



Broiler Hatchery

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Broiler Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Up 2 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 213 million eggs in incubators during the week ending February 12, 2005. This was up 2 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 84 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 19-State weekly program placed 176 million chicks for meat production during the week ending February 12, 2005. Placements were up 5 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 2, 2005 through February 12, 2005 were 1.04 billion, up 4 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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Broiler Eggs Set, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jan 8 2005	Jan 15 2005	Jan 22 2005	Jan 29 2005	Feb 5 2005	Feb 12 2005
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	29,217	29,428	*29,956	29,380	30,003	29,976
AR	31,479	31,506	30,744	31,023	*31,088	31,083
DE	3,916	3,647	3,772	*3,898	3,916	3,929
FL	1,324	1,339	1,338	1,338	1,332	1,343
GA	33,667	33,386	*32,913	33,528	33,908	33,521
KY	6,963	7,250	*6,946	7,056	7,175	7,237
LA	3,997	4,014	3,984	3,984	3,984	4,044
MD	8,754	8,763	8,147	8,584	8,882	8,900
MS	19,527	19,256	*19,830	19,770	19,693	19,558
NC	17,738	*17,782	*18,144	18,069	18,278	18,623
OK	6,379	6,324	6,448	6,511	6,453	6,467
PA	3,817	3,972	3,887	*4,001	*4,060	4,039
SC	4,875	5,041	5,068	4,956	5,142	5,316
TX	14,948	13,800	15,248	15,209	15,107	15,131
VA	6,300	6,146	6,370	6,542	6,496	5,980
CA, MO, TN, & WV	17,331	17,890	*18,538	*17,499	*17,995	18,256
19 State Total	210,232	*209,544	*211,333	*211,348	*213,512	213,403
Previous Year Total	206,529	206,764	205,540	204,460	206,642	208,421
Pct. of Prev. Year	102	101	103	103	103	102

* Revised

Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jan 8 2005	Jan 15 2005	Jan 22 2005	Jan 29 2005	Feb 5 2005	Feb 12 2005
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	21,737	21,279	21,188	20,840	21,171	21,630
AR	24,740	25,886	24,907	25,119	25,702	24,929
DE	5,792	6,111	5,353	*5,294	5,402	5,233
FL	1,505	1,554	1,525	1,638	1,500	1,500
GA	27,202	26,659	27,060	26,864	27,067	26,377
KY	*5,722	*5,476	*6,090	*6,139	*6,246	6,273
LA	4,110	3,843	3,819	4,025	3,915	3,830
MD	5,367	4,624	5,299	*4,194	5,319	4,826
MS	17,575	17,195	17,012	17,634	17,559	18,184
NC	14,503	14,989	*14,465	14,411	14,540	14,668
OK	4,771	5,537	4,481	4,783	*5,165	5,258
PA	3,028	2,864	2,987	*2,909	*2,963	2,826
SC	4,496	4,011	4,134	3,854	4,152	4,722
TX	12,134	12,734	12,460	*12,640	*11,659	12,813
VA	4,718	5,252	5,660	5,703	4,826	5,385
CA, MO, TN, & WV	16,066	15,719	16,209	*15,264	*15,775	17,390
19 State Total	*173,466	*173,733	*172,649	*171,311	*172,961	175,844
Previous Year Total	166,769	166,529	165,515	168,098	168,937	167,265
Pct. of Prev. Year	104	104	104	102	102	105

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