



Broiler Hatchery

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Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Down 6 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 202 million eggs in incubators during the week ending January 10, 2009. This was down 6 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 6 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 168 million chicks for meat production during the week ending January 10, 2009. Placements were down 6 percent from the comparable week a year earlier.

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Broiler-Type Eggs Set, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Dec 6 2008	Dec 13 2008	Dec 20 2008	Dec 27 2008	Jan 3 2009	Jan 10 2009
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	29,107	29,339	28,700	28,941	*28,950	28,904
AR	24,330	25,115	*24,188	24,366	24,538	23,799
DE	3,314	3,338	3,358	3,244	*3,358	3,358
FL	1,241	1,271	1,013	963	963	963
GA	31,381	32,540	32,778	32,669	32,528	32,609
KY	*7,612	*7,630	7,867	7,512	7,848	7,502
LA	3,424	3,424	3,424	3,411	3,424	3,424
MD	8,672	8,512	8,911	8,749	8,613	8,719
MS	17,405	17,500	17,194	17,372	17,491	17,401
NC	18,321	19,012	*18,419	18,581	*18,799	18,387
OK	6,328	6,816	*6,765	6,839	6,639	6,518
PA	4,159	4,346	4,281	3,732	3,918	3,878
SC	5,409	5,566	*5,698	5,673	5,555	5,697
TX	*15,281	*15,273	15,290	15,490	15,503	15,342
VA	5,961	6,218	5,964	5,958	5,969	5,849
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*18,821	*19,339	*19,555	*19,166	*18,543	19,274
19 State Total	*200,766	*205,239	*203,405	*202,666	*202,639	201,624
Previous Year Total	214,382	217,613	218,612	218,815	217,209	215,444
Pct. of Prev. Year	94	94	93	93	93	94

* Revised

Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Dec 6 2008	Dec 13 2008	Dec 20 2008	Dec 27 2008	Jan 3 2009	Jan 10 2009
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	20,151	20,849	19,908	19,864	*19,944	20,304
AR	22,298	21,173	20,812	20,734	21,908	22,969
DE	4,593	4,183	4,940	4,221	*4,633	4,869
FL	996	987	1,060	1,103	978	798
GA	25,808	26,559	27,123	26,376	*27,662	27,440
KY	5,972	6,388	6,028	*6,010	*5,842	6,609
LA	3,398	3,326	3,228	3,287	3,388	3,400
MD	4,913	6,215	5,288	5,970	*5,850	6,069
MS	15,707	15,672	15,501	15,463	15,583	15,472
NC	15,494	15,274	15,805	*15,377	*15,834	15,414
OK	3,727	4,465	5,545	5,258	4,143	3,633
PA	3,197	3,218	3,339	3,383	3,376	3,198
SC	4,529	4,818	5,058	5,071	4,423	4,676
TX	*12,754	12,922	*12,992	*12,842	*12,961	13,113
VA	5,636	5,225	4,952	4,515	4,660	4,476
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*17,006	16,624	*16,609	*16,817	*17,514	15,738
19 State Total	*166,179	167,898	*168,188	*166,291	*168,699	168,178
Previous Year Total	175,854	178,626	179,381	175,417	177,800	178,512
Pct. of Prev. Year	94	94	94	95	95	94

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