



Chickens and Eggs

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May Egg Production Down 6 Percent

United States egg production totaled 8.59 billion during May 2025, down 6 percent from last year. Production included 7.30 billion table eggs, and 1.29 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.18 billion were broiler-type and 108 million were egg-type. The average number of layers during May 2025 totaled 351 million, down 5 percent from last year. May egg production per 100 layers was 2,446 eggs, down slightly from May 2024.

Total layers in the United States on June 1, 2025 totaled 350 million, down 6 percent from last year. The 350 million layers consisted of 285 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 60.3 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 4.13 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on June 1, 2025, averaged 79.0 eggs per 100 layers, down slightly from June 1, 2024.

Egg-Type Chicks Hatched Up 8 Percent

Egg-type chicks hatched during May 2025 totaled 60.9 million, up 8 percent from May 2024. Eggs in incubators totaled 59.6 million on June 1, 2025, up 11 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 246 thousand during May 2025, down 4 percent from May 2024.

Broiler-Type Chicks Hatched Up 1 Percent

Broiler-type chicks hatched during May 2025 totaled 876 million, up 1 percent from May 2024. Eggs in incubators totaled 756 million on June 1, 2025, up 1 percent from a year ago.

Leading breeders placed 8.17 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during May 2025, down 1 percent from May 2024.

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

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Month	2024	2025
	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)
December ¹	383,004	373,055
January	377,543	364,443
February	377,789	355,473
March	379,619	351,029
April	375,529	351,506
May	370,879	351,032
June	369,835	
July	368,248	
August	368,951	
September	372,988	
October	375,618	
November	376,396	

¹ December previous year.

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

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Month	Total eggs		Table eggs		Hatching eggs	
	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025
	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)
December ¹	9,431.0	9,115.6	8,132.2	7,832.5	1,298.8	1,283.1
January	9,252.9	8,883.1	7,952.2	7,587.1	1,300.7	1,296.0
February	8,644.3	7,871.1	7,419.5	6,698.7	1,224.8	1,172.4
March	9,325.9	8,619.4	8,014.6	7,337.2	1,311.3	1,282.2
April	8,923.3	8,318.5	7,660.6	7,079.5	1,262.7	1,239.0
May	9,096.5	8,586.3	7,800.9	7,301.2	1,295.6	1,285.1
June	8,789.2		7,534.0		1,255.2	
July	9,018.9		7,718.9		1,300.0	
August	9,067.7		7,753.8		1,313.9	
September	8,850.6		7,577.3		1,273.3	
October	9,179.9		7,885.8		1,294.1	
November	8,934.7		7,691.9		1,242.8	

¹ December previous year.

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

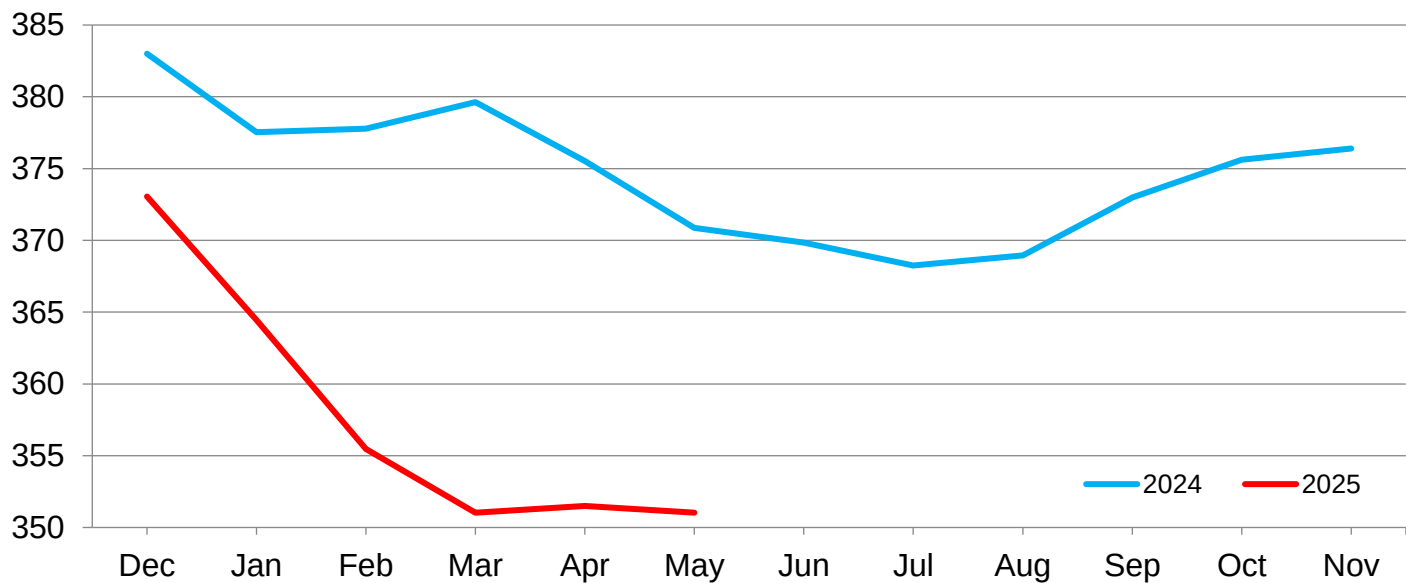
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Month	Total eggs		Table eggs		Hatching eggs	
	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025
	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)
December ¹	785,916.8	759,633.3	677,683.4	652,708.5	108,233.4	106,924.8
January	771,075.0	740,258.8	662,683.4	632,258.7	108,391.6	108,000.1
February	720,357.8	655,925.4	618,291.5	558,225.5	102,066.3	97,699.9
March	777,158.3	718,283.7	667,883.4	611,433.5	109,274.9	106,850.2
April	743,608.3	693,208.1	638,383.5	589,958.2	105,224.8	103,249.9
May	758,041.5	715,525.0	650,074.8	608,433.6	107,966.7	107,091.4
June	732,433.0		627,833.1		104,599.9	
July	751,575.0		643,241.7		108,333.3	
August	755,641.4		646,150.0		109,491.4	
September	737,549.9		631,441.5		106,108.4	
October	764,991.9		657,150.2		107,841.7	
November	744,558.4		640,991.8		103,566.6	

