



Broiler Hatchery

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Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Down Slightly

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 213 million eggs in incubators during the week ending August 6, 2005. This was down slightly 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 Up Slightly

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 176 million chicks for meat production during the week ending August 6, 2005. Placements were up slightly from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 2, 2005 through August 6, 2005 were 5.46 billion, up 2 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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Broiler-Type Eggs Set, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jul 2 2005	Jul 9 2005	Jul 16 2005	Jul 23 2005	Jul 30 2005	Aug 6 2005
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	31,374	31,402	*31,788	31,918	31,505	31,350
AR	30,301	30,623	30,603	30,862	31,178	30,929
DE	3,798	3,974	4,073	*4,069	4,060	3,956
FL	1,377	1,384	1,384	1,380	1,383	1,381
GA	31,950	33,436	*33,483	33,050	33,130	32,818
KY	7,046	*7,163	7,086	7,124	7,085	7,056
LA	4,042	4,135	4,135	4,135	4,135	4,135
MD	9,022	9,022	8,938	8,950	8,878	8,963
MS	19,191	19,165	19,101	19,099	18,970	18,794
NC	17,396	17,378	*18,267	17,851	18,064	18,391
OK	6,563	*6,180	*6,480	6,563	*6,622	6,638
PA	3,774	4,117	4,045	*4,444	*4,242	4,115
SC	5,283	5,052	4,971	5,141	5,050	5,060
TX	*14,594	*15,339	*15,215	*15,206	*15,085	14,233
VA	6,226	6,491	*6,381	6,474	6,333	6,408
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*17,409	*17,363	*18,415	*17,786	*18,424	18,408
19 State Total	*209,346	*212,224	*214,365	*214,052	*214,144	212,635
Previous Year Total	210,618	211,359	214,348	213,160	214,939	213,074
Pct. of Prev. Year	99	100	100	100	100	100

* Revised

Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jul 2 2005	Jul 9 2005	Jul 16 2005	Jul 23 2005	Jul 30 2005	Aug 6 2005
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	22,088	21,748	21,383	21,943	21,683	22,250
AR	25,763	24,035	*24,228	*23,493	*24,315	23,813
DE	5,913	5,978	6,395	*4,781	*5,629	6,216
FL	1,516	1,502	1,489	1,445	1,586	1,488
GA	27,057	27,716	*27,282	*25,969	*27,496	27,134
KY	5,563	5,820	5,814	5,818	*5,983	6,115
LA	3,801	4,204	4,055	4,120	4,118	4,167
MD	5,471	5,284	4,830	*6,075	*5,216	4,920
MS	17,248	17,297	17,350	17,459	17,394	17,385
NC	15,896	15,010	15,103	14,258	14,422	15,144
OK	4,761	5,531	5,600	5,121	*3,868	4,804
PA	2,965	2,951	2,984	*2,820	*3,077	2,933
SC	4,337	3,975	4,544	4,467	3,854	4,291
TX	13,002	*12,973	*12,889	*12,310	*12,893	12,785
VA	5,108	4,734	5,209	5,225	5,707	5,136
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*17,444	*17,740	*16,402	*17,102	*16,951	17,457
19 State Total	*177,933	*176,498	*175,557	*172,406	*174,192	176,038
Previous Year Total	176,751	176,620	176,174	173,185	174,183	175,954
Pct. of Prev. Year	101	100	100	100	100	100

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