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## Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Down 4 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 191 million eggs in incubators during the week ending September 26, 2009. This was down 4 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 3 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 162 million chicks for meat production during the week ending September 26, 2009. Placements were down 3 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 28, 2008 through September 26, 2009 were 6.55 billion, down 5 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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| State | Week Ending |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Aug } 22 \\ 2009 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Aug } 29 \\ 2009 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { Sep } 5 \\ & 2009 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Sep } 12 \\ 2009 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Sep } 19 \\ 2009 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Sep } 26 \\ 2009 \end{gathered}$ |
|  | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand |
| AL | 27,700 | 28,722 | *27,783 | 27,470 | 27,613 | 27,963 |
| AR | 23,172 | 23,380 | *22,808 | 23,018 | 22,377 | 21,512 |
| DE | 3,745 | 3,365 | 3,478 | 3,289 | 3,218 | 3,376 |
| FL | 885 | 899 | *909 | 900 | 902 | 1,144 |
| GA | 31,587 | 31,839 | 31,504 | 30,922 | 29,307 | 31,229 |
| KY | 7,532 | *7,616 | *7,204 | 7,360 | 7,025 | 7,744 |
| LA | 3,455 | 3,424 | 3,409 | 3,394 | 3,379 | 3,346 |
| MD | 8,957 | 8,854 | 8,132 | 8,180 | 7,786 | 8,621 |
| MS | 18,218 | 17,833 | *17,144 | 17,872 | 17,563 | 15,581 |
| NC | 18,564 | 18,452 | *17,636 | 16,744 | 17,408 | 17,620 |
| OK | 7,025 | 6,772 | *6,581 | 6,460 | *6,675 | 6,243 |
| PA | 3,709 | 4,039 | 4,020 | 3,890 | *3,626 | 3,836 |
| SC | 5,758 | 5,533 | 5,274 | 5,783 | 5,487 | 5,539 |
| TX | 14,832 | 14,836 | *14,596 | 14,111 | 13,591 | 13,832 |
| VA | 6,089 | 6,100 | 6,111 | 5,918 | 5,792 | 6,005 |
| CA, MO, TN, \& WV | 18,775 | 18,389 | 18,395 | 17,618 | *17,834 | 17,761 |
| 19 State Total | 200,003 | *200,053 | *194,984 | 192,929 | *189,583 | 191,352 |
| Previous Year Total | 206,837 | 204,988 | 201,630 | 197,833 | 193,569 | 198,742 |
| Pct. of Prev. Year | 97 | 98 | 97 | 98 | 98 | 96 |

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Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

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|  | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand |
| AL | 20,234 | 20,290 | 20,875 | 19,669 | 20,598 | 19,960 |
| AR | 20,895 | 20,394 | 20,538 | 21,575 | 20,907 | 19,875 |
| DE | 4,696 | 4,448 | 4,291 | 5,153 | 4,335 | 4,763 |
| FL | 727 | 729 | 650 | 648 | 661 | 669 |
| GA | 26,504 | 25,202 | 27,066 | 26,849 | 26,589 | 26,416 |
| KY | 6,486 | 6,516 | 6,657 | 6,665 | *6,573 | 6,428 |
| LA | 3,003 | 3,020 | 3,016 | 2,953 | 2,996 | 2,892 |
| MD | 6,277 | 6,661 | 6,024 | 5,256 | 6,387 | 5,824 |
| MS | 16,218 | 16,298 | 16,113 | 15,799 | 15,456 | 14,724 |
| NC | 15,684 | 14,996 | 15,434 | 15,496 | 15,330 | 14,324 |
| OK | 4,499 | 4,953 | 4,401 | 4,824 | 4,934 | 4,915 |
| PA | 3,207 | 3,052 | 2,981 | 2,983 | *3,285 | 3,233 |
| SC | 4,827 | 5,130 | 4,715 | 4,591 | 4,974 | 4,482 |
| TX | 13,125 | 12,890 | 13,094 | 12,861 | 12,689 | 12,753 |
| VA | 4,789 | 4,721 | 5,552 | 5,172 | 4,653 | 4,456 |
| CA, MO, TN, \& WV | 15,308 | 16,398 | 15,258 | 15,273 | *15,706 | 15,791 |
| 19 State Total | 166,479 | 165,698 | 166,665 | 165,767 | *166,073 | 161,505 |
| Previous Year Total | 170,273 | 170,083 | 170,363 | 170,671 | 168,148 | 165,813 |
| Pct. of Prev. Year | 98 | 97 | 98 | 97 | 99 | 97 |

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