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# 1.8%-rise in incubated eggs for hatching in 2023

## Number of chicks hatched increased by 3.0% compared to 2022

Vienna, 2024-01-26 – According to Statistics Austria, the total number of incubated chicken eggs in domestic hatcheries increased in 2023 compared to the previous year by 1.8% and 3.0% more chicks hatched.

A total of 137.3 million **incubated eggs** were registered in Austria's reportable chicken hatcheries in 2023, which is 1.8% more than in the previous year. The number of eggs for hatching rose for laying-use breeds by 11.1% to 26.6 million, those for meat-use remained almost stable at 110.7 million eggs (-0.3%).

In terms of **hatched chicks**, the overall number reached 109.9 million in 2023, this represents a 3.0%-increase compared to the previous year. The hatched laying-use chicks saw a rise of 14.8% to 21.2 million, the numbers for meat-use chicks increased by 0.5% to 88.7 million.

### Chicken eggs placed in incubation and hatched chicks 2023

Categories	2022	2023	Change in %
<b>Eggs for hatching in number of eggs</b>	<b>134 882 251</b>	<b>137 260 935</b>	<b>+1.8</b>
Laying-use	23 923 552	26 584 538	+11.1
Meat-use	110 958 699	110 676 397	-0.3
<b>Hatched chicks in head</b>	<b>106 758 303</b>	<b>109 907 859</b>	<b>+3.0</b>
Laying-use	18 476 189	21 213 355	+14.8
Meat-use	88 282 114	88 694 504	+0.5

S: STATISTICS AUSTRIA, Poultry production.

For detailed results and further information on egg incubation and hatched chicks please refer to our [web-site](#).

**Information on methodology, definitions:** In accordance with Federal Law Gazette II No. 356/2003 (in the version currently in force) all hatcheries with a capacity of at least 1 000 hatching eggs are subject to this survey. Numbers on turkeys, geese, ducks, guinea fowls and chicken for mixed meat and laying use will not be published for data protection reasons.

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