	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina .....	308.1	308.1	158.2	164.1	149.9	144.0
Ohio .....	795.3	746.9	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oregon .....	64.1	57.0	64.1	57.0	-	-
Pennsylvania .....	646.3	703.2	618.6	666.1	27.7	37.1
South Carolina .....	100.5	95.5	77.6	71.6	22.9	23.9
South Dakota .....	39.3	49.1	39.3	49.1	-	-
Texas .....	440.4	457.6	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Utah .....	110.1	103.3	110.1	103.3	-	-
Virginia .....	58.9	66.2	27.0	32.9	31.9	33.3
Washington .....	181.4	170.5	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin .....	106.1	130.8	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	649.4	641.8	508.1	505.0	141.3	136.8
United States .....	7,774.5	8,497.5	6,629.2	7,350.5	1,145.3	1,147.0

- Represents zero.

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

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

## Egg Production by Type – States and United States: August 2015 and 2016

[Totals may not add due to rounding. 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	
	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016
	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)
Alabama .....	190.7	178.0	41.1	38.7	149.6	139.3
Arkansas .....	279.6	288.5	99.0	99.1	180.6	189.4
California .....	277.1	291.4	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Colorado .....	119.0	107.5	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Florida .....	207.6	196.8	202.3	191.0	5.3	5.8
Georgia .....	406.9	406.9	230.9	229.5	176.0	177.4
Illinois .....	108.9	135.4	104.0	130.5	4.9	4.9
Indiana .....	693.8	716.0	674.0	697.4	19.8	18.6
Iowa .....	768.8	1,292.2	752.1	1,271.4	16.7	20.8
Maryland .....	67.5	65.2	66.0	63.9	1.5	1.3
Michigan .....	324.6	318.5	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota .....	203.6	252.1	196.9	246.3	6.7	5.8
Mississippi .....	118.1	118.8	37.3	36.9	80.8	81.9
Missouri .....	245.6	267.3	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Nebraska .....	150.0	231.2	150.0	231.2	-	-
New York .....	129.9	143.0	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina .....	309.6	310.9	160.4	169.4	149.2	141.5
Ohio .....	796.4	782.7	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oregon .....	65.6	56.1	65.6	56.1	-	-
Pennsylvania .....	648.2	694.2	621.1	658.3	27.1	35.9
South Carolina .....	95.9	90.8	72.9	66.9	23.0	23.9
South Dakota .....	39.3	54.1	39.3	54.1	-	-
Texas .....	446.4	465.6	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Utah .....	107.4	103.4	107.4	103.4	-	-
Virginia .....	58.5	67.8	26.5	34.4	32.0	33.4
Washington .....	178.7	174.6	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin .....	111.3	133.3	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	649.2	640.2	507.4	501.6	141.8	138.6
United States .....	7,798.2	8,582.5	6,655.4	7,440.2	1,142.8	1,142.3

- Represents zero.

