

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 154 million eggs during the week ending December 25, 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 7 Percent

Broiler growers in the 15-State weekly program placed 123 million chicks for meat production during the week ending December 25, 1993. Placements were up 7 percent from the comparable week in 1992. Cumulative placements from October 31, 1993, through December 25, 1993, were 955 million, 6 percent above the 904 million placed during the same period a year earlier.

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Broiler Eggs Set in 15 Selected States

| State | Week Ending | | | | | |
|--------------|-------------|---------|----------|----------|----------|---------|
| | Nov 20 | Nov 27 | Dec 4 | Dec 11 | Dec 18 | Dec 25 |
| | 1,000 | | | | | |
| AL | 24,391 | 24,517 | *24,471 | 24,660 | 24,485 | 24,464 |
| AR | 28,420 | 28,410 | 28,486 | 27,560 | 28,186 | 28,273 |
| DE | 4,063 | 4,095 | 4,290 | 4,164 | 4,098 | 4,151 |
| FL | 3,692 | 3,719 | 3,715 | 3,589 | 3,511 | 3,517 |
| GA | 23,884 | 23,722 | *23,870 | *24,028 | *23,852 | 23,947 |
| MD | 9,605 | 9,471 | *9,516 | 9,688 | *9,584 | 9,683 |
| MS | 12,869 | 13,026 | 12,971 | 13,207 | 13,412 | 13,306 |
| NC | 16,420 | 15,931 | *15,589 | 15,937 | *15,787 | 15,855 |
| PA | 3,377 | 3,163 | 3,336 | 3,320 | 3,113 | 3,089 |
| SC | 3,588 | 3,823 | 3,659 | 4,066 | 3,759 | 3,791 |
| TX | 10,156 | 10,114 | *10,031 | 9,795 | 10,004 | 10,084 |
| VA | 5,209 | 5,216 | 4,773 | 5,217 | 5,204 | 5,189 |
| CA, TN, & WV | 8,779 | 8,984 | 8,418 | 8,754 | 7,678 | 9,025 |
| 1993 Total | 154,453 | 154,191 | *153,125 | *153,985 | *152,673 | 154,374 |
| 1992 Total | 147,621 | 148,734 | 143,498 | 145,486 | 145,415 | 147,296 |
| % of Prev Yr | 105 | 104 | 107 | 106 | 105 | 105 |

Broiler Chicks Placed in 15 Selected States

| State | Week Ending | | | | | |
|--------------|-------------|---------|---------|----------|----------|---------|
| | Nov 20 | Nov 27 | Dec 4 | Dec 11 | Dec 18 | Dec 25 |
| | 1,000 | | | | | |
| AL | 17,300 | 18,233 | 17,894 | 17,808 | 18,458 | 17,714 |
| AR | 19,910 | 21,482 | 20,891 | 21,392 | 21,615 | 21,391 |
| DE | 4,718 | 5,054 | 4,898 | 5,812 | 5,253 | 5,542 |
| FL | 2,606 | 2,734 | 2,581 | 2,534 | 2,491 | 2,609 |
| GA | 19,062 | 19,727 | 20,089 | 19,805 | *19,669 | 20,163 |
| MD | 5,938 | 5,818 | 5,704 | *5,344 | *5,593 | 5,294 |
| MS | 9,650 | 10,997 | 11,364 | 11,348 | 11,615 | 11,544 |
| NC | 12,321 | 12,399 | 12,859 | 13,032 | 12,742 | 12,567 |
| PA | 2,405 | 2,287 | 2,359 | 2,442 | 2,248 | 2,402 |
| SC | 2,413 | 2,752 | 2,770 | 2,686 | 3,064 | 2,742 |
| TX | 6,664 | 7,362 | 7,465 | 7,494 | 7,472 | 7,505 |
| VA | 4,797 | 4,885 | 5,077 | 4,805 | 5,085 | 4,880 |
| CA, TN, & WV | 9,046 | 8,377 | 8,959 | 8,852 | *8,536 | 8,460 |
| 1993 Total | 116,830 | 122,107 | 122,910 | *123,354 | *123,841 | 122,813 |
| 1992 Total | 109,678 | 117,243 | 119,015 | 118,903 | 120,429 | 114,989 |
| % of Prev Yr | 107 | 104 | 103 | 104 | 103 | 107 |

* Revised