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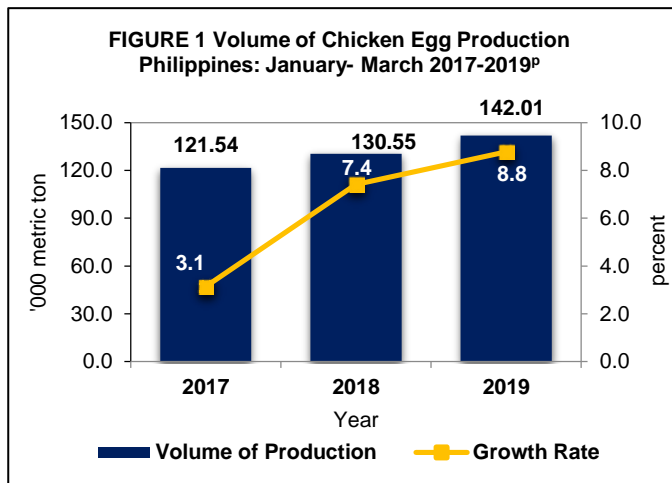
CHICKEN EGG SITUATION REPORT January-March 2019

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The total volume of chicken egg production in January to March 2019 was 142.01 thousand metric tons. This was 8.8 percent higher compared with the previous year's level of 130.55 thousand metric tons.

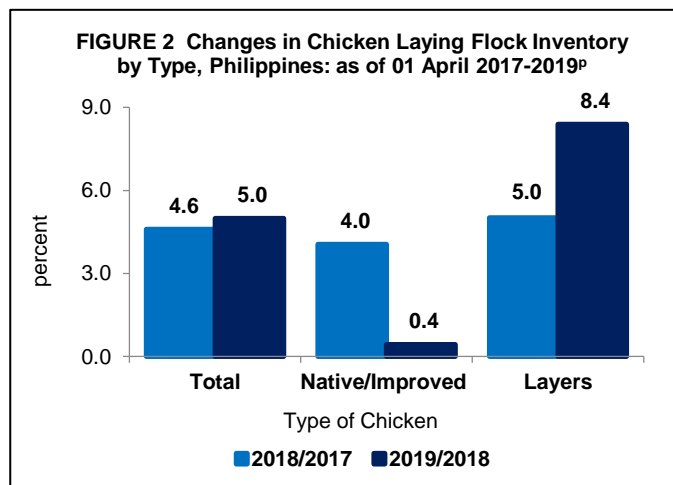
Increases in chicken egg production were registered in all regions, except for CAR and Bicol Region. Davao Region, with chicken egg production of 8.36 thousand metric tons, reported the highest increase of 43.4 percent from the 5.83 thousand metric tons in January to March 2018.



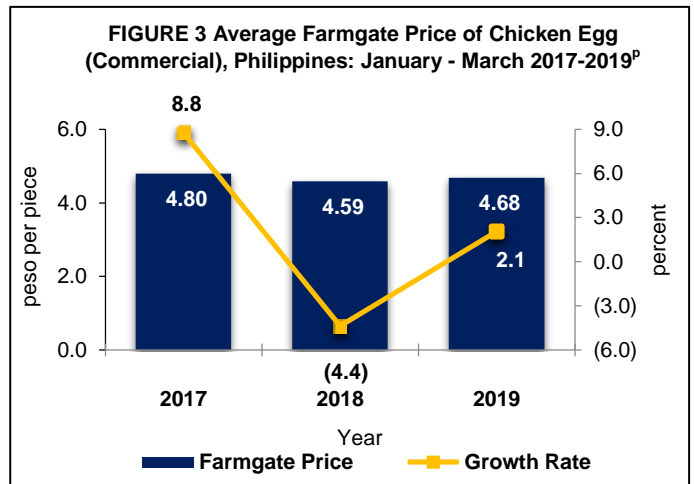
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The three highest producing regions in the first quarter of 2019 were CALABARZON, Central Luzon and Central Visayas. Among the regions, CALABARZON was the top producer of chicken egg at 43.86 thousand metric tons, accounting for 30.9 percent of the total chicken egg production. This was followed by Central Luzon with 19.8 percent share and Central Visayas with 9.4 percent share. Collectively, these three regions comprised 60.1 percent of the total chicken egg production of the country. (Table 1)