¹ December previous year.

Average Layers During the Month – United States

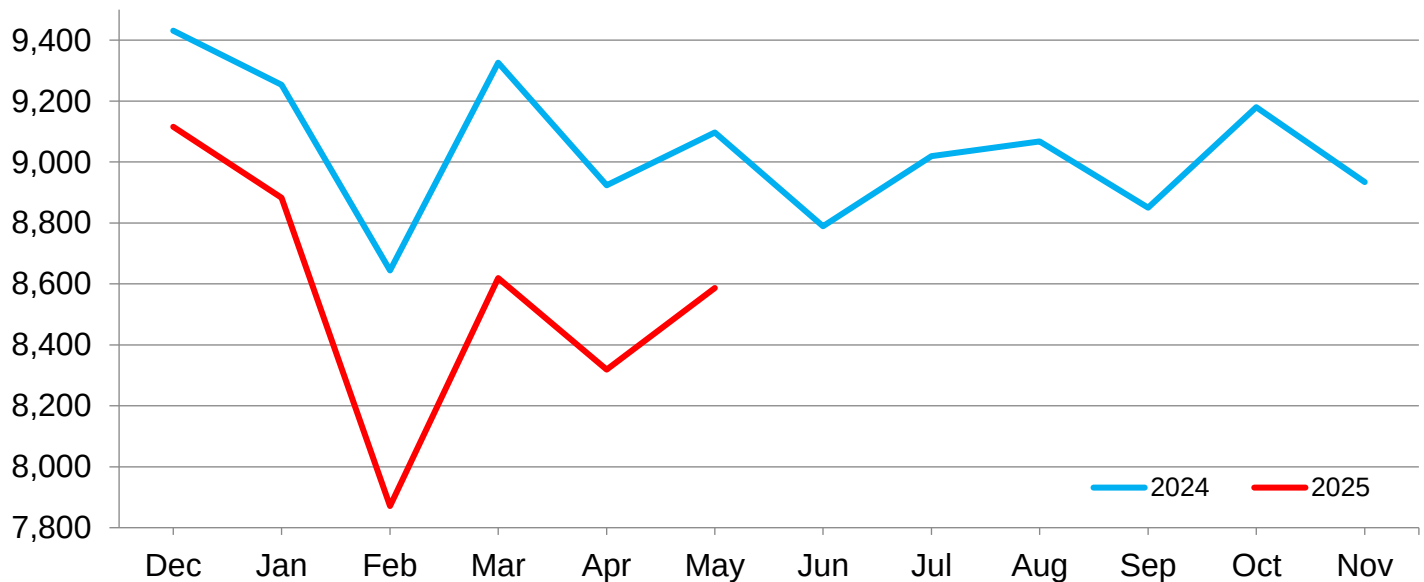
Million layers



December previous year

Total Egg Production During the Month – United States

Million eggs



December previous year

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

Item	2024	2025	2025 as percent of 2024
Layers during April			
Total layers 1,000	375,529	351,506	94
Table egg type 1,000	309,371	286,994	93
Hatching egg type 1,000	66,158	64,512	98
Broiler-type hatching 1,000	62,146	60,480	97
Egg-type hatching 1,000	4,012	4,032	100
Eggs per 100 layers during April			
Total layers number	2,376	2,367	100
Table egg type number	2,476	2,467	100
Hatching egg type number	1,909	1,921	101
Broiler-type hatching number	1,871	1,880	100
Egg-type hatching number	2,498	2,530	101
Eggs produced during April			
Total layers million	8,923.3	8,318.5	93
Table egg type million	7,660.6	7,079.5	92
Hatching egg type million	1,262.7	1,239.0	98
Broiler-type hatching million	1,162.5	1,137.0	98
Egg-type hatching million	100.2	102.0	102
Eggs produced during April			
Total layers 1,000 dozen	743,608.3	693,208.1	93
Table egg type 1,000 dozen	638,383.5	589,958.2	92
Hatching egg type 1,000 dozen	105,224.8	103,249.9	98
Broiler-type hatching 1,000 dozen	96,874.7	94,749.8	98
Egg-type hatching 1,000 dozen	8,350.1	8,500.1	102
Layers on May 1			
Total layers 1,000	371,284	352,186	95
Table egg type 1,000	305,535	287,560	94
Hatching egg type 1,000	65,749	64,626	98
Broiler-type hatching 1,000	61,798	60,566	98
Egg-type hatching 1,000	3,951	4,060	103
Eggs per 100 layers on May 1			
Total layers number	79.0	78.8	100
Table egg type number	82.2	82.1	100
Hatching egg type number	63.7	64.1	101
Broiler-type hatching number	62.5	62.7	100
Egg-type hatching number	83.1	84.7	102
Molted layers on May 1			
Being molted percent	2.3	2.5	109
Molt completed percent	8.9	10.3	116
Layers sold for slaughter during April 1,000	13,083.8	12,774.3	98
Layers rendered, died, destroyed, composted or disappeared for any reason during April 1,000	18,034.3	8,681.9	48
