

Broiler Hatchery



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Broiler Eggs Set In 15 Selected States Up 4 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-State weekly program set in incubators 169 million eggs during the week ending February 17, 1996. This was up 4 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 Slightly

Broiler growers in the 15-State weekly program placed 132 million chicks for meat production during the week ending February 17, 1996. Placements were up slightly from the comparable week in 1995. Cumulative placements from October 29, 1995, through February 17, 1996, were 2.11 billion, 3 percent above the 2.05 billion placed during the same period a year earlier.

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Broiler Eggs Set in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jan 13	Jan 20	Jan 27	Feb 3	Feb 10	Feb 17
	1,000					
AL	24,262	23,931	*23,758	23,736	22,924	24,189
AR	29,827	30,040	30,130	30,462	30,248	30,076
DE	4,426	4,556	4,262	4,664	4,621	4,617
FL	2,888	2,904	2,909	2,928	2,898	2,953
GA	28,931	28,910	*28,524	28,781	*28,456	29,091
MD	9,407	9,592	9,743	9,368	9,660	9,766
MS	15,378	15,468	15,173	15,593	15,101	15,182
NC	17,675	18,015	17,458	16,699	17,893	18,210
PA	3,037	3,227	2,902	2,846	*3,078	3,217
SC	4,307	4,335	4,325	4,364	4,377	4,383
TX	11,526	11,366	11,007	11,296	11,432	11,303
VA	6,401	6,507	6,290	6,610	6,650	6,668
CA, TN, & WV	9,264	9,169	8,260	8,942	10,048	9,590
1996 Total	167,329	168,020	*164,741	166,289	*167,386	169,245
1995 Total	160,672	160,593	160,462	155,687	158,918	162,677
% of Prev Yr	104	105	103	107	105	104

Broiler Chicks Placed in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jan 13	Jan 20	Jan 27	Feb 3	Feb 10	Feb 17
	1,000					
AL	17,462	16,870	17,560	16,817	17,168	17,273
AR	23,814	24,705	23,253	22,906	23,278	23,461
DE	5,386	5,804	5,213	4,797	5,746	4,871
FL	2,633	2,871	2,492	2,734	2,463	2,527
GA	23,684	23,650	*24,085	24,016	*23,632	23,114
MD	6,379	5,534	6,149	7,232	6,358	6,596
MS	13,148	13,113	13,324	13,239	12,883	12,513
NC	13,624	13,646	14,239	13,549	14,016	13,506
PA	2,434	2,455	2,595	2,457	*2,592	2,302
SC	3,274	3,818	3,198	3,598	3,496	3,479
TX	8,645	8,583	8,508	8,706	8,299	8,321
VA	5,292	5,123	4,928	5,029	5,087	5,576
CA, TN, & WV	8,867	9,114	9,364	9,243	8,832	8,186
1996 Total	134,642	135,286	*134,908	134,323	*133,850	131,725
1995 Total	129,784	130,176	131,895	130,416	130,025	131,137
% of Prev Yr	104	104	102	103	103	100

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