

# Broiler Hatchery

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## Broiler Eggs Set In 15 Selected States Up 4 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-State weekly program set 167 million eggs in incubators during the week ending October 27, 2001. This was up 4 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 Up 5 Percent**

Broiler growers in the 15-State weekly program placed 146 million chicks for meat production during the week ending October 27, 2001. Placements were up 5 percent from the comparable week in 2000. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2000 through October 27, 2001 were 6.31 billion, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

### Four Additional States in Weekly Program

Beginning May 16, 2001 four additional States were added to the weekly program for broiler eggs set in incubators and broiler chicks placed for meat production. The four additional States are Kentucky, Louisiana, Missouri, and Oklahoma. Data collection and weekly estimates began with the week ending April 7, 2001.

Commercial hatcheries for the 19 States set a total of 186 million eggs in incubators during the week ending October 27, 2001. Broiler growers in the 19 States placed 164 million chicks for meat production during the week ending October 27, 2001.

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# **Broiler Eggs Set, 19 Selected States**

State		Week Ending							
	Sep 22 2001	Sep 29 2001	Oct 6 2001	Oct 13 2001	Oct 20 2001	Oct 27 2001			
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand			
AL	27,106	29,091	29,344	27,781	26,517	26,109			
AR	29,665	28,546	30,178	29,619	28,743	27,357			
DE	3,482	3,580	3,515	3,448	3,362	3,408			
FL	2,327	2,243	2,239	2,221	2,188	2,311			
GA	30,136	30,551	*32,460	*31,312	28,785	29,221			
MD	8,833	8,988	8,576	8,712	8,828	8,514			
MS	18,555	18,174	*18,339	17,401	*16,571	16,224			
NC	17,671	17,631	*16,837	16,540	16,206	17,528			
PA	3,714	3,749	3,724	3,502	3,622	3,417			
SC	4,719	4,890	4,886	4,838	4,654	4,635			
TX	13,764	14,526	*14,864	14,207	12,837	12,187			
VA	6,421	6,189	*6,406	6,247	6,681	5,524			
CA, TN, & WV	10,516	10,679	11,010	*10,349	*10,335	10,382			
15 State Total	176,909	178,837	*182,378	*176,177	*169,329	166,817			
Previous Year Total	167,926	175,075	175,328	170,272	163,682	159,858			
Pct. of Prev. Year	105	102	104	103	103	104			
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand			
KY	5,553	5,351	5,572	4,886	*4,826	5,045			
OK	6,384	6,174	6,088	6,137	5,909	5,553			
LA & MO	8,393	9,231	8,783	8,612	8,392	9,066			
19 State Total	197,239	199,593	*202,821	*195,812	*188,456	186,481			

<sup>\*</sup> Revised.

# **Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States**

		Week Ending							
State	Sep 22 2001	Sep 29 2001	Oct 6 2001	Oct 13 2001	Oct 20 2001	Oct 27 2001			
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand			
AL	21,915	21,560	21,545	21,081	21,974	22,430			
AR	22,834	23,173	22,832	24,248	23,536	24,449			
DE	4,778	4,884	*4,204	4,459	4,946	4,812			
FL	2,440	2,134	2,205	2,065	2,204	2,047			
GA	25,791	25,210	25,448	24,074	*24,889	25,875			
MD	*5,753	5,467	*5,026	5,256	5,597	5,041			
MS	15,382	14,560	*13,674	15,411	*15,133	14,801			
NC	13,364	13,138	12,926	14,955	14,468	13,535			
PA	2,661	2,629	2,631	2,727	2,883	2,685			
SC	4,155	3,903	3,739	3,760	3,635	4,464			
TX	11,910	11,425	10,615	10,968	11,621	11,840			
VA	5,235	5,005	4,779	5,057	5,121	5,280			
CA, TN, & WV	9,548	8,533	8,833	*9,433	*9,113	9,118			
15 State Total	*145,766	141,621	*138,457	*143,494	*145,120	146,377			
Previous Year Total	140,916	136,863	136,083	134,917	140,691	139,655			
Pct. of Prev. Year	103	103	102	106	103	105			
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand			
KY	4,266	4,312	3,738	4,594	*4,171	4,435			
OK	5,840	4,215	5,242	4,850	4,531	4,769			
LA & MO	8,419	9,175	8,666	7,788	8,313	8,645			
19 State Total	*164,291	159,323	*156,103	*160,726	*162,135	164,226			

<sup>\*</sup> Revised.