



Broiler Hatchery

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Broiler Eggs Set In 15 Selected States Up 3 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-State weekly program set 184 million eggs in incubators during the week ending January 5, 2002. This was up 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 4 Percent

Broiler growers in the 15-State weekly program placed 149 million chicks for meat production during the week ending January 5, 2002. Placements were up 4 percent from the comparable week in 2001.

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 205 million eggs in incubators during the week ending January 5, 2002. Broiler growers in the 19 States placed 168 million chicks for meat production during the week ending January 5, 2002.

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Broiler Eggs Set, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Dec 1 2001	Dec 8 2001	Dec 15 2001	Dec 22 2001	Dec 29 2001	Jan 5 2002
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	29,262	29,398	*29,345	29,504	*29,489	29,304
AR	31,179	30,081	30,701	30,830	30,596	30,326
DE	3,617	3,560	3,398	3,665	3,489	3,466
FL	2,306	2,405	*2,382	2,384	2,503	2,423
GA	32,615	*31,324	31,488	31,682	*30,327	30,960
MD	10,002	7,409	8,867	8,816	*8,516	8,669
MS	18,784	18,658	19,024	18,997	*18,441	18,832
NC	19,231	18,194	*18,628	19,249	18,333	18,787
PA	3,876	3,789	3,942	3,882	*3,724	3,748
SC	4,710	4,690	4,482	4,922	*4,728	4,712
TX	*14,832	*14,933	*14,926	*15,031	*15,378	15,360
VA	6,559	6,537	6,635	6,634	6,631	6,634
CA, TN, & WV	11,081	10,921	10,635	10,850	*11,057	10,654
15 State Total	*188,054	*181,899	*184,453	*186,446	*183,212	183,875
Previous Year Total	180,423	176,288	179,814	179,487	176,109	178,831
Pct. of Prev. Year	104	103	103	104	104	103
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
KY	*5,967	*5,567	*5,726	*5,599	*5,042	5,397
OK	6,375	6,357	*6,362	6,526	6,481	6,565
LA & MO	9,821	8,814	9,288	9,127	*8,973	8,836
19 State Total	*210,217	*202,637	*205,829	*207,698	*203,708	204,673

* Revised.

Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Dec 1 2001	Dec 8 2001	Dec 15 2001	Dec 22 2001	Dec 29 2001	Jan 5 2002
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	21,412	21,853	22,331	*21,526	*22,437	22,209
AR	23,459	24,937	24,756	26,129	*23,849	23,768
DE	5,324	4,508	4,926	*5,103	*4,371	4,756
FL	2,143	2,523	1,927	2,482	2,274	2,279
GA	25,081	25,558	*24,106	*26,096	*25,694	26,328
MD	5,599	5,627	*5,388	*6,605	*4,999	5,267
MS	14,461	15,427	15,193	15,654	*15,274	15,991
NC	14,853	14,597	15,113	15,124	14,245	14,673
PA	2,763	2,746	2,872	2,672	*2,810	3,174
SC	4,229	3,756	3,816	3,751	4,225	3,685
TX	11,452	*11,241	11,569	*11,795	11,831	11,929
VA	4,931	5,076	5,004	5,609	5,475	5,868
CA, TN, & WV	9,770	9,869	9,659	9,090	*9,319	9,194
15 State Total	145,477	*147,718	*146,660	*151,636	*146,803	149,121
Previous Year Total	144,183	143,211	144,833	144,082	138,710	142,848
Pct. of Prev. Year	101	103	101	105	106	104
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
KY	*3,821	*4,345	*4,419	*4,663	*4,364	4,334
OK	5,677	5,225	4,487	4,495	5,082	3,985
LA & MO	8,758	8,148	8,979	8,540	*8,418	10,207
19 State Total	*163,733	*165,436	*164,545	*169,334	*164,667	167,647

* Revised.