



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 215 million eggs in incubators during the week ending June 14, 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 Slightly

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 179 million chicks for meat production during the week ending June 14, 2008. Placements were down slightly from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2007 through June 14, 2008 were 4.28 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 10 2008	May 17 2008	May 24 2008	May 31 2008	Jun 7 2008	Jun 14 2008
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	*32,443	*32,664	*32,510	*32,731	*32,740	31,828
AR	26,611	26,852	27,244	27,203	26,918	26,473
DE	3,718	3,728	3,717	3,721	3,718	3,714
FL	1,336	1,341	1,336	1,346	1,341	1,341
GA	34,041	34,848	34,509	34,004	*34,119	34,143
KY	*8,113	*8,078	*8,317	8,168	*8,171	7,796
LA	3,712	3,650	3,682	3,620	3,651	3,642
MD	8,840	8,796	8,771	8,601	*8,976	8,358
MS	18,893	19,060	18,948	18,981	19,074	18,930
NC	19,740	19,693	*19,413	19,577	19,263	19,158
OK	7,446	7,523	*7,243	7,204	7,342	7,216
PA	4,232	4,405	4,442	*4,592	*4,588	4,580
SC	5,491	5,718	5,556	5,490	5,769	5,260
TX	14,836	15,467	15,485	15,599	15,778	15,899
VA	5,939	6,429	6,257	6,242	6,199	6,476
CA, MO, TN, & WV	19,687	19,889	19,723	19,840	*20,058	20,001
19 State Total	*215,078	*218,141	*217,153	*216,919	*217,705	214,815
Previous Year Total	219,938	219,928	219,527	218,990	219,184	217,590
Pct. of Prev. Year	98	99	99	99	99	99

* Revised

Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	May 10 2008	May 17 2008	May 24 2008	May 31 2008	Jun 7 2008	Jun 14 2008
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	*21,614	*21,700	*22,280	*21,497	*22,140	22,333
AR	22,615	22,940	25,035	23,748	23,671	24,333
DE	5,746	4,321	4,949	5,206	*5,127	4,527
FL	1,271	1,138	1,136	1,383	1,146	1,136
GA	28,571	28,094	28,981	28,993	29,052	27,910
KY	6,246	5,431	6,158	*6,071	*6,492	6,603
LA	3,147	3,634	3,474	3,683	3,794	3,742
MD	6,021	5,712	6,008	5,602	*5,939	6,291
MS	17,145	17,383	16,614	17,259	17,348	17,262
NC	16,014	16,120	16,087	16,076	16,047	16,014
OK	5,430	5,136	3,883	4,608	4,802	4,917
PA	3,262	3,254	3,261	*3,191	*3,362	3,410
SC	4,812	4,997	4,618	4,756	4,726	5,494
TX	12,702	12,851	12,523	12,416	12,990	13,149
VA	4,077	5,113	4,976	4,858	5,202	5,287
CA, MO, TN, & WV	18,423	18,027	17,249	17,659	*18,141	16,780
19 State Total	*177,096	*175,851	*177,232	*177,006	*179,979	179,188
Previous Year Total	180,594	178,545	179,069	180,055	180,462	179,754
Pct. of Prev. Year	98	98	99	98	100	100

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