



Broiler Hatchery

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Broiler Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Up 1 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 216 million eggs in incubators during the week ending May 14, 2005. This was up 1 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 May 14, 2005. Placements were up 2 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 2, 2005 through May 14, 2005 were 3.34 billion, up 3 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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Broiler Eggs Set, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Apr 9 2005	Apr 16 2005	Apr 23 2005	Apr 30 2005	May 7 2005	May 14 2005
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	31,723	31,020	*31,194	31,577	31,405	31,626
AR	31,153	30,997	31,203	30,826	31,488	31,167
DE	4,031	3,902	4,044	3,786	3,956	4,085
FL	1,353	1,344	1,354	1,342	1,344	1,343
GA	33,445	33,573	33,448	33,214	32,539	33,638
KY	7,564	*7,309	6,704	*6,991	*7,328	7,211
LA	4,165	4,165	4,165	4,041	4,102	4,105
MD	9,010	*9,005	8,981	8,876	*8,905	8,995
MS	18,866	18,524	18,886	18,780	18,947	18,812
NC	19,233	18,877	*19,087	19,124	18,753	18,796
OK	6,465	6,507	6,649	6,265	6,102	6,625
PA	4,173	4,148	4,003	*4,056	*4,115	3,988
SC	5,106	5,205	5,010	5,192	4,983	5,177
TX	15,505	15,486	15,542	15,527	15,553	15,536
VA	6,601	6,515	6,602	6,677	6,495	6,634
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*18,631	*18,765	*17,967	*18,187	*18,138	18,265
19 State Total	*217,024	*215,342	*214,839	*214,461	*214,153	216,003
Previous Year Total	212,808	214,388	213,217	212,646	212,957	213,724
Pct. of Prev. Year	102	100	101	101	101	101

* Revised

Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Apr 9 2005	Apr 16 2005	Apr 23 2005	Apr 30 2005	May 7 2005	May 14 2005
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	21,769	21,842	22,081	22,253	21,625	21,315
AR	24,245	24,090	24,829	23,759	*25,610	24,727
DE	6,033	5,788	5,557	5,681	*5,156	6,457
FL	1,699	1,488	1,504	*1,668	1,363	1,497
GA	27,006	26,971	25,781	*27,120	*28,528	28,272
KY	5,517	6,096	6,446	*6,420	*5,848	5,959
LA	3,871	3,653	3,605	3,954	3,934	4,309
MD	5,207	4,988	5,212	5,762	*6,105	4,808
MS	17,940	17,960	17,749	17,421	*16,949	16,964
NC	15,361	15,174	15,381	15,302	15,624	15,268
OK	5,362	5,075	4,425	5,933	5,520	5,463
PA	3,047	2,975	3,053	*3,191	*3,140	2,957
SC	4,512	4,602	4,271	4,544	3,572	4,387
TX	12,930	12,917	13,231	13,141	13,070	13,141
VA	5,364	5,676	5,353	4,999	5,144	5,407
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*16,911	*17,866	*16,977	*18,488	*16,719	17,140
19 State Total	*176,774	*177,161	*175,455	*179,636	*177,907	178,071
Previous Year Total	172,145	173,941	173,669	174,862	176,351	175,431
Pct. of Prev. Year	103	102	101	103	101	102

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