

Broiler Hatchery



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Broiler Eggs Set In 15 Selected States Up 3 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-State weekly program set 144 million eggs during the week ending March 21, 1992. This was 3 percent above the 139 million 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 2 Percent

Broiler growers in the 15-State weekly program placed 117 million chicks for meat production during the week ending March 21, 1992. Placements were up 2 percent from the comparable week in 1991. Cumulative placements from November 3, 1991, through March 21, 1992, were 2.24 billion, 3 percent above the 2.16 billion placed during the same period a year earlier.

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Broiler Eggs Set in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Feb 15	Feb 22	Feb 29	Mar 7	Mar 14	Mar 21
	Thousands					
AL	23,490	23,757	*24,241	24,249	24,051	23,796
AR	26,805	27,703	27,292	27,688	26,844	27,541
DE	4,241	4,293	4,290	4,274	3,984	4,181
FL	3,439	3,476	3,545	3,505	3,457	3,452
GA	21,922	22,226	22,391	22,137	*21,986	22,121
MD	9,127	9,228	9,393	9,234	*8,709	9,432
MS	10,110	10,964	11,023	11,231	11,296	11,315
NC	13,946	14,024	14,435	14,483	14,214	14,349
PA	3,166	3,042	3,218	3,145	2,926	2,910
SC	2,303	2,377	2,446	2,485	2,696	2,731
TX	9,352	9,801	9,816	*9,750	*9,674	9,681
VA	5,001	5,007	4,989	4,944	5,001	4,975
CA, TN, & WV	8,299	8,499	8,342	8,871	8,523	7,327
1992 Total	141,201	144,397	*145,421	*145,996	*143,361	143,811
1991 Total	140,258	140,611	141,136	140,846	140,949	139,435
% of Prev Yr	101	103	103	104	102	103

Broiler Chicks Placed in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Feb 15	Feb 22	Feb 29	Mar 7	Mar 14	Mar 21
	Thousands					
AL	18,007	17,655	17,874	17,682	17,806	18,349
AR	20,495	19,567	19,969	19,861	*20,380	20,079
DE	4,730	4,473	4,679	5,609	*5,245	5,123
FL	2,841	2,868	2,498	2,808	2,687	2,839
GA	17,662	17,692	17,814	17,610	*17,814	18,366
MD	5,930	5,767	5,110	5,362	*5,735	5,726
MS	9,667	9,650	9,559	8,909	9,632	9,522
NC	10,819	10,715	10,125	11,145	11,107	11,448
PA	2,346	2,211	2,260	2,358	2,255	2,383
SC	2,104	2,131	2,108	2,085	2,150	2,212
TX	6,954	7,221	7,003	*7,061	*7,137	7,511
VA	4,705	4,974	4,799	4,743	4,853	5,049
CA, TN, & WV	6,735	7,807	7,283	7,978	8,372	8,285
1992 Total	112,995	112,731	111,081	*113,211	*115,173	116,892
1991 Total	110,269	110,271	111,991	113,482	112,937	114,436
% of Prev Yr	102	102	99	100	102	102

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