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This report contains the results from the **Monthly Chicken and Egg Report**. These data are also posted on our web site at https://www.nass.usda.gov/ar and in a more detailed report at https://www.nass.usda.gov. Thanks to all who responded to this survey.

March Egg Production Down 14 Percent from Last Year

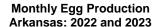
Egg production in Arkansas totaled 327 million eggs during March 2023, up 9 percent from the previous month but down 14 percent from March 2022. The number of layers during March 2023 averaged 15.5 million, down 1 percent from the previous month and down 6 percent from this time last year. Egg production per 100 layers averaged 2,107 eggs, up 10 percent from the previous month but down 8 percent from a year ago.

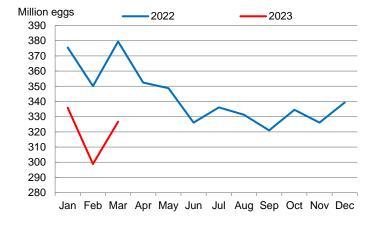
United States egg production totaled 9.21 billion during March 2023, down 3 percent from last year. The average number of layers during March 2023 totaled 383 million, down slightly from last year. March egg production per 100 layers was 2,408 eggs, down 2 percent from March 2022.

Broiler-Type Chicks Hatched Down Slightly

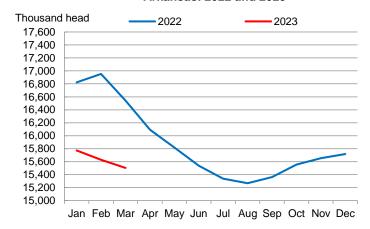
Broiler-type chicks hatched in Arkansas during March 2023 totaled 85.8 million, down slightly from March 2022.

Broiler-type chicks hatched in United States during March 2023 totaled 846 million, up slightly from March 2022.





Average Layers During the Month Arkansas: 2022 and 2023



Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced - Arkansas, Surrounding States, and United States: During March 2022 and 2023

State	All layers		Eggs per 100 for all layers		Total egg production		Total egg production by dozen	
	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023
	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(eggs)	(eggs)	(million eggs)	million eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)	(1,000 dozen eggs)
Alabama	10,904 16,541 5,755 13,426 2,326 23,807	12,099 15,504 5,483 13,755 2,326 23,787	1,999 2,294 2,160 2,598 2,029 2,389	1,914 2,107 2,179 2,484 1,999 2,267	218.0 379.5 124.3 348.8 47.2 568.7	231.6 326.7 119.5 341.7 46.5 539.2	18,166.6 31,625.0 10,358.3 29,066.7 3,933.4 47,391.6	19,300.0 27,225.0 9,958.4 28,475.1 3,875.0 44,933.3
United States	384,293	382,505	2,465	2,408	9,471.0	9,210.6	789,249.9	767,550.3

Broiler-Type Chicks Hatched - Arkansas, Surrounding States, and United States: March 2022 and 2023

	During March					
State	2022	2023	Percent of previous year			
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)			
Alabama Arkansas Louisiana Mississippi Missouri Oklahoma Texas	123,066 86,163 10,998 60,837 34,494 25,481 67,248	123,634 85,848 12,082 61,229 33,559 24,973 63,730	100 100 110 101 97 98 95			
United States	844,750	846,237	100			