



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 28, 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 1 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 177 million chicks for meat production during the week ending May 28, 2005. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 2, 2005 through May 28, 2005 were 3.69 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 23 2005	Apr 30 2005	May 7 2005	May 14 2005	May 21 2005	May 28 2005
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	31,194	31,577	31,405	31,626	31,466	31,659
AR	31,203	30,826	31,488	31,167	31,284	31,587
DE	4,044	3,786	3,956	4,085	4,077	4,091
FL	1,354	1,342	1,344	1,343	1,344	1,363
GA	33,448	33,214	*32,615	33,793	33,651	33,619
KY	6,806	7,077	7,328	7,211	7,106	7,149
LA	4,165	4,041	4,102	4,105	4,104	4,105
MD	8,981	8,876	8,905	8,995	*9,005	8,991
MS	18,886	18,780	18,947	18,812	18,856	18,849
NC	19,087	19,063	*18,792	18,796	*18,993	18,689
OK	6,649	6,265	6,296	6,650	*6,458	6,566
PA	4,098	4,019	4,229	4,102	*4,111	4,100
SC	5,010	5,192	4,983	5,177	5,239	5,060
TX	15,542	15,527	15,553	15,536	15,401	15,404
VA	6,602	6,677	6,495	6,634	6,591	6,621
CA, MO, TN, & WV	17,967	18,187	18,138	18,094	*18,239	18,165
19 State Total	215,036	214,449	*214,576	216,126	*215,925	216,018
Previous Year Total	213,217	212,646	212,957	213,724	214,186	212,907
Pct. of Prev. Year	101	101	101	101	101	101

* Revised

Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Apr 23 2005	Apr 30 2005	May 7 2005	May 14 2005	May 21 2005	May 28 2005
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	22,081	22,253	21,625	21,315	21,818	21,834
AR	24,829	23,759	25,615	24,734	*24,203	25,658
DE	5,557	*5,780	5,156	6,457	5,975	5,435
FL	1,496	1,668	1,332	1,471	*1,249	1,476
GA	25,781	27,120	28,528	28,182	26,986	27,950
KY	6,446	6,420	5,818	5,993	*5,849	6,350
LA	3,605	3,954	3,934	4,309	3,838	4,197
MD	5,212	5,762	6,105	4,808	*5,761	5,475
MS	17,749	17,421	16,949	16,964	17,055	17,169
NC	15,381	15,302	15,624	15,268	15,073	15,608
OK	4,425	5,933	5,520	5,464	*5,429	4,355
PA	3,093	3,262	3,168	3,067	*3,136	3,055
SC	4,271	4,544	3,572	4,387	4,734	3,299
TX	13,231	13,141	13,070	13,141	13,062	13,058
VA	5,353	4,999	5,144	5,407	5,683	5,271
CA, MO, TN, & WV	16,977	18,488	16,713	17,156	*17,354	16,669
19 State Total	175,487	*179,806	177,873	178,123	*177,205	176,859
Previous Year Total	173,669	174,862	176,351	175,431	175,320	175,708
Pct. of Prev. Year	101	103	101	102	101	101

* Revised