Adult female inventory of native/improved chicken as of 01 April 2019 was 22.64 million birds or 0.4 percent higher compared with the 01 April 2018 headcount of 22.54 million birds. Likewise, laying flock inventory of foreign strain layers was 32.78 million birds. This was higher by 8.4 percent from the previous year's record of 30.25 million birds. (Table 2)



In January to March 2019, the average farmgate price of chicken egg in commercial farms was recorded at PhP4.68 per piece. This price was higher by 2.1 percent from the same period of the previous year's price level of PhP4.59 per piece. During the reference quarter, the highest farmgate price was noted in January at PhP4.73 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 in January, May, August and November every year.

Concepts and Definitions

Volume of production refers to the volume of chicken egg disposed from locally-raised 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.

STATISTICAL TABLES

TABLE 1 Volume of Chicken Egg Production by Region, Philippines: January - March, 2017-2019^P

Region	Production (metric ton)			Difference Level	Percent Change		Percent Share to 2019
	2017	2018	2019 ^P	2019-2018	2018/2017	2019/2018	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
PHILIPPINES	121,535	130,549	142,011	11,462	7.4	8.8	100.0
CAR	737	906	811	-95	22.9	(10.5)	0.6
Ilocos Region	3,743	4,768	5,089	321	27.4	6.7	3.6
Cagayan Valley	3,165	3,366	3,763	397	6.4	11.8	2.6
Central Luzon	27,133	27,533	28,090	557	1.5	2.0	19.8
CALABARZON	34,189	39,332	43,857	4,525	15.0	11.5	30.9
MIMAROPA Region	1,157	1,356	1,577	221	17.2	16.3	1.1
Bicol Region	3,405	3,554	3,523	-31	4.4	(0.9)	2.5
Western Visayas	8,471	8,042	8,573	531	(5.1)	6.6	6.0
Central Visayas	12,329	12,988	13,384	396	5.3	3.0	9.4
Eastern Visayas	625	904	1,036	132	44.6	14.6	0.7
Zamboanga Peninsula	3,210	2,870	3,669	799	(10.6)	27.8	2.6
Northern Mindanao	10,512	10,959	11,486	527	4.3	4.8	8.1
Davao Region	6,784	5,834	8,364	2,530	(14.0)	43.4	5.9
SOCCSKSARGEN	4,321	5,783	6,402	619	33.8	10.7	4.5
Caraga	1,047	1,672	1,685	13	59.7	0.8	1.2
ARMM	707	682	702	20	(3.5)	2.9	0.5

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TABLE 2 Chicken Laying Flock Inventory by Type, Philippines: as of 01 April 2017-2019^P

Chicken Type	Inventory (million birds)			Percent Change	
	2017	2018	2019 ^P	2018/2017	2019/2018
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Total	50.47	52.79	55.43	4.6	5.0
Native/Improved	21.67	22.54	22.64	4.0	0.4
Layers	28.80	30.25	32.78	5.0	8.4

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**TABLE 3 Monthly Average Farmgate Prices of Chicken Egg (Commercial)
Philippines: January - March 2017-2019^P**

Month	Average Farmgate Price (peso per piece)			Percent Change	
	2017	2018	2019 ^P	2017/2016	2018/2017
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Average	4.80	4.59	4.68	(4.4)	2.1
January	4.81	4.69	4.73	(2.5)	0.8
February	4.80	4.63	4.67	(3.5)	0.8
March	4.78	4.44	4.65	(7.1)	4.7

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