



Broiler Hatchery

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Broiler Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Up 2 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 214 million eggs in incubators during the week ending May 18, 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 1 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 171 million chicks for meat production during the week ending May 18, 2002. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week in 2001. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2001 through May 18, 2002 were 3.39 billion.

The 15 State total was discontinued on May 15, 2002.

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Broiler Eggs Set, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Apr 13 2002	Apr 20 2002	Apr 27 2002	May 4 2002	May 11 2002	May 18 2002
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	*29,547	*29,390	*29,409	*29,713	29,988	30,140
AR	30,962	30,175	30,698	29,253	30,436	31,108
DE	3,545	3,501	3,583	3,624	3,625	3,736
FL	2,409	2,363	2,390	2,400	2,418	2,403
GA	*31,861	32,277	*31,935	*31,519	32,938	32,835
KY	*6,762	*6,625	*6,376	*7,074	*6,539	6,698
MD	9,710	9,962	9,803	10,060	*10,054	10,053
MS	19,024	18,645	*18,157	19,020	19,115	19,212
NC	19,325	*20,170	*19,594	19,591	19,956	19,865
OK	6,339	6,592	6,478	6,411	6,063	6,745
PA	3,851	3,933	3,856	*3,890	*3,609	3,813
SC	4,781	4,668	4,751	4,549	4,785	4,805
TX	*15,441	*15,439	*15,522	*15,482	15,513	15,393
VA	6,504	6,451	6,503	6,588	6,450	6,561
CA, LA, MO, TN, & WV	21,137	*20,658	20,537	*20,442	*20,804	20,743
19 State Total	*211,198	*210,849	*209,592	*209,616	*212,293	214,110
Previous Year Total	209,151	208,047	207,599	208,126	210,727	210,697
Pct. of Prev. Year	101	101	101	101	101	102

* Revised

Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Apr 13 2002	Apr 20 2002	Apr 27 2002	May 4 2002	May 11 2002	May 18 2002
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	22,191	22,148	22,014	*22,398	22,425	22,595
AR	24,951	23,786	24,331	24,356	23,986	24,545
DE	4,734	4,886	5,072	5,287	*6,096	4,473
FL	2,303	2,591	2,428	2,377	2,160	2,302
GA	*25,771	25,517	26,800	*26,065	*26,533	25,826
KY	5,214	5,182	*5,628	*5,513	*5,493	5,326
MD	5,944	6,477	6,225	6,176	*5,399	6,407
MS	15,423	16,057	16,111	*16,013	15,569	15,169
NC	15,423	15,161	15,260	15,213	*15,708	15,565
OK	4,778	4,642	5,489	3,444	5,395	4,500
PA	2,627	2,591	2,856	*2,773	*2,777	2,768
SC	4,143	4,377	3,865	3,828	3,766	3,800
TX	*12,223	*12,243	*12,330	*12,188	12,167	12,202
VA	5,376	5,180	5,249	5,186	5,211	5,585
CA, LA, MO, TN, & WV	18,332	18,319	18,928	*21,577	*18,595	20,183
19 State Total	*169,433	*169,157	*172,586	*172,394	*171,280	171,246
Previous Year Total	167,985	166,671	170,301	169,232	169,409	168,987
Pct. of Prev. Year	101	101	101	102	101	101

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