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Broiler Eggs Set In 15 Selected States
Up 4 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-State weekly program set 158 million eggs during the week ending April 2, 1994. This was 4 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 127 million chicks for meat production during the week ending April 2, 1994. Placements were up 4 percent from the comparable week in 1993. Cumulative placements from October 31, 1993, through April 2, 1994, were 2.68 billion, 4 percent above the 2.57 billion placed during the same period a year earlier.

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## Broiler Eggs Set in 15 Selected States

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1993 Total: 151,602 153,214 153,162 150,356 147,113 151,167

% of Prev Yr: 104 103 103 105 107 104

## Broiler Chicks Placed in 15 Selected States

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1994 Total: *123,298 *124,001 *124,632 *126,410 *126,771 127,231

1993 Total: 119,406 121,332 121,509 121,143 122,350 122,837

% of Prev Yr: 103 102 103 104 104 104

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