



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 181 million eggs during the week ending June 26, 1999. 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 3 Percent

Broiler growers in the 15-State weekly program placed 147 million chicks for meat production during the week ending June 26, 1999. Placements were up 3 percent from the comparable week in 1998. Cumulative placements from January 3, 1999, through June 26, 1999, were 3.62 billion, up 3 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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Broiler Eggs Set, 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	May 22 1999	May 29 1999	Jun 5 1999	Jun 12 1999	Jun 19 1999	Jun 26 1999
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	27,752	27,513	27,623	27,450	27,625	26,788
AR	30,651	30,812	30,716	*30,768	*29,965	29,642
DE	4,626	4,615	4,629	4,194	4,728	4,719
FL	2,648	2,694	2,785	2,692	2,813	2,725
GA	31,876	32,029	30,900	32,170	32,171	31,203
MD	8,939	8,968	8,852	8,932	8,880	8,690
MS	18,539	18,797	18,597	18,443	18,259	18,508
NC	18,298	18,811	18,624	18,463	18,489	18,201
PA	3,481	3,539	3,849	4,016	*3,594	3,636
SC	4,889	4,910	4,887	5,061	4,960	4,599
TX	13,616	13,568	13,559	13,497	13,521	13,598
VA	6,547	6,670	6,572	6,710	6,564	6,613
CA, TN, & WV	11,627	11,579	11,230	11,880	*11,028	11,703
15 State Total	183,489	184,505	182,823	*184,276	*182,597	180,625
Previous Year Total	177,208	178,086	178,271	179,155	177,738	176,908
Pct. of Prev. Year	104	104	103	103	103	102

* Revised.

Broiler Chicks Placed, 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	May 22 1999	May 29 1999	Jun 5 1999	Jun 12 1999	Jun 19 1999	Jun 26 1999
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	20,886	19,997	*20,466	20,771	*20,158	19,932
AR	23,807	24,554	25,290	24,597	*25,704	25,092
DE	4,427	5,222	5,398	6,011	5,054	5,517
FL	2,277	2,227	2,448	2,270	2,328	2,636
GA	25,510	25,289	25,353	25,781	26,338	25,860
MD	6,794	6,153	5,972	5,526	*6,603	6,185
MS	15,286	15,229	14,745	15,323	15,564	15,233
NC	14,267	14,197	14,832	14,214	14,577	14,472
PA	2,839	2,820	2,786	2,734	*2,713	2,882
SC	3,925	3,747	3,926	3,527	3,888	4,333
TX	10,552	10,438	10,471	10,310	10,403	10,434
VA	5,815	5,655	5,557	5,386	5,424	5,482
CA, TN, & WV	9,854	10,712	10,393	10,296	*9,849	9,425
15 State Total	146,239	146,240	*147,637	146,746	*148,603	147,483
Previous Year Total	142,389	142,724	142,644	142,699	143,180	143,578
Pct. of Prev. Year	103	102	104	103	104	103

* Revised.