

Broiler Hatchery

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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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Broiler-Type Eggs Set, 19 Selected States

	Week Ending							
State	Jul 30 2005	Aug 6 2005	Aug 13 2005	Aug 20 2005	Aug 27 2005	Sep 3 2005		
	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		

^{*} Revised

Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending							
	Jul 30 2005	Aug 6 2005	Aug 13 2005	Aug 20 2005	Aug 27 2005	Sep 3 2005		
	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		

^{*} Revised