



# Broiler Hatchery

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## Broiler Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Down Slightly

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 214 million eggs in incubators during the week ending July 16, 2005. This was down slightly 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 Down Slightly

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 176 million chicks for meat production during the week ending July 16, 2005. Placements were down slightly from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 2, 2005 through July 16, 2005 were 4.93 billion, up 2 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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**Broiler Eggs Set, 19 Selected States**

State	Week Ending					
	Jun 11 2005	Jun 18 2005	Jun 25 2005	Jul 2 2005	Jul 9 2005	Jul 16 2005
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	31,786	31,240	*31,218	31,374	31,272	31,768
AR	31,343	31,354	*30,555	30,301	30,623	30,603
DE	4,110	4,136	4,061	3,798	3,974	4,073
FL	1,382	1,394	1,403	1,342	1,384	1,384
GA	33,397	33,499	33,173	32,313	33,436	33,337
KY	7,076	6,836	*6,622	6,999	7,138	7,114
LA	4,105	4,105	4,105	4,042	4,135	4,135
MD	8,996	9,009	9,016	9,022	9,022	8,938
MS	19,069	19,178	18,959	19,191	*19,165	19,101
NC	18,977	17,917	18,588	17,716	17,551	18,350
OK	6,412	6,506	6,508	6,563	*6,282	6,482
PA	3,986	4,001	3,979	*3,779	*4,015	3,991
SC	5,053	5,175	5,065	5,283	5,052	4,971
TX	15,396	15,416	15,251	14,584	15,329	15,208
VA	6,358	6,556	6,495	6,226	*6,491	6,062
CA, MO, TN, & WV	18,415	18,248	17,771	*17,410	*17,243	18,231
19 State Total	215,861	214,570	*212,769	*209,943	*212,112	213,748
Previous Year Total	214,186	214,006	212,929	210,618	211,359	214,348
Pct. of Prev. Year	101	100	100	100	100	100

\* Revised

**Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States**

State	Week Ending					
	Jun 11 2005	Jun 18 2005	Jun 25 2005	Jul 2 2005	Jul 9 2005	Jul 16 2005
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	22,017	22,158	21,560	22,088	21,748	21,383
AR	25,012	24,643	25,470	25,763	*24,035	24,073
DE	5,708	5,999	5,822	5,913	5,978	6,395
FL	1,442	1,536	1,482	1,516	1,502	1,489
GA	27,580	26,841	28,280	26,933	*27,700	27,277
KY	6,182	6,025	6,222	5,563	5,840	5,997
LA	3,800	4,134	4,057	3,801	*4,204	4,055
MD	5,395	5,009	5,533	5,471	*5,284	4,830
MS	17,033	17,160	17,212	17,248	*17,297	17,350
NC	15,594	15,311	14,998	15,896	15,012	15,103
OK	4,939	4,999	5,405	4,761	*5,531	5,599
PA	3,005	2,997	2,963	*2,908	2,803	2,832
SC	3,996	4,927	4,605	4,337	3,975	4,544
TX	12,904	12,937	12,972	12,909	12,858	12,881
VA	5,466	5,455	5,496	5,108	*4,734	5,206
CA, MO, TN, & WV	17,464	17,421	16,085	17,545	*17,780	16,572
19 State Total	177,537	177,552	178,162	*177,760	*176,281	175,586
Previous Year Total	177,930	175,598	175,595	176,751	176,620	176,174
Pct. of Prev. Year	100	101	101	101	100	100

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