



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 July 5, 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 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler Chicks Placed Down 1 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 171 million chicks for meat production during the week ending July 5, 2003. Placements were down 1 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 29, 2002 through July 5, 2003 were 4.54 billion, down 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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Broiler Eggs Set, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	May 31 2003	Jun 7 2003	Jun 14 2003	Jun 21 2003	Jun 28 2003	Jul 5 2003
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	29,026	28,991	*28,531	28,236	28,215	28,419
AR	30,369	30,797	31,052	30,754	29,935	30,676
DE	3,752	3,761	3,640	3,703	3,532	3,649
FL	1,350	1,329	1,329	1,290	1,327	1,315
GA	*32,788	*32,909	*32,651	32,188	32,360	31,848
KY	6,644	6,623	6,579	6,609	*6,285	6,633
LA	3,953	3,953	3,953	3,892	3,907	3,983
MD	9,571	9,572	9,611	9,585	9,563	9,267
MS	19,624	19,637	19,470	18,952	18,837	18,443
NC	18,737	19,180	18,615	18,911	17,293	17,787
OK	6,452	6,633	6,732	6,696	*6,430	5,922
PA	3,997	3,761	3,836	*3,870	*3,495	3,835
SC	4,845	4,864	4,535	4,576	*4,347	4,415
TX	*15,064	*14,916	*14,797	*14,817	*13,817	14,756
VA	6,617	6,617	6,617	6,609	6,356	6,538
CA, MO, TN, & WV	17,262	17,386	17,277	16,611	*17,282	17,114
19 State Total	*210,051	*210,929	*209,225	*207,299	*202,981	204,600
Previous Year Total	212,345	212,336	210,870	207,561	204,462	206,891
Pct. of Prev. Year	99	99	99	100	99	99

* Revised

Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	May 31 2003	Jun 7 2003	Jun 14 2003	Jun 21 2003	Jun 28 2003	Jul 5 2003
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	21,477	21,747	22,363	22,257	22,095	21,694
AR	23,863	24,744	24,094	24,892	*24,413	25,195
DE	4,316	4,839	4,722	5,579	5,556	5,137
FL	1,836	1,762	*1,566	1,704	1,793	1,732
GA	25,325	26,189	*26,449	*26,220	*26,574	26,319
KY	5,049	5,973	5,744	5,761	*5,776	6,033
LA	3,623	3,727	4,013	3,784	3,470	4,145
MD	7,114	6,686	6,908	5,566	5,484	5,691
MS	16,036	16,655	16,786	16,759	16,696	16,388
NC	15,140	14,834	15,174	14,877	15,269	14,443
OK	4,471	5,461	5,651	4,119	*4,785	3,932
PA	2,729	2,735	2,752	*2,696	*2,659	2,750
SC	4,388	4,668	3,713	4,144	*3,968	3,727
TX	12,552	*12,500	*12,560	*12,635	*12,522	12,424
VA	5,165	5,055	5,324	5,763	5,514	6,219
CA, MO, TN, & WV	16,443	14,673	15,379	15,875	*15,592	15,519
19 State Total	169,527	*172,248	*173,198	*172,631	*172,166	171,348
Previous Year Total	172,385	174,118	173,320	172,818	172,481	172,394
Pct. of Prev. Year	98	99	100	100	100	99

* Revised