



# Broiler Hatchery

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## **Broiler Eggs Set In 15 Selected States Down 3 Percent**

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-State weekly program set in incubators 167 million eggs during the week ending November 4, 2000. This was down 3 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

## **Broiler Chicks Placed Up 5 Percent**

Broiler growers in the 15-State weekly program placed 137 million chicks for meat production during the week ending November 4, 2000. Placements were up 5 percent from the comparable week in 1999. Cumulative placements from January 2, 2000, through November 4, 2000, were 6.36 billion, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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**Broiler Eggs Set, 15 Selected States**

State	Week Ending					
	Sep 30 2000	Oct 7 2000	Oct 14 2000	Oct 21 2000	Oct 28 2000	Nov 4 2000
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	27,950	27,928	*27,239	*26,808	*25,939	26,280
AR	27,626	28,699	29,019	27,869	*25,276	27,311
DE	3,748	3,975	3,821	3,617	3,574	3,931
FL	2,742	2,689	2,337	2,500	*2,237	2,155
GA	30,592	30,328	*29,177	*29,364	*27,608	27,879
MD	8,109	7,663	7,985	7,968	8,264	8,670
MS	17,447	17,729	*16,662	15,424	14,991	16,332
NC	17,834	17,181	*16,407	15,657	16,293	17,510
PA	3,655	3,811	3,137	3,135	*3,081	3,079
SC	4,911	4,953	4,462	4,668	4,702	4,493
TX	*14,134	*14,441	*14,130	*13,034	*11,817	13,814
VA	6,222	5,997	6,070	7,194	5,679	5,422
CA, TN, & WV	10,065	9,921	9,654	9,629	10,525	10,611
15 State Total	*175,035	*175,315	*170,100	*166,867	*159,986	167,487
Previous Year Total	175,385	168,688	164,192	164,659	169,328	172,779
Pct. of Prev. Year	100	104	104	101	94	97

\* Revised.

**Broiler Chicks Placed, 15 Selected States**

State	Week Ending					
	Sep 30 2000	Oct 7 2000	Oct 14 2000	Oct 21 2000	Oct 28 2000	Nov 4 2000
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	19,985	20,370	19,736	*20,899	*20,909	20,564
AR	22,766	23,143	21,677	21,373	*21,453	23,342
DE	4,419	4,664	5,122	4,733	4,565	4,390
FL	2,063	2,237	2,320	2,470	2,384	1,952
GA	22,560	24,266	22,468	*24,272	*24,644	23,034
MD	4,640	*4,499	4,773	*5,060	5,229	5,709
MS	14,035	13,424	14,632	14,761	14,982	13,944
NC	13,160	13,317	13,410	14,277	13,294	13,299
PA	2,755	2,646	2,535	2,668	*2,718	2,390
SC	4,872	3,642	3,506	4,229	4,431	3,626
TX	10,944	*10,348	*10,458	*11,195	*11,530	11,154
VA	5,374	4,474	5,054	5,704	4,676	4,824
CA, TN, & WV	9,448	9,103	9,087	9,050	8,768	8,527
15 State Total	137,021	*136,133	*134,778	*140,691	*139,583	136,755
Previous Year Total	132,436	133,105	132,538	138,831	133,415	130,495
Pct. of Prev. Year	103	102	102	101	105	105

\* Revised.