



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 182 million eggs during the week ending June 24, 2000. 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 150 million chicks for meat production during the week ending June 24, 2000. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week in 1999. Cumulative placements from January 2, 2000, through June 24, 2000, were 3.67 billion, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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Broiler Eggs Set, 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	May 20 2000	May 27 2000	Jun 3 2000	Jun 10 2000	Jun 17 2000	Jun 24 2000
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	29,085	28,992	29,161	29,191	28,881	27,859
AR	31,033	30,978	30,846	30,645	30,644	30,043
DE	4,495	4,421	4,362	4,182	4,408	4,373
FL	2,871	2,877	2,894	2,895	2,814	2,737
GA	32,287	31,994	32,115	32,006	31,082	31,203
MD	8,464	8,396	8,756	9,043	8,325	9,176
MS	18,802	18,930	18,710	18,232	18,217	17,323
NC	18,379	18,324	18,491	18,632	18,485	18,236
PA	3,662	3,669	3,777	3,679	*3,528	3,770
SC	4,944	4,927	4,899	4,958	4,672	4,906
TX	14,442	14,212	14,451	14,420	14,389	14,421
VA	6,578	6,581	6,760	6,545	*6,547	6,514
CA, TN, & WV	11,427	11,664	11,332	11,162	*11,319	11,325
15 State Total	186,469	185,965	186,554	185,590	*183,311	181,886
Previous Year Total	183,489	184,615	183,766	185,387	183,331	180,367
Pct. of Prev. Year	102	101	102	100	100	101

* Revised.

Broiler Chicks Placed, 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	May 20 2000	May 27 2000	Jun 3 2000	Jun 10 2000	Jun 17 2000	Jun 24 2000
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	21,926	21,198	21,808	21,345	*21,961	21,561
AR	25,011	23,389	24,562	24,940	24,286	25,062
DE	4,893	4,508	4,833	4,842	4,914	5,062
FL	2,349	2,263	2,478	2,445	2,184	2,511
GA	25,599	24,817	26,144	25,733	*25,845	25,370
MD	5,967	6,358	5,936	5,960	5,909	5,874
MS	15,047	15,490	15,681	15,803	15,916	15,754
NC	14,830	14,523	14,628	14,258	14,662	14,743
PA	2,707	2,722	2,739	2,741	*2,755	2,822
SC	4,162	3,962	3,742	4,160	3,818	3,828
TX	11,924	11,935	11,587	11,242	10,659	11,243
VA	5,292	5,558	5,534	5,664	*5,350	5,787
CA, TN, & WV	10,448	11,318	10,049	10,076	*10,647	10,335
15 State Total	150,155	148,041	149,721	149,209	*148,906	149,952
Previous Year Total	146,675	146,474	147,860	146,905	148,570	147,965
Pct. of Prev. Year	102	101	101	102	100	101

* Revised.