



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 218 million eggs in incubators during the week ending February 9, 2008. 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 177 million chicks for meat production during the week ending February 9, 2008. Placements were up 3 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2007 through February 9, 2008 were 1.07 billion, up 3 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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Broiler-Type Eggs Set, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jan 5 2008	Jan 12 2008	Jan 19 2008	Jan 26 2008	Feb 2 2008	Feb 9 2008
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	31,796	32,012	*32,173	31,551	31,501	31,908
AR	28,401	28,042	*28,286	28,269	28,566	28,749
DE	4,182	4,057	4,026	4,162	*4,095	3,868
FL	1,359	1,369	1,368	1,368	1,369	1,369
GA	*35,904	*34,851	*35,121	*35,348	*35,796	35,361
KY	7,646	7,570	*7,306	7,828	*7,478	7,861
LA	3,706	3,685	3,920	3,893	3,863	3,893
MD	9,042	8,969	8,980	9,005	9,025	9,104
MS	17,832	18,495	18,769	18,717	*18,826	18,661
NC	19,648	19,822	*19,512	19,624	19,548	19,506
OK	6,660	6,585	*6,351	6,490	6,661	6,553
PA	4,404	4,345	4,405	4,223	4,261	4,294
SC	5,515	5,660	5,345	5,435	5,440	5,726
TX	15,344	14,934	*15,586	15,645	15,663	15,543
VA	6,197	5,999	6,324	*6,118	*6,326	6,341
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*19,573	*19,049	*19,027	*19,657	*19,920	19,562
19 State Total	*217,209	*215,444	*216,499	*217,333	*218,338	218,299
Previous Year Total	210,475	211,204	208,591	210,236	211,617	212,295
Pct. of Prev. Year	103	102	104	103	103	103

* Revised

Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jan 5 2008	Jan 12 2008	Jan 19 2008	Jan 26 2008	Feb 2 2008	Feb 9 2008
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	21,166	21,432	21,012	20,843	*21,221	20,876
AR	24,311	23,960	24,422	24,147	23,399	22,692
DE	5,228	5,353	4,586	5,651	*4,889	4,917
FL	1,375	1,394	1,469	1,332	1,384	1,417
GA	*29,165	*28,947	*28,519	*29,572	*27,723	28,616
KY	5,838	*6,177	*6,138	*5,959	*6,126	6,229
LA	3,849	3,467	3,698	3,627	3,913	4,033
MD	6,173	5,608	5,996	5,725	*5,978	6,197
MS	17,450	17,622	17,337	16,482	*16,803	17,234
NC	16,444	16,012	16,299	15,687	16,384	16,078
OK	*4,997	*4,942	*4,723	*4,598	4,752	5,086
PA	3,030	3,203	3,180	3,183	3,285	3,408
SC	4,304	5,170	5,214	4,860	4,972	4,854
TX	12,376	12,937	12,885	12,812	12,513	12,929
VA	4,397	5,138	5,531	*5,088	*5,108	5,010
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*17,697	*17,150	*17,774	*17,846	*17,477	17,148
19 State Total	*177,800	*178,512	*178,783	*177,412	*175,927	176,724
Previous Year Total	172,967	171,178	172,806	171,642	171,953	170,798
Pct. of Prev. Year	103	104	103	103	102	103

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