

# 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 166 million eggs during the week ending August 17, 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 Down Slightly

Broiler growers in the 15-State weekly program placed 132 million chicks for meat production during the week ending August 17, 1996. Placements were down slightly from the comparable week in 1995. Cumulative placements from December 31, 1995, through August 17, 1996, were 4.41 billion, slightly above the 4.39 billion placed during the same period a year earlier.

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Broiler Eggs Set in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jul 13	Jul 20	Jul 27	Aug 3	Aug 10	Aug 17
	1,000					
AL	23,747	23,940	*23,791	23,972	24,093	23,839
AR	*28,813	*29,093	28,970	28,753	28,881	29,207
DE	4,706	4,701	4,697	4,559	4,535	4,676
FL	2,903	2,864	2,856	2,884	2,860	2,860
GA	28,658	28,900	*28,674	28,461	*28,329	27,903
MD	8,238	8,263	8,611	8,462	8,443	8,712
MS	16,390	16,213	15,614	16,358	*15,981	16,077
NC	17,529	17,633	*17,610	17,951	17,699	17,469
PA	3,393	3,548	*3,654	3,293	*3,329	3,572
SC	4,338	4,335	4,337	4,356	4,350	4,330
TX	11,626	*11,470	11,331	11,210	11,393	11,128
VA	6,359	6,351	6,535	6,586	6,520	6,485
CA, TN, & WV	9,753	9,137	9,297	9,466	9,322	9,347
1996 Total	*166,453	*166,448	*165,977	166,311	*165,735	165,605
1995 Total	165,367	165,750	164,548	163,591	162,869	164,564
% of Prev Yr	101	100	101	102	102	101

Broiler Chicks Placed in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jul 13	Jul 20	Jul 27	Aug 3	Aug 10	Aug 17
	1,000					
AL	16,729	17,128	16,070	16,758	17,297	16,697
AR	*22,698	21,536	20,978	22,505	22,460	22,822
DE	5,258	4,485	5,633	4,993	5,542	5,372
FL	2,598	2,529	2,424	2,703	2,644	2,571
GA	23,251	23,458	22,917	23,196	*23,290	23,247
MD	5,570	5,818	5,400	6,231	5,396	5,929
MS	13,720	13,292	13,867	14,036	*14,075	13,521
NC	14,315	12,796	13,378	13,814	*13,489	13,625
PA	2,626	2,538	2,645	2,672	*2,674	2,725
SC	3,500	3,422	3,551	3,654	*3,434	3,934
TX	8,486	7,513	8,327	8,599	8,372	8,115
VA	5,358	4,980	4,866	4,855	5,400	5,272
CA, TN, & WV	9,416	8,443	8,599	*9,508	8,587	7,957
1996 Total	*133,525	127,938	128,655	*133,524	*132,660	131,787
1995 Total	133,790	129,944	130,442	133,899	133,019	131,899
% of Prev Yr	100	98	99	100	100	100

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