



# Broiler Hatchery

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## Broiler Eggs Set In 15 Selected States Up 1 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-State weekly program set 188 million eggs in incubators during the week ending April 6, 2002. This was up 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 Up 1 Percent

Broiler growers in the 15-State weekly program placed 150 million chicks for meat production during the week ending April 6, 2002. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week in 2001. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2001 through April 6, 2002 were 2.09 billion, up 3 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 April 6, 2002. Broiler growers in the 19 States placed 169 million chicks for meat production during the week ending April 6, 2002. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2001 through April 6, 2002 in the 19 States totaled 2.36 billion.*

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**Broiler Eggs Set, 19 Selected States**

State	Week Ending					
	Mar 2 2002	Mar 9 2002	Mar 16 2002	Mar 23 2002	Mar 30 2002	Apr 6 2002
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	29,642	29,634	*28,845	29,520	29,543	29,181
AR	30,859	30,238	29,964	30,633	29,747	30,730
DE	3,555	3,548	3,559	3,471	*3,537	3,556
FL	2,342	2,331	2,281	2,317	2,368	2,335
GA	31,499	31,845	31,545	31,874	*31,333	32,173
MD	10,002	9,467	10,079	9,223	9,618	9,979
MS	18,774	18,807	18,654	18,827	18,945	19,079
NC	19,692	19,048	*19,428	19,335	19,104	19,565
PA	3,775	3,889	4,005	3,693	*3,700	3,888
SC	4,918	4,819	5,004	4,971	4,717	4,705
TX	*15,314	*15,319	*15,318	*15,366	*15,368	15,560
VA	6,672	6,660	6,636	6,599	6,573	6,041
CA, TN, & WV	10,912	11,708	11,102	10,975	11,150	11,195
15 State Total	*187,956	*187,313	*186,420	*186,804	*185,703	187,987
Previous Year Total	185,689	184,834	184,715	184,449	182,666	186,553
Pct. of Prev. Year	101	101	101	101	102	101
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
KY	*6,496	6,562	6,517	*6,326	*6,326	6,690
OK	6,402	6,072	6,523	6,370	6,271	6,449
LA & MO	9,357	9,308	8,694	8,964	8,960	9,215
19 State Total	*210,211	*209,255	*208,154	*208,464	*207,260	210,341

\* Revised.

**Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States**

State	Week Ending					
	Mar 2 2002	Mar 9 2002	Mar 16 2002	Mar 23 2002	Mar 30 2002	Apr 6 2002
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	22,042	21,943	21,997	22,769	*22,372	21,763
AR	24,553	25,518	23,918	23,490	24,294	24,056
DE	4,902	5,576	5,239	5,167	*4,762	5,708
FL	2,128	2,180	2,277	2,165	2,215	2,321
GA	26,239	26,174	25,927	25,692	*26,126	26,099
MD	6,751	6,293	5,874	5,970	*6,050	5,815
MS	15,691	15,720	15,988	15,553	15,550	15,542
NC	15,147	15,495	15,377	15,734	15,491	14,771
PA	2,651	2,660	2,798	2,717	*2,678	2,825
SC	3,979	3,914	3,951	3,805	3,829	3,627
TX	12,161	*12,212	*12,186	*12,157	*12,096	11,781
VA	5,601	4,962	5,764	5,734	*5,661	6,211
CA, TN, & WV	9,220	9,851	9,870	9,687	10,607	9,654
15 State Total	151,065	*152,498	*151,166	*150,640	*151,731	150,173
Previous Year Total	143,883	146,406	148,973	150,747	150,234	148,386
Pct. of Prev. Year	105	104	101	100	101	101
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
KY	4,874	5,273	5,589	*5,368	*5,330	5,298
OK	4,038	4,512	4,751	4,770	4,928	5,377
LA & MO	9,238	9,403	10,873	10,373	8,875	7,755
19 State Total	169,215	*171,686	*172,379	*171,151	*170,864	168,603

\* Revised.