Pullets on May 1 1,000	130,141	127,858	98
Pullets added during April ¹ 1,000	26,794.5	24,968.7	93

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

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

Item	2024	2025	2025 as percent of 2024
Layers during May			
Total layers 1,000	370,879	351,032	95
Table egg type 1,000	305,358	286,522	94
Hatching egg type 1,000	65,521	64,510	98
Broiler-type hatching 1,000	61,569	60,416	98
Egg-type hatching 1,000	3,952	4,094	104
Eggs per 100 layers during May			
Total layers number	2,453	2,446	100
Table egg type number	2,555	2,548	100
Hatching egg type number	1,977	1,992	101
Broiler-type hatching number	1,938	1,949	101
Egg-type hatching number	2,596	2,626	101
Eggs produced during May			
Total layers million	9,096.5	8,586.3	94
Table egg type million	7,800.9	7,301.2	94
Hatching egg type million	1,295.6	1,285.1	99
Broiler-type hatching million	1,193.0	1,177.6	99
Egg-type hatching million	102.6	107.5	105
Eggs produced during May			
Total layers 1,000 dozen	758,041.5	715,525.0	94
Table egg type 1,000 dozen	650,074.8	608,433.6	94
Hatching egg type 1,000 dozen	107,966.7	107,091.4	99
Broiler-type hatching 1,000 dozen	99,416.7	98,133.1	99
Egg-type hatching 1,000 dozen	8,550.0	8,958.3	105
Layers on June 1			
Total layers 1,000	370,435	349,855	94
Table egg type 1,000	305,163	285,473	94
Hatching egg type 1,000	65,272	64,382	99
Broiler-type hatching 1,000	61,327	60,257	98
Egg-type hatching 1,000	3,945	4,125	105
Eggs per 100 layers on June 1			
Total layers number	79.2	79.0	100
Table egg type number	82.5	82.3	100
Hatching egg type number	63.8	64.4	101
Broiler-type hatching number	62.5	63.0	101
Egg-type hatching number	84.6	84.8	100
Molted layers on June 1			
Being molted percent	1.8	2.4	133
Molt completed percent	9.2	10.0	109
Layers sold for slaughter during May 1,000	14,405.3	13,095.8	91
Layers rendered, died, destroyed, composted or disappeared for any reason during May 1,000	12,277.6	14,890.1	121
Pullets on June 1 1,000	130,153	127,476	98
Pullets added during May ¹ 1,000	27,620.8	26,766.3	97

