



Broiler Hatchery

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

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 211 million eggs in incubators during the week ending July 12, 2008. This was down 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 Down 1 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 175 million chicks for meat production during the week ending July 12, 2008. Placements were down 1 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2007 through July 12, 2008 were 4.99 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					
	Jun 7 2008	Jun 14 2008	Jun 21 2008	Jun 28 2008	Jul 5 2008	Jul 12 2008
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	32,740	*31,560	*31,093	*30,296	*29,044	30,484
AR	26,918	26,137	26,337	26,620	26,069	26,307
DE	3,718	3,630	3,647	3,495	3,573	3,624
FL	1,356	1,341	1,341	1,346	1,351	1,306
GA	34,119	34,260	34,231	33,955	*32,622	33,907
KY	*8,152	*7,545	*7,694	*7,488	*7,792	7,909
LA	3,651	3,642	3,651	3,651	3,651	3,651
MD	8,976	8,236	9,162	8,594	8,618	8,721
MS	19,074	18,930	18,761	18,624	18,772	17,768
NC	19,169	19,116	*19,230	18,949	*18,416	18,491
OK	7,270	6,850	*6,897	7,240	7,170	7,429
PA	4,474	4,539	4,550	4,525	*4,276	4,441
SC	5,769	5,260	5,317	5,539	5,348	5,380
TX	15,787	15,876	15,897	14,714	15,700	15,608
VA	6,199	6,476	6,315	6,306	6,099	6,017
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*20,117	*19,748	19,594	*19,299	*19,642	20,045
19 State Total	*217,489	*213,146	*213,717	*210,641	*208,143	211,088
Previous Year Total	219,184	217,590	216,287	210,141	216,018	218,175
Pct. of Prev. Year	99	98	99	100	96	97

* Revised

Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jun 7 2008	Jun 14 2008	Jun 21 2008	Jun 28 2008	Jul 5 2008	Jul 12 2008
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	22,140	22,327	22,049	*22,019	*21,477	21,237
AR	23,671	24,314	24,638	22,783	*23,052	22,227
DE	5,127	4,521	4,361	5,208	4,213	4,831
FL	1,146	1,136	1,224	1,216	1,315	1,160
GA	29,052	28,012	28,934	29,311	*28,617	27,742
KY	6,508	*6,864	*6,462	*7,090	*6,342	6,016
LA	3,794	3,742	3,755	3,632	3,456	3,543
MD	5,939	6,308	6,773	6,114	6,083	5,678
MS	17,348	17,262	17,186	17,283	16,882	16,668
NC	16,047	16,010	15,580	16,328	*15,683	15,978
OK	4,801	4,917	3,810	5,109	4,513	6,113
PA	3,278	3,414	3,373	3,373	*3,372	3,402
SC	4,726	5,494	5,220	4,044	4,726	5,027
TX	12,997	13,156	13,200	13,260	13,363	13,409
VA	5,202	5,287	4,911	4,440	4,865	5,423
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*18,147	*16,604	*17,768	*17,954	*17,032	16,793
19 State Total	*179,923	*179,368	*179,244	*179,164	*174,991	175,247
Previous Year Total	180,462	179,754	180,026	178,938	178,318	177,496
Pct. of Prev. Year	100	100	100	100	98	99

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