



Broiler Hatchery

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Broiler Eggs Set In 15 Selected States Up 3 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-State weekly program set in incubators 179 million eggs during the week ending July 10, 1999. This was up 3 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 July 10, 1999. Placements were up 3 percent from the comparable week in 1998. Cumulative placements from January 3, 1999, through July 10, 1999, were 3.91 billion, up 3 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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Broiler Eggs Set, 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jun 5 1999	Jun 12 1999	Jun 19 1999	Jun 26 1999	Jul 3 1999	Jul 10 1999
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	27,645	27,669	*27,620	26,804	27,837	26,727
AR	30,716	30,768	*30,509	29,642	30,204	28,938
DE	4,629	4,715	4,728	4,719	4,369	4,673
FL	2,785	2,762	2,813	2,725	2,756	2,868
GA	31,757	32,170	*31,906	31,203	*31,607	30,965
MD	8,852	8,932	8,880	*8,693	*8,667	8,806
MS	18,597	18,443	*18,402	18,540	17,975	18,307
NC	18,624	18,453	*18,392	18,201	17,156	17,868
PA	3,849	4,016	3,594	3,655	*3,968	3,760
SC	4,887	5,061	4,960	4,599	4,770	5,087
TX	13,559	13,497	13,521	13,598	12,488	13,656
VA	6,572	6,710	6,564	6,613	6,577	6,568
CA, TN, & WV	11,294	11,880	*11,196	11,755	*11,375	11,191
15 State Total	183,766	185,076	*183,085	*180,747	*179,749	179,414
Previous Year Total	178,271	179,155	177,738	176,908	172,086	174,784
Pct. of Prev. Year	103	103	103	102	104	103

* Revised.

Broiler Chicks Placed, 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jun 5 1999	Jun 12 1999	Jun 19 1999	Jun 26 1999	Jul 3 1999	Jul 10 1999
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	20,466	20,798	20,517	20,013	20,818	20,834
AR	25,290	24,597	25,704	25,072	*24,146	24,544
DE	5,398	6,011	5,054	*5,635	*5,449	5,617
FL	2,448	2,270	2,328	2,636	2,352	2,513
GA	25,353	25,781	26,328	25,854	*25,212	25,073
MD	5,972	5,526	6,603	*6,110	*5,727	5,575
MS	14,745	15,323	15,564	15,271	15,302	15,435
NC	14,832	14,214	14,577	14,472	14,167	13,917
PA	2,786	2,734	2,713	2,899	*2,896	2,767
SC	3,926	3,527	3,888	4,333	4,335	4,452
TX	*10,470	*10,309	*10,402	10,434	10,377	10,516
VA	5,557	5,386	5,424	5,482	5,791	5,631
CA, TN, & WV	10,393	10,296	9,849	9,471	*10,655	9,903
15 State Total	*147,636	*146,772	*148,951	*147,682	*147,227	146,777
Previous Year Total	142,644	142,699	143,180	143,578	143,351	142,108
Pct. of Prev. Year	103	103	104	103	103	103

* Revised.