



# Broiler Hatchery

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## **Broiler Eggs Set In 15 Selected States Down 2 Percent**

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-State weekly program set in incubators 175 million eggs during the week ending July 1, 2000. This was down 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 2 Percent**

Broiler growers in the 15-State weekly program placed 150 million chicks for meat production during the week ending July 1, 2000. Placements were up 2 percent from the comparable week in 1999. Cumulative placements from January 2, 2000, through July 1, 2000, were 3.82 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 27 2000	Jun 3 2000	Jun 10 2000	Jun 17 2000	Jun 24 2000	Jul 1 2000
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	28,992	*29,331	*29,323	28,881	27,859	28,217
AR	30,978	30,846	*30,943	30,644	30,043	29,917
DE	4,421	4,362	4,182	4,408	4,373	3,819
FL	2,877	2,894	2,895	2,814	2,737	2,855
GA	31,994	32,115	32,006	31,082	31,203	30,086
MD	8,396	8,756	9,043	8,325	9,176	8,594
MS	18,930	18,710	18,232	18,217	17,323	17,458
NC	18,324	18,491	*18,626	18,485	18,236	16,807
PA	3,669	3,777	3,679	3,528	*3,764	3,582
SC	4,927	4,899	4,958	4,672	4,906	4,896
TX	14,212	14,451	14,420	14,389	14,421	12,599
VA	6,581	6,760	6,545	6,547	*6,503	6,184
CA, TN, & WV	11,664	11,332	11,162	11,319	11,325	10,361
15 State Total	185,965	*186,724	*186,014	183,311	*181,869	175,375
Previous Year Total	184,615	183,766	185,387	183,331	180,367	179,742
Pct. of Prev. Year	101	102	100	100	101	98

\* Revised.

**Broiler Chicks Placed, 15 Selected States**

State	Week Ending					
	May 27 2000	Jun 3 2000	Jun 10 2000	Jun 17 2000	Jun 24 2000	Jul 1 2000
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	21,198	21,808	21,345	21,961	21,561	21,712
AR	23,389	24,562	24,940	24,286	25,062	25,510
DE	4,508	4,833	4,842	4,914	5,062	5,594
FL	2,263	2,478	2,445	2,184	2,511	2,569
GA	24,817	26,144	25,733	25,845	*25,329	25,427
MD	6,358	5,936	5,960	5,909	5,874	5,936
MS	15,490	15,681	15,803	15,916	15,754	15,456
NC	14,523	14,628	14,258	14,662	14,743	14,447
PA	2,722	2,739	2,741	2,755	*2,845	2,738
SC	3,962	3,742	4,160	3,818	3,828	4,579
TX	11,935	11,587	11,242	10,659	11,243	11,369
VA	5,558	5,534	5,664	5,350	*5,792	5,038
CA, TN, & WV	11,318	10,049	10,076	10,647	*10,352	9,929
15 State Total	148,041	149,721	149,209	148,906	*149,956	150,304
Previous Year Total	146,474	147,860	146,905	148,570	147,965	147,213
Pct. of Prev. Year	101	101	102	100	101	102

\* Revised.