



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 206 million eggs in incubators during the week ending August 2, 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 2 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 167 million chicks for meat production during the week ending August 2, 2003. Placements were down 2 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 29, 2002 through August 2, 2003 were 5.21 billion, down 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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Broiler Eggs Set, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jun 28 2003	Jul 5 2003	Jul 12 2003	Jul 19 2003	Jul 26 2003	Aug 2 2003
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	28,458	28,576	*28,972	29,254	28,850	29,068
AR	29,935	30,676	30,669	31,196	31,054	30,749
DE	3,532	3,649	*3,812	3,902	3,903	3,876
FL	1,327	1,335	*1,346	1,354	1,328	1,346
GA	32,066	32,076	*32,375	32,720	32,632	32,316
KY	6,248	*6,576	6,679	6,703	6,770	6,779
LA	3,907	3,983	3,953	3,953	3,832	3,832
MD	9,366	9,267	9,482	9,469	9,467	9,492
MS	18,837	18,676	19,375	19,377	18,726	19,066
NC	16,771	17,671	*16,387	17,341	17,599	17,523
OK	6,430	5,922	6,424	6,457	6,445	6,440
PA	3,454	3,818	3,714	*4,084	*3,809	3,869
SC	4,347	4,415	4,492	4,586	4,528	4,542
TX	13,817	14,756	14,443	14,740	14,712	14,451
VA	6,356	6,538	6,259	6,384	*6,512	6,489
CA, MO, TN, & WV	17,090	*17,149	*16,477	16,377	*16,254	16,648
19 State Total	201,941	*205,083	*204,859	*207,897	*206,421	206,486
Previous Year Total	204,462	206,891	209,239	209,219	207,984	209,004
Pct. of Prev. Year	99	99	98	99	99	99

* Revised

Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jun 28 2003	Jul 5 2003	Jul 12 2003	Jul 19 2003	Jul 26 2003	Aug 2 2003
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	22,095	21,694	21,518	21,614	21,796	21,554
AR	24,413	25,195	24,296	24,630	24,078	23,947
DE	5,557	5,137	5,437	5,503	5,346	5,144
FL	1,793	1,732	1,784	1,601	1,894	1,608
GA	26,574	26,129	25,263	25,196	*25,564	25,589
KY	5,891	6,103	5,330	5,122	*5,221	5,838
LA	3,470	4,145	3,784	3,639	3,708	3,678
MD	5,486	5,692	5,825	5,169	5,541	5,985
MS	16,696	16,390	15,939	16,121	15,904	16,534
NC	15,269	14,443	14,966	13,487	14,060	13,084
OK	4,785	3,932	4,721	3,952	4,926	4,650
PA	2,632	2,755	2,746	*2,645	*2,770	2,835
SC	3,968	3,802	4,555	4,355	4,014	4,460
TX	12,522	12,424	12,328	11,537	12,271	12,127
VA	5,514	6,219	5,336	5,298	*5,369	5,138
CA, MO, TN, & WV	15,599	15,633	*15,387	15,198	*15,107	15,056
19 State Total	172,264	171,425	*169,215	*165,067	*167,569	167,227
Previous Year Total	172,481	172,394	168,933	166,514	167,733	169,884
Pct. of Prev. Year	100	99	100	99	100	98

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