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Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Up 3 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 205 million eggs in incubators during the week ending October 1, 2005. This was up 3 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 Up 3 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 170 million chicks for meat production during the week ending October 1, 2005. Placements were up 3 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 2, 2005 through October 1, 2005 were 6.84 billion, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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Broiler-Type Eggs Set, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Aug 27 2005	Sep 3 2005	Sep 10 2005	Sep 17 2005	Sep 24 2005	Oct 1 2005
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	31,580	31,315	*30,705	30,928	30,779	31,035
AR	30,918	30,434	*30,022	29,276	29,694	29,958
DE	3,784	3,835	*3,744	3,668	3,797	3,979
FL	1,379	1,394	*1,374	1,379	1,364	1,374
GA	33,281	33,689	33,786	31,926	33,062	33,098
KY	*6,670	*6,970	*6,935	*6,142	*6,973	6,443
LA	4,073	4,027	4,105	3,802	4,105	3,802
MD	8,919	8,838	*8,796	8,509	8,765	8,721
MS	18,605	17,523	17,639	17,672	17,626	17,235
NC	17,697	17,523	*16,578	16,913	18,307	17,823
OK	6,671	6,466	6,669	6,377	6,332	6,369
PA	4,195	4,170	4,283	3,860	*3,943	4,104
SC	5,175	4,796	5,120	5,151	4,859	5,075
TX	15,069	15,053	14,972	14,505	14,227	13,050
VA	6,196	6,182	6,112	6,030	6,272	5,861
CA, MO, TN, & WV	18,233	18,225	18,238	*16,661	*17,889	17,370
19 State Total	*212,445	*210,440	*209,078	*202,799	*207,994	205,297
Previous Year Total	210,468	209,170	202,622	197,407	201,405	200,166
Pct. of Prev. Year	101	101	103	103	103	103

* Revised

Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Aug 27 2005	Sep 3 2005	Sep 10 2005	Sep 17 2005	Sep 24 2005	Oct 1 2005
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	21,617	21,746	*21,322	21,520	20,919	20,501
AR	24,158	23,640	23,344	*24,216	24,155	23,573
DE	5,864	5,735	*5,303	5,832	5,449	5,481
FL	1,510	1,662	1,492	1,431	1,325	1,527
GA	26,397	26,778	*27,306	*26,556	*26,746	27,652
KY	*6,216	5,790	*5,738	*5,843	*5,848	6,089
LA	4,134	3,726	3,880	4,059	4,104	4,056
MD	5,253	5,526	*5,479	5,173	5,160	5,133
MS	16,994	14,687	15,322	16,252	15,364	15,386
NC	14,472	15,033	14,904	14,635	13,654	13,996
OK	4,387	4,998	5,358	5,311	4,492	5,059
PA	3,011	2,926	3,041	2,977	*3,071	3,079
SC	5,003	4,140	4,318	4,369	4,739	3,773
TX	12,089	11,758	12,753	12,793	*12,636	12,499
VA	5,207	5,111	4,780	4,919	5,288	5,034
CA, MO, TN, & WV	17,826	16,515	17,496	*17,061	*17,621	17,267
19 State Total	*174,138	169,771	*171,836	*172,947	*170,571	170,105
Previous Year Total	175,177	174,771	174,977	173,376	172,022	165,909
Pct. of Prev. Year	99	97	98	100	99	103

* Revised