



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 213 million eggs in incubators during the week ending June 12, 2004. This was up 2 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 84 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler Chicks Placed Up 2 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 178 million chicks for meat production during the week ending June 12, 2004. Placements were up 2 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 28, 2003 through June 12, 2004 were 4.11 billion, up 2 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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Broiler Eggs Set, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	May 8 2004	May 15 2004	May 22 2004	May 29 2004	Jun 5 2004	Jun 12 2004
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	30,508	30,590	30,879	30,317	30,043	30,296
AR	31,961	32,245	32,157	31,991	*32,066	31,916
DE	3,740	3,857	3,871	3,935	3,832	3,844
FL	1,378	1,394	1,389	1,389	1,387	1,371
GA	32,689	33,164	33,121	33,203	33,046	33,202
KY	7,031	*7,159	7,107	*7,189	*7,291	7,145
LA	4,014	3,998	3,892	3,890	3,891	3,892
MD	8,901	8,900	8,990	9,007	8,989	9,012
MS	19,301	19,393	19,363	19,496	19,529	19,682
NC	18,817	18,635	*18,839	18,406	18,634	19,160
OK	6,588	6,684	6,500	6,559	6,483	6,453
PA	3,921	3,948	*3,773	*3,263	*3,661	3,954
SC	3,760	3,774	3,781	3,738	3,751	3,733
TX	15,464	15,432	15,243	15,343	15,093	15,193
VA	6,653	6,644	6,675	6,747	6,688	6,768
CA, MO, TN, & WV	18,126	*17,911	*18,245	*17,858	*17,864	17,714
19 State Total	212,852	*213,728	*213,825	*212,331	*212,248	213,335
Previous Year Total	206,679	210,125	211,168	210,125	211,135	209,410
Pct. of Prev. Year	103	102	101	101	101	102

* Revised

Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	May 8 2004	May 15 2004	May 22 2004	May 29 2004	Jun 5 2004	Jun 12 2004
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	22,735	21,805	22,568	22,028	22,168	22,248
AR	26,707	25,698	25,239	25,729	25,792	26,794
DE	4,686	4,511	5,286	5,724	5,252	5,535
FL	*1,531	*1,666	1,526	*1,576	*1,474	1,500
GA	*26,648	26,992	26,428	25,221	*26,384	26,951
KY	6,176	6,094	5,728	*5,805	*5,918	6,021
LA	4,070	3,744	3,813	4,172	4,092	3,669
MD	5,689	6,439	4,937	5,099	5,560	5,849
MS	16,915	16,807	16,785	17,077	17,280	17,251
NC	15,200	15,013	15,161	15,618	15,577	15,010
OK	3,929	5,001	5,680	4,219	4,799	4,630
PA	2,902	2,874	*2,765	*2,838	*2,684	2,616
SC	4,352	3,863	3,954	5,174	4,636	4,453
TX	12,850	12,760	12,868	13,126	12,912	12,985
VA	5,236	5,609	5,731	5,264	5,292	5,420
CA, MO, TN, & WV	15,087	15,674	15,920	*15,592	*16,985	17,293
19 State Total	*174,713	*174,550	*174,389	*174,262	*176,805	178,225
Previous Year Total	171,830	170,953	172,110	170,346	173,036	173,964
Pct. of Prev. Year	102	102	101	102	102	102

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