



# Broiler Hatchery

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## Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Up Slightly

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 214 million eggs in incubators during the week ending August 20, 2005. This was up 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 August 20, 2005. Placements were down slightly from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 2, 2005 through August 20, 2005 were 5.81 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 16 2005	Jul 23 2005	Jul 30 2005	Aug 6 2005	Aug 13 2005	Aug 20 2005
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	31,788	32,047	*31,627	31,350	31,532	31,132
AR	30,603	30,862	31,178	30,929	*29,854	30,050
DE	4,073	4,069	4,060	3,956	3,940	3,938
FL	1,384	1,380	1,383	1,381	1,382	1,287
GA	33,483	33,050	33,130	33,402	34,107	34,871
KY	7,086	*7,015	7,085	7,149	7,101	6,842
LA	4,135	4,135	4,135	4,135	4,135	4,120
MD	8,938	8,950	8,878	8,963	8,731	8,889
MS	19,101	19,099	18,970	18,794	18,998	18,906
NC	18,267	18,199	*18,461	18,454	*18,339	18,142
OK	6,480	6,563	6,622	6,638	6,643	6,588
PA	4,045	4,444	*4,131	*3,989	*4,107	4,220
SC	4,971	5,141	5,050	5,060	5,198	5,110
TX	15,215	15,206	15,085	14,233	*13,830	15,001
VA	6,367	6,474	6,333	6,408	6,274	6,270
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*18,396	*18,108	18,424	*18,425	*17,652	18,366
19 State Total	*214,332	*214,742	*214,552	*213,266	*211,823	213,732
Previous Year Total	214,348	213,160	214,939	213,074	213,309	212,926
Pct. of Prev. Year	100	101	100	100	99	100

\* Revised

**Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States**

State	Week Ending					
	Jul 16 2005	Jul 23 2005	Jul 30 2005	Aug 6 2005	Aug 13 2005	Aug 20 2005
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	21,383	21,943	21,683	22,250	21,274	21,529
AR	24,228	23,493	24,315	23,813	24,555	25,084
DE	6,395	4,781	5,629	6,216	5,998	6,431
FL	1,489	1,445	1,586	1,488	1,635	1,511
GA	27,282	25,969	27,496	27,134	27,746	26,589
KY	5,814	5,818	5,983	6,077	*6,271	6,103
LA	4,055	4,120	4,118	4,167	4,053	3,936
MD	4,830	6,075	5,216	4,920	5,327	4,502
MS	17,350	17,459	17,394	17,385	17,466	17,240
NC	15,103	14,258	14,422	15,101	*15,162	15,168
OK	5,600	5,121	3,868	4,804	5,100	4,906
PA	2,984	2,820	*3,109	*3,025	*3,360	3,108
SC	4,544	4,467	3,854	4,291	*4,007	4,721
TX	12,889	12,310	12,893	12,785	12,724	12,595
VA	5,218	5,225	5,707	5,136	*5,019	5,466
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*16,446	17,096	*16,944	*17,482	*16,355	16,685
19 State Total	*175,610	172,400	*174,217	*176,074	*176,052	175,574
Previous Year Total	176,174	173,185	174,183	175,954	175,391	176,170
Pct. of Prev. Year	100	100	100	100	100	100

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