

# Broiler Hatchery



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## Broiler Eggs Set In 15 Selected States Up 6 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-State weekly program set in incubators 170 million eggs during the week ending July 5, 1997. This was up 6 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 140 million chicks for meat production during the week ending July 5, 1997. Placements were up 2 percent from the comparable week in 1996. Cumulative placements from December 29, 1996, through July 5, 1997 were 3.75 billion, 3 percent above the 3.64 billion placed during the same period a year earlier.

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Broiler Eggs Set in 15 Selected States

| State        | Week Ending |         |          |         |          |         |
|--------------|-------------|---------|----------|---------|----------|---------|
|              | May 31      | Jun 7   | Jun 14   | Jun 21  | Jun 28   | Jul 5   |
|              | 1,000       |         |          |         |          |         |
| AL           | 25,955      | 26,061  | *25,797  | 25,238  | 25,589   | 25,331  |
| AR           | 29,866      | 30,034  | 29,887   | 29,430  | *29,075  | 28,404  |
| DE           | 4,744       | 4,733   | 4,698    | 4,740   | 4,311    | 4,629   |
| FL           | 2,619       | 2,629   | 2,582    | 2,638   | 2,594    | 2,601   |
| GA           | 30,867      | 30,834  | 30,731   | 30,462  | *29,999  | 29,760  |
| MD           | 8,734       | 8,786   | 8,792    | 8,869   | 8,161    | 8,475   |
| MS           | 17,558      | 17,490  | 17,250   | 17,524  | 16,738   | 17,029  |
| NC           | 17,661      | 17,627  | *17,569  | 17,770  | 16,368   | 16,860  |
| PA           | 3,594       | 3,550   | 3,571    | 3,611   | 3,591    | 3,619   |
| SC           | 4,439       | 4,426   | 4,303    | 4,457   | 4,328    | 4,454   |
| TX           | 12,844      | 13,005  | *12,759  | 12,544  | 12,702   | 12,687  |
| VA           | 6,599       | 6,600   | 6,662    | 6,679   | 6,671    | 6,563   |
| CA, TN, & WV | 10,021      | 9,688   | 9,701    | 10,068  | 8,695    | 9,527   |
| 1997 Total   | 175,501     | 175,463 | *174,302 | 174,030 | *168,822 | 169,939 |
| 1996 Total   | 166,830     | 167,526 | 167,768  | 166,315 | 160,697  | 161,058 |
| % of Prev Yr | 105         | 105     | 104      | 105     | 105      | 106     |

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Broiler Chicks Placed in 15 Selected States

| State        | Week Ending |          |          |          |          |         |
|--------------|-------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|---------|
|              | May 31      | Jun 7    | Jun 14   | Jun 21   | Jun 28   | Jul 5   |
|              | 1,000       |          |          |          |          |         |
| AL           | 18,448      | 18,519   | *18,836  | 18,816   | 19,017   | 18,669  |
| AR           | 24,180      | 24,127   | 24,476   | 23,512   | *23,972  | 23,394  |
| DE           | 5,103       | 5,363    | 5,873    | 4,997    | *5,372   | 5,351   |
| FL           | 2,624       | 2,718    | 2,629    | 2,658    | 2,723    | 2,729   |
| GA           | 24,191      | 24,690   | 24,716   | 24,604   | *24,564  | 24,284  |
| MD           | 6,554       | 5,947    | 5,585    | 6,609    | *6,222   | 6,237   |
| MS           | 15,261      | 15,302   | 15,225   | 15,198   | 15,054   | 15,142  |
| NC           | 13,360      | 13,545   | 13,530   | 13,778   | 14,867   | 13,774  |
| PA           | 2,736       | 2,703    | 2,761    | 2,712    | 2,686    | 2,637   |
| SC           | 3,706       | 3,788    | 3,900    | 3,684    | 3,990    | 3,948   |
| TX           | 9,634       | *9,670   | *9,744   | *9,752   | *9,846   | 9,704   |
| VA           | 5,260       | 5,777    | 5,122    | 5,264    | 5,383    | 5,056   |
| CA, TN, & WV | 9,834       | 9,761    | 9,434    | 9,394    | 9,300    | 9,293   |
| 1997 Total   | 140,891     | *141,910 | *141,831 | *140,978 | *142,996 | 140,218 |
| 1996 Total   | 135,561     | 136,597  | 134,252  | 135,176  | 135,784  | 137,124 |
| % of Prev Yr | 104         | 104      | 106      | 104      | 105      | 102     |

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