

# Broiler Hatchery



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## Broiler Eggs Set In 15 Selected States Up 7 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-State weekly program set 157 million eggs during the week ending March 26, 1994. This was 7 percent above the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

## Broiler Chicks Placed Up 4 Percent

Broiler growers in the 15-State weekly program placed 127 million chicks for meat production during the week ending March 26, 1994. Placements were up 4 percent from the comparable week in 1993. Cumulative placements from October 31, 1993, through March 26, 1994, were 2.56 billion, 4 percent above the 2.45 billion placed during the same period a year earlier.

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Broiler Eggs Set in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Feb 19	Feb 26	Mar 5	Mar 12	Mar 19	Mar 26
	1,000					
AL	24,675	24,553	*24,786	*24,919	23,641	24,825
AR	28,958	29,321	*29,128	29,284	29,061	29,266
DE	4,265	3,984	4,126	4,292	*4,121	3,981
FL	3,664	3,664	3,686	3,677	3,664	3,671
GA	24,417	24,285	*24,738	*24,683	*25,010	24,737
MD	9,493	10,074	9,906	9,652	9,775	9,580
MS	13,839	13,828	13,665	13,806	14,009	13,886
NC	16,472	16,541	*16,414	16,767	16,424	16,071
PA	3,390	3,357	3,212	3,226	*3,518	3,259
SC	4,055	4,085	4,113	4,137	4,181	4,173
TX	9,754	9,858	9,899	9,590	*9,573	9,579
VA	5,156	5,178	4,983	5,130	5,077	5,189
CA, TN, & WV	*8,123	*9,052	*8,966	*9,060	*9,248	9,242
1994 Total	*156,261	*157,780	*157,622	*158,223	*157,302	157,459
1993 Total	150,939	151,602	153,214	153,162	150,356	147,113
% of Prev Yr	104	104	103	103	105	107

Broiler Chicks Placed in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Feb 19	Feb 26	Mar 5	Mar 12	Mar 19	Mar 26
	1,000					
AL	18,328	17,962	18,503	18,480	18,513	19,075
AR	21,852	20,899	20,592	21,068	21,409	21,689
DE	4,377	6,124	5,077	5,412	*5,008	5,134
FL	2,374	2,783	2,392	2,552	2,541	2,455
GA	19,541	20,448	20,528	20,461	*20,427	20,513
MD	6,367	4,924	5,772	5,602	*5,767	6,068
MS	11,436	11,682	11,389	11,848	12,081	12,119
NC	11,935	12,593	13,377	12,989	13,152	13,249
PA	2,221	2,465	2,364	2,469	*2,446	2,366
SC	2,765	2,793	2,676	3,070	3,157	3,104
TX	7,377	7,277	7,271	7,202	*7,339	7,302
VA	5,015	4,774	5,191	5,176	5,521	4,739
CA, TN, & WV	*8,763	*8,563	*8,858	*8,292	*8,910	8,942
1994 Total	*122,351	*123,287	*123,990	*124,621	*126,271	126,755
1993 Total	117,598	119,406	121,332	121,509	121,143	122,350
% of Prev Yr	104	103	102	103	104	104

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