



Broiler Hatchery

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Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Up 3 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 210 million eggs in incubators during the week ending October 13, 2007. This was up 3 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 173 million chicks for meat production during the week ending October 13, 2007. Placements were up 3 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2006 through October 13, 2007 were 7.23 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 8 2007	Sep 15 2007	Sep 22 2007	Sep 29 2007	Oct 6 2007	Oct 13 2007
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	30,946	31,385	*31,536	*30,715	*31,282	30,396
AR	27,225	26,429	27,324	26,379	*27,403	26,967
DE	3,954	3,885	3,870	4,218	3,996	4,189
FL	1,344	1,374	1,344	1,344	1,344	1,344
GA	34,273	34,299	*34,639	33,548	35,453	35,144
KY	7,126	7,003	*8,144	6,891	*7,630	6,925
LA	4,029	3,999	3,978	3,712	4,015	3,829
MD	8,500	7,950	8,512	8,732	8,495	8,460
MS	18,093	17,881	17,434	17,106	17,409	17,559
NC	17,631	19,135	*19,516	18,396	18,271	18,702
OK	6,749	6,049	*6,877	6,373	*6,584	6,472
PA	4,204	4,058	4,297	*4,360	*4,313	4,175
SC	5,390	5,547	5,518	5,728	5,394	5,343
TX	14,642	13,224	13,982	14,173	*14,689	14,476
VA	6,211	5,810	6,223	5,855	6,264	6,324
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*18,865	*18,133	*18,858	*19,587	*19,588	19,298
19 State Total	*209,182	*206,161	*212,052	*207,117	*212,130	209,603
Previous Year Total	204,137	202,441	207,521	203,118	205,727	203,451
Pct. of Prev. Year	102	102	102	102	103	103

* Revised

Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Sep 8 2007	Sep 15 2007	Sep 22 2007	Sep 29 2007	Oct 6 2007	Oct 13 2007
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	20,757	20,991	*20,803	*20,039	*20,316	20,747
AR	23,745	24,169	23,070	23,197	*22,630	23,143
DE	4,874	4,841	5,259	4,540	4,790	4,844
FL	1,354	1,343	*1,427	1,393	*1,083	1,519
GA	29,267	29,387	28,786	28,243	*28,411	28,984
KY	6,452	5,911	6,436	5,832	*5,957	6,633
LA	3,979	3,905	4,225	4,057	3,552	3,881
MD	6,109	5,783	5,408	6,343	5,429	5,636
MS	16,947	16,238	16,172	*16,586	*16,434	16,096
NC	15,934	16,414	15,950	14,872	15,897	16,579
OK	4,897	5,383	5,619	5,097	*4,951	4,922
PA	3,123	3,252	3,139	*3,119	*3,028	3,250
SC	*4,383	*4,513	5,087	4,663	4,890	3,846
TX	12,486	12,385	12,519	12,202	*11,154	11,816
VA	5,271	5,353	4,866	4,887	4,561	5,096
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*17,156	*16,868	*17,772	*16,914	*16,080	16,350
19 State Total	*176,734	*176,736	*176,538	*171,984	*169,163	173,342
Previous Year Total	174,016	174,374	173,499	167,530	164,849	167,994
Pct. of Prev. Year	102	101	102	103	103	103

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