

Broiler Hatchery

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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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Broiler-Type Eggs Set, 19 Selected States

	Week Ending							
State	Aug 22 2009	Aug 29 2009	Sep 5 2009	Sep 12 2009	Sep 19 2009	Sep 26 2009		
	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		

^{*} Revised

Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

	Week Ending							
State	Aug 22 2009	Aug 29 2009	Sep 5 2009	Sep 12 2009	Sep 19 2009	Sep 26 2009		
	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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