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# Arkansas Chickens and Eggs 

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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.


## Monthly Egg Production

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 |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & (1,000 \\ & \text { layers) } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & (1,000 \\ & \text { layers) } \end{aligned}$ | (eggs) | (eggs) | (million eggs) | million eggs) | $\begin{gathered} \text { (1,000 dozen } \\ \text { eggs) } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { (1,000 dozen } \\ \text { eggs) } \end{gathered}$ |
| Alabama | 10,904 | 12,099 | 1,999 | 1,914 | 218.0 | 231.6 | 18,166.6 | 19,300.0 |
| Arkansas .... | 16,541 | 15,504 | 2,294 | 2,107 | 379.5 | 326.7 | 31,625.0 | 27,225.0 |
| Mississippi | 5,755 | 5,483 | 2,160 | 2,179 | 124.3 | 119.5 | 10,358.3 | 9,958.4 |
| Missouri ..... | 13,426 | 13,755 | 2,598 | 2,484 | 348.8 | 341.7 | 29,066.7 | 28,475.1 |
| Oklahoma .... | 2,326 | 2,326 | 2,029 | 1,999 | 47.2 | 46.5 | 3,933.4 | 3,875.0 |
| Texas ........... | 23,807 | 23,787 | 2,389 | 2,267 | 568.7 | 539.2 | 47,391.6 | 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

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

