

Broiler Hatchery



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Broiler Eggs Set In 15 Selected States Up 1 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-State weekly program set in incubators 167 million eggs during the week ending March 9, 1996. This was up 1 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 135 million chicks for meat production during the week ending March 9, 1996. Placements were up 3 percent from the comparable week in 1995. Cumulative placements from October 29, 1995, through March 9, 1996, were 2.51 billion, 3 percent above the 2.44 billion placed during the same period a year earlier.

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Broiler Eggs Set in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Feb 3	Feb 10	Feb 17	Feb 24	Mar 2	Mar 9
	1,000					
AL	23,736	22,924	*24,179	24,324	24,039	23,528
AR	30,378	30,297	30,076	29,751	30,139	29,479
DE	4,664	4,621	4,617	4,622	4,590	4,600
FL	2,928	2,898	2,903	2,907	2,869	2,879
GA	28,487	28,456	29,063	28,842	*28,807	29,008
MD	9,368	9,660	9,766	9,576	9,878	9,777
MS	15,593	15,101	15,182	15,173	15,254	15,316
NC	16,699	17,580	*18,008	17,856	17,446	17,765
PA	2,846	3,078	3,533	3,278	3,273	3,272
SC	4,364	4,377	4,383	4,373	4,355	4,360
TX	11,384	11,432	11,161	*11,364	*11,346	11,243
VA	6,610	6,650	6,759	6,629	6,447	6,317
CA, TN, & WV	9,059	10,048	9,057	9,718	9,583	9,668
1996 Total	166,116	167,122	*168,687	*168,413	*168,026	167,212
1995 Total	155,687	158,918	162,677	163,588	164,502	164,908
% of Prev Yr	107	105	104	103	102	101

Broiler Chicks Placed in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Feb 3	Feb 10	Feb 17	Feb 24	Mar 2	Mar 9
	1,000					
AL	16,817	17,168	17,273	17,482	*16,349	17,109
AR	22,897	23,232	23,461	23,102	23,278	23,592
DE	4,797	5,746	4,871	5,177	5,325	5,057
FL	2,734	2,463	2,527	2,440	2,608	2,445
GA	24,016	23,624	23,114	23,154	*22,425	23,375
MD	7,232	6,358	6,596	*6,665	*6,712	7,333
MS	13,239	12,883	12,513	13,130	12,879	13,293
NC	13,549	14,016	13,506	13,479	13,694	13,576
PA	2,457	2,592	2,298	2,292	2,371	2,555
SC	3,598	3,496	3,479	3,399	3,180	3,830
TX	*8,711	*8,304	*8,325	*8,343	8,452	8,381
VA	5,029	5,087	5,582	5,080	5,621	5,197
CA, TN, & WV	9,243	8,832	8,160	8,605	*9,498	8,967
1996 Total	*134,319	*133,801	*131,705	*132,348	*132,392	134,710
1995 Total	130,416	130,025	131,137	128,297	129,257	131,414
% of Prev Yr	103	103	100	103	102	103

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