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

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

State	Table egg layers in flocks 30,000 and above		Total layers		Eggs per 100 for total layers	
	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025
	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(eggs)	(eggs)
Alabama	1,199	1,278	10,622	11,169	1,841	1,817
Arkansas	(D)	(D)	15,200	14,779	2,061	2,098
California	7,850	3,713	8,233	4,081	2,266	2,284
Colorado	3,925	1,980	4,413	2,468	2,506	2,326
Georgia	9,747	9,571	20,101	19,452	2,141	2,170
Illinois	6,488	5,882	7,128	6,499	2,462	2,431
Indiana	34,957	31,110	35,885	32,108	2,463	2,464
Iowa	42,795	41,624	44,709	43,489	2,530	2,458
Kentucky	(D)	(D)	5,138	5,462	2,131	2,063
Maryland	2,062	(NA)	2,282	(NA)	2,585	(NA)
Michigan	12,718	11,488	13,297	12,055	2,431	2,507
Minnesota	6,625	6,763	7,125	7,259	2,421	2,507
Mississippi	(D)	(D)	5,532	5,915	2,108	2,095
Missouri	7,553	4,949	13,888	11,315	2,551	2,433
Nebraska	7,750	8,043	8,389	8,739	2,420	2,430
New York	5,048	5,338	5,547	5,856	2,547	2,573
North Carolina	7,443	4,976	16,209	13,562	2,182	2,129
Ohio	38,061	32,059	39,348	33,325	2,475	2,504
Oklahoma	(D)	(D)	2,297	2,126	1,955	1,966
Oregon	2,163	2,344	2,273	2,454	2,604	2,563
Pennsylvania	23,632	21,944	27,003	25,110	2,494	2,530
South Carolina	2,466	2,570	3,776	3,860	2,267	2,280
South Dakota	2,011	(NA)	2,066	(NA)	2,682	(NA)
Texas	(D)	(D)	21,846	22,358	2,210	2,257
Utah	6,823	6,369	6,863	6,409	2,451	2,431
Virginia	833	(NA)	2,556	(NA)	2,347	(NA)
Washington	5,407	4,732	5,509	4,834	2,621	2,408
Wisconsin	6,788	7,109	7,959	8,305	2,510	2,561
Other States ¹	24,076	30,603	30,335	38,517	2,360	2,373
United States	293,726	271,291	375,529	351,506	2,376	2,367

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¹ Includes data for States not published in this table.

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

State	Table egg layers in flocks 30,000 and above		Total layers		Eggs per 100 for total layers	
	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025
	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(eggs)	(eggs)
Alabama	1,221	1,213	10,368	11,070	1,884	1,867
Arkansas	(D)	(D)	15,156	14,632	2,154	2,190
California	7,719	3,971	8,088	4,336	2,365	2,304
Colorado	3,823	2,157	4,311	2,645	2,582	2,427
Georgia	9,747	9,387	20,007	19,146	2,227	2,254
Illinois	5,896	5,995	6,545	6,610	2,521	2,496
Indiana	34,739	31,577	35,694	32,574	2,505	2,512
Iowa	43,160	41,963	45,050	43,843	2,627	2,558
Kentucky	(D)	(D)	5,165	5,519	2,180	2,124
Maryland	2,067	(NA)	2,291	(NA)	2,667	(NA)
Michigan	9,133	11,842	9,734	12,393	2,474	2,615
Minnesota	6,642	6,921	7,132	7,414	2,520	2,602
Mississippi	(D)	(D)	5,506	5,851	2,178	2,183
Missouri	7,639	5,217	13,877	11,681	2,626	2,538
Nebraska	7,907	8,063	8,500	8,731	2,540	2,554
New York	5,021	5,367	5,524	5,884	2,596	2,646
North Carolina	7,463	5,051	16,258	13,679	2,252	2,217
Ohio	38,578	33,305	39,837	34,591	2,564	2,548
Oklahoma	(D)	(D)	2,356	2,165	1,995	1,940
Oregon	2,290	2,448	2,400	2,558	2,688	2,553
Pennsylvania	23,832	21,679	27,207	24,805	2,570	2,626
South Carolina	2,491	2,495	3,790	3,770	2,361	2,369
South Dakota	2,007	(NA)	2,062	(NA)	2,745	(NA)
Texas	(D)	(D)	21,084	22,357	2,279	2,331
Utah	6,920	6,575	6,960	6,615	2,542	2,576
Virginia	890	(NA)	2,578	(NA)	2,413	(NA)
Washington	5,422	4,701	5,524	4,803	2,696	2,519
Wisconsin	6,618	7,190	7,787	8,371	2,603	2,660
Other States ¹	23,919	27,012	30,088	34,989	2,430	2,439
United States	289,719	270,819	370,879	351,032	2,453	2,446

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(NA) Not available.

¹ Includes data for States not published in this table.