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

## Egg Production in Dozens by Type – States and United States: July 2015 and 2016

[Totals may not add due to rounding. 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	
	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016
	(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 .....	15,666.7	14,525.0	3,300.0	3,000.0	12,366.7	11,525.0
Arkansas .....	23,316.7	24,050.1	8,191.7	8,258.4	15,125.0	15,791.7
California .....	22,725.0	24,333.4	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Colorado .....	9,908.4	8,958.3	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Florida .....	17,233.3	16,625.0	16,800.0	16,191.7	433.3	433.3
Georgia .....	33,649.9	34,200.0	19,033.3	19,333.3	14,616.6	14,866.7
Illinois .....	8,808.4	11,325.0	8,383.4	10,916.7	425.0	408.3
Indiana .....	57,816.7	60,033.3	56,175.0	58,533.3	1,641.7	1,500.0
Iowa .....	64,558.4	103,741.6	63,166.7	101,916.6	1,391.7	1,825.0
Maryland .....	5,650.0	5,475.1	5,516.7	5,358.4	133.3	116.7
Michigan .....	26,508.3	27,100.1	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota .....	16,708.3	20,458.4	16,150.0	19,966.7	558.3	491.7
Mississippi .....	10,108.4	9,900.0	3,216.7	3,025.0	6,891.7	6,875.0
Missouri .....	20,450.1	22,183.4	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Nebraska .....	12,600.0	19,141.7	12,600.0	19,141.7	-	-
New York .....	10,508.3	11,908.4	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina .....	25,675.1	25,675.0	13,183.4	13,675.0	12,491.7	12,000.0
Ohio .....	66,275.0	62,241.6	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oregon .....	5,341.7	4,750.0	5,341.7	4,750.0	-	-
Pennsylvania .....	53,858.3	58,599.9	51,550.0	55,508.3	2,308.3	3,091.6
South Carolina .....	8,375.0	7,958.4	6,466.7	5,966.7	1,908.3	1,991.7
South Dakota .....	3,275.0	4,091.7	3,275.0	4,091.7	-	-
Texas .....	36,700.0	38,133.4	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Utah .....	9,175.0	8,608.3	9,175.0	8,608.3	-	-
Virginia .....	4,908.3	5,516.6	2,250.0	2,741.6	2,658.3	2,775.0
Washington .....	15,116.6	14,208.3	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin .....	8,841.7	10,900.0	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	54,116.7	53,483.4	42,341.7	42,083.3	11,775.0	11,400.1
United States .....	647,875.3	708,125.4	552,433.7	612,541.9	95,441.6	95,583.5

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## Egg Production in Dozens by Type – States and United States: August 2015 and 2016

[Totals may not add due to rounding. 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	
	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016
	(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 .....	15,891.7	14,833.3	3,425.0	3,225.0	12,466.7	11,608.3
Arkansas .....	23,300.0	24,041.7	8,250.0	8,258.4	15,050.0	15,783.3
California .....	23,091.7	24,283.3	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Colorado .....	9,916.7	8,958.3	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Florida .....	17,300.1	16,400.0	16,858.4	15,916.7	441.7	483.3
Georgia .....	33,908.4	33,908.3	19,241.7	19,125.0	14,666.7	14,783.3
Illinois .....	9,075.0	11,283.3	8,666.7	10,875.0	408.3	408.3
Indiana .....	57,816.7	59,666.6	56,166.7	58,116.6	1,650.0	1,550.0
Iowa .....	64,066.7	107,683.3	62,675.0	105,950.0	1,391.7	1,733.3
Maryland .....	5,625.0	5,433.3	5,500.0	5,325.0	125.0	108.3
Michigan .....	27,050.0	26,541.7	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota .....	16,966.8	21,008.3	16,408.4	20,525.0	558.4	483.3
Mississippi .....	9,841.6	9,900.0	3,108.3	3,075.0	6,733.3	6,825.0
Missouri .....	20,466.6	22,275.0	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Nebraska .....	12,500.0	19,266.7	12,500.0	19,266.7	-	-
New York .....	10,825.0	11,916.6	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina .....	25,800.0	25,908.2	13,366.7	14,116.6	12,433.3	11,791.6
Ohio .....	66,366.7	65,225.0	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oregon .....	5,466.6	4,675.0	5,466.6	4,675.0	-	-
Pennsylvania .....	54,016.6	57,850.0	51,758.3	54,858.3	2,258.3	2,991.7
South Carolina .....	7,991.7	7,566.7	6,075.0	5,575.0	1,916.7	1,991.7
South Dakota .....	3,275.0	4,508.4	3,275.0	4,508.4	-	-
Texas .....	37,200.0	38,800.0	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Utah .....	8,950.0	8,616.7	8,950.0	8,616.7	-	-
Virginia .....	4,875.0	5,650.0	2,208.3	2,866.7	2,666.7	2,783.3
Washington .....	14,891.7	14,550.0	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin .....	9,274.9	11,108.3	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	54,100.2	53,350.1	42,283.5	41,800.0	11,816.7	11,550.1
United States .....	649,850.4	715,208.1	554,617.0	620,016.7	95,233.4	95,191.4

