



# Broiler Hatchery

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## Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Down 1 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 217 million eggs in incubators during the week ending June 7, 2008. This was down 1 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 84 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

## Broiler Chicks Placed Down 1 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 179 million chicks for meat production during the week ending June 7, 2008. Placements were down 1 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2007 through June 7, 2008 were 4.10 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					
	May 3 2008	May 10 2008	May 17 2008	May 24 2008	May 31 2008	Jun 7 2008
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	31,637	31,858	32,089	31,905	32,156	32,166
AR	27,317	26,611	*26,852	27,244	*27,203	26,918
DE	3,721	3,718	3,728	3,717	3,721	3,718
FL	1,346	1,336	*1,341	1,336	1,346	1,341
GA	34,630	34,041	*34,848	34,509	34,004	34,184
KY	8,102	*8,127	*8,100	*8,290	*8,168	8,109
LA	3,712	3,712	3,650	3,682	3,620	3,651
MD	8,812	8,840	8,796	8,771	8,601	8,881
MS	18,266	18,893	19,060	18,948	18,981	19,074
NC	19,314	19,740	*19,693	19,587	19,577	19,263
OK	7,215	7,446	*7,523	7,301	7,204	7,342
PA	4,231	4,232	4,405	4,442	*4,566	4,575
SC	5,371	5,491	5,718	5,556	5,490	5,769
TX	*14,646	*14,836	*15,467	*15,485	*15,599	15,778
VA	6,444	5,939	6,429	6,257	6,242	6,199
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*19,596	*19,687	19,889	19,723	*19,840	20,018
19 State Total	*214,360	*214,507	*217,588	*216,753	*216,318	216,986
Previous Year Total	218,353	219,938	219,928	219,527	218,990	219,184
Pct. of Prev. Year	98	98	99	99	99	99

\* Revised

**Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States**

State	Week Ending					
	May 3 2008	May 10 2008	May 17 2008	May 24 2008	May 31 2008	Jun 7 2008
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	21,475	21,111	21,200	21,782	*20,999	21,640
AR	23,995	22,615	22,940	25,035	*23,748	23,671
DE	4,851	5,746	4,321	4,949	5,206	5,007
FL	1,145	1,271	1,138	1,136	1,383	1,146
GA	27,781	28,571	28,094	28,981	*28,993	29,052
KY	6,730	6,246	5,431	*6,158	*6,072	6,452
LA	3,784	3,147	3,634	3,474	3,683	3,794
MD	6,258	6,021	5,712	6,008	5,602	6,071
MS	17,060	17,145	17,383	16,614	17,259	17,348
NC	16,510	16,014	16,120	16,087	16,076	16,047
OK	4,445	5,430	5,136	3,883	4,608	4,802
PA	3,234	3,262	3,254	3,261	*3,205	3,365
SC	5,151	4,812	4,997	4,618	4,756	4,726
TX	13,324	*12,702	*12,851	*12,523	*12,416	12,990
VA	4,948	4,077	5,113	4,976	4,858	5,202
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*17,049	*18,423	*18,027	*17,249	*17,659	18,131
19 State Total	*177,740	*176,593	*175,351	*176,734	*176,523	179,444
Previous Year Total	180,084	180,594	178,545	179,069	180,055	180,462
Pct. of Prev. Year	99	98	98	99	98	99

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