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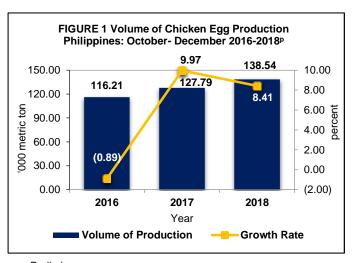
CHICKEN EGG SITUATION REPORT October - December 2018

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In October to December 2018, the volume of chicken egg production was 138.54 thousand metric tons. It increased by 8.41 percent compared with the previous year's output of 127.79 thousand metric tons. In the last three years, chicken egg production recovered from a decline of 0.89 percent in 2016 to 8.41 percent increase in 2018.

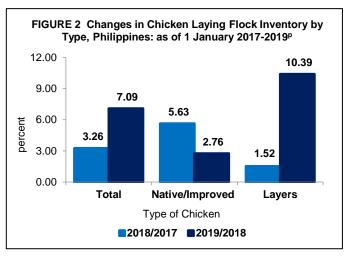
Increases in chicken egg production in the fourth quarter of 2018 were noted in all regions, except Central Luzon, where production level decreased by 1.19 percent compared with the same period of the previous year.



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The three highest producing regions during the quarter were CALABARZON, Central Luzon and Northern Mindanao. Collectively, these regions contributed 56.99 percent share to the total egg production of the country. CALABARZON with recorded production of 38.58 thousand metric tons grew by 6.46 percent. Likewise, Northern Mindanao with production of 14.15 thousand metric tons increased by 4.93 percent. (Table 1)

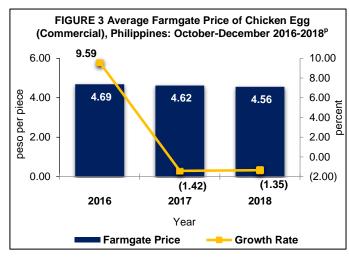
As of 1 January 2019, the laying flock inventory of native/improved chicken was estimated at 22.71 million birds or an increase of 2.76 percent compared with the headcount in 1 January 2018. Likewise, laying flock inventory of foreign strain layers was recorded at 31.99 million birds. This was higher by 10.39 percent from previous year's record of 28.98 million birds. (Table 2)



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In the fourth quarter of 2018, the average farmgate price of chicken egg in commercial farms was recorded at PhP 4.56 per piece. This price was lower by 1.35 percent from the previous year's price level of PhP 4.62 per piece. In the last three months of 2018, the highest price level was noted in December with PhP 4.64 per piece. (Table 3)



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TECHNICAL NOTES

This Chicken Egg Situation Report presents the chicken egg industry in terms of volume of production, inventory by type of laying flock and average farmgate price. The report was prepared to serve as ready reference for PSA's various clients and stakeholders in the agriculture sector. It is released quarterly on January, May, August and November every year.

Concepts and Definitions

Volume of production refers to the volume of chicken egg disposed from locallyraised chicken including those table eggs which were shipped-out to other region/province.

Inventory refers to the actual number of chicken layers and native chicken present in the farm as of a specific reference date.

Farmgate price refers to the price received by raisers for their produce at the location of farm. Thus, the marketing costs such as the transport and other marketing cost (if any) incurred in selling the produce are not included in the farmgate prices.

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STATISTICAL TABLES

TABLE 1 Volume of Chicken Egg Production by Region, Philippines: October - December, 2016-2018^p

Region	Production (metric ton)			Difference Level Grow		th Rate	Percent Share to
	2016	2017	2018 ^p	2018-2017	2017/2016	2018/2017	2018
-1	-2	-3	-4	-5	-6	-7	-8
PHILIPPINES	116,209	127,791	138,544	10,753	9.97	8.41	100.00
CAR	967	932	947	15	(3.62)	1.61	0.68
Ilocos Region	3,564	4,668	4,786	118	30.98	2.53	3.45
Cagayan Valley	3,070	3,227	3,687	460	5.11	14.25	2.66
Central Luzon	23,223	26,548	26,232	(316)	14.32	(1.19)	18.93
CALABARZON	32,019	36,236	38,578	2342	13.17	6.46	27.85
MIMAROPA Region	1,614	1,585	1,652	67	(1.80)	4.23	1.19
Bicol Region	3,237	3,011	3,191	180	(6.98)	5.98	2.30
Western Visayas	8,599	7,728	9,094	1366	(10.13)	17.68	6.56
Central Visayas	11,696	12,449	13,869	1420	6.44	11.41	10.01
Eastern Visayas	717	953	1,213	260	32.91	27.28	0.88
Zamboanga Peninsula	2,922	3,242	3,946	704	10.95	21.71	2.85
Northern Mindanao	12,984	13,481	14,146	665	3.83	4.93	10.21
Davao Region	6,566	6,647	6,859	212	1.23	3.19	4.95
SOCCSKSARGEN	2,966	4,921	6,825	1904	65.91	38.69	4.93
Caraga	1,179	1,316	2,654	1338	11.62	101.67	1.92
ARMM	886	847	865	18	(4.40)	2.13	0.63

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TABLE 2 Chicken Laying Flock Inventory by Type, Philippines: as of 1 January 2017-2019^p

Chicken Type	Invent	ory (million	Growth Rate		
	2017	2018	2019 ^p	2018/2017	2019/2018
-1	-2	-3	-4	-5	-6
Total	49.47	51.08	54.70	3.26	7.09
Native/Improved	20.92	22.10	22.71	5.63	2.76
Layers	28.55	28.98	31.99	1.52	10.39

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TABLE 3 Monthly Average Farmgate Prices of Chicken Egg (Commercial),
Philippines: October - December 2016-2018^p

Month	_	e Farmgate so per piec	Growth Rate (%)		
	2016	2017	2018 ^p	2017/2016	2018/2017
-1	-2	-3	-4	-5	-6
Average	4.69	4.62	4.56	(1.42)	(1.35)
October	4.76	4.71	4.51	(1.05)	(4.25)
November	4.67	4.52	4.52	(3.21)	0.05
December	4.63	4.63	4.64	0.00	0.22

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Note: The growth rates of the average farmgate price may not be equal if computed manually due to rounding-off