

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 165 million eggs during the week ending April 8, 1995. This was up 3 percent from 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 5 Percent

Broiler growers in the 15-State weekly program placed 134 million chicks for meat production during the week ending April 8, 1995. Placements were up 5 percent from the comparable week in 1994. Cumulative placements from October 30, 1994, through April 8, 1995, were 2.97 billion, 5 percent above the 2.82 billion placed during the same period a year earlier.

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Broiler Eggs Set in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Mar 4	Mar 11	Mar 18	Mar 25	Apr 1	Apr 8
	1,000					
AL	25,566	25,375	25,718	25,807	25,262	25,581
AR	28,644	*29,056	*28,831	*28,016	*28,492	29,162
DE	4,686	4,713	4,552	4,502	*4,702	4,559
FL	2,690	2,732	2,694	2,653	2,682	2,693
GA	26,922	26,841	*26,644	28,014	*27,346	27,094
MD	8,747	8,817	*8,818	8,706	8,925	8,941
MS	14,968	15,089	*15,097	14,566	15,186	14,970
NC	17,674	17,453	17,985	17,234	17,920	18,349
PA	3,211	3,125	3,201	*3,275	*3,401	3,201
SC	4,362	4,338	4,145	4,248	4,239	4,239
TX	10,933	10,994	10,981	10,948	*10,889	11,138
VA	6,525	6,511	6,519	6,313	6,532	6,521
CA, TN, & WV	9,574	9,864	9,886	9,529	*8,904	9,014
1995 Total	164,502	*164,908	*165,071	*163,811	*164,480	165,462
1994 Total	157,751	158,415	158,687	157,752	158,636	160,524
% of Prev Yr	104	104	104	104	104	103

Broiler Chicks Placed in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Mar 4	Mar 11	Mar 18	Mar 25	Apr 1	Apr 8
	1,000					
AL	18,339	18,597	19,251	18,901	19,065	18,998
AR	22,480	*21,512	*22,965	*21,898	*22,665	22,408
DE	5,311	5,813	5,980	5,001	*5,537	5,296
FL	2,851	2,687	2,576	2,815	2,552	2,926
GA	20,819	21,199	21,742	22,070	*22,438	21,875
MD	6,003	5,941	5,800	6,277	*5,283	5,696
MS	11,961	12,545	12,887	13,187	13,383	13,243
NC	13,311	13,951	14,038	14,234	14,484	14,484
PA	2,443	2,507	2,505	2,527	2,483	2,567
SC	3,298	3,685	3,623	3,495	3,050	3,262
TX	*7,959	*8,013	*8,091	*8,184	*8,247	8,206
VA	5,239	5,283	5,010	5,652	5,586	5,242
CA, TN, & WV	9,243	9,681	9,346	9,611	*9,410	9,625
1995 Total	*129,257	*131,414	*133,814	*133,852	*134,183	133,828
1994 Total	124,192	124,759	126,607	127,080	127,212	127,949
% of Prev Yr	104	105	106	105	105	105

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