Broiler Hatchery

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Broiler Eggs Set In 15 Selected States Up 5 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-State weekly program set 151 million eggs during the week ending March 20, 1993. This was 5 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 121 million chicks for meat production during the week ending March 20, 1993. Placements were up 3 percent from the comparable week in 1992. Cummulative placements from November 1, 1992, through March 20, 1993, were 2.32 billion, 4 percent above the 2.24 billion placed during the same period a year earlier.

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Broiler Eggs Set in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Feb 13	Feb 20	Feb 27	Mar 6	Mar 13	Mar 20
	1,000					
AL	24,330	24,498	24,375	24,916	24,821	23,672
AR	27,663	27,509	27,797	27,991	27,673	27,629
DE	4,585	4,591	4,586	4,511	4,524	4,509
FL	3,575	3,622	3,609	3,664	3,644	3,606
GA	22,689	23,358	*23,460	23,344	*23,410	23,128
MD	9,547	9,657	9,691	9,653	9,774	9,784
MS	12,066	12,140	12,104	12,218	12,167	12,080
NC	15,812	15,954	16,140	16,392	16,069	15,770
PA	3,009	2,987	3,064	3,053	3,033	3,043
SC	3,422	3,412	3,344	3,345	3,708	3,403
TX	9,794	9,889	*9,957	*9,741	*9,907	9,957
VA	4,982	5,025	5,122	5,117	5,118	5,126
CA, TN, & WV	9,080	8,115	8,353	9,034	8,990	9,017
1993 Total	150,554	150,757	*151,602	*152,979	*152,838	150,724
1992 Total	141,201	144,397	145,421	146,014	144,756	143,690
% of Prev Yr	107	104	104	105	106	105

Broiler Chicks Placed in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Feb 13	Feb 20	Feb 27	Mar 6	Mar 13	Mar 20
	1,000					
AL	17,850	18,069	17,853	18,060	*17,820	17,768
AR	20,126	20,674	20,714	21,319	*20,890	19,944
DE	5,138	3,973	5,444	5,474	5,522	5,135
FL	2,470	2,373	2,512	2,475	2,700	2,649
GA	19,262	18,990	19,015	18,603	*19,375	19,485
MD	5,805	6,278	5,395	6,130	5,659	6,366
MS	10,531	10,449	9,833	10,333	10,623	10,840
NC	12,050	12,016	11,811	12,065	12,978	12,471
PA	2,048	1,887	2,142	2,286	2,390	2,435
SC	2,755	2,889	2,801	3,081	2,657	2,690
TX	7,037	6,848	7,283	*7,444	*7,462	7,497
VA	4,972	4,892	5,232	5,133	5,093	5,378
CA, TN, & WV	7,943	7,595	8,700	8,691	8,110	7,847
1993 Total	117,987	116,933	118,735	*121,094	*121,279	120,505
1992 Total	112,995	112,731	111,081	113,347	114,785	116,836
% of Prev Yr	104	104	107	107	106	103

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