



# Broiler Hatchery

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## Broiler-Type 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 September 22, 2007. This was up 2 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 Placed Up 2 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 176 million chicks for meat production during the week ending September 22, 2007. Placements were up 2 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2006 through September 22, 2007 were 6.72 billion, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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**Broiler-Type Eggs Set, 19 Selected States**

State	Week Ending					
	Aug 18 2007	Aug 25 2007	Sep 1 2007	Sep 8 2007	Sep 15 2007	Sep 22 2007
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	32,061	31,632	*31,536	30,964	*31,385	31,534
AR	28,305	28,234	28,271	27,155	26,429	27,324
DE	4,186	3,958	3,974	3,954	*3,884	3,997
FL	1,344	1,366	1,344	1,344	1,344	1,344
GA	35,726	35,676	36,031	34,273	34,299	35,012
KY	7,815	*7,608	*7,766	7,214	*7,215	8,096
LA	4,044	4,044	4,038	4,029	3,999	3,978
MD	8,823	8,624	8,360	8,500	*7,950	8,512
MS	18,656	17,771	17,633	18,093	17,881	17,434
NC	19,074	19,713	*19,126	17,926	19,068	19,395
OK	6,627	6,780	6,720	6,749	6,049	6,977
PA	4,341	4,484	4,397	*4,204	*4,058	4,290
SC	5,554	5,592	5,370	5,390	5,547	5,518
TX	15,027	14,995	14,970	14,583	13,224	13,982
VA	6,245	6,349	6,290	6,211	5,810	6,223
CA, MO, TN, & WV	19,065	19,254	*20,032	18,854	*18,129	18,890
19 State Total	216,893	*216,080	*215,858	*209,443	*206,271	212,506
Previous Year Total	212,830	213,141	211,613	204,137	202,441	207,521
Pct. of Prev. Year	102	101	102	103	102	102

\* Revised

**Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States**

State	Week Ending					
	Aug 18 2007	Aug 25 2007	Sep 1 2007	Sep 8 2007	Sep 15 2007	Sep 22 2007
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	21,217	21,361	21,584	20,757	*20,978	20,866
AR	23,964	24,673	24,551	23,745	24,169	23,070
DE	5,130	5,224	4,937	4,874	*4,922	5,123
FL	1,461	1,374	1,474	1,354	1,343	1,343
GA	29,268	30,272	28,900	29,267	29,387	28,786
KY	6,388	6,032	6,132	6,452	*5,911	6,436
LA	3,618	3,835	3,865	3,979	3,905	4,225
MD	5,326	5,575	5,860	6,109	*5,703	5,551
MS	16,920	17,090	17,079	16,947	16,238	15,976
NC	16,428	16,123	16,300	15,934	16,414	15,950
OK	4,918	4,205	4,521	4,897	5,383	5,619
PA	3,067	2,794	3,018	*3,123	*3,252	3,180
SC	5,076	4,430	4,830	4,382	4,512	5,087
TX	12,834	12,020	12,345	12,486	12,385	12,519
VA	4,820	5,080	4,916	5,271	5,353	4,866
CA, MO, TN, & WV	17,994	17,334	17,144	17,153	*16,840	17,720
19 State Total	178,429	177,422	177,456	*176,730	*176,695	176,317
Previous Year Total	175,536	174,052	173,686	174,016	174,374	173,499
Pct. of Prev. Year	102	102	102	102	101	102

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