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### Broiler Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Down 1 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 214 million eggs in incubators during the week ending July 30, 2005. This was down 1 percent 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 Up Slightly**

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 175 million chicks for meat production during the week ending July 30, 2005. Placements were up slightly from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 2, 2005 through July 30, 2005 were 5.28 billion, up 2 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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	Week Ending							
State	Jun 25 2005	Jul 2 2005	Jul 9 2005	Jul 16 2005	Jul 23 2005	Jul 30 2005		
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand		
AL	31,218	31,374	*31,402	31,768	31,918	31,505		
AR	30,555	30,301	30,623	30,603	30,862	31,178		
DE	4,061	3,798	3,974	4,073	4,070	4,060		
FL	1,403	1,377	1,384	1,384	1,380	1,383		
GA	33,173	31,950	33,436	33,337	*33,050	33,130		
KY	6,622	7,046	*7,142	*7,086	*7,124	7,085		
LA	4,105	4,042	4,135	4,135	4,135	4,135		
MD	9,016	9,022	9,022	8,938	8,950	8,878		
MS	18,959	19,191	19,165	19,101	19,099	18,970		
NC	18,434	17,396	*17,378	18,350	17,851	18,064		
OK	6,508	6,563	6,282	6,563	*6,563	6,608		
PA	*4,037	3,774	4,117	4,045	*4,333	4,061		
SC	5,065	5,283	5,052	4,971	*5,141	5,050		
TX	15,251	14,584	15,329	15,208	15,199	15,078		
VA	6,495	6,226	6,491	6,062	6,474	6,333		
CA, MO, TN, & WV	17,771	17,530	17,243	18,260	*17,952	18,301		
19 State Total	*212,673	209,457	*212,175	*213,884	*214,101	213,819		
Previous Year Total	212,929	210,618	211,359	214,348	213,160	214,939		
Pct. of Prev. Year	100	99	100	100	100	99		

\* Revised

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

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State		Week Ending								
	Jun 25 2005	Jul 2 2005	Jul 9 2005	Jul 16 2005	Jul 23 2005	Jul 30 2005				
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand				
AL	21,560	22,088	21,748	21,383	21,943	21,683				
AR	25,470	25,763	24,035	24,077	*23,448	25,144				
DE	5,822	5,913	5,978	6,395	4,147	5,103				
FL	1,482	1,516	1,502	1,489	1,445	1,586				
GA	28,280	27,057	*27,716	*27,350	*26,050	27,528				
KY	6,222	5,563	*5,820	*5,814	*5,818	5,981				
LA	4,057	3,801	4,204	4,055	4,120	4,118				
MD	5,533	5,471	5,284	4,830	6,545	5,710				
MS	17,212	17,248	17,297	17,350	*17,459	17,394				
NC	14,998	15,896	15,010	15,103	14,258	14,422				
OK	5,405	4,761	5,531	5,600	*5,121	3,869				
PA	*2,982	2,965	*2,951	2,984	*2,841	3,007				
SC	4,605	4,337	3,975	4,544	*4,467	3,854				
TX	12,972	13,002	12,964	12,881	12,302	12,884				
VA	5,496	5,108	4,734	5,209	*5,225	5,707				
CA, MO, TN, & WV	16,085	17,545	17,780	16,633	17,318	16,859				
19 State Total	*178,181	178,034	*176,529	*175,697	*172,507	174,849				
Previous Year Total	175,595	176,751	176,620	176,174	173,185	174,183				
Pct. of Prev. Year	101	101	100	100	100	100				

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