



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 206 million eggs in incubators during the week ending November 3, 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 4 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 172 million chicks for meat production during the week ending November 3, 2007. Placements were up 4 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2006 through November 3, 2007 were 7.75 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 29 2007	Oct 6 2007	Oct 13 2007	Oct 20 2007	Oct 27 2007	Nov 3 2007
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	30,628	31,412	*30,305	30,682	*27,878	28,803
AR	26,197	27,807	26,967	25,563	24,231	26,388
DE	4,218	3,996	4,188	4,121	*3,956	4,174
FL	1,366	1,344	*1,364	1,364	1,344	1,358
GA	33,748	35,764	*35,031	33,967	35,114	34,040
KY	*7,181	*7,688	*6,977	6,575	7,493	6,605
LA	3,712	4,015	3,829	3,939	3,923	3,769
MD	8,732	8,495	8,460	7,791	*7,806	8,938
MS	17,106	17,288	17,559	17,601	17,551	18,203
NC	18,919	18,442	*18,259	18,702	18,815	18,647
OK	6,373	6,584	6,472	6,371	*6,661	6,124
PA	4,432	4,368	3,917	4,081	4,127	4,155
SC	5,728	5,394	5,343	5,641	5,590	4,549
TX	*14,156	*14,769	*14,310	*13,367	*13,477	15,061
VA	5,855	6,264	6,324	6,184	6,370	5,977
CA, MO, TN, & WV	19,573	19,574	19,138	18,297	*18,460	18,992
19 State Total	*207,924	*213,204	*208,443	*204,246	*202,796	205,783
Previous Year Total	203,118	205,727	203,451	196,782	192,800	198,175
Pct. of Prev. Year	102	104	102	104	105	104

* Revised

Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Sep 29 2007	Oct 6 2007	Oct 13 2007	Oct 20 2007	Oct 27 2007	Nov 3 2007
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	20,039	20,316	20,896	20,528	*21,384	19,893
AR	23,197	22,630	23,143	22,846	23,948	24,126
DE	4,540	4,790	4,844	5,415	*4,912	4,472
FL	1,393	1,083	1,519	1,432	1,522	1,562
GA	28,243	28,411	28,985	27,222	27,443	28,519
KY	*5,704	*5,857	*6,944	*6,115	*5,923	5,787
LA	4,057	3,552	3,881	3,576	3,938	3,598
MD	6,343	5,429	5,785	5,805	*5,946	6,104
MS	16,586	16,434	16,096	15,846	15,804	16,276
NC	14,872	15,897	16,579	15,516	15,223	15,144
OK	5,097	4,951	4,922	4,474	*4,596	4,719
PA	3,210	2,984	3,154	3,180	3,306	2,921
SC	4,663	4,890	3,846	5,481	5,476	4,015
TX	12,202	*11,142	*11,804	*11,907	*12,495	12,104
VA	4,887	4,561	4,750	4,560	4,960	5,360
CA, MO, TN, & WV	16,885	16,069	16,688	16,100	*17,813	16,982
19 State Total	*171,918	*168,996	*173,836	*170,003	*174,689	171,582
Previous Year Total	167,530	164,849	167,994	165,109	167,680	165,516
Pct. of Prev. Year	103	103	103	103	104	104

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