



# 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 179 million eggs during the week ending July 15, 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 Down 1 Percent**

Broiler growers in the 15-State weekly program placed 144 million chicks for meat production during the week ending July 15, 2000. Placements were down 1 percent from the comparable week in 1999. Cumulative placements from January 2, 2000, through July 15, 2000, were 4.12 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 10 2000	Jun 17 2000	Jun 24 2000	Jul 1 2000	Jul 8 2000	Jul 15 2000
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	29,323	28,978	*27,477	28,217	28,231	28,587
AR	30,943	30,644	30,043	29,917	28,537	30,353
DE	4,182	4,408	4,373	3,819	4,065	4,145
FL	2,895	2,814	2,854	2,855	2,761	2,876
GA	32,006	31,082	31,203	30,086	*30,109	29,669
MD	9,043	8,325	9,176	8,594	8,425	8,474
MS	18,232	18,217	17,323	17,367	17,579	18,013
NC	18,626	18,485	18,236	16,807	17,519	17,236
PA	3,679	3,528	3,764	*3,560	*3,782	3,710
SC	4,958	4,672	4,906	4,896	4,681	4,850
TX	14,422	14,391	14,423	12,601	13,774	13,320
VA	6,545	6,547	6,503	6,184	*6,295	6,464
CA, TN, & WV	11,162	11,319	11,325	10,361	11,054	11,052
15 State Total	186,016	183,410	*181,606	*175,264	*176,812	178,749
Previous Year Total	185,387	183,331	180,367	179,742	179,244	182,678
Pct. of Prev. Year	100	100	101	98	99	98

\* Revised.

**Broiler Chicks Placed, 15 Selected States**

State	Week Ending					
	Jun 10 2000	Jun 17 2000	Jun 24 2000	Jul 1 2000	Jul 8 2000	Jul 15 2000
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	21,345	21,961	21,561	21,712	*21,528	20,645
AR	24,940	24,286	25,062	25,510	24,510	23,772
DE	4,842	4,914	5,062	5,593	5,488	5,752
FL	2,445	2,184	2,511	2,569	2,324	2,396
GA	25,733	25,845	25,329	25,426	*25,438	23,543
MD	5,960	5,909	5,874	5,937	5,480	5,617
MS	15,803	15,916	15,754	15,456	15,119	14,461
NC	14,258	14,662	14,743	14,447	14,509	14,305
PA	2,741	2,755	2,845	*2,742	*2,622	2,804
SC	4,160	3,818	3,828	4,579	4,105	4,138
TX	11,243	10,660	11,244	11,371	11,338	11,486
VA	5,664	5,350	5,792	5,038	*5,234	5,460
CA, TN, & WV	10,076	10,647	10,207	9,888	*9,572	10,059
15 State Total	149,210	148,907	149,812	*150,268	*147,267	144,438
Previous Year Total	146,905	148,570	147,965	147,213	146,774	145,196
Pct. of Prev. Year	102	100	101	102	100	99

\* Revised.