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

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

State	Total production		Table eggs		Hatching eggs	
	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025
	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)
Alabama	195.6	202.9	31.1	30.7	164.5	172.2
Arkansas	313.3	310.1	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
California	186.6	93.2	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Colorado	110.6	57.4	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Georgia	430.3	422.2	235.5	236.3	194.8	185.9
Illinois	175.5	158.0	169.8	152.6	5.7	5.4
Indiana	883.9	791.3	870.9	777.2	13.0	14.1
Iowa	1,131.0	1,069.1	1,106.7	1,045.9	24.3	23.2
Kentucky	109.5	112.7	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Maryland	59.0	(NA)	57.4	(NA)	1.6	(NA)
Michigan	323.3	302.2	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	172.5	182.0	165.7	174.1	6.8	7.9
Mississippi	116.6	123.9	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Missouri	354.3	275.3	316.3	236.1	38.0	39.2
Nebraska	203.0	212.4	190.2	199.5	12.8	12.9
New York	141.3	150.7	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina	353.6	288.8	192.8	130.7	160.8	158.1
Ohio	973.7	834.6	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oklahoma	44.9	41.8	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oregon	59.2	62.9	59.2	62.9	-	-
Pennsylvania	673.4	635.2	623.0	590.3	50.4	44.9
South Carolina	85.6	88.0	63.0	65.0	22.6	23.0
South Dakota	55.4	(NA)	55.4	(NA)	-	(NA)
Texas	482.8	504.7	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Utah	168.2	155.8	168.2	155.8	-	-
Virginia	60.0	(NA)	30.0	(NA)	30.0	(NA)
Washington	144.4	116.4	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin	199.8	212.7	194.2	206.4	5.6	6.3
Other States ¹	716.0	914.2	633.1	804.0	82.9	110.2
United States	8,923.3	8,318.5	7,660.6	7,079.5	1,262.7	1,239.0

- Represents zero.

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(NA) Not available.

¹ Not published separately to avoid disclosing individual operations.

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

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

State	Total production		Table eggs		Hatching eggs	
	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025
	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)
Alabama	195.3	206.7	30.7	28.5	164.6	178.2
Arkansas	326.4	320.4	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
California	191.3	99.9	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Colorado	111.3	64.2	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Georgia	445.6	431.6	245.1	239.8	200.5	191.8
Illinois	165.0	165.0	158.9	159.5	6.1	5.5
Indiana	894.0	818.4	880.1	804.1	13.9	14.3
Iowa	1,183.5	1,121.6	1,158.5	1,097.3	25.0	24.3
Kentucky	112.6	117.2	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Maryland	61.1	(NA)	59.6	(NA)	1.5	(NA)
Michigan	240.8	324.1	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	179.7	192.9	173.0	184.9	6.7	8.0
Mississippi	119.9	127.7	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Missouri	364.4	296.5	326.6	252.0	37.8	44.5
Nebraska	215.9	223.0	203.5	210.2	12.4	12.8
New York	143.4	155.7	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina	366.2	303.2	200.0	139.8	166.2	163.4
Ohio	1,021.3	881.5	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oklahoma	47.0	42.0	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oregon	64.5	65.3	64.5	65.3	-	-
Pennsylvania	699.1	651.4	647.4	605.1	51.7	46.3
South Carolina	89.5	89.3	65.8	65.6	23.7	23.7
South Dakota	56.6	(NA)	56.6	(NA)	-	(NA)
Texas	480.4	521.2	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Utah	176.9	170.4	176.9	170.4	-	-
Virginia	62.2	(NA)	32.2	(NA)	30.0	(NA)
Washington	148.9	121.0	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin	202.7	222.7	196.9	216.4	5.8	6.3
Other States ¹	731.0	853.4	646.6	737.9	84.4	115.5
United States	9,096.5	8,586.3	7,800.9	7,301.2	1,295.6	1,285.1

