

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 174 million eggs during the week ending June 14, 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 5 Percent

Broiler growers in the 15-State weekly program placed 141 million chicks for meat production during the week ending June 14, 1997. Placements were up 5 percent from the comparable week in 1996. Cumulative placements from December 29, 1996, through June 14, 1997 were 3.32 billion, 3 percent above the 3.23 billion placed during the same period a year earlier.

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Broiler Eggs Set in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	May 10	May 17	May 24	May 31	Jun 7	Jun 14
	1,000					
AL	26,051	25,949	26,066	26,051	*26,061	25,719
AR	29,642	30,098	29,638	29,866	30,034	29,887
DE	4,684	4,605	4,685	4,744	4,709	4,698
FL	2,594	2,643	2,634	2,619	2,629	2,582
GA	29,551	30,636	*30,638	30,867	*30,734	30,604
MD	8,833	8,839	*8,576	8,734	8,786	8,792
MS	17,781	17,517	17,567	17,558	*17,490	17,250
NC	17,517	17,552	17,439	17,661	*17,627	17,553
PA	3,628	3,504	*3,726	*3,594	*3,550	3,624
SC	4,445	4,450	4,439	4,439	4,426	4,303
TX	12,282	12,226	12,319	12,481	12,624	12,561
VA	6,665	6,636	6,628	6,599	6,600	6,662
CA, TN, & WV	9,854	9,963	9,556	10,021	9,688	9,701
1997 Total	173,527	174,618	*173,911	*175,234	*174,958	173,936
1996 Total	167,473	166,928	166,589	166,830	167,526	167,768
% of Prev Yr	104	105	104	105	104	104

Broiler Chicks Placed in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	May 10	May 17	May 24	May 31	Jun 7	Jun 14
	1,000					
AL	19,273	18,652	18,804	18,448	*18,519	18,589
AR	22,387	24,358	24,120	24,180	24,127	24,476
DE	5,162	5,514	5,319	5,103	5,455	5,873
FL	2,647	2,693	2,631	2,624	2,718	2,629
GA	23,831	24,503	23,026	24,191	*24,690	24,664
MD	6,285	5,364	5,896	6,554	5,817	5,585
MS	15,485	14,642	15,168	15,261	*15,302	15,225
NC	13,546	13,488	13,819	13,360	*13,545	13,530
PA	2,685	2,836	*2,777	*2,736	*2,703	2,841
SC	3,617	3,990	3,626	3,706	3,788	3,923
TX	9,024	9,054	9,137	9,186	*9,161	9,247
VA	5,432	5,705	5,410	5,260	5,777	5,134
CA, TN, & WV	10,046	9,101	9,024	9,834	9,761	9,434
1997 Total	139,420	139,900	*138,757	*140,443	*141,363	141,150
1996 Total	136,300	134,911	132,688	135,561	136,597	134,252
% of Prev Yr	102	104	105	104	103	105

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