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On: JUNE EGG PRODUCTION

DOWN 4 PERCENT FROM A YEAR AGO

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Austin . . .June egg production in Texas totaled 375 million eggs, down 4 percent from June 2004, and down 2 percent from May 2005, according to the monthly report released by the Texas Agricultural Statistics Service.

The number of layers during June averaged 17.2 million, down 4 percent from last year and virtually unchanged from May 2005. Egg production per 100 layers averaged 2,178 eggs, up slightly from last year and down 2 percent from last month.

Texas hatchery production of broiler-type chicks totaled 55.7 million, up 2 percent from last year.

United States egg production totaled 7.34 billion eggs during June 2005, up 1 percent from a year ago. Production included 6.25 billion table eggs, 1.03 billion broiler-type hatching eggs and 61 million egg-type hatching eggs.

Nationally, the total number of layers averaged 341 million during June 2005, down slightly from a year ago. Production per 100 layers was 2,151 eggs, up 1 percent from June 2004.

The U.S. monthly hatch of egg-type chicks totaled 34.5 million, down 8 percent from June 2004. The hatch of broiler-type chicks, at 796 million, was up 1 percent from June of last year.

The leading U.S. breeders placed 7.11 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during June 2005, up 3 percent from June 2004.