



Broiler Hatchery

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Broiler Eggs Set In 15 Selected States Up Slightly

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-State weekly program set 179 million eggs in incubators during the week ending February 3, 2001. This was up slightly 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 Slightly

Broiler growers in the 15-State weekly program placed 145 million chicks for meat production during the week ending February 3, 2001. Placements up slightly from the comparable week in 2000. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2000 through February 3, 2001 were 718 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 30 2000	Jan 6 2001	Jan 13 2001	Jan 20 2001	Jan 27 2001	Feb 3 2001
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	27,790	27,614	*28,318	27,528	27,742	27,673
AR	27,110	29,608	28,905	29,167	29,413	29,702
DE	3,962	4,103	4,021	4,118	3,875	3,974
FL	2,433	2,554	2,585	2,499	2,486	2,489
GA	30,491	30,777	*31,007	30,628	30,413	30,517
MD	8,388	8,140	8,448	8,679	8,306	8,205
MS	17,875	18,136	18,144	18,100	17,938	17,916
NC	18,209	17,700	*17,973	17,903	17,504	17,866
PA	3,201	3,517	3,500	3,515	3,643	3,826
SC	4,667	4,840	4,737	4,832	4,661	4,934
TX	14,519	14,447	14,380	14,412	14,475	13,990
VA	6,369	6,385	6,409	6,481	6,591	6,582
CA, TN, & WV	11,095	*11,010	*11,302	*11,610	11,180	11,387
15 State Total	176,109	*178,831	*179,729	*179,472	178,227	179,061
Previous Year Total	181,480	181,901	180,679	181,734	179,169	178,533
Pct. of Prev. Year	97	98	99	99	99	100

* Revised.

Broiler Chicks Placed, 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Dec 30 2000	Jan 6 2001	Jan 13 2001	Jan 20 2001	Jan 27 2001	Feb 3 2001
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	19,783	21,244	21,435	20,726	20,586	21,040
AR	21,286	21,817	23,255	22,229	24,055	23,683
DE	5,520	4,691	4,973	4,540	5,423	4,982
FL	2,486	2,373	2,402	2,340	2,236	2,300
GA	24,312	24,353	24,214	24,653	*24,407	24,229
MD	4,253	5,690	5,193	5,646	4,906	5,702
MS	15,167	15,240	15,339	14,870	15,193	15,290
NC	13,270	14,383	14,634	14,466	13,727	14,658
PA	2,471	2,596	2,709	2,541	2,763	2,687
SC	3,957	3,793	3,836	4,058	4,229	4,160
TX	11,648	11,328	11,285	11,345	11,180	11,106
VA	5,171	5,204	5,254	5,273	5,322	4,758
CA, TN, & WV	9,382	10,136	*9,341	*9,587	9,940	10,255
15 State Total	138,706	142,848	*143,870	*142,274	*143,967	144,850
Previous Year Total	144,382	144,090	144,745	145,179	145,644	144,326
Pct. of Prev. Year	96	99	99	98	99	100

* Revised.