- 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: 2015-2016

[As of the first of the month]

Month	Being molted		Molt completed	
	2015 (percent)	2016 (percent)	2015 (percent)	2016 (percent)
January .....	2.1	2.5	17.7	21.3
February .....	3.3	2.9	17.5	20.5
March .....	1.9	1.5	18.5	20.7
April .....	2.1	2.9	17.7	19.2
May .....	3.1	2.8	17.5	18.7
June .....	2.4	2.9	17.2	18.2
July .....	3.0	2.5	18.2	17.7
August .....	2.7	2.6	19.2	17.4
September .....	3.4	2.5	19.7	16.5
October .....	3.4		20.5	
November .....	3.4		21.3	
December .....	1.8		21.9	

## Molted as Percent of All Layers – States and United States: September 1, 2015 and 2016

[As of the first of the month]

State	Being molted		Molt completed	
	2015 (percent)	2016 (percent)	2015 (percent)	2016 (percent)
Alabama .....	2.0	3.0	8.5	9.5
Arkansas .....	2.0	1.5	15.5	19.0
California .....	2.0	4.0	23.0	15.5
Colorado .....	5.0	-	10.0	16.0
Florida .....	6.5	8.0	52.0	69.0
Georgia .....	3.5	3.5	16.0	13.5
Illinois .....	5.5	-	19.5	10.0
Indiana .....	6.0	2.0	25.5	15.0
Iowa .....	5.0	2.0	29.0	10.0
Maryland .....	-	-	-	-
Michigan .....	-	0.5	12.5	7.0
Minnesota .....	5.5	2.5	13.0	21.0
Mississippi .....	2.0	2.5	18.0	25.0
Missouri .....	5.5	-	17.0	7.5
Nebraska .....	6.5	1.0	5.5	16.5
New York .....	-	-	6.0	4.5
North Carolina .....	3.0	2.5	16.5	13.0
Ohio .....	2.5	5.5	24.0	26.0
Oregon .....	-	4.5	14.5	16.5
Pennsylvania .....	2.0	1.0	5.0	0.5
South Carolina .....	-	5.0	11.0	19.5
South Dakota .....	-	-	14.0	19.5
Texas .....	4.5	5.0	41.0	49.0
Utah .....	8.0	7.5	34.5	26.5
Virginia .....	-	-	21.0	18.0
Washington .....	-	1.0	27.0	13.5
Wisconsin .....	10.0	2.5	20.5	16.5
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	2.0	1.6	8.9	10.4
United States .....	3.4	2.5	19.7	16.5

- Represents zero.

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

## Hatchery Production – United States: 2015 and 2016

Item	2015	2016	2016 as percent of 2015
	(1,000)	(1,000)	(percent)
<b>Egg-type</b>			
Eggs in incubators on September 1 .....	46,521	44,030	95
Chicks hatched during August .....	47,131	43,866	93
Chicks hatched January through August .....	373,470	407,625	109
<b>Pullets hatched during August for intended placements:</b>			
Hatchery supply flocks .....	166	242	146
Cumulative potential placements 7-18 months earlier <sup>1</sup> .....	3,074	2,994	97
<b>Broiler-type</b>			
Eggs in incubators on September 1 .....	637,132	648,184	102
Chicks hatched during August .....	799,162	808,437	101
Chicks hatched January through August .....	6,270,548	6,348,877	101
<b>Pullets hatched during August for intended placements:</b>			
Hatchery supply flocks .....	7,907	7,690	97
Cumulative potential placements 7-15 months earlier <sup>2</sup> .....	63,748	67,602	106

<sup>1</sup> 2016 includes pullet chicks hatched February 2015 through January 2016.

