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## Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Down Slightly

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 208 million eggs in incubators during the week ending September 3, 2005. This was down slightly 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 Down 3 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 170 million chicks for meat production during the week ending September 3, 2005. Placements were down 3 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 2, 2005 through September 3, 2005 were 6.15 billion, up 2 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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| State | Week Ending |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Jul } 30 \\ 2005 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Aug } 6 \\ & 2005 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Aug } 13 \\ 2005 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Aug } 20 \\ 2005 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Aug } 27 \\ & 2005 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sep } 3 \\ & 2005 \end{aligned}$ |
|  | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand |
| AL | 31,627 | 31,350 | 31,532 | 31,132 | 31,580 | 31,315 |
| AR | 31,178 | 30,929 | 29,854 | 30,050 | 30,918 | 29,480 |
| DE | 4,060 | 3,956 | 3,940 | 3,938 | 3,784 | 3,835 |
| FL | 1,383 | 1,381 | 1,382 | 1,287 | 1,379 | 1,394 |
| GA | 33,130 | 33,402 | *33,246 | 34,828 | 33,247 | 33,235 |
| KY | 7,031 | *7,119 | *7,058 | 6,932 | *6,652 | 6,936 |
| LA | 4,135 | 4,135 | 4,135 | 4,120 | 4,073 | 4,027 |
| MD | 8,878 | 8,963 | 8,731 | 8,934 | 8,919 | 8,876 |
| MS | 18,970 | 18,794 | 18,998 | 18,906 | *18,605 | 17,489 |
| NC | 18,461 | 18,193 | *18,187 | 18,082 | *17,511 | 17,301 |
| OK | 6,622 | 6,638 | 6,590 | 6,601 | 6,734 | 6,508 |
| PA | 4,131 | 3,989 | 4,107 | 4,066 | *4,197 | 4,109 |
| SC | 5,050 | 5,060 | 5,198 | 5,110 | 5,175 | 4,796 |
| TX | 15,085 | 14,233 | 13,830 | 15,001 | 15,066 | 15,050 |
| VA | 5,984 | 6,408 | 6,274 | 6,270 | 6,196 | 6,182 |
| CA, MO, TN, \& WV | *18,424 | *18,434 | *17,816 | *18,499 | *17,245 | 17,808 |
| 19 State Total | *214,149 | *212,984 | *210,878 | *213,756 | *211,281 | 208,341 |
| Previous Year Total | 214,939 | 213,074 | 213,309 | 212,926 | 210,468 | 209,170 |
| Pct. of Prev. Year | 100 | 100 | 99 | 100 | 100 | 100 |

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Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

| State | Week Ending |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand |
| AL | 21,683 | 22,250 | 21,274 | 21,635 | 21,617 | 21,557 |
| AR | 24,315 | 23,813 | 24,581 | 25,069 | 24,158 | 23,610 |
| DE | 5,629 | 6,216 | 5,998 | 5,954 | 5,864 | 5,853 |
| FL | 1,586 | 1,488 | 1,635 | 1,511 | 1,510 | 1,662 |
| GA | 27,496 | 27,134 | *27,802 | 26,602 | *26,397 | 26,973 |
| KY | 5,983 | 6,077 | 6,271 | 6,093 | *6,226 | 5,790 |
| LA | 4,118 | 4,167 | 4,053 | 3,936 | *4,134 | 3,726 |
| MD | 5,216 | 4,920 | 5,327 | 4,987 | 5,253 | 5,076 |
| MS | 17,394 | 17,385 | 17,466 | 17,240 | *16,994 | 15,117 |
| NC | 14,422 | 15,101 | 15,162 | 15,168 | *14,472 | 15,033 |
| OK | 3,868 | 4,804 | 5,101 | 4,907 | 4,387 | 4,953 |
| PA | 3,109 | 3,025 | 3,360 | 3,104 | *3,001 | 3,012 |
| SC | 3,854 | 4,291 | 4,007 | 4,721 | 5,003 | 4,140 |
| TX | 12,893 | 12,785 | 12,724 | 12,595 | 12,084 | 11,753 |
| VA | 5,707 | 5,136 | 5,019 | 5,172 | 5,207 | 5,094 |
| CA, MO, TN, \& WV | *16,941 | *17,503 | *16,202 | *16,229 | *17,832 | 16,259 |
| 19 State Total | *174,214 | *176,095 | * 175,982 | *174,923 | *174,139 | 169,608 |
| Previous Year Total | 174,183 | 175,954 | 175,391 | 176,170 | 175,177 | 174,771 |
| Pct. of Prev. Year | 100 | 100 | 100 | 99 | 99 | 97 |

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