

Broiler Hatchery



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Broiler Eggs Set In 15 Selected States Up Slightly

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-State weekly program set in incubators 166 million eggs during the week ending May 25, 1996. This was up slightly from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 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 May 25, 1996. Placements were down 2 percent from the comparable week in 1995. Cumulative placements from December 31, 1995, through May 25, 1996, were 2.81 billion, 1 percent above the 2.78 billion placed during the same period a year earlier.

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Broiler Eggs Set in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Apr 20	Apr 27	May 4	May 11	May 18	May 25
	1,000					
AL	23,613	23,751	23,497	24,399	24,012	23,988
AR	29,031	28,679	27,575	28,890	28,717	28,977
DE	4,311	4,160	4,388	4,351	4,395	4,380
FL	2,626	2,689	2,826	2,730	2,920	2,906
GA	28,566	28,833	28,904	29,167	*28,742	28,831
MD	8,716	8,518	8,464	8,915	8,841	8,783
MS	15,792	15,995	16,193	16,267	16,299	16,478
NC	17,972	17,363	17,103	17,763	17,702	16,594
PA	*3,499	*3,383	*3,502	*3,396	*3,317	3,259
SC	4,271	4,211	4,274	4,277	4,267	4,225
TX	11,225	11,763	11,557	11,558	11,489	11,577
VA	6,327	6,139	6,274	6,248	6,315	6,259
CA, TN, & WV	9,975	9,388	9,647	*9,948	10,014	9,946
1996 Total	*165,924	*164,872	*164,204	*167,909	*167,030	166,203
1995 Total	165,507	164,315	165,324	165,032	166,581	165,545
% of Prev Yr	100	100	99	102	100	100

Broiler Chicks Placed in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Apr 20	Apr 27	May 4	May 11	May 18	May 25
	1,000					
AL	16,378	16,955	16,964	17,069	16,975	16,616
AR	21,136	22,188	22,704	23,579	22,751	20,983
DE	5,430	4,654	4,967	5,178	5,905	5,121
FL	2,510	2,688	2,574	2,588	2,732	2,840
GA	22,863	23,433	23,601	23,451	*23,609	23,987
MD	5,419	6,699	6,193	6,117	5,114	6,076
MS	14,021	14,095	14,087	13,978	14,139	13,831
NC	13,760	14,013	14,464	13,989	13,821	13,561
PA	*2,487	*2,526	*2,572	*2,524	*2,576	2,550
SC	3,851	3,333	3,576	3,755	3,175	3,503
TX	8,204	8,642	8,606	8,727	8,800	8,799
VA	5,505	5,284	4,986	5,124	5,008	5,202
CA, TN, & WV	8,854	9,323	9,892	*9,244	9,349	9,206
1996 Total	*130,418	*133,833	*135,186	*135,323	*133,954	132,275
1995 Total	133,791	135,866	135,124	134,601	133,500	134,872
% of Prev Yr	97	99	100	101	100	98

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