



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 180 million eggs in incubators during the week ending January 20, 2001. 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 Down 2 Percent

Broiler growers in the 15-State weekly program placed 142 million chicks for meat production during the week ending January 20, 2001. Placements were down 2 percent from the comparable week in 2000. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2000 through January 20, 2001 were 428 million, down 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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Broiler Eggs Set, 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Dec 16 2000	Dec 23 2000	Dec 30 2000	Jan 6 2001	Jan 13 2001	Jan 20 2001
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	28,142	27,795	27,790	27,614	27,945	27,528
AR	29,661	29,348	27,110	29,608	28,905	29,167
DE	3,936	4,098	3,962	4,103	4,021	4,118
FL	2,469	2,447	2,433	2,234	2,585	2,499
GA	30,797	30,561	30,491	30,745	30,833	30,628
MD	8,363	8,400	8,388	8,140	8,448	8,694
MS	18,092	18,188	17,875	18,136	*18,144	18,100
NC	18,079	18,199	*18,209	17,526	17,833	17,903
PA	*3,599	*3,708	*3,201	*3,477	*3,458	3,515
SC	4,867	4,749	4,667	4,826	4,713	4,823
TX	14,425	14,478	14,519	14,447	14,380	14,412
VA	6,449	6,263	6,369	6,385	*6,409	6,481
CA, TN, & WV	10,934	11,252	11,095	11,003	11,291	11,687
15 State Total	*179,813	*179,486	*176,109	*178,244	*178,965	179,555
Previous Year Total	181,050	180,335	181,480	181,901	180,679	181,734
Pct. of Prev. Year	99	100	97	98	99	99

* Revised.

Broiler Chicks Placed, 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Dec 16 2000	Dec 23 2000	Dec 30 2000	Jan 6 2001	Jan 13 2001	Jan 20 2001
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	21,374	21,582	19,783	21,244	21,435	20,726
AR	23,334	23,229	21,286	21,817	23,255	22,229
DE	4,237	4,634	5,520	4,691	*4,973	4,808
FL	2,142	2,118	2,486	2,373	2,402	2,340
GA	24,944	24,775	24,312	24,353	*24,214	24,631
MD	5,665	5,714	4,253	5,690	*5,193	5,404
MS	15,244	14,994	15,167	15,240	*15,339	14,870
NC	14,152	14,376	13,270	14,383	14,634	14,466
PA	*2,615	*2,729	*2,471	*2,555	*2,657	2,541
SC	4,199	3,961	3,957	3,793	3,836	4,058
TX	11,554	11,362	11,648	11,328	11,285	11,345
VA	5,536	5,146	5,171	4,825	*5,254	5,221
CA, TN, & WV	9,834	9,461	9,382	10,136	9,328	9,598
15 State Total	*144,830	*144,081	*138,706	*142,428	*143,805	142,237
Previous Year Total	144,828	143,292	144,382	144,090	144,745	145,179
Pct. of Prev. Year	100	101	96	99	99	98

* Revised.