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

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

State	Total production		Table eggs		Hatching eggs	
	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025
	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)
Alabama	16,300.0	16,908.3	2,591.7	2,558.3	13,708.3	14,350.0
Arkansas	26,108.4	25,841.6	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
California	15,549.9	7,766.7	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Colorado	9,216.7	4,783.4	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Georgia	35,858.3	35,183.3	19,625.0	19,691.6	16,233.3	15,491.7
Illinois	14,625.0	13,166.7	14,150.0	12,716.7	475.0	450.0
Indiana	73,658.3	65,941.6	72,575.0	64,766.6	1,083.3	1,175.0
Iowa	94,250.0	89,091.6	92,225.0	87,158.3	2,025.0	1,933.3
Kentucky	9,125.0	9,391.7	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Maryland	4,916.6	(NA)	4,783.3	(NA)	133.3	(NA)
Michigan	26,941.7	25,183.4	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	14,375.1	15,166.7	13,808.4	14,508.4	566.7	658.3
Mississippi	9,716.7	10,324.9	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Missouri	29,525.0	22,941.7	26,358.3	19,675.0	3,166.7	3,266.7
Nebraska	16,916.6	17,700.0	15,850.0	16,625.0	1,066.6	1,075.0
New York	11,775.0	12,558.3	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina	29,466.7	24,066.7	16,066.7	10,891.7	13,400.0	13,175.0
Ohio	81,141.7	69,550.0	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oklahoma	3,741.7	3,483.4	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oregon	4,933.4	5,241.6	4,933.4	5,241.6	-	-
Pennsylvania	56,116.7	52,933.2	51,916.7	49,191.6	4,200.0	3,741.6
South Carolina	7,133.3	7,333.3	5,250.0	5,416.6	1,883.3	1,916.7
South Dakota	4,616.7	(NA)	4,616.7	(NA)	-	(NA)
Texas	40,233.3	42,058.3	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Utah	14,016.6	12,983.3	14,016.6	12,983.3	-	-
Virginia	5,000.0	(NA)	2,500.0	(NA)	2,500.0	(NA)
Washington	12,033.4	9,700.0	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin	16,650.0	17,725.0	16,183.3	17,200.0	466.7	525.0
Other States ¹	59,666.5	76,183.4	52,758.2	67,000.1	6,908.3	9,183.3
United States	743,608.3	693,208.1	638,383.5	589,958.2	105,224.8	103,249.9

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

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

State	Total production		Table eggs		Hatching eggs	
	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025
	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)
Alabama	16,275.0	17,225.0	2,558.3	2,375.0	13,716.7	14,850.0
Arkansas	27,200.0	26,700.0	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
California	15,941.7	8,325.1	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Colorado	9,274.9	5,350.0	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Georgia	37,133.3	35,966.7	20,425.0	19,983.4	16,708.3	15,983.3
Illinois	13,750.0	13,750.0	13,241.6	13,291.7	508.4	458.3
Indiana	74,499.9	68,200.0	73,341.6	67,008.3	1,158.3	1,191.7
Iowa	98,625.0	93,466.7	96,541.6	91,441.7	2,083.4	2,025.0
Kentucky	9,383.3	9,766.7	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Maryland	5,091.6	(NA)	4,966.6	(NA)	125.0	(NA)
Michigan	20,066.6	27,008.3	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	14,975.0	16,075.0	14,416.6	15,408.3	558.4	666.7
Mississippi	9,991.7	10,641.6	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Missouri	30,366.7	24,708.3	27,216.7	21,000.0	3,150.0	3,708.3
Nebraska	17,991.8	18,583.4	16,958.4	17,516.7	1,033.4	1,066.7
New York	11,950.0	12,974.9	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina	30,516.7	25,266.7	16,666.7	11,650.0	13,850.0	13,616.7
Ohio	85,108.3	73,458.3	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oklahoma	3,916.7	3,500.0	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oregon	5,375.0	5,441.6	5,375.0	5,441.6	-	-
Pennsylvania	58,258.3	54,283.3	53,950.0	50,425.0	4,308.3	3,858.3
South Carolina	7,458.4	7,441.7	5,483.4	5,466.7	1,975.0	1,975.0
South Dakota	4,716.7	(NA)	4,716.7	(NA)	-	(NA)
Texas	40,033.3	43,433.3	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Utah	14,741.6	14,200.0	14,741.6	14,200.0	-	-
Virginia	5,183.3	(NA)	2,683.3	(NA)	2,500.0	(NA)
Washington	12,408.3	10,083.3	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin	16,891.8	18,558.3	16,408.4	18,033.3	483.4	525.0
Other States ¹	60,916.6	71,116.8	53,883.4	61,491.9	7,033.2	9,624.9
United States	758,041.5	715,525.0	650,074.8	608,433.6	107,966.7	107,091.4

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

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

Month	Being molted		Molt completed	
	2024	2025	2024	2025
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
January	1.6	1.9	10.0	10.2
February	2.1	2.2	9.8	10.4
March	1.8	2.2	9.6	10.1
April	1.8	2.4	9.3	10.1
May	2.3	2.5	8.9	10.3
June	1.8	2.4	9.2	10.0
July	1.8		9.4	
August	2.5		9.6	
September	1.8		10.2	
October	2.7		10.2	
November	2.3		10.9	
December	1.9		10.7	

