



# 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 203 million eggs in incubators during the week ending January 17, 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 167 million chicks for meat production during the week ending January 17, 2009. Placements were down 6 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 28, 2008 through January 17, 2009 were 504 million, down 6 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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**Broiler-Type Eggs Set, 19 Selected States**

State	Week Ending					
	Dec 13 2008	Dec 20 2008	Dec 27 2008	Jan 3 2009	Jan 10 2009	Jan 17 2009
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	29,339	28,700	28,941	28,950	28,904	28,914
AR	25,115	24,188	*24,249	24,538	23,799	24,335
DE	3,338	3,358	3,244	3,358	3,358	3,345
FL	1,271	1,013	*1,008	963	963	962
GA	32,540	32,778	32,669	32,528	32,609	32,243
KY	7,630	7,867	*7,424	7,848	7,502	7,674
LA	3,424	3,424	3,411	3,424	3,424	3,454
MD	8,512	8,911	8,749	8,613	8,719	8,946
MS	17,500	17,194	17,372	17,491	17,401	17,362
NC	19,012	18,419	*18,668	18,799	18,387	18,550
OK	6,816	6,765	*6,696	6,639	6,518	6,755
PA	4,346	4,281	3,732	*3,742	*3,935	3,916
SC	5,566	5,698	5,673	5,555	5,697	6,032
TX	15,273	15,290	15,490	15,503	15,342	15,081
VA	6,218	5,964	5,958	5,969	5,849	5,880
CA, MO, TN, & WV	19,339	19,555	19,166	*19,089	*19,243	19,796
19 State Total	205,239	203,405	*202,450	*203,009	*201,650	203,245
Previous Year Total	217,613	218,612	218,815	217,209	215,444	216,467
Pct. of Prev. Year	94	93	93	93	94	94

\* Revised

**Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States**

State	Week Ending					
	Dec 13 2008	Dec 20 2008	Dec 27 2008	Jan 3 2009	Jan 10 2009	Jan 17 2009
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	20,849	19,908	19,864	19,944	20,304	19,907
AR	21,173	20,812	20,734	21,908	22,969	22,535
DE	4,183	4,940	4,221	4,633	4,869	4,743
FL	987	1,060	1,103	978	798	763
GA	26,559	27,123	26,376	27,662	*27,503	27,220
KY	6,388	6,028	6,010	5,842	6,609	6,145
LA	3,326	3,228	3,287	3,388	3,400	3,391
MD	6,215	5,288	5,970	5,850	6,069	6,236
MS	15,672	15,501	15,463	15,583	15,472	15,594
NC	15,274	15,805	15,377	15,834	15,414	15,870
OK	4,465	5,545	5,258	4,143	3,633	3,792
PA	3,218	3,339	3,383	*3,377	*3,214	2,990
SC	4,818	5,058	5,071	4,423	4,676	5,155
TX	12,922	12,992	12,842	12,961	13,113	13,277
VA	5,225	4,952	4,515	4,660	4,476	4,235
CA, MO, TN, & WV	16,624	16,609	16,817	17,514	*15,728	15,455
19 State Total	167,898	168,188	166,291	*168,700	*168,247	167,308
Previous Year Total	178,626	179,381	175,417	177,800	178,512	178,783
Pct. of Prev. Year	94	94	95	95	94	94

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