

Broiler Hatchery



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Broiler Eggs Set In 15 Selected States Up 4 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-State weekly program set in incubators 175 million eggs during the week ending June 7, 1997. This was up 4 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 4 Percent

Broiler growers in the 15-State weekly program placed 141 million chicks for meat production during the week ending June 7, 1997. Placements were up 4 percent from the comparable week in 1996. Cumulative placements from December 29, 1996, through June 7, 1997 were 3.18 billion, 3 percent above the 3.10 billion placed during the same period a year earlier.

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Broiler Eggs Set in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	May 3	May 10	May 17	May 24	May 31	Jun 7
	1,000					
AL	25,996	26,051	*25,949	26,066	26,051	26,047
AR	29,206	29,642	30,098	29,638	29,866	30,034
DE	4,628	4,684	4,605	4,685	4,744	4,709
FL	2,557	2,594	2,643	2,634	2,619	2,629
GA	28,817	29,551	30,636	30,438	*30,867	30,747
MD	8,718	8,833	8,839	8,752	8,734	8,786
MS	17,887	17,781	17,517	17,567	17,558	17,379
NC	17,417	17,517	*17,552	17,439	*17,661	17,628
PA	3,796	3,628	3,504	3,678	3,637	3,575
SC	4,440	4,445	4,450	4,439	4,439	4,426
TX	12,298	12,282	12,226	12,319	12,481	12,624
VA	6,664	6,665	6,636	6,628	6,599	6,600
CA, TN, & WV	*9,331	9,854	9,963	9,556	10,021	9,688
1997 Total	*171,755	173,527	*174,618	173,839	*175,277	174,872
1996 Total	164,094	167,473	166,928	166,589	166,830	167,526
% of Prev Yr	105	104	105	104	105	104

Broiler Chicks Placed in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	May 3	May 10	May 17	May 24	May 31	Jun 7
	1,000					
AL	18,517	19,273	18,652	18,804	18,448	18,536
AR	23,699	22,387	24,358	24,120	24,180	24,127
DE	4,744	5,162	5,514	5,319	*5,103	5,455
FL	2,723	2,647	2,693	2,631	2,624	2,718
GA	24,167	23,831	24,503	23,026	*24,191	24,694
MD	6,560	6,285	5,364	5,896	*6,554	5,817
MS	15,541	15,485	14,642	15,168	15,261	15,316
NC	13,654	13,546	13,488	13,819	*13,360	13,533
PA	2,732	2,685	2,836	2,776	2,738	2,806
SC	3,715	3,617	3,990	3,626	3,706	3,788
TX	9,082	9,024	*9,054	*9,137	*9,186	9,170
VA	5,639	5,432	5,705	5,410	*5,260	5,777
CA, TN, & WV	9,606	10,046	9,101	*9,024	9,834	9,761
1997 Total	140,379	139,420	*139,900	*138,756	*140,445	141,498
1996 Total	136,196	136,300	134,911	132,688	135,561	136,597
% of Prev Yr	103	102	104	105	104	104

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