



Broiler Hatchery

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Broiler Eggs Set In 15 Selected States Up 6 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-State weekly program set 178 million eggs in incubators during the week ending September 22, 2001. This was up 6 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 4 Percent

Broiler growers in the 15-State weekly program placed 146 million chicks for meat production during the week ending September 22, 2001. Placements were up 4 percent from the comparable week in 2000. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2000 through September 22, 2001 were 5.60 billion, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

Four Additional States in Weekly Program

Beginning May 16, 2001 four additional States were added to the weekly program for broiler eggs set in incubators and broiler chicks placed for meat production. The four additional States are Kentucky, Louisiana, Missouri, and Oklahoma. Data collection and weekly estimates began with the week ending April 7, 2001.

Commercial hatcheries for the 19 States set a total of 197 million eggs in incubators during the week ending September 22, 2001. Broiler growers in the 19 States placed 165 million chicks for meat production during the week ending September 22, 2001.

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Broiler Eggs Set, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Aug 18 2001	Aug 25 2001	Sep 1 2001	Sep 8 2001	Sep 15 2001	Sep 22 2001
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	29,615	29,517	*29,252	28,177	*28,872	27,693
AR	29,880	30,519	*29,887	29,469	29,579	29,665
DE	3,482	3,515	3,551	*3,545	3,085	3,482
FL	2,398	*2,240	*2,232	2,262	2,235	2,327
GA	*31,832	*31,850	*31,971	31,252	*31,364	30,388
MD	8,695	8,957	8,795	8,630	*7,734	8,833
MS	18,964	18,976	*18,604	18,154	17,476	18,404
NC	17,711	*17,509	*16,565	16,057	15,990	17,737
PA	3,987	3,776	3,754	*3,470	*3,947	3,710
SC	4,984	5,067	4,949	4,983	4,807	4,719
TX	14,135	14,566	14,769	14,208	13,208	13,629
VA	6,565	6,504	6,387	6,447	5,867	6,421
CA, TN, & WV	11,296	11,179	10,988	10,293	9,645	10,536
15 State Total	*183,544	*184,175	*181,704	*176,947	*173,809	177,544
Previous Year Total	180,272	178,581	176,154	169,551	168,927	167,926
Pct. of Prev. Year	102	103	103	104	103	106
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
KY	5,691	5,673	5,413	*5,494	*5,029	4,629
OK	6,295	6,014	5,994	6,317	*6,006	6,384
LA & MO	9,102	8,911	8,907	8,411	*9,229	8,393
19 State Total	*204,632	*204,773	*202,018	*197,169	*194,073	196,950

* Revised.

Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Aug 18 2001	Aug 25 2001	Sep 1 2001	Sep 8 2001	Sep 15 2001	Sep 22 2001
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	21,817	22,622	22,715	23,089	*22,553	21,865
AR	23,811	24,977	23,892	22,693	24,198	22,834
DE	5,452	5,116	4,585	*4,808	*5,150	4,778
FL	2,518	2,377	2,446	2,299	*2,113	2,440
GA	24,642	25,290	25,244	25,324	*25,349	25,547
MD	4,861	*5,168	5,387	*5,276	*4,905	5,751
MS	15,005	15,835	15,308	15,716	*15,628	15,382
NC	13,925	14,629	13,768	13,984	14,139	13,364
PA	2,757	2,742	2,661	*2,741	*2,810	2,760
SC	3,998	3,855	4,019	*4,003	3,854	4,155
TX	10,901	11,042	10,684	11,259	11,596	12,521
VA	5,074	5,349	5,442	5,699	*5,996	5,235
CA, TN, & WV	10,766	9,367	9,196	9,382	*10,053	9,547
15 State Total	145,527	*148,369	145,347	*146,273	*148,344	146,179
Previous Year Total	142,154	144,596	141,877	144,511	142,827	140,916
Pct. of Prev. Year	102	103	102	101	104	104
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
KY	4,527	4,552	4,540	*4,509	*4,495	4,337
OK	4,891	4,310	4,975	4,940	*4,517	5,840
LA & MO	8,132	8,572	8,326	*9,536	*8,580	8,419
19 State Total	163,077	*165,803	163,188	*165,258	*165,936	164,775

* Revised.