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 147 million eggs during the week ending April 11, 1992. This was 3 percent above the 143 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 4 Percent

Broiler growers in the 15-State weekly program placed 117 million chicks for meat production during the week ending April 11, 1992. Placements were up 4 percent from the comparable week in 1991. Cumulative placements from November 3, 1991, through April 11, 1992, were 2.59 billion, 3 percent above the 2.51 billion placed during the same period a year earlier.

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Broiler Eggs Set in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Mar 7	Mar 14	Mar 21	Mar 28	Apr 4	Apr 11
	1,000					
AL	24,267	24,069	*23,487	24,154	24,276	24,377
AR	27,688	27,414	27,541	27,355	27,228	27,550
DE	4,274	3,984	4,323	4,422	*4,156	4,446
FL	3,505	3,457	3,452	3,345	3,542	3,597
GA	22,137	21,986	*22,223	22,534	*22,267	22,826
MD	9,234	*9,516	9,432	9,562	9,485	9,572
MS	11,231	11,296	11,315	11,228	11,076	11,058
NC	14,483	14,214	14,349	14,401	14,840	14,661
PA	3,145	2,926	2,910	3,211	2,879	3,286
SC	2,485	2,696	2,731	2,732	2,736	2,736
TX	9,750	9,674	9,625	9,690	*9,572	9,635
VA	4,944	5,001	4,975	4,790	4,990	4,996
CA, TN, & WV	8,871	8,523	7,327	7,647	*7,927	8,296
1992 Total	146,014	*144,756	*143,690	145,071	*144,974	147,036
1991 Total	141,322	141,395	139,671	142,163	142,849	142,979
% of Prev Yr	103	102	103	102	101	103

Broiler Chicks Placed in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	MAR 7	MAR 14	MAR 21	MAR 28	APR 4	APR 11
	1,000					
AL	17,682	17,806	18,349	18,733	17,993	17,729
AR	19,861	20,380	20,079	20,165	20,135	21,527
DE	5,609	5,245	5,078	5,153	*4,700	5,200
FL	2,808	2,687	2,839	2,496	2,942	2,824
GA	17,584	17,798	18,418	18,346	*18,557	18,095
MD	5,362	5,735	5,768	5,907	*6,305	5,835
MS	8,909	9,632	9,522	9,717	*9,865	9,933
NC	11,145	11,107	11,448	11,389	11,224	11,424
PA	2,358	2,255	2,383	2,290	1,979	2,211
SC	2,085	2,150	2,212	2,282	2,455	2,471
TX	7,084	7,159	7,406	7,220	*7,289	7,254
VA	4,743	4,853	5,049	4,879	5,043	4,929
CA, TN, & WV	*8,117	*7,978	8,285	8,641	*8,302	7,093
1992 Total	*113,347	*114,785	116,836	117,218	*116,789	116,525
1991 Total	113,719	113,449	114,842	114,002	113,718	112,217
% of Prev Yr	100	101	102	103	103	104

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