

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 166 million eggs during the week ending August 10, 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 Down Slightly

Broiler growers in the 15-State weekly program placed 133 million chicks for meat production during the week ending August 10, 1996. Placements were down slightly from the comparable week in 1995. Cumulative placements from December 31, 1995, through August 10, 1996, were 4.27 billion, slightly above the 4.25 billion placed during the same period a year earlier.

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Broiler Eggs Set in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jul 6	Jul 13	Jul 20	Jul 27	Aug 3	Aug 10
	1,000					
AL	22,984	*23,747	23,940	23,666	*23,972	24,093
AR	27,177	*28,440	28,626	28,970	28,753	28,881
DE	4,619	4,706	4,701	4,697	4,559	4,535
FL	2,603	2,903	2,864	2,856	2,884	2,860
GA	28,004	28,658	28,900	*28,523	*28,461	28,273
MD	8,286	8,238	8,263	8,611	8,462	8,443
MS	15,808	16,390	16,213	15,614	16,358	15,908
NC	17,140	17,529	17,633	17,437	17,951	17,699
PA	3,313	3,393	3,548	3,554	*3,293	3,399
SC	4,338	4,338	4,335	4,337	4,356	4,350
TX	11,338	11,626	11,108	11,331	11,210	11,393
VA	6,194	6,359	6,351	6,535	*6,586	6,520
CA, TN, & WV	8,700	9,753	*9,137	9,297	9,466	9,322
1996 Total	160,504	*166,080	*165,619	*165,428	*166,311	165,676
1995 Total	160,939	165,367	165,750	164,548	163,591	162,869
% of Prev Yr	100	100	100	101	102	102

Broiler Chicks Placed in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jul 6	Jul 13	Jul 20	Jul 27	Aug 3	Aug 10
	1,000					
AL	17,570	16,729	17,128	16,070	*16,758	17,297
AR	23,814	*22,680	21,536	20,978	22,505	22,460
DE	5,459	5,258	4,485	5,633	4,993	5,542
FL	2,424	2,598	2,529	2,424	2,703	2,644
GA	24,082	*23,251	*23,458	*22,917	*23,196	23,219
MD	5,866	5,570	5,818	5,400	6,231	5,396
MS	14,059	13,720	13,292	*13,867	*14,036	14,067
NC	14,078	14,315	12,796	13,378	13,814	13,395
PA	2,567	2,626	2,538	2,645	2,672	2,693
SC	3,573	3,500	3,422	3,551	3,654	3,529
TX	8,409	8,486	7,513	8,327	8,599	8,372
VA	5,080	5,358	4,980	4,866	*4,855	5,400
CA, TN, & WV	*9,093	*9,416	*8,443	*8,599	9,559	8,587
1996 Total	*136,074	*133,507	*127,938	*128,655	*133,575	132,601
1995 Total	134,419	133,790	129,944	130,442	133,899	133,019
% of Prev Yr	101	100	98	99	100	100

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