



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 216 million eggs in incubators during the week ending June 4, 2005. This was up 2 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 Up Slightly

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 177 million chicks for meat production during the week ending June 4, 2005. Placements were up slightly from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 2, 2005 through June 4, 2005 were 3.87 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 30 2005	May 7 2005	May 14 2005	May 21 2005	May 28 2005	Jun 4 2005
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	31,577	31,405	31,626	31,466	31,659	31,750
AR	30,826	31,488	31,167	31,284	31,587	31,505
DE	3,786	3,956	4,085	4,077	4,091	4,039
FL	1,342	1,344	1,343	1,344	1,363	1,374
GA	33,214	32,615	33,793	33,651	33,619	33,677
KY	7,077	7,328	*7,249	*7,080	*6,922	6,981
LA	4,041	4,102	4,105	4,104	4,105	4,104
MD	8,876	8,905	8,995	9,005	8,991	9,013
MS	18,780	18,947	18,812	18,856	18,849	18,948
NC	19,063	18,792	*18,522	18,993	*18,681	18,406
OK	6,265	6,296	6,650	6,458	*6,587	6,526
PA	4,019	4,229	4,102	*4,089	*3,932	4,076
SC	5,192	4,983	5,177	5,239	5,060	5,232
TX	*15,520	*15,547	*15,511	*15,376	*15,379	15,391
VA	6,677	6,495	6,634	6,591	6,621	6,512
CA, MO, TN, & WV	18,187	18,138	18,094	18,239	*18,240	18,246
19 State Total	*214,442	*214,570	*215,865	*215,852	*215,686	215,780
Previous Year Total	212,646	212,957	213,724	214,186	212,907	212,431
Pct. of Prev. Year	101	101	101	101	101	102

* Revised

Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Apr 30 2005	May 7 2005	May 14 2005	May 21 2005	May 28 2005	Jun 4 2005
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	*22,261	21,625	*21,391	21,818	21,834	21,974
AR	23,759	25,615	24,734	24,203	*25,669	24,852
DE	5,780	5,156	6,457	5,975	*5,721	5,693
FL	1,668	1,332	1,471	1,249	*1,526	1,528
GA	27,120	28,528	28,182	*27,073	*28,020	27,561
KY	6,420	5,818	5,993	*5,771	*6,303	6,341
LA	3,954	3,934	4,309	3,838	4,197	4,093
MD	5,762	6,105	4,808	5,761	*5,184	5,058
MS	17,421	16,949	16,964	17,055	17,169	17,041
NC	15,302	15,624	15,268	15,073	*15,604	15,589
OK	5,933	5,520	5,464	5,429	*4,356	4,921
PA	3,262	3,168	3,067	*3,083	*3,080	2,959
SC	4,544	3,572	4,387	4,734	3,299	4,148
TX	13,141	*13,065	*13,136	*13,057	*13,053	13,020
VA	4,999	5,144	5,407	5,683	5,271	4,802
CA, MO, TN, & WV	18,488	16,713	17,156	17,354	*16,693	16,962
19 State Total	*179,814	*177,868	*178,194	*177,156	*176,979	176,542
Previous Year Total	174,862	176,351	175,431	175,320	175,708	176,393
Pct. of Prev. Year	103	101	102	101	101	100

* Revised