

Broiler Hatchery



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Broiler Eggs Set In 15 Selected States Up 2 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-State weekly program set 145 million eggs during the week ending December 12, 1992. This was 2 percent above the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler Chicks Placed Up 3 Percent

Broiler growers in the 15-State weekly program placed 118 million chicks for meat production during the week ending December 12, 1992. Placements were up 3 percent from the comparable week in 1991. Cumulative placements from November 1, 1992, through December 12, 1992, were 665 million, 3 percent above the 645 million placed during the same period a year earlier.

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Broiler Eggs Set in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Nov 7	Nov 14	Nov 21	Nov 28	Dec 5	Dec 12
	1,000					
AL	23,954	24,297	*23,743	24,381	23,457	23,798
AR	26,891	27,389	*27,420	26,950	26,202	26,461
DE	4,344	4,139	4,370	4,435	3,649	4,340
FL	3,509	3,497	3,447	3,606	3,789	3,789
GA	21,866	23,272	*22,842	22,659	*22,570	22,666
MD	*8,689	*9,129	*9,450	*10,264	*8,152	9,596
MS	11,398	11,828	11,817	11,486	11,480	10,967
NC	14,707	15,234	15,449	15,675	14,835	15,370
PA	3,265	3,297	3,260	3,252	2,970	3,206
SC	2,835	2,794	2,600	2,787	2,628	3,001
TX	9,681	9,684	9,940	9,950	*10,014	9,492
VA	5,006	5,005	5,000	4,977	4,720	4,917
CA, TN, & WV	8,003	8,601	*7,945	8,491	8,163	7,648
1992 Total	*144,148	*148,166	*147,283	*148,913	*142,629	145,251
1991 Total	142,056	141,142	143,921	142,134	139,905	141,924
% of Prev Yr	101	105	102	105	102	102

Broiler Chicks Placed in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Nov 7	Nov 14	Nov 21	Nov 28	Dec 5	Dec 12
	1,000					
AL	16,385	14,801	16,098	18,111	18,010	17,451
AR	18,023	16,537	17,964	20,142	19,449	20,603
DE	3,983	4,659	5,036	4,361	*4,604	4,965
FL	2,541	2,228	2,778	2,256	2,360	2,360
GA	16,454	16,325	17,850	18,587	*19,342	18,997
MD	5,101	4,886	5,703	6,492	*6,002	6,299
MS	9,712	8,413	8,986	10,246	10,524	10,616
NC	9,858	10,325	11,459	11,636	12,089	11,879
PA	1,743	1,801	2,254	2,301	2,364	2,326
SC	2,602	2,187	2,468	2,417	2,377	2,408
TX	6,571	6,357	6,916	7,414	7,670	7,645
VA	4,565	4,403	4,202	4,730	5,124	4,911
CA, TN, & WV	5,784	6,586	7,479	7,659	8,187	7,732
1992 Total	103,322	99,508	109,193	116,352	*118,102	118,192
1991 Total	97,266	100,123	107,697	113,157	111,854	114,732
% of Prev Yr	106	99	101	103	106	103

* Revised