

# 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 157 million eggs during the week ending March 19, 1994. 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 4 Percent

Broiler growers in the 15-State weekly program placed 126 million chicks for meat production during the week ending March 19, 1994. Placements were up 4 percent from the comparable week in 1993. Cumulative placements from October 31, 1993, through March 19, 1994, were 2.43 billion, 4 percent above the 2.33 billion placed during the same period a year earlier.

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Broiler Eggs Set in 15 Selected States

| State        | Week Ending |         |          |          |          |         |
|--------------|-------------|---------|----------|----------|----------|---------|
|              | Feb 12      | Feb 19  | Feb 26   | Mar 5    | Mar 12   | Mar 19  |
|              | 1,000       |         |          |          |          |         |
| AL           | 24,792      | 24,675  | *24,553  | 24,779   | 24,905   | 23,641  |
| AR           | 28,475      | 28,958  | 29,321   | 28,999   | 29,284   | 29,061  |
| DE           | 4,251       | 4,265   | 3,984    | 4,126    | 4,292    | 4,174   |
| FL           | 3,621       | 3,664   | 3,664    | 3,686    | 3,677    | 3,664   |
| GA           | 24,517      | 24,417  | *24,285  | 24,625   | *24,680  | 25,201  |
| MD           | 9,516       | 9,493   | 10,074   | *9,906   | *9,652   | 9,775   |
| MS           | 13,583      | 13,839  | 13,828   | 13,665   | 13,806   | 14,009  |
| NC           | 16,315      | 16,472  | 16,541   | 16,449   | 16,767   | 16,424  |
| PA           | 3,413       | 3,390   | 3,357    | 3,212    | *3,226   | 3,433   |
| SC           | 4,017       | 4,055   | 4,085    | 4,113    | 4,137    | 4,181   |
| TX           | 9,803       | 9,754   | *9,858   | *9,899   | *9,590   | 9,467   |
| VA           | 5,196       | 5,156   | 5,178    | 4,983    | 5,130    | 5,077   |
| CA, TN, & WV | 8,859       | 8,088   | 9,017    | 8,932    | 9,026    | 9,214   |
| 1994 Total   | 156,358     | 156,226 | *157,745 | *157,374 | *158,172 | 157,321 |
| 1993 Total   | 150,554     | 150,939 | 151,602  | 153,214  | 153,162  | 150,356 |
| % of Prev Yr | 104         | 104     | 104      | 103      | 103      | 105     |

Broiler Chicks Placed in 15 Selected States

| State        | Week Ending |         |         |          |          |         |
|--------------|-------------|---------|---------|----------|----------|---------|
|              | Feb 12      | Feb 19  | Feb 26  | Mar 5    | Mar 12   | Mar 19  |
|              | 1,000       |         |         |          |          |         |
| AL           | 18,277      | 18,328  | 17,962  | 18,503   | 18,480   | 18,513  |
| AR           | 21,489      | 21,852  | 20,899  | *20,592  | *21,068  | 21,409  |
| DE           | 5,032       | 4,377   | 6,124   | 5,077    | 5,412    | 5,261   |
| FL           | 2,444       | 2,374   | 2,783   | 2,392    | 2,552    | 2,541   |
| GA           | 18,978      | 19,541  | 20,448  | 20,528   | *20,461  | 20,426  |
| MD           | 5,624       | 6,367   | 4,924   | 5,772    | 5,602    | 5,513   |
| MS           | 11,667      | 11,436  | 11,682  | 11,389   | 11,848   | 12,081  |
| NC           | 11,502      | 11,935  | 12,593  | *13,377  | *12,989  | 13,152  |
| PA           | 2,167       | 2,221   | 2,465   | 2,364    | *2,469   | 2,434   |
| SC           | 2,826       | 2,765   | 2,793   | 2,676    | 3,070    | 3,157   |
| TX           | 6,832       | 7,377   | 7,277   | *7,271   | *7,202   | 7,463   |
| VA           | 4,912       | 5,015   | 4,774   | 5,191    | 5,176    | 5,521   |
| CA, TN, & WV | 8,551       | 8,734   | 8,534   | 8,829    | 8,263    | 8,881   |
| 1994 Total   | 120,301     | 122,322 | 123,258 | *123,961 | *124,592 | 126,352 |
| 1993 Total   | 117,987     | 117,598 | 119,406 | 121,332  | 121,509  | 121,143 |
| % of Prev Yr | 102         | 104     | 103     | 102      | 103      | 104     |

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