

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 170 million eggs during the week ending July 12, 1997. 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 4 Percent

Broiler growers in the 15-State weekly program placed 140 million chicks for meat production during the week ending July 12, 1997. Placements were up 4 percent from the comparable week in 1996. Cumulative placements from December 29, 1996, through July 12, 1997 were 3.89 billion, 3 percent above the 3.77 billion placed during the same period a year earlier.

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Broiler Eggs Set in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jun 7	Jun 14	Jun 21	Jun 28	Jul 5	Jul 12
	1,000					
AL	26,061	25,797	25,238	25,589	25,331	25,663
AR	30,034	29,887	29,430	29,075	28,404	29,188
DE	4,733	4,698	4,740	4,311	4,629	4,614
FL	2,629	2,582	2,638	2,594	2,601	2,559
GA	30,834	30,731	30,462	29,999	*29,743	29,767
MD	8,786	8,792	8,869	8,161	8,475	8,687
MS	17,490	17,250	17,524	16,738	17,029	17,206
NC	17,627	17,569	17,770	16,368	16,860	17,236
PA	3,550	3,571	3,611	*3,727	*3,495	3,621
SC	4,426	4,303	4,457	4,328	4,454	4,457
TX	13,005	12,759	*12,713	*12,672	*12,759	11,510
VA	6,600	6,662	6,679	6,671	6,563	6,598
CA, TN, & WV	9,688	9,701	10,068	8,695	9,527	9,349
1997 Total	175,463	174,302	*174,199	*168,928	*169,870	170,455
1996 Total	167,526	167,768	166,315	160,697	161,058	167,007
% of Prev Yr	105	104	105	105	105	102

Broiler Chicks Placed in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jun 7	Jun 14	Jun 21	Jun 28	Jul 5	Jul 12
	1,000					
AL	18,519	18,836	18,816	19,017	*18,776	18,132
AR	24,127	24,476	23,512	23,972	23,394	23,470
DE	5,363	5,873	4,997	5,372	*5,399	5,845
FL	2,718	2,629	2,658	2,723	2,729	2,481
GA	24,690	24,716	24,604	24,564	*24,356	24,033
MD	5,947	5,585	6,609	6,222	*5,899	5,505
MS	15,302	15,225	15,198	15,054	15,142	14,921
NC	13,545	13,530	13,778	14,867	13,774	13,735
PA	2,703	2,761	2,712	*2,645	*2,632	2,715
SC	3,788	3,900	3,684	3,990	3,948	4,101
TX	9,670	9,744	9,752	*9,850	*9,711	9,668
VA	5,777	5,122	5,264	5,383	*5,353	5,669
CA, TN, & WV	9,761	9,434	9,394	9,300	*9,237	10,070
1997 Total	141,910	141,831	140,978	*142,959	*140,350	140,345
1996 Total	136,597	134,252	135,176	135,784	137,124	134,543
% of Prev Yr	104	106	104	105	102	104

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