

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 in incubators 167 million eggs during the week ending February 10, 1996. This was up 5 percent from 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 3 Percent

Broiler growers in the 15-State weekly program placed 134 million chicks for meat production during the week ending February 10, 1996. Placements were up 3 percent from the comparable week in 1995. Cumulative placements from October 29, 1995, through February 10, 1996, were 1.98 billion, 3 percent above the 1.91 billion placed during the same period a year earlier.

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Broiler Eggs Set in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jan 6	Jan 13	Jan 20	Jan 27	Feb 3	Feb 10
	1,000					
AL	24,214	24,262	23,931	23,755	*23,736	22,924
AR	29,666	29,827	30,040	30,130	*30,462	30,248
DE	4,372	4,426	4,556	4,262	4,664	4,621
FL	2,873	2,888	2,904	2,909	2,928	2,898
GA	28,945	28,931	28,910	28,424	*28,781	28,508
MD	8,764	9,407	9,592	9,743	9,368	9,660
MS	15,639	15,378	15,468	15,173	*15,593	15,101
NC	18,508	*17,675	18,015	17,458	16,699	17,893
PA	3,249	3,037	3,227	2,902	2,846	3,055
SC	4,337	4,307	4,335	4,325	4,364	4,377
TX	11,461	*11,526	11,366	11,007	*11,296	11,432
VA	6,399	6,401	6,507	6,290	*6,610	6,650
CA, TN, & WV	9,754	9,264	9,169	8,260	8,942	10,048
1996 Total	168,181	*167,329	168,020	164,638	*166,289	167,415
1995 Total	161,853	160,672	160,593	160,462	155,687	158,918
% of Prev Yr	104	104	105	103	107	105

Broiler Chicks Placed in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jan 6	Jan 13	Jan 20	Jan 27	Feb 3	Feb 10
	1,000					
AL	17,251	17,462	16,870	17,560	*16,817	17,168
AR	23,357	23,814	24,705	23,253	*22,906	23,278
DE	5,144	5,386	5,804	5,213	4,797	5,746
FL	2,628	2,633	2,871	2,492	2,734	2,463
GA	23,696	23,684	23,650	24,141	*24,016	23,653
MD	6,404	6,379	5,534	6,149	7,232	6,358
MS	13,544	13,148	13,113	13,324	*13,239	12,883
NC	14,056	13,624	13,646	14,239	13,549	14,016
PA	2,361	2,434	2,455	2,595	2,457	2,752
SC	3,769	3,274	3,818	3,198	3,598	3,496
TX	8,734	8,645	8,583	8,508	8,706	8,299
VA	5,127	5,292	5,123	4,928	*5,029	5,087
CA, TN, & WV	9,118	8,867	9,114	9,364	*9,243	8,832
1996 Total	135,189	134,642	135,286	134,964	*134,323	134,031
1995 Total	130,282	129,784	130,176	131,895	130,416	130,025
% of Prev Yr	104	104	104	102	103	103

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