

Broiler Hatchery

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Broiler Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Up 1 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 206 million eggs in incubators during the week ending August 10, 2002. 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 Up Slightly

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 168 million chicks for meat production during the week ending August 10, 2002. Placements were up slightly from the comparable week in 2001. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2001 through August 10, 2002 were 5.44 billion.

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Broiler Eggs Set, 19 Selected States

	Week Ending							
State	Jul 6 2002	Jul 13 2002	Jul 20 2002	Jul 27 2002	Aug 3 2002	Aug 10 2002		
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand		
AL	29,241	29,615	*29,849	29,594	*29,741	29,724		
AR	29,561	30,567	*30,449	30,422	30,322	29,434		
DE	3,478	3,520	3,542	3,578	*3,611	3,684		
FL	2,358	2,361	*2,294	2,362	*2,318	2,008		
GA	31,739	32,588	31,925	32,223	*32,390	31,629		
KY	6,551	6,788	6,781	6,573	*6,707	6,680		
MD	9,849	9,925	9,879	9,808	10,003	9,889		
MS	18,740	19,181	18,788	18,877	19,118	18,591		
NC	18,848	18,537	*19,034	18,232	18,485	18,602		
OK	6,505	6,621	6,546	6,817	6,698	6,848		
PA	3,784	3,779	4,032	3,681	*3,717	3,682		
SC	4,649	4,895	4,716	4,751	*4,839	4,917		
TX	*15,151	*14,683	*14,626	*14,687	*14,761	14,234		
VA	6,288	6,119	6,300	*6,054	*6,305	6,276		
CA, LA, MO, TN, & WV	*20,083	*19,728	20,343	*19,507	*20,410	19,794		
19 State Total	*206,825	*208,907	*209,104	*207,166	*209,425	205,992		
Previous Year Total	202,616	207,061	208,170	204,300	206,930	204,638		
Pct. of Prev. Year	102	101	100	101	101	101		

^{*} Revised

Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

	Week Ending							
State	Jul 6 2002	Jul 13 2002	Jul 20 2002	Jul 27 2002	Aug 3 2002	Aug 10 2002		
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand		
AL	21,904	21,088	21,823	21,793	*22,469	22,225		
AR	24,268	23,811	24,396	24,202	24,227	23,510		
DE	5,351	5,832	5,442	5,681	*5,248	4,883		
FL	2,417	2,233	2,331	2,406	*2,334	2,312		
GA	26,612	26,183	26,274	*25,558	*26,372	25,679		
KY	5,586	4,837	5,237	5,340	*5,460	5,516		
MD	6,357	5,650	4,961	5,516	*5,326	6,251		
MS	15,968	15,779	15,252	15,401	*16,020	15,670		
NC	14,672	15,138	14,188	15,056	*14,934	14,364		
OK	4,857	4,707	4,337	3,985	4,936	4,942		
PA	2,801	2,824	2,674	2,767	*2,798	2,834		
SC	3,957	3,767	4,087	3,633	*3,400	4,005		
TX	*12,197	*11,725	*11,500	*11,998	*11,729	11,657		
VA	5,366	4,958	5,089	5,126	5,846	5,671		
CA, LA, MO, TN, & WV	*20,047	*19,785	*18,532	*18,977	*18,568	18,683		
19 State Total	*172,360	*168,317	*166,123	*167,439	*169,667	168,202		
Previous Year Total	169,801	165,397	164,118	164,605	167,418	168,196		
Pct. of Prev. Year	102	102	101	102	101	100		

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