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

State	Being molted				Molt completed			
	May 1		June 1		May 1		June 1	
	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	2.5	3.5	2.5	0.5	5.5	4.0	4.0	4.0
Arkansas	2.5	2.0	1.5	1.5	10.0	14.0	10.5	13.5
California	1.0	1.5	1.0	3.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	3.0
Colorado	2.0	1.0	1.0	-	5.5	2.0	1.5	1.5
Georgia	1.0	1.0	1.5	1.5	12.5	8.0	11.5	7.5
Illinois	3.5	6.0	5.0	7.5	22.5	19.0	20.0	20.0
Indiana	1.0	2.5	1.0	1.5	5.5	7.0	5.0	9.0
Iowa	3.0	4.5	1.0	5.5	6.5	12.5	7.5	11.5
Kentucky	3.5	5.0	3.5	3.0	17.5	26.5	16.5	26.5
Maryland	1.0	(NA)	1.0	(NA)	1.0	(NA)	0.5	(NA)
Michigan	3.0	1.0	6.5	1.5	10.0	1.5	10.0	1.0
Minnesota	1.5	3.0	1.5	1.5	1.0	3.5	1.0	3.0
Mississippi	2.0	1.5	2.0	2.0	13.5	15.0	11.5	15.0
Missouri	1.5	3.5	2.0	3.0	5.0	7.0	4.5	10.0
Nebraska	2.0	3.0	1.5	3.0	1.5	2.5	2.0	2.5
New York	1.0	1.5	0.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.0
North Carolina	1.0	1.0	0.5	1.0	5.0	6.0	6.0	6.0
Ohio	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.5	5.5	8.0	5.5	6.5
Oklahoma	6.0	3.5	5.5	3.5	3.5	18.0	3.5	18.0
Oregon	2.0	1.5	2.0	1.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	1.0
Pennsylvania	0.5	1.5	1.0	3.0	0.5	2.0	0.5	2.0
South Carolina	4.5	3.0	2.0	2.5	4.0	5.0	3.0	4.0
South Dakota	2.0	(NA)	2.0	(NA)	2.5	(NA)	2.5	(NA)
Texas	8.5	4.5	2.5	3.0	32.5	34.5	36.5	34.0
Utah	6.0	4.5	4.0	4.0	14.5	3.5	16.5	6.0
Virginia	-	(NA)	-	(NA)	-	(NA)	-	(NA)
Washington	-	2.0	0.5	1.0	2.5	1.0	2.0	1.0
Wisconsin	3.0	1.0	3.5	1.5	7.5	9.5	10.0	8.5
Other States ¹	3.6	2.1	3.0	1.8	19.5	15.4	20.9	14.4
United States	2.3	2.5	1.8	2.4	8.9	10.3	9.2	10.0

- Represents zero.

(NA) Not available.

¹ Includes data for States not published in this table.

Hatchery Production – United States: 2024 and 2025

Item	2024	2025	2025 as percent of 2024
	(1,000)	(1,000)	(percent)
Egg-type			
Eggs in incubators on June 1	53,641	59,643	111
Chicks hatched during May	56,352	60,858	108
Chicks hatched January through May	271,582	296,779	109
Pullets hatched during May for intended placements:			
Hatchery supply flocks	257	246	96
Cumulative potential placements 7-18 months earlier ¹	2,708	2,767	102
Broiler-type			
Eggs in incubators on June 1	746,770	755,510	101
Chicks hatched during May	868,850	876,278	101
Chicks hatched January through May	4,225,167	4,237,660	100
Pullets hatched during May for intended placements:			
Hatchery supply flocks	8,232	8,174	99
Cumulative potential placements 7-15 months earlier ²	76,849	78,150	102

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

² 2025 includes pullet chicks hatched February 2024 through October 2024.

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

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

Month	2024	2025	2025 as percent of 2024
	(1,000)	(1,000)	(percent)
January	46,593	52,411	112
February	49,892	56,430	113
March	53,913	57,939	107
April	53,065	61,895	117
May	51,828	60,738	117
June	53,641	59,643	111
July	50,275		
August	51,472		
September	49,023		
October	49,645		
November	46,704		
December	47,941		

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

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

Month	Monthly			Cumulative		
	2024	2025	2025 as percent of 2024	2024	2025	2025 as percent of 2024
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)
January	51,447	56,675	110	51,447	56,675	110
February	53,241	57,191	107	104,688	113,866	109
March	54,719	60,769	111	159,407	174,635	110
April	55,823	61,286	110	215,230	235,921	110
May	56,352	60,858	108	271,582	296,779	109
June	55,034			326,616		
July	55,860			382,476		
August	54,571			437,047		
September	51,178			488,225		
October	53,787			542,012		
November	46,760			588,772		
December	51,145			639,917		

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

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

Month	Pullet chicks hatched		2025 as percent of 2024	Cumulative potential placements relative to current supply flocks 7-18 months earlier ¹	
	2024	2025		2024	2025
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)
January	206	200	97	2,667	2,753
February	236	226	96	2,697	2,757
March	198	197	99	2,703	2,765
April	249	235	94	2,710	2,771
May	257	246	96	2,708	2,767
June	219			2,707	2,759
July	200			2,709	2,755
August	263			2,718	2,749
September	276			2,724	2,739
October	245			2,721	2,738
November	191			2,736	2,724
December	215			2,733	2,713
Annual total	2,755				

