



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 204 million eggs in incubators during the week ending January 4, 2003. 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 Down 3 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 165 million chicks for meat production during the week ending January 4, 2003. Placements were down 3 percent from the comparable week in 2001.

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Broiler Eggs Set, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Nov 30 2002	Dec 7 2002	Dec 14 2002	Dec 21 2002	Dec 28 2002	Jan 4 2003
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	28,164	27,958	*28,075	27,883	27,892	28,561
AR	29,362	29,336	30,240	30,054	29,685	31,253
DE	3,600	3,415	3,389	3,399	*3,450	3,602
FL	2,258	1,727	1,592	1,572	1,564	1,562
GA	30,424	30,418	*30,546	29,982	*30,767	30,896
KY	*6,306	*6,524	*6,550	*6,360	*6,096	6,172
MD	9,890	9,933	9,925	9,834	*9,768	9,670
MS	18,691	18,596	*18,857	18,627	18,897	18,823
NC	18,279	17,594	*18,488	18,219	17,743	18,590
OK	6,320	6,386	6,243	6,363	6,027	6,364
PA	3,738	3,633	3,733	*3,666	*3,592	3,528
SC	4,632	4,526	4,676	4,868	4,863	4,729
TX	*14,940	*14,873	*15,134	*14,759	*14,890	14,559
VA	6,211	5,984	6,230	6,226	*6,294	6,355
CA, LA, MO, TN, & WV	19,771	19,275	20,058	19,039	*19,296	19,725
19 State Total	*202,586	*200,178	*203,736	*200,851	*200,824	204,389
Previous Year Total	211,929	204,465	207,067	208,836	207,192	206,952
Pct. of Prev. Year	96	98	98	96	97	99

* Revised

Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Nov 30 2002	Dec 7 2002	Dec 14 2002	Dec 21 2002	Dec 28 2002	Jan 4 2003
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	20,386	20,953	21,362	21,620	21,683	21,079
AR	21,996	23,291	24,762	23,254	23,721	24,244
DE	4,810	5,392	5,115	5,313	*4,454	4,908
FL	2,467	2,091	1,696	1,754	1,607	1,557
GA	24,294	25,182	*24,818	*24,836	*24,543	24,579
KY	5,020	5,443	5,390	*5,186	*5,314	5,466
MD	6,131	5,221	5,475	5,805	*6,383	6,078
MS	15,265	15,125	15,285	15,907	15,161	15,540
NC	14,122	13,614	14,344	14,273	13,978	14,491
OK	5,144	4,525	3,957	4,647	4,388	4,491
PA	2,588	2,388	2,625	*2,548	*2,482	2,581
SC	3,870	3,440	3,225	3,831	3,939	4,105
TX	12,241	*11,710	*12,083	*11,821	*11,729	11,914
VA	5,288	4,861	5,221	*5,901	*5,444	5,337
CA, LA, MO, TN, & WV	18,253	18,823	17,570	18,045	*17,691	18,251
19 State Total	161,875	*162,059	*162,928	*164,741	*162,517	164,621
Previous Year Total	165,267	167,382	166,079	170,266	166,034	169,020
Pct. of Prev. Year	98	97	98	97	98	97

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