

Broiler Hatchery



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Broiler Eggs Set In 15 Selected States Up 2 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-State weekly program set in incubators 168 million eggs during the week ending March 2, 1996. This was up 2 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 133 million chicks for meat production during the week ending March 2, 1996. Placements were up 3 percent from the comparable week in 1995. Cumulative placements from October 29, 1995, through March 2, 1996, were 2.37 billion, 3 percent above the 2.30 billion placed during the same period a year earlier.

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 Broiler Eggs Set in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jan 27	Feb 3	Feb 10	Feb 17	Feb 24	Mar 2
	1,000					
AL	23,758	23,736	22,924	24,189	24,324	24,039
AR	30,622	30,378	30,297	30,076	29,751	30,139
DE	4,262	4,664	4,621	4,617	4,622	4,590
FL	2,909	2,928	2,898	2,903	2,907	2,869
GA	28,524	28,487	28,456	29,063	*28,842	28,820
MD	9,743	9,368	9,660	9,766	9,576	9,878
MS	15,173	15,593	15,101	15,182	15,173	15,254
NC	17,458	16,699	*17,580	18,210	17,856	17,446
PA	2,902	2,846	3,078	*3,533	*3,278	3,273
SC	4,325	4,364	4,377	4,383	4,373	4,355
TX	11,007	*11,384	11,432	11,161	11,336	11,353
VA	6,290	6,610	6,650	6,759	6,629	6,447
CA, TN, & WV	8,260	9,059	10,048	9,057	9,718	9,583
1996 Total	165,233	*166,116	*167,122	*168,899	*168,385	168,046
1995 Total	160,462	155,687	158,918	162,677	163,588	164,502
% of Prev Yr	103	107	105	104	103	102

 Broiler Chicks Placed in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jan 27	Feb 3	Feb 10	Feb 17	Feb 24	Mar 2
	1,000					
AL	17,560	16,817	17,168	17,273	17,482	16,162
AR	23,238	22,897	23,232	23,461	23,102	23,278
DE	5,213	4,797	5,746	4,871	5,177	5,325
FL	2,492	2,734	2,463	2,527	2,440	2,608
GA	24,085	24,016	23,624	23,114	*23,154	23,001
MD	6,149	7,232	6,358	6,596	6,666	6,682
MS	13,324	13,239	12,883	12,513	13,130	12,879
NC	14,239	13,549	14,016	13,506	13,479	13,694
PA	2,595	2,457	2,592	*2,298	*2,292	2,371
SC	3,198	3,598	3,496	3,479	3,399	3,180
TX	8,508	8,706	8,299	8,321	8,329	8,452
VA	4,928	5,029	5,087	5,582	5,080	5,621
CA, TN, & WV	9,364	9,243	8,832	8,160	8,605	9,791
1996 Total	134,893	134,314	133,796	*131,701	*132,335	133,044
1995 Total	131,895	130,416	130,025	131,137	128,297	129,257
% of Prev Yr	102	103	103	100	103	103

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