<sup>2</sup> 2016 includes pullet chicks hatched May 2015 through January 2016.

## Egg-Type Eggs in Incubators on the First of the Month – Regions and United States: 2015-2016

[See regional listing on page 21]

Region	August 1		2016 as percent of 2015	September 1		2016 as percent of 2015
	2015	2016		2015	2016	
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(percent)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(percent)
North Atlantic .....	7,401	7,143	97	7,748	7,729	100
East North Central .....	7,352	7,176	98	8,711	8,010	92
West North Central .....	12,728	10,291	81	12,775	13,480	106
South Atlantic .....	5,076	4,752	94	5,068	4,542	90
South Central .....	5,706	4,061	71	6,455	4,979	77
West .....	6,217	4,932	79	5,764	5,290	92
United States .....	44,480	38,355	86	46,521	44,030	95

## Egg-Type Chicks Hatched by Month – United States: 2015-2016

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

Month	By months			Cumulative		
	2015	2016	2016 as percent of 2015	2015	2016	2016 as percent of 2015
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)
January .....	43,868	47,645	109	43,868	47,645	109
February .....	43,774	50,481	115	87,642	98,126	112
March .....	50,187	57,037	114	137,829	155,163	113
April .....	50,193	51,052	102	188,022	206,215	110
May .....	48,315	57,155	118	236,337	263,370	111
June .....	47,212	58,040	123	283,549	321,410	113
July .....	42,790	42,349	99	326,339	363,759	111
August .....	47,131	43,866	93	373,470	407,625	109
September .....	49,391			422,861		
October .....	50,194			473,055		
November .....	45,848			518,903		
December .....	46,695			565,598		



## Intended Placements of Egg-Type Pullet Chicks for Hatchery Supply Flocks by Month – United States: 2015-2017

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

Month	Pullet chicks hatched		2016 as percent of 2015	Cumulative potential placements relative to current supply flocks 7-18 months earlier <sup>1</sup>	
	2015	2016		2016	2017
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)
January .....	270	148	55	3,386	2,725
February .....	309	189	61	3,378	2,744
March .....	346	160	46	3,293	2,820
April .....	219	240	110	3,121	
May .....	235	327	139	3,082	
June .....	320	244	76	3,149	
July .....	267	286	107	3,116	
August .....	166	242	146	2,994	
September .....	222			2,874	
October .....	330			2,688	
November .....	217			2,709	
December .....	215			2,801	
Total .....	3,116				

<sup>1</sup> For August 2016, includes breeder pullet chicks hatched February 2015 through January 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: 2015-2016

[See regional listing on page 21]

Region	August 1		2016 as percent of 2015	September 1		2016 as percent of 2015
	2015	2016		2015	2016	
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(percent)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(percent)
North Atlantic .....	13,528	13,943	103	14,326	13,324	93
East North Central .....	13,952	14,763	106	14,318	15,237	106
West North Central .....	30,937	30,015	97	30,269	30,699	101
South Atlantic .....	249,956	249,443	100	244,152	247,146	101
South Central .....	315,082	318,647	101	311,151	318,518	102
West .....	23,382	23,125	99	22,916	23,260	102
United States .....	646,837	649,936	100	637,132	648,184	102

