



Broiler Hatchery

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Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Up 4 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 213 million eggs in incubators during the week ending October 6, 2007. This was up 4 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 3 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 169 million chicks for meat production during the week ending October 6, 2007. Placements were up 3 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2006 through October 6, 2007 were 7.06 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					
	Sep 1 2007	Sep 8 2007	Sep 15 2007	Sep 22 2007	Sep 29 2007	Oct 6 2007
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	31,536	30,946	31,385	31,535	30,714	31,892
AR	28,271	*27,225	26,429	27,324	*26,379	27,443
DE	3,974	3,954	3,885	3,870	*4,218	3,996
FL	1,344	1,344	*1,374	1,344	1,344	1,344
GA	36,031	34,273	34,299	35,012	*33,548	35,453
KY	7,766	*7,126	*7,003	8,096	6,891	7,555
LA	4,038	4,029	3,999	3,978	3,712	4,015
MD	8,360	8,500	7,950	8,512	8,732	8,495
MS	17,633	18,093	17,881	17,434	17,106	17,409
NC	19,126	*17,631	*19,135	19,395	*18,396	18,271
OK	6,720	6,749	6,049	6,977	6,373	6,896
PA	4,397	4,204	4,058	*4,297	4,316	4,289
SC	5,370	5,390	5,547	5,518	5,728	5,394
TX	14,970	14,642	13,224	13,982	14,173	14,691
VA	6,290	6,211	5,810	6,223	5,855	6,264
CA, MO, TN, & WV	20,032	*18,833	*18,106	*18,831	*19,560	19,604
19 State Total	215,858	*209,150	*206,134	*212,328	*207,045	213,011
Previous Year Total	211,613	204,137	202,441	207,521	203,118	205,727
Pct. of Prev. Year	102	102	102	102	102	104

* Revised

Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Sep 1 2007	Sep 8 2007	Sep 15 2007	Sep 22 2007	Sep 29 2007	Oct 6 2007
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	21,584	20,757	20,991	20,892	20,015	20,489
AR	24,551	23,745	24,169	23,070	*23,197	22,624
DE	4,937	4,874	4,841	5,259	*4,540	4,790
FL	1,474	1,354	1,343	1,343	1,393	1,183
GA	28,900	29,267	29,387	28,786	*28,243	28,416
KY	6,132	6,452	5,911	6,436	*5,832	6,078
LA	3,865	3,979	3,905	4,225	4,057	3,552
MD	5,860	6,109	5,783	5,408	*6,343	5,429
MS	17,079	16,947	16,238	16,172	16,618	16,183
NC	16,300	15,934	16,414	15,950	*14,872	15,897
OK	4,521	4,897	5,383	5,619	5,097	4,950
PA	3,018	3,123	3,252	*3,139	3,155	3,022
SC	4,830	4,382	4,512	5,087	*4,663	4,890
TX	12,345	12,486	12,385	12,519	12,202	11,155
VA	4,916	5,271	5,353	4,866	4,887	4,561
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*17,097	*17,120	*16,823	*17,739	*16,881	15,942
19 State Total	*177,409	*176,697	*176,690	*176,510	*171,995	169,161
Previous Year Total	173,686	174,016	174,374	173,499	167,530	164,849
Pct. of Prev. Year	102	102	101	102	103	103

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