

Broiler Hatchery

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Broiler Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Up Slightly

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 212 million eggs in incubators during the week ending July 9, 2005. This was up slightly from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler Chicks Down Slightly

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 176 million chicks for meat production during the week ending July 9, 2005. Placements were down slightly from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 2, 2005 through July 9, 2005 were 4.76 billion, up 2 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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Broiler Eggs Set, 19 Selected States

	Week Ending							
State	Jun 4	Jun 11	Jun 18	Jun 25	Jul 2	Jul 9		
	2005	2005	2005	2005	2005	2005		
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand		
AL	31,750	31,786	31,240	30,846	31,374	31,272		
AR	31,505	31,343	31,354	30,905	30,301	30,623		
DE	4,039	4,110	4,136	4,061	3,798	3,974		
FL	1,374	1,382	1,394	1,403	1,342	1,384		
GA	33,650	33,397	33,499	*33,173	*32,313	33,436		
KY	6,948	*7,076	*6,836	6,560	6,999	7,138		
LA	4,104	4,105	4,105	4,105	4,042	4,135		
MD	9,013	8,996	9,009	9,016	*9,022	9,022		
MS	18,948	19,069	19,178	18,959	19,191	19,162		
NC	18,609	18,977	*17,917	*18,588	17,716	17,551		
OK	6,526	6,412	6,506	6,508	6,563	6,238		
PA	3,919	3,986	4,001	3,979	*3,895	3,993		
SC	5,232	5,053	5,175	5,065	5,283	5,052		
TX	15,389	15,396	*15,416	*15,251	*14,584	15,329		
VA	6,512	6,358	6,556	6,495	*6,226	6,260		
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*18,236	*18,415	*18,248	*17,771	*17,430	17,225		
19 State Total	*215,754	*215,861	*214,570	*212,685	*210,079	211,794		
Previous Year Total	212,431	214,186	214,006	212,929	210,618	211,359		
Pct. of Prev. Year	102	101	100	100	100	100		

^{*} Revised

Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

	Week Ending							
State	Jun 4 2005	Jun 11 2005	Jun 18 2005	Jun 25 2005	Jul 2 2005	Jul 9 2005		
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand		
AL	21,668	22,017	22,158	21,560	22,088	21,748		
AR	25,093	25,012	*24,643	*25,470	*25,763	23,877		
DE	5,693	5,708	5,999	5,822	*5,913	5,978		
FL	1,528	1,442	1,536	1,482	1,516	1,502		
GA	27,753	*27,580	*26,841	*28,280	*26,933	27,655		
KY	6,335	6,182	6,025	6,222	*5,563	5,840		
LA	4,093	3,800	4,134	4,057	3,801	4,155		
MD	5,058	5,395	5,009	5,533	*5,471	5,287		
MS	17,041	17,033	17,160	17,212	17,248	17,291		
NC	15,589	15,594	15,311	*14,998	*15,896	15,012		
OK	4,921	4,939	4,999	5,405	4,761	5,532		
PA	3,035	3,005	2,997	2,963	*2,885	2,803		
SC	4,148	3,996	4,927	4,605	*4,337	3,975		
TX	13,018	12,904	12,937	12,972	*12,909	12,858		
VA	4,782	5,466	5,455	5,496	*5,108	5,031		
CA, MO, TN, & WV	16,998	17,464	*17,421	*16,085	*17,545	17,745		
19 State Total	176,753	*177,537	*177,552	*178,162	*177,737	176,289		
Previous Year Total	176,393	177,930	175,598	175,595	176,751	176,620		
Pct. of Prev. Year	100	100	101	101	101	100		

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