Broiler Hatchery

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Broiler Eggs Set In 15 Selected States Up 6 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-State weekly program set 154 million eggs during the week ending December 11, 1993. This was 6 percent above the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 82 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 123 million chicks for meat production during the week ending December 11, 1993. Placements were up 4 percent from the comparable week in 1992. Cumulative placements from October 31, 1993, through December 11, 1993, were 708 million, 6 percent above the 669 million placed during the same period a year earlier.

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Broiler Eggs Set in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Nov 6	Nov 13	Nov 20	Nov 27	Dec 4	Dec 11
	1,000					
AL	24,452	24,862	*24,391	24,578	24,624	24,679
AR	29,006	28,892	*28,420	28,410	28,486	27,560
DE	4,050	3,753	4,063	4,095	*4,290	4,164
FL	3,677	3,683	3,692	3,719	3,715	3,589
GA	23,559	24,143	*23,884	23,577	23,881	23,839
MD	9,265	9,336	9,568	9,501	9,515	9,724
MS	12,611	12,880	12,869	13,026	12,971	13,207
NC	15,821	16,484	16,420	15,931	*15,468	15,937
PA	3,103	3,240	3,377	3,163	*3,336	3,320
SC	3,597	3,716	3,588	3,823	3,659	4,066
TX	9,873	*10,012	10,156	10,052	*10,006	9,693
VA	5,217	5,204	5,209	5,216	4,773	5,217
CA, TN, & WV	8,665	8,960	8,779	8,984	8,418	8,954
1993 Total	152,896	*155,165	*154,416	154,075	*153,142	153,949
1992 Total	144,950	148,443	147,621	148,734	143,498	145,486
% of Prev Yr	105	105	105	104	107	106

Broiler Chicks Placed in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Nov 6	Nov 13	Nov 20	Nov 27	Dec 4	Dec 11
	1,000					
AL	16,784	15,776	17,300	18,233	17,894	17,820
AR	19,833	19,004	19,910	21,482	20,891	21,372
DE	4,819	4,917	4,718	5,054	*4,898	5,812
FL	2,508	2,582	2,606	2,734	2,581	2,534
GA	18,387	18,247	19,062	19,727	20,089	19,809
MD	4,579	5,115	5,938	5,818	*5,704	5,318
MS	10,947	10,714	9,650	10,997	*11,364	11,348
NC	10,859	12,048	12,321	12,399	12,859	13,032
PA	1,871	2,017	2,405	2,287	*2,359	2,442
SC	2,872	2,373	2,413	2,752	2,770	2,686
TX	6,811	6,622	6,664	7,362	7,465	7,587
VA	4,508	5,029	4,797	4,885	5,077	4,805
CA, TN, & WV	6,803	6,985	9,041	8,374	8,957	8,849
1993 Total	111,581	111,429	116,825	122,104	*122,908	123,414
1992 Total	103,765	100,279	109,678	117,243	119,015	118,903
% of Prev Yr	108	111	107	104	103	104

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