



Broiler Hatchery

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Broiler Eggs Set In 15 Selected States Down 1 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-State weekly program set in incubators 177 million eggs during the week ending July 8, 2000. This was down 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 148 million chicks for meat production during the week ending July 8, 2000. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week in 1999. Cumulative placements from January 2, 2000, through July 8, 2000, were 3.97 billion, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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Broiler Eggs Set, 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jun 3 2000	Jun 10 2000	Jun 17 2000	Jun 24 2000	Jul 1 2000	Jul 8 2000
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	29,331	29,323	*28,978	27,859	28,217	28,231
AR	30,846	30,943	30,644	30,043	29,917	28,537
DE	4,362	4,182	4,408	4,373	3,819	4,065
FL	2,894	2,895	2,814	*2,854	2,855	2,761
GA	32,115	32,006	31,082	31,203	30,086	30,259
MD	8,756	9,043	8,325	9,176	8,594	8,425
MS	18,710	18,232	18,217	17,323	*17,367	17,579
NC	18,491	18,626	18,485	18,236	16,807	17,519
PA	3,777	3,679	3,528	3,764	*3,600	3,824
SC	4,899	4,958	4,672	4,906	4,896	4,681
TX	14,451	*14,422	*14,391	*14,423	*12,601	13,774
VA	6,760	6,545	6,547	6,503	6,184	6,327
CA, TN, & WV	11,332	11,162	11,319	11,325	10,361	11,054
15 State Total	186,724	*186,016	*183,410	*181,988	*175,304	177,036
Previous Year Total	183,766	185,387	183,331	180,367	179,742	179,244
Pct. of Prev. Year	102	100	100	101	98	99

* Revised.

Broiler Chicks Placed, 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jun 3 2000	Jun 10 2000	Jun 17 2000	Jun 24 2000	Jul 1 2000	Jul 8 2000
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	21,808	21,345	21,961	21,561	21,712	22,009
AR	24,562	24,940	24,286	25,062	25,510	24,510
DE	4,833	4,842	4,914	5,062	*5,593	5,488
FL	2,478	2,445	2,184	2,511	2,569	2,324
GA	26,144	25,733	25,845	25,329	*25,426	25,430
MD	5,936	5,960	5,909	5,874	*5,937	5,480
MS	15,681	15,803	15,916	15,754	15,456	15,119
NC	14,628	14,258	14,662	14,743	14,447	14,509
PA	2,739	2,741	2,755	2,845	*2,737	2,619
SC	3,742	4,160	3,818	3,828	4,579	4,105
TX	*11,588	*11,243	*10,660	*11,244	*11,371	11,338
VA	5,534	5,664	5,350	5,792	5,038	5,216
CA, TN, & WV	10,049	10,076	10,647	*10,207	*9,888	9,562
15 State Total	*149,722	*149,210	*148,907	*149,812	*150,263	147,709
Previous Year Total	147,860	146,905	148,570	147,965	147,213	146,774
Pct. of Prev. Year	101	102	100	101	102	101

* Revised.