## Broiler-Type Chicks Hatched – States and United States: August 2015 and 2016

State	During August			January-August		
	2015	2016	2016 as percent of 2015	2015	2016	2016 as percent of 2015
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)
Alabama .....	108,898	108,180	99	850,704	844,290	99
Arkansas .....	80,652	83,716	104	629,991	650,784	103
Delaware .....	18,226	17,614	97	138,857	140,688	101
Florida .....	4,542	4,441	98	34,740	35,224	101
Georgia .....	125,173	127,882	102	980,431	1,004,513	102
Kentucky .....	29,305	28,715	98	227,185	224,840	99
Louisiana .....	14,045	12,906	92	111,744	103,881	93
Maryland .....	29,280	29,731	102	227,359	231,244	102
Mississippi .....	65,843	67,118	102	523,269	534,673	102
Missouri .....	30,938	30,053	97	238,588	234,294	98
North Carolina .....	78,700	76,879	98	615,383	611,798	99
Oklahoma .....	24,792	27,204	110	189,370	201,552	106
Pennsylvania .....	16,487	16,848	102	129,860	134,303	103
South Carolina .....	19,543	20,034	103	154,589	159,691	103
Texas .....	54,830	57,990	106	443,647	454,424	102
Virginia .....	23,778	24,399	103	189,352	189,976	100
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia .....	44,766	43,993	98	351,571	351,112	100
19 States <sup>1</sup> .....	769,798	777,703	101	6,036,640	6,107,287	101
Other States <sup>2</sup> .....	29,364	30,734	105	233,908	241,590	103
United States .....	799,162	808,437	101	6,270,548	6,348,877	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: 2015-2016

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

Month	By months			Cumulative		
	2015	2016	2016 as percent of 2015	2015	2016	2016 as percent of 2015
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)
January .....	792,030	799,420	101	792,030	799,420	101
February .....	711,289	748,650	105	1,503,319	1,548,070	103
March .....	791,428	804,128	102	2,294,747	2,352,198	103
April .....	773,353	780,779	101	3,068,100	3,132,977	102
May .....	809,844	807,648	100	3,877,944	3,940,625	102
June .....	787,930	789,420	100	4,665,874	4,730,045	101
July .....	805,512	810,395	101	5,471,386	5,540,440	101
August .....	799,162	808,437	101	6,270,548	6,348,877	101
September .....	761,688			7,032,236		
October .....	755,076			7,787,312		
November .....	732,518			8,519,830		
December .....	798,157			9,317,987		

## Intended Placements of Broiler-Type Pullet Chicks for Hatchery Supply Flocks by Month and Total: 2015-2017

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

Month	Pullet chicks hatched		2016 as percent of 2015	Cumulative potential placements relative to current supply flocks 7-15 months earlier <sup>1</sup>	
	2015 (1,000 chicks)	2016 (1,000 chicks)		2016 (1,000 chicks)	2017 (1,000 chicks)
United States placements .....					
January .....	6,944	6,726	97	65,531	68,864
February .....	7,892	8,098	103	66,136	69,731
March .....	7,160	8,143	114	66,452	70,191
April .....	6,995	7,615	109	68,230	
May .....	7,541	8,083	107	68,149	
June .....	7,790	8,562	110	67,487	
July .....	7,428	7,730	104	67,871	
August .....	7,907	7,690	97	67,602	
September .....	8,573			68,159	
October .....	6,863			68,512	
November .....	7,230			68,699	
December .....	7,544			68,875	
Annual total .....	89,867				
Total placements <sup>2</sup> .....					
January .....	8,382	8,275	99		
February .....	9,546	10,098	106		
March .....	8,875	10,025	113		
April .....	8,358	9,128	109		
May .....	9,409	9,954	106		
June .....	9,785	10,261	105		
July .....	9,907	9,119	92		
August .....	10,040	9,708	97		
September .....	10,810				
October .....	8,681				
November .....	8,872				
December .....	9,321				
Annual total .....	111,986				

<sup>1</sup> For August 2016, includes breeder pullet chicks hatched May 2015 through January 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 1.3 percent. This means that chances are 2 out of 3 that the final estimate will not be above or below the current estimate of 358 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 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) 1.3	(percent) 2.2	(1,000) 3,613	(1,000) 2	(1,000) 8,383	(number) 23	(number) 1
Eggs .....	1.3	2.3	(million) 88	(million) 0	(million) 208	20	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.

## 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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