

## Broiler Hatchery

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## Broiler Eggs Set In 15 Selected States Up 1 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-State weekly program set 179 million eggs in incubators during the week ending February 17, 2001. This was up 1 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 82 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

## **Broiler Chicks Placed Down 1 Percent**

Broiler growers in the 15-State weekly program placed 141 million chicks for meat production during the week ending February 17, 2001. Placements down 1 percent from the comparable week in 2000. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2000 through February 17, 2001 were 1.00 billion, down 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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**Broiler Eggs Set, 15 Selected States** 

|                     | Week Ending    |                |                |               |                |                |  |  |
|---------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|--|--|
| State               | Jan 13<br>2001 | Jan 20<br>2001 | Jan 27<br>2001 | Feb 3<br>2001 | Feb 10<br>2001 | Feb 17<br>2001 |  |  |
|                     | Thousand       | Thousand       | Thousand       | Thousand      | Thousand       | Thousand       |  |  |
| AL                  | 28,318         | *27,547        | *27,306        | 27,668        | 28,021         | 28,323         |  |  |
| AR                  | 28,905         | 29,167         | 29,413         | 29,702        | 29,752         | 27,307         |  |  |
| DE                  | 4,021          | 4,118          | 3,875          | 3,974         | 3,976          | 4,262          |  |  |
| FL                  | 2,585          | 2,499          | 2,486          | 2,489         | 2,724          | 2,719          |  |  |
| GA                  | 31,007         | 30,628         | *30,646        | 30,381        | *30,786        | 31,104         |  |  |
| MD                  | 8,448          | 8,679          | 8,306          | 8,205         | 8,279          | 8,590          |  |  |
| MS                  | 18,144         | 18,100         | 17,938         | 17,916        | 18,097         | 18,167         |  |  |
| NC                  | 17,973         | 17,620         | *16,856        | 17,866        | 18,514         | 17,760         |  |  |
| PA                  | 3,500          | 3,515          | 3,643          | 3,826         | 3,410          | 3,614          |  |  |
| SC                  | 4,737          | 4,832          | 4,661          | 4,934         | 4,748          | 4,699          |  |  |
| TX                  | 14,380         | 14,412         | 14,475         | 13,990        | 14,553         | 14,544         |  |  |
| VA                  | 6,409          | 6,481          | 6,591          | 6,582         | *6,558         | 6,607          |  |  |
| CA, TN, & WV        | 11,302         | 11,610         | 11,180         | 11,387        | *11,371        | 11,486         |  |  |
| 15 State Total      | 179,729        | *179,208       | *177,376       | 178,920       | *180,789       | 179,182        |  |  |
| Previous Year Total | 180,679        | 181,734        | 179,169        | 178,533       | 178,059        | 178,218        |  |  |
| Pct. of Prev. Year  | 99             | 99             | 99             | 100           | 102            | 101            |  |  |

<sup>\*</sup> Revised.

**Broiler Chicks Placed, 15 Selected States** 

|                     | Week Ending |          |          |          |          |          |  |  |
|---------------------|-------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|--|--|
| State               | Jan 13      | Jan 20   | Jan 27   | Feb 3    | Feb 10   | Feb 17   |  |  |
|                     | 2001        | 2001     | 2001     | 2001     | 2001     | 2001     |  |  |
|                     | Thousand    | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand |  |  |
| AL                  | 21,435      | 20,726   | 20,586   | 21,082   | 20,714   | 20,568   |  |  |
| AR                  | 23,255      | *22,233  | *24,001  | *23,584  | *22,457  | 22,484   |  |  |
| DE                  | 4,973       | 4,540    | 5,423    | 4,982    | *5,526   | 4,347    |  |  |
| FL                  | 2,402       | 2,340    | 2,236    | 2,300    | 2,183    | 2,049    |  |  |
| GA                  | 24,214      | 24,653   | 24,407   | 24,213   | *24,709  | 24,440   |  |  |
| MD                  | 5,193       | 5,646    | 4,906    | 5,702    | *5,050   | 5,876    |  |  |
| MS                  | 15,339      | 14,870   | 15,193   | 15,290   | 15,261   | 14,843   |  |  |
| NC                  | 14,634      | 14,466   | 13,727   | 14,658   | 13,768   | 13,585   |  |  |
| PA                  | 2,709       | 2,541    | 2,763    | 2,687    | 2,469    | 2,726    |  |  |
| SC                  | 3,836       | 4,058    | 4,229    | 4,160    | 4,067    | 4,017    |  |  |
| TX                  | 11,285      | 11,345   | 11,180   | 11,106   | 11,218   | 11,258   |  |  |
| VA                  | 5,254       | 5,273    | 5,322    | 4,758    | *5,291   | 5,526    |  |  |
| CA, TN, & WV        | 9,341       | 9,587    | 9,940    | 10,255   | *10,527  | 9,565    |  |  |
| 15 State Total      | 143,870     | *142,278 | *143,913 | *144,777 | *143,240 | 141,284  |  |  |
| Previous Year Total | 144,745     | 145,179  | 145,644  | 144,326  | 145,858  | 143,311  |  |  |
| Pct. of Prev. Year  | 99          | 98       | 99       | 100      | 98       | 99       |  |  |

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