

Broiler Hatchery



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Broiler Eggs Set In 15 Selected States Up 1 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-State weekly program set in incubators 169 million eggs during the week ending November 8, 1997. This was up 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 126 million chicks for meat production during the week ending November 8, 1997. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week in 1996. Cumulative placements from December 29, 1996, through November 8, 1997 were 6.19 billion, 3 percent above the 6.00 billion placed during the same period a year earlier.

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Broiler Eggs Set in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Oct 4	Oct 11	Oct 18	Oct 25	Nov 1	Nov 8
	1,000					
AL	25,600	23,812	*24,195	22,717	24,142	25,083
AR	29,689	29,647	27,834	26,789	28,065	29,200
DE	4,298	4,229	3,533	4,198	4,488	4,449
FL	2,719	2,796	2,880	2,542	2,425	2,939
GA	30,269	28,914	*26,729	27,619	*28,089	27,725
MD	8,153	8,138	*7,713	7,283	8,530	8,646
MS	16,714	17,056	16,940	15,826	16,103	16,891
NC	15,775	15,969	*14,714	15,835	15,972	17,158
PA	3,448	3,438	3,321	3,198	*3,370	3,575
SC	4,493	4,389	4,130	4,325	4,231	4,365
TX	12,108	12,095	11,753	11,441	11,522	12,060
VA	6,672	6,271	6,147	6,391	6,078	6,617
CA, TN, & WV	9,999	9,644	9,484	9,697	10,648	10,321
1997 Total	169,937	166,398	*159,373	157,861	*163,663	169,029
1996 Total	163,679	156,227	154,973	150,501	158,685	166,637
% of Prev Yr	104	107	103	105	103	101

Broiler Chicks Placed in 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Oct 4	Oct 11	Oct 18	Oct 25	Nov 1	Nov 8
	1,000					
AL	17,071	18,553	16,710	18,484	16,808	17,070
AR	22,729	23,260	23,042	23,474	23,154	21,368
DE	5,000	4,634	5,429	5,841	4,440	4,868
FL	2,713	2,863	2,502	2,461	2,643	2,757
GA	22,561	22,520	22,017	23,839	*23,219	21,586
MD	4,934	5,795	5,042	4,927	6,381	4,754
MS	13,982	14,104	14,697	14,255	14,324	14,184
NC	12,357	12,030	12,659	12,711	12,401	11,676
PA	2,710	2,634	2,780	2,713	*2,605	2,512
SC	3,635	3,202	3,079	4,051	4,220	3,949
TX	9,331	8,818	8,740	9,163	*9,311	8,640
VA	4,815	4,628	5,001	5,118	4,618	4,812
CA, TN, & WV	8,283	7,985	8,356	9,343	*8,819	8,133
1997 Total	130,121	131,026	130,054	136,380	*132,943	126,309
1996 Total	126,824	123,682	125,944	130,221	125,501	124,488
% of Prev Yr	103	106	103	105	106	101

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