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## Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Up 1 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 207 million eggs in incubators during the week ending May 8,2010 . This was up 1 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 Up Slightly

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 171 million chicks for meat production during the week ending May 8,2010 . Placements were up slightly from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 3, 2010 through May 8, 2010 were 3.03 billion, down slightly from the same period a year earlier.
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Broiler-Type Eggs Set, 19 Selected States

| State | Week Ending |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Apr } 3 \\ 2010 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Apr } 10 \\ 2010 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Apr } 17 \\ 2010 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Apr } 24 \\ 2010 \end{gathered}$ | May 1 2010 | May 8 2010 |
|  | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand |
| AL | 29,380 | 30,384 | *30,199 | 30,292 | 30,944 | 30,489 |
| AR | 23,869 | 24,424 | *23,406 | 23,449 | *24,096 | 23,462 |
| DE | 3,771 | 3,783 | 3,783 | 3,787 | 3,787 | 3,771 |
| FL | 1,350 | 1,342 | 1,382 | 1,389 | 1,380 | 1,391 |
| GA | 31,094 | 32,011 | 31,808 | 31,695 | 31,665 | 31,765 |
| KY | 7,927 | 8,435 | *7,697 | 7,747 | 7,846 | 8,178 |
| LA | 3,379 | 3,500 | 3,500 | 3,470 | *3,500 | 3,319 |
| MD | 8,965 | 9,058 | 8,906 | 8,184 | 7,059 | 8,050 |
| MS | 19,204 | 19,287 | 19,160 | 19,023 | 18,816 | 19,109 |
| NC | 18,616 | 18,620 | *18,704 | 19,497 | 19,708 | 19,716 |
| OK | 6,657 | 6,986 | *6,924 | 6,705 | 6,747 | 6,873 |
| PA | 3,691 | 3,738 | 3,784 | 3,802 | *3,735 | 3,749 |
| SC | 5,735 | 5,770 | 5,507 | 5,667 | 5,839 | 5,789 |
| TX | 15,568 | 15,548 | 15,654 | 15,816 | 15,900 | 15,649 |
| VA | 6,466 | 6,527 | 6,531 | 6,792 | 6,616 | 6,531 |
| CA, MO, TN, \& WV | 18,925 | 19,549 | *19,521 | *19,765 | *18,915 | 19,654 |
| 19 State Total | 204,597 | 208,962 | *206,466 | *207,080 | *206,553 | 207,495 |
| Previous Year Total | 204,257 | 203,712 | 203,819 | 202,068 | 201,582 | 204,581 |
| Pct. of Prev. Year | 100 | 103 | 101 | 102 | 102 | 101 |

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Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

| State | Week Ending |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Apr } 3 \\ 2010 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Apr } 10 \\ 2010 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Apr } 17 \\ 2010 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Apr } 24 \\ 2010 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { May } 1 \\ 2010 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { May } 8 \\ 2010 \end{gathered}$ |
|  | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand |
| AL | 20,504 | 20,790 | 21,377 | 20,340 | *21,332 | 21,383 |
| AR | 21,932 | 21,793 | 20,910 | 21,719 | *22,183 | 20,928 |
| DE | 4,672 | 4,654 | 5,404 | 4,850 | 5,150 | 4,657 |
| FL | 972 | 944 | 1,102 | 1,140 | 955 | 1,008 |
| GA | 26,235 | 26,788 | 26,360 | 25,735 | *27,144 | 26,866 |
| KY | 6,837 | 6,792 | 6,001 | 6,175 | *6,824 | 6,345 |
| LA | 3,023 | 3,112 | 3,134 | 3,187 | *3,153 | 3,142 |
| MD | 6,099 | 7,133 | 5,735 | 6,353 | 6,588 | 6,130 |
| MS | 16,463 | 17,012 | 16,879 | 16,766 | 16,770 | 16,814 |
| NC | 15,705 | 15,088 | 15,600 | 15,578 | 15,383 | 15,362 |
| OK | 3,290 | 5,179 | 4,399 | 3,507 | *3,609 | 4,900 |
| PA | 3,036 | 3,020 | 3,029 | 2,907 | *2,945 | 2,988 |
| SC | 4,775 | 5,416 | 5,344 | 5,781 | 4,485 | 4,631 |
| TX | 12,984 | 13,021 | 12,462 | 12,825 | 12,931 | 12,892 |
| VA | 5,316 | 4,840 | 4,658 | 5,035 | 5,037 | 5,905 |
| CA, MO, TN, \& WV | 16,683 | 16,952 | *16,785 | *17,480 | *17,919 | 16,777 |
| 19 State Total | 168,526 | 172,534 | *169,179 | *169,378 | *172,408 | 170,728 |
| Previous Year Total | 168,792 | 167,137 | 166,888 | 169,887 | 169,262 | 169,977 |
| Pct. of Prev. Year | 100 | 103 | 101 | 100 | 102 | 100 |

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