

Broiler Hatchery



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Broiler Eggs Set In 15 Selected States Up 3 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-State weekly program set 156 million eggs during the week ending October 1, 1994. This was 3 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 6 Percent

Broiler growers in the 15-State weekly program placed 121 million chicks for meat production during the week ending October 1, 1994. Placements were up 6 percent from the comparable week in 1993. Cumulative placements from October 31, 1993, through October 1, 1994, were 6.03 billion, 4 percent above the 5.78 billion placed during the same period a year earlier.

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Broiler Eggs Set in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Aug 27	Sep 3	Sep 10	Sep 17	Sep 24	Oct 1
	1,000					
AL	24,603	24,542	*23,297	22,506	21,155	23,533
AR	28,992	29,013	*27,582	28,852	*25,253	28,916
DE	4,361	4,224	4,145	3,937	4,388	4,183
FL	3,273	3,324	3,291	3,096	3,298	3,250
GA	25,500	25,821	*24,381	23,849	*23,908	23,914
MD	9,748	9,569	8,836	8,571	9,131	9,194
MS	14,918	14,989	14,042	14,285	12,943	14,300
NC	16,469	16,567	15,167	14,625	15,978	16,633
PA	3,454	3,117	3,082	3,087	*3,033	3,359
SC	4,148	4,165	4,175	4,175	3,801	4,214
TX	10,627	10,504	10,218	9,284	9,442	10,385
VA	5,254	4,847	5,145	4,775	4,698	5,035
CA, TN, & WV	8,792	8,044	8,177	6,258	*7,653	9,095
1994 Total	160,139	158,726	*151,538	147,300	*144,681	156,011
1993 Total	151,908	150,297	144,921	142,148	142,139	151,446
% of Prev Yr	105	106	105	104	102	103

Broiler Chicks Placed in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Aug 27	Sep 3	Sep 10	Sep 17	Sep 24	Oct 1
	1,000					
AL	18,410	18,033	18,627	18,268	18,366	17,419
AR	22,780	21,782	22,498	22,106	*21,574	21,077
DE	5,052	5,994	4,956	*5,321	*5,199	4,807
FL	2,618	2,766	2,638	2,697	2,611	2,645
GA	20,311	20,543	19,912	20,083	*20,544	18,996
MD	6,080	5,280	6,315	*5,619	5,944	5,340
MS	*13,117	*12,973	*13,060	12,671	12,460	12,176
NC	13,278	13,544	13,605	13,600	13,304	11,970
PA	2,632	2,457	2,211	*2,415	*2,309	2,324
SC	3,031	3,056	2,988	3,076	3,027	3,209
TX	7,725	7,721	7,747	7,808	7,742	7,531
VA	5,404	5,244	5,390	5,440	4,611	4,841
CA, TN, & WV	8,761	8,412	8,826	9,045	*8,253	8,632
1994 Total	*129,199	*127,805	*128,773	*128,149	*125,944	120,967
1993 Total	120,471	121,150	121,121	119,359	118,023	114,397
% of Prev Yr	107	105	105	107	107	106

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