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## Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Down Slightly

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 203 million eggs in incubators during the week ending January 2, 2010. This was down slightly 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 Up Slightly

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 169 million chicks for meat production during the week ending January 2, 2010. Placements were up slightly from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 28, 2008 through January 2, 2010 were 8.79 billion, down 4 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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| State | Week Ending |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Nov } 28 \\ 2009 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { Dec } 5 \\ & 2009 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Dec } 12 \\ 2009 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Dec } 19 \\ 2009 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Dec } 26 \\ 2009 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan } 2 \\ & 2010 \end{aligned}$ |
|  | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand |
| AL | 28,719 | 29,465 | *29,614 | 29,459 | *29,798 | 29,435 |
| AR | 24,268 | 23,143 | *24,454 | 24,446 | *24,008 | 24,377 |
| DE | 3,366 | 3,102 | 3,377 | 3,425 | 3,438 | 3,292 |
| FL | 1,329 | 1,329 | 1,327 | 1,297 | 1,296 | 1,328 |
| GA | 31,283 | *31,186 | *31,146 | 31,147 | *31,173 | 31,204 |
| KY | 8,080 | 7,828 | *8,015 | 7,998 | *8,041 | 7,978 |
| LA | 3,304 | 3,424 | 3,349 | 3,349 | 3,379 | 3,379 |
| MD | 8,698 | 8,922 | 8,918 | *9,007 | *8,963 | 8,926 |
| MS | 18,620 | 18,638 | 18,780 | 18,882 | 18,735 | 18,687 |
| NC | 19,214 | 18,294 | *18,549 | 18,909 | *18,750 | 18,245 |
| OK | 7,210 | 6,790 | *7,013 | 7,165 | *7,154 | 7,290 |
| PA | 3,857 | 3,614 | 4,096 | 3,771 | *3,740 | 3,755 |
| SC | 5,613 | 5,685 | 5,589 | 5,825 | 5,814 | 5,427 |
| TX | 15,694 | 15,302 | 15,689 | 15,273 | 15,395 | 14,956 |
| VA | 6,201 | 6,193 | 5,968 | 6,114 | 6,224 | 6,217 |
| CA, MO, TN, \& WV | 17,237 | 18,213 | 19,368 | *18,500 | *18,108 | 18,153 |
| 19 State Total | 202,693 | *201,128 | * 205,252 | *204,567 | *204,016 | 202,649 |
| Previous Year Total | 204,719 | 200,741 | 205,041 | 203,388 | 202,493 | 202,760 |
| Pct. of Prev. Year | 99 | 100 | 100 | 101 | 101 | 100 |

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Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

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|  | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand |
| AL | 18,215 | 21,077 | 20,232 | 20,436 | *20,904 | 21,601 |
| AR | 19,658 | 21,571 | 21,515 | 21,151 | *21,451 | 21,419 |
| DE | 4,871 | 4,961 | 4,097 | *4,948 | *4,618 | 4,320 |
| FL | 1,017 | 821 | 1,010 | 1,015 | *1,294 | 1,003 |
| GA | 24,256 | 25,026 | 25,688 | 26,389 | *26,160 | 26,119 |
| KY | 6,430 | 6,290 | 6,069 | 6,250 | 6,475 | 6,024 |
| LA | 2,687 | 2,969 | 3,075 | 3,022 | 3,066 | 2,917 |
| MD | 5,870 | 5,385 | 6,828 | *5,899 | *5,338 | 6,411 |
| MS | 15,374 | 15,785 | 15,903 | 16,187 | 16,031 | 16,123 |
| NC | 15,281 | 15,379 | 15,505 | 15,695 | *15,155 | 15,558 |
| OK | 5,392 | 4,322 | 3,869 | 5,228 | 3,865 | 4,664 |
| PA | 2,833 | 3,185 | 3,037 | 3,091 | *3,006 | 3,268 |
| SC | 4,726 | 5,199 | 4,586 | 4,656 | 5,099 | 4,347 |
| TX | 13,330 | 13,414 | 13,631 | 13,575 | 13,204 | 13,488 |
| VA | 4,173 | 4,973 | 5,065 | 4,966 | 5,459 | 4,605 |
| CA, MO, TN, \& WV | 14,333 | 15,961 | *16,825 | *15,863 | *15,879 | 17,391 |
| 19 State Total | 158,446 | 166,318 | *166,935 | *168,371 | *167,004 | 169,258 |
| Previous Year Total | 159,463 | 166,189 | 167,904 | 168,272 | 166,152 | 168,557 |
| Pct. of Prev. Year | 99 | 100 | 99 | 100 | 101 | 100 |

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