



# Broiler Hatchery

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## **Broiler Eggs Set In 15 Selected States Up 2 Percent**

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-State weekly program set 187 million eggs in incubators during the week ending February 23, 2002. This was up 2 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 150 million chicks for meat production during the week ending February 23, 2002. Placements were up 5 percent from the comparable week in 2001. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2001 through February 23, 2002 were 1.19 billion, up 4 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 210 million eggs in incubators during the week ending February 23, 2002. Broiler growers in the 19 States placed 171 million chicks for meat production during the week ending February 23, 2002. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2001 through February 23, 2002 in the 19 States totaled 1.34 billion.***

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**Broiler Eggs Set, 19 Selected States**

State	Week Ending					
	Jan 19 2002	Jan 26 2002	Feb 2 2002	Feb 9 2002	Feb 16 2002	Feb 23 2002
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	29,398	29,363	*29,264	29,313	*29,513	29,316
AR	30,421	30,623	30,803	30,232	*30,806	30,825
DE	3,394	3,672	3,574	3,631	*3,684	3,571
FL	2,304	2,163	*2,385	*2,336	2,297	2,224
GA	31,387	*31,304	*31,162	31,765	*31,494	31,328
MD	9,747	9,531	10,095	10,036	10,072	10,016
MS	18,289	18,359	18,786	*18,967	*18,851	19,035
NC	18,437	18,520	*19,512	19,332	19,473	19,562
PA	3,797	3,473	3,435	3,529	*3,987	3,682
SC	4,766	4,742	4,712	4,618	4,945	4,984
TX	14,703	15,319	15,101	15,263	15,338	15,343
VA	6,218	6,602	6,643	6,737	6,535	6,673
CA, TN, & WV	10,537	10,966	10,669	*10,563	*10,565	10,767
15 State Total	183,398	*184,637	*186,141	*186,322	*187,560	187,326
Previous Year Total	179,208	177,434	178,493	180,246	181,711	184,325
Pct. of Prev. Year	102	104	104	103	103	102
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
KY	6,654	6,477	6,419	5,833	*6,378	6,894
OK	6,078	6,566	6,566	6,565	6,579	6,673
LA & MO	9,090	8,900	9,252	9,122	*9,177	9,282
19 State Total	205,220	*206,580	*208,378	*207,842	*209,694	210,175

\* Revised.

**Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States**

State	Week Ending					
	Jan 19 2002	Jan 26 2002	Feb 2 2002	Feb 9 2002	Feb 16 2002	Feb 23 2002
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	22,781	22,013	21,673	21,915	*22,563	22,412
AR	23,526	24,074	23,464	24,082	24,918	24,308
DE	5,220	5,563	4,551	4,971	*5,785	4,809
FL	2,389	2,349	2,154	2,473	2,150	2,540
GA	24,895	26,034	25,392	*25,652	*25,465	25,359
MD	5,561	5,339	5,844	6,060	*5,601	6,776
MS	15,956	15,658	15,683	15,064	*14,925	15,678
NC	15,016	14,381	13,810	14,293	14,270	15,387
PA	2,577	2,545	2,557	2,474	*2,488	2,649
SC	3,803	3,697	3,885	3,701	3,893	3,918
TX	12,191	12,100	11,754	11,616	12,139	12,052
VA	5,622	5,726	5,478	4,631	5,137	5,229
CA, TN, & WV	9,885	9,353	9,205	*9,515	*9,118	9,191
15 State Total	149,422	148,832	145,450	*146,447	*148,452	150,308
Previous Year Total	142,278	143,929	144,793	143,285	141,289	142,593
Pct. of Prev. Year	105	103	100	102	105	105
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
KY	*4,748	*5,630	*5,831	*5,706	*5,402	5,369
OK	4,590	4,442	5,064	5,243	5,212	5,012
LA & MO	9,599	8,605	8,190	7,919	*7,958	9,823
19 State Total	*168,359	*167,509	*164,535	*165,315	*167,024	170,512

\* Revised.