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

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

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

Month	2024	2025	2025 as percent of 2024
	(1,000)	(1,000)	(percent)
January	727,907	745,127	102
February	728,996	746,009	102
March	740,311	748,226	101
April	746,487	747,273	100
May	745,775	751,247	101
June	746,770	755,510	101
July	744,092		
August	747,663		
September	741,040		
October	719,938		
November	725,905		
December	751,570		

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

State	During May			January-May		
	2024	2025	2025 as percent of 2024	2024	2025	2025 as percent of 2024
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)
Alabama	123,094	125,017	102	603,522	604,168	100
Arkansas	90,539	94,121	104	434,365	450,382	104
Delaware	19,292	19,695	102	94,267	96,614	102
Florida	4,029	(NA)	(NA)	19,507	(NA)	(NA)
Georgia	126,798	120,069	95	617,213	583,209	94
Kentucky	27,719	29,027	105	128,168	135,663	106
Louisiana	12,446	(NA)	(NA)	60,191	(NA)	(NA)
Maryland	27,573	29,705	108	135,370	143,556	106
Mississippi	62,045	63,799	103	302,724	311,008	103
Missouri	30,869	32,396	105	153,734	156,355	102
North Carolina	88,958	88,292	99	433,281	431,689	100
Oklahoma	20,532	20,570	100	98,213	98,294	100
Pennsylvania	29,284	31,234	107	145,916	149,296	102
South Carolina	20,892	20,059	96	100,894	98,433	98
Texas	68,247	68,272	100	325,366	329,886	101
Virginia	19,833	19,817	100	96,857	96,202	99
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	53,929	55,749	103	267,203	269,369	101
Other States ¹	42,771	58,456	137	208,376	283,536	136
United States	868,850	876,278	101	4,225,167	4,237,660	100

(NA) Not available.

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

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

Month	Monthly			Cumulative		
	2024	2025	2025 as percent of 2024	2024	2025	2025 as percent of 2024
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)
January	852,857	869,331	102	852,857	869,331	102
February	796,596	782,831	98	1,649,453	1,652,162	100
March	863,898	867,475	100	2,513,351	2,519,637	100
April	842,966	841,745	100	3,356,317	3,361,382	100
May	868,850	876,278	101	4,225,167	4,237,660	100
June	844,444			5,069,611		
July	870,062			5,939,673		
August	874,850			6,814,523		
September	837,266			7,651,789		
October	842,542			8,494,331		
November	823,344			9,317,675		
December	878,103			10,195,778		

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

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

Month	Pullet chicks hatched		2025 as percent of 2024	Cumulative potential placements relative to current supply flocks 7-15 months earlier ¹	
	2024	2025		2024	2025
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)
United States placements					
January	7,436	7,774	105	75,299	77,087
February	8,197	8,223	100	76,516	76,843
March	9,419	9,408	100	77,096	77,337
April	8,152	8,873	109	76,848	77,528
May	8,232	8,174	99	76,849	78,150
June	9,784			77,350	78,216
July	7,767			78,008	77,934
August	8,701			77,327	77,556
September	9,840			76,881	77,547
October	8,058			76,590	77,171
November	8,263			76,223	78,277
December	9,137			76,213	77,750
Annual total	102,986				
Total placements ²					
January	8,968	9,698	108		
February	9,620	10,431	108		
March	11,042	11,681	106		
April	9,823	10,805	110		
May	10,115	10,145	100		
June	11,439				
July	9,714				
August	10,373				
September	11,896				
October	9,670				
November	10,153				
December	10,486				
Annual total	123,299				

¹ For May 2025, includes breeder pullet chicks hatched February 2024 through October 2024.

² United States production of intended placements worldwide.

Terms and Definitions of Chickens and Eggs Estimates

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

Intended Placements are reported by leading breeders. Coverage may not be 100 percent. Includes expected pullet chicks from eggs sold during the preceding month at the rate of 125 pullet chicks per case of 30 dozen eggs.

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

Statistical Methodology

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

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

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

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

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

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Reliability of Layer and Egg Estimates

[Based on data for the past 24 months]

Item	Root mean square error	90 percent confidence level	Difference between first and latest estimate				
			Average	Smallest	Largest	Months	
						Below latest	Above latest
	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(number)	(number)
Total layers	0.5	0.9	1,507	62	5,209	8	16
			(million)	(million)	(million)		
Eggs	0.5	0.8	33	6	126	5	19

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