

Broiler Hatchery



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Broiler Eggs Set In 15 Selected States Down 1 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-State weekly program set in incubators 165 million eggs during the week ending November 9, 1996. This was down 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 Up 1 Percent

Broiler growers in the 15-State weekly program placed 124 million chicks for meat production during the week ending November 9, 1996. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week in 1995. Cumulative placements from December 31, 1995, through November 2, 1996, were 5.96 billion, 1 percent above the 5.92 billion placed during the same period a year earlier.

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Broiler Eggs Set in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Oct 5	Oct 12	Oct 19	Oct 26	Nov 2	Nov 9
	1,000					
AL	23,639	21,612	*23,847	21,490	22,620	23,617
AR	28,498	27,381	27,038	26,126	26,920	28,312
DE	4,329	4,202	3,797	4,047	4,462	4,355
FL	2,655	2,630	*2,696	2,689	2,606	2,809
GA	28,645	28,102	*25,702	25,387	*27,486	28,319
MD	7,916	*7,839	7,301	8,085	8,314	8,718
MS	16,474	16,002	15,801	13,724	14,971	16,221
NC	16,632	15,394	15,398	16,092	16,780	16,914
PA	3,310	3,225	3,212	*3,249	3,349	3,387
SC	4,410	4,176	4,032	4,071	4,244	4,280
TX	11,439	11,458	*10,692	10,544	*11,111	11,510
VA	6,509	6,121	5,960	6,085	*5,561	6,603
CA, TN, & WV	8,617	8,076	9,479	9,303	10,077	9,589
1996 Total	163,073	*156,218	*154,955	*150,892	*158,501	164,634
1995 Total	162,799	158,849	153,734	152,265	156,840	166,859
% of Prev Yr	100	98	101	99	101	99

Broiler Chicks Placed in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Oct 5	Oct 12	Oct 19	Oct 26	Nov 2	Nov 9
	1,000					
AL	16,970	16,857	17,214	17,052	15,414	16,592
AR	22,505	21,600	21,300	22,350	21,641	20,969
DE	4,591	4,769	4,868	4,835	4,483	4,866
FL	2,529	2,524	2,462	2,676	2,578	2,422
GA	21,258	21,472	21,338	22,676	*22,948	21,031
MD	*5,892	*5,347	*5,698	5,550	*5,569	4,511
MS	13,858	13,363	13,293	13,498	13,170	13,971
NC	11,902	12,109	12,557	13,001	12,609	12,519
PA	2,383	2,291	2,489	*2,516	2,397	2,224
SC	3,782	3,176	3,169	4,027	3,520	3,376
TX	8,587	7,781	7,882	8,491	8,367	7,706
VA	4,573	4,172	5,195	5,351	*5,002	4,704
CA, TN, & WV	7,826	8,155	8,368	8,051	7,723	9,085
1996 Total	*126,656	*123,616	*125,833	*130,074	*125,421	123,976
1995 Total	124,964	123,475	131,202	131,585	127,500	122,764
% of Prev Yr	101	100	96	99	98	101

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