

Broiler Hatchery



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Broiler Eggs Set In 15 Selected States Down Slightly

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-State weekly program set in incubators 166 million eggs during the week ending April 6, 1996. This was down slightly 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 Down 2 Percent

Broiler growers in the 15-State weekly program placed 132 million chicks for meat production during the week ending April 6, 1996. Placements were down 2 percent from the comparable week in 1995. Cumulative placements from October 29, 1995, through April 6, 1996, were 3.04 billion, 2 percent above the 2.97 billion placed during the same period a year earlier.

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Broiler Eggs Set in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Mar 2	Mar 9	Mar 16	Mar 23	Mar 30	Apr 6
	1,000					
AL	24,039	23,528	23,992	24,117	23,135	24,015
AR	29,904	29,323	28,640	28,311	28,368	29,169
DE	4,590	4,600	4,244	4,303	4,159	4,285
FL	2,869	2,879	2,839	2,810	2,785	2,672
GA	28,938	29,056	*28,130	28,539	*28,262	28,651
MD	9,003	8,902	8,869	8,396	8,832	8,772
MS	15,254	15,298	*15,532	*15,632	16,122	15,917
NC	17,446	17,765	17,581	17,882	17,526	17,554
PA	3,322	3,234	3,411	3,133	3,238	3,318
SC	4,355	4,360	4,247	4,222	4,182	4,275
TX	11,346	11,312	*11,301	11,311	11,358	11,452
VA	6,447	6,317	6,379	6,368	*6,335	6,342
CA, TN, & WV	9,591	*10,006	9,443	9,453	*9,341	9,445
1996 Total	167,104	*166,580	*164,608	*164,477	*163,643	165,867
1995 Total	164,502	164,908	165,416	163,610	164,797	166,063
% of Prev Yr	102	101	100	101	99	100

Broiler Chicks Placed in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Mar 2	Mar 9	Mar 16	Mar 23	Mar 30	Apr 6
	1,000					
AL	16,349	17,109	17,219	17,231	16,853	16,570
AR	23,242	23,644	24,636	23,159	22,871	22,737
DE	5,325	5,057	5,478	5,386	5,157	4,802
FL	2,608	2,445	2,904	2,368	2,575	2,705
GA	22,905	23,343	23,644	24,066	*23,756	22,634
MD	6,011	6,653	5,886	6,132	6,380	6,507
MS	12,879	13,293	13,323	13,600	13,447	12,976
NC	13,694	13,576	14,031	13,824	13,879	13,927
PA	2,410	2,545	2,578	2,564	2,526	2,543
SC	3,407	3,830	3,574	3,226	3,990	3,531
TX	*8,479	*8,408	*8,485	*8,483	*8,592	8,356
VA	5,621	5,197	5,507	5,321	*5,132	5,264
CA, TN, & WV	9,488	8,971	8,899	*9,350	*9,648	9,421
1996 Total	*132,418	*134,071	*136,164	*134,710	*134,806	131,973
1995 Total	129,257	131,414	133,814	133,954	134,995	134,826
% of Prev Yr	102	102	102	101	100	98

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