

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 165 million eggs during the week ending April 20, 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 3 Percent

Broiler growers in the 15-State weekly program placed 130 million chicks for meat production during the week ending April 20, 1996. Placements were down 3 percent from the comparable week in 1995. Cumulative placements from December 31, 1995, through April 20, 1996, were 2.14 billion, 1 percent above the 2.11 billion placed during the same period a year earlier.

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 Broiler Eggs Set in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Mar 16	Mar 23	Mar 30	Apr 6	Apr 13	Apr 20
	1,000					
AL	23,992	24,117	23,135	24,015	24,100	23,613
AR	28,640	28,311	28,368	29,169	28,855	29,038
DE	4,244	4,303	4,159	4,285	4,391	4,311
FL	2,839	2,810	2,785	2,672	2,710	2,626
GA	28,130	28,539	28,262	28,678	*28,830	28,494
MD	8,869	8,396	8,832	8,772	8,594	8,439
MS	15,532	15,632	16,122	15,917	15,922	15,792
NC	17,581	17,882	17,526	17,554	17,704	17,972
PA	3,411	3,133	3,238	3,318	3,315	3,179
SC	4,247	4,222	4,182	4,275	4,323	4,271
TX	11,301	11,311	11,358	11,452	*11,825	11,199
VA	6,379	6,368	6,335	6,342	6,285	6,327
CA, TN, & WV	9,443	9,453	9,341	9,445	9,982	9,975
1996 Total	164,608	164,477	163,643	165,894	*166,836	165,236
1995 Total	165,411	163,616	165,004	166,109	166,244	165,507
% of Prev Yr	100	101	99	100	100	100

 Broiler Chicks Placed in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Mar 16	Mar 23	Mar 30	Apr 6	Apr 13	Apr 20
	1,000					
AL	17,219	17,231	16,853	16,570	*16,852	16,378
AR	24,636	23,159	22,871	22,737	22,696	21,144
DE	5,478	5,386	5,157	4,802	4,508	5,430
FL	2,904	2,368	2,575	2,704	2,653	2,494
GA	23,644	24,066	23,756	22,668	*23,249	22,823
MD	5,886	6,132	6,380	6,507	6,354	5,419
MS	13,323	13,600	13,447	12,976	13,249	14,021
NC	14,031	13,824	13,879	13,927	14,001	13,760
PA	2,578	2,564	2,526	2,543	2,417	2,496
SC	3,574	3,226	3,990	3,531	3,365	3,851
TX	8,485	8,483	8,592	8,356	*8,274	8,191
VA	5,507	5,321	5,132	5,264	5,440	5,505
CA, TN, & WV	8,899	9,350	9,648	*9,427	*9,306	8,800
1996 Total	136,164	134,710	134,806	*132,012	*132,364	130,312
1995 Total	133,936	134,117	135,083	134,786	133,373	133,791
% of Prev Yr	102	100	100	98	99	97

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