

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 165 million eggs during the week ending August 31, 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 Up 2 Percent

Broiler growers in the 15-State weekly program placed 132 million chicks for meat production during the week ending August 31, 1996. Placements were up 2 percent from the comparable week in 1995. Cumulative placements from December 31, 1995, through August 31, 1996, were 4.67 billion, 1 percent above the 4.65 billion placed during the same period a year earlier.

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Broiler Eggs Set in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jul 27	Aug 3	Aug 10	Aug 17	Aug 24	Aug 31
	1,000					
AL	23,791	23,972	24,093	23,839	24,225	23,125
AR	29,061	28,727	28,881	29,152	27,903	29,227
DE	4,697	4,559	4,535	4,479	*4,413	4,288
FL	2,856	2,884	2,860	2,860	2,838	2,826
GA	28,674	28,637	*28,374	27,907	*28,906	27,943
MD	8,611	8,462	8,443	8,727	8,617	8,242
MS	15,614	16,358	15,981	16,077	16,175	16,176
NC	17,610	17,951	17,699	17,469	17,465	17,199
PA	3,654	3,293	3,329	3,644	*3,593	3,681
SC	4,337	4,356	4,350	4,330	4,278	4,304
TX	11,331	11,210	11,393	*11,320	*11,921	11,923
VA	6,535	6,586	6,520	6,485	6,498	6,403
CA, TN, & WV	9,297	9,466	9,322	9,347	9,692	9,339
1996 Total	166,068	166,461	*165,780	*165,636	*166,524	164,676
1995 Total	164,548	163,591	162,869	164,564	163,456	161,881
% of Prev Yr	101	102	102	101	102	102

Broiler Chicks Placed in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jul 27	Aug 3	Aug 10	Aug 17	Aug 24	Aug 31
	1,000					
AL	16,070	16,758	17,297	*16,694	*17,360	16,893
AR	21,027	22,490	22,448	22,807	22,731	23,768
DE	5,633	4,993	5,542	5,313	*5,365	4,888
FL	2,424	2,703	2,644	2,571	2,648	2,567
GA	22,917	23,196	23,290	*22,814	*22,586	22,853
MD	5,400	6,231	5,396	5,978	*5,690	5,953
MS	13,867	14,036	14,075	13,521	14,043	11,935
NC	13,378	13,814	13,489	13,625	14,154	13,791
PA	2,645	2,672	2,674	*2,702	*2,601	2,641
SC	3,551	3,654	3,434	*3,925	3,816	4,102
TX	8,327	*8,595	*8,369	*8,299	*8,391	8,268
VA	4,866	4,855	5,400	5,272	5,345	5,664
CA, TN, & WV	8,599	9,563	8,651	8,065	8,872	8,633
1996 Total	128,704	*133,560	*132,709	*131,586	*133,602	131,956
1995 Total	130,442	133,899	133,019	131,899	130,139	129,677
% of Prev Yr	99	100	100	100	103	102

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