

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 186 million eggs in incubators during the week ending February 2, 2002. 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 1 Percent

Broiler growers in the 15-State weekly program placed 147 million chicks for meat production during the week ending February 2, 2002. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week in 2001. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2001 through February 2, 2002 were 744 million, up 4 percent 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 209 million eggs in incubators during the week ending February 2, 2002. Broiler growers in the 19 States placed 166 million chicks for meat production during the week ending February 2, 2002.

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Broiler Eggs Set, 19 Selected States

State		Week Ending							
	Dec 29 2001	Jan 5 2002	Jan 12 2002	Jan 19 2002	Jan 26 2002	Feb 2 2002			
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand			
AL	29,358	29,029	*28,794	29,208	29,203	29,148			
AR	30,596	30,326	30,121	30,421	30,623	30,803			
DE	3,489	3,466	3,456	3,394	3,672	3,524			
FL	2,503	2,423	2,246	2,304	*2,163	2,391			
GA	30,758	31,349	*31,887	31,387	31,455	31,472			
MD	8,516	*9,611	*9,334	*9,747	*9,531	10,095			
MS	18,981	18,829	18,912	18,289	18,359	18,786			
NC	19,322	18,896	*18,007	18,567	18,348	19,269			
PA	3,640	3,720	3,590	3,797	*3,473	3,689			
SC	4,728	4,712	4,705	4,591	4,742	4,713			
TX	*15,387	*15,369	*14,969	*14,703	*15,319	15,101			
VA	6,631	6,634	6,277	6,218	6,602	6,643			
CA, TN, & WV	11,057	10,654	10,617	10,528	10,966	10,658			
15 State Total	*184,966	*185,018	*182,915	*183,154	*184,456	186,292			
Previous Year Total	176,109	178,831	179,729	179,208	177,434	178,493			
Pct. of Prev. Year	105	103	102	102	104	104			
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand			
KY	5,758	6,733	6,734	6,700	*6,477	6,418			
OK	6,481	*6,365	*6,278	6,078	*6,566	6,566			
LA & MO	8,973	8,836	8,670	9,090	8,900	9,252			
19 State Total	*206,178	*206,952	*204,597	*205,022	*206,399	208,528			

^{*} Revised.

Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

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State		Week Ending									
	Dec 29 2001	Jan 5 2002	Jan 12 2002	Jan 19 2002	Jan 26 2002	Feb 2 2002					
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand					
AL	22,437	22,209	22,107	22,781	22,013	22,429					
AR	23,849	23,768	24,092	23,526	24,074	23,464					
DE	4,371	*5,030	*4,891	*5,220	*5,563	4,952					
FL	2,274	2,279	2,331	2,389	*2,349	2,207					
GA	25,694	26,359	25,753	24,895	*26,034	25,510					
MD	5,001	*5,541	*6,065	*5,561	*5,339	5,316					
MS	15,274	15,991	15,982	15,956	15,658	15,683					
NC	14,245	14,673	15,213	15,016	14,381	13,810					
PA	2,645	2,719	2,735	2,577	*2,545	2,684					
SC	4,225	3,685	3,883	3,803	3,697	3,876					
TX	11,831	*11,936	*11,964	*12,191	*12,100	11,754					
VA	5,104	5,868	5,650	5,622	5,726	5,723					
CA, TN, & WV	9,319	9,194	8,872	9,925	9,353	9,219					
15 State Total	146,269	*149,252	*149,538	*149,462	*148,832	146,627					
Previous Year Total	138,710	142,848	143,870	142,278	143,929	144,793					
Pct. of Prev. Year	105	104	104	105	103	101					
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand					
KY	5,269	5,576	5,497	4,779	*5,721	6,105					
OK	5,082	3,985	4,828	4,590	*4,442	5,064					
LA & MO	8,418	10,207	9,020	9,599	8,605	8,190					
19 State Total	165,038	*169,020	*168,883	*168,430	*167,600	165,986					

^{*} Revised.