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

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 210 million eggs in incubators during the week ending October 8, 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 166 million chicks for meat production during the week ending October 8, 2005. Placements were up 3 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 2, 2005 through October 8, 2005 were 7.00 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					
	Sep 3 2005	Sep 10 2005	Sep 17 2005	Sep 24 2005	Oct 1 2005	Oct 8 2005
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	31,315	30,705	*30,508	30,779	*31,177	31,002
AR	30,434	30,022	29,276	29,694	29,958	30,967
DE	3,835	3,744	3,668	3,797	3,979	3,810
FL	1,394	1,374	1,379	1,364	1,374	1,364
GA	33,689	33,786	31,926	33,062	33,098	33,740
KY	6,970	6,935	6,142	6,973	6,443	6,762
LA	4,027	4,105	3,802	4,105	*3,833	4,136
MD	8,838	8,796	8,509	8,765	8,721	8,670
MS	17,523	17,639	17,672	17,626	17,235	17,672
NC	17,523	16,578	*16,765	18,307	*17,643	17,170
OK	6,466	6,669	6,377	6,332	*6,490	6,496
PA	4,170	4,283	*3,802	*3,970	*4,247	4,143
SC	4,796	5,120	5,151	4,859	5,075	4,939
TX	*15,050	*14,965	*14,504	*14,226	*13,049	14,561
VA	6,182	6,112	6,030	6,272	5,861	6,245
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*18,210	*18,221	*16,722	*17,762	*16,955	18,147
19 State Total	*210,422	*209,054	*202,233	*207,893	*205,138	209,824
Previous Year Total	209,170	202,622	197,407	201,405	200,166	203,011
Pct. of Prev. Year	101	103	102	103	102	103

* Revised

Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Sep 3 2005	Sep 10 2005	Sep 17 2005	Sep 24 2005	Oct 1 2005	Oct 8 2005
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	21,746	21,322	21,520	20,919	*20,289	20,793
AR	23,640	23,344	24,216	*24,255	*23,578	23,250
DE	5,735	5,303	5,832	5,449	5,481	5,142
FL	1,662	1,492	1,431	1,325	1,527	1,550
GA	26,778	27,306	26,556	*26,700	*27,674	25,959
KY	5,790	5,738	5,843	5,848	6,089	5,351
LA	3,726	3,880	4,059	4,104	*4,052	3,260
MD	5,526	5,479	5,173	5,160	5,133	5,296
MS	14,687	15,322	16,252	15,364	15,386	15,415
NC	15,033	14,904	14,635	13,654	*13,963	13,917
OK	4,998	5,358	5,311	4,492	*5,060	5,028
PA	2,926	3,041	*2,926	*3,073	*3,093	2,750
SC	4,140	4,318	4,369	4,739	3,773	4,476
TX	11,758	*12,751	*12,791	*12,633	*12,496	12,299
VA	5,111	4,780	4,919	5,288	5,034	4,925
CA, MO, TN, & WV	16,515	*17,617	*16,984	*17,614	*17,327	16,392
19 State Total	169,771	*171,955	*172,817	*170,617	*169,955	165,803
Previous Year Total	174,771	174,977	173,376	172,022	165,909	160,797
Pct. of Prev. Year	97	98	100	99	102	103

* Revised

