



Broiler Hatchery

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Broiler Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Down 1 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 205 million eggs in incubators during the week ending August 24, 2002. This was down 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 19-State weekly program placed 168 million chicks for meat production during the week ending August 24, 2002. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week in 2001. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2001 through August 24, 2002 were 5.78 billion.

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Broiler Eggs Set, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jul 20 2002	Jul 27 2002	Aug 3 2002	Aug 10 2002	Aug 17 2002	Aug 24 2002
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	29,849	29,784	*29,659	29,724	29,606	29,028
AR	30,449	30,422	30,322	29,434	*29,108	29,869
DE	3,542	3,578	3,611	3,684	3,543	3,451
FL	2,294	2,282	2,318	2,008	2,280	2,250
GA	31,925	32,223	32,390	31,339	31,137	31,518
KY	6,823	*6,639	*6,649	6,776	*6,663	6,834
MD	9,879	9,808	10,003	9,889	9,927	9,862
MS	18,788	19,058	19,118	18,591	18,865	18,706
NC	19,034	18,460	*18,636	18,602	18,198	17,969
OK	6,546	6,817	6,698	6,848	6,707	6,697
PA	4,032	3,681	3,717	3,676	*3,748	3,754
SC	4,716	4,751	4,839	4,917	4,979	5,070
TX	14,626	14,687	14,761	14,234	14,551	13,528
VA	6,300	6,054	6,305	6,276	6,145	6,300
CA, LA, MO, TN, & WV	*20,345	*19,706	*20,418	19,620	19,929	19,783
19 State Total	*209,148	*207,950	*209,444	205,618	*205,386	204,619
Previous Year Total	208,170	204,300	206,930	204,638	207,243	207,346
Pct. of Prev. Year	100	102	101	100	99	99

* Revised

Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jul 20 2002	Jul 27 2002	Aug 3 2002	Aug 10 2002	Aug 17 2002	Aug 24 2002
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	21,823	21,793	22,469	22,225	22,570	22,617
AR	24,396	24,202	24,227	23,510	24,158	23,964
DE	5,442	5,681	5,248	4,883	*5,696	4,806
FL	2,331	2,406	2,334	2,312	2,111	2,136
GA	26,274	25,558	26,372	*25,785	*25,858	25,635
KY	5,237	5,340	5,460	5,510	*5,347	5,323
MD	4,961	5,516	5,326	6,251	*5,749	6,291
MS	15,252	15,401	16,020	15,670	15,854	15,989
NC	14,188	15,056	14,934	14,366	14,629	15,099
OK	4,337	3,985	4,936	5,014	3,941	4,751
PA	2,674	2,767	2,775	2,801	*2,695	2,729
SC	4,087	3,633	3,400	4,005	4,286	3,786
TX	11,500	11,998	11,729	11,657	11,632	11,729
VA	5,089	5,126	5,846	5,671	*4,722	5,419
CA, LA, MO, TN, & WV	18,532	18,977	*18,559	*18,569	*18,343	18,023
19 State Total	166,123	167,439	*169,635	*168,229	*167,591	168,297
Previous Year Total	164,118	164,605	167,418	168,196	165,060	167,386
Pct. of Prev. Year	101	102	101	100	102	101

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