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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 February 11, 2006. 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 Up Slightly

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 176 million chicks for meat production during the week ending February 11, 2006. Placements were up slightly from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 1, 2006 through February 11, 2006 were 1.05 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					
	Jan 7 2006	Jan 14 2006	Jan 21 2006	Jan 28 2006	Feb 4 2006	Feb 11 2006
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	*31,111	31,689	*31,411	30,946	31,605	31,668
AR	31,308	31,150	*31,473	31,327	31,442	30,728
DE	3,945	3,970	3,781	3,981	3,700	3,700
FL	1,354	1,343	*1,369	1,344	1,344	1,343
GA	34,046	34,046	35,051	34,382	*33,575	33,657
KY	6,983	7,262	7,466	7,358	7,154	7,440
LA	4,136	4,136	4,135	4,136	4,136	4,136
MD	8,873	8,933	8,942	8,912	*8,888	8,869
MS	18,597	18,583	18,704	18,447	18,188	18,082
NC	18,716	18,442	*18,272	18,140	18,640	18,604
OK	6,557	6,565	6,690	6,760	*6,566	6,660
PA	3,729	3,915	3,983	3,971	*3,664	4,063
SC	5,239	5,202	5,250	5,367	5,194	5,345
TX	15,126	15,166	15,048	15,237	14,632	15,121
VA	6,418	6,437	6,385	6,156	6,246	6,360
CA, MO, TN, & WV	17,118	17,048	*17,444	*17,239	*18,074	17,487
19 State Total	*213,256	213,887	*215,404	*213,703	*213,048	213,263
Previous Year Total	210,232	209,544	211,673	212,630	213,234	213,830
Pct. of Prev. Year	101	102	102	101	100	100

* Revised

Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jan 7 2006	Jan 14 2006	Jan 21 2006	Jan 28 2006	Feb 4 2006	Feb 11 2006
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	*21,582	*20,782	*20,890	*21,340	*21,631	21,412
AR	24,022	24,910	24,773	*24,597	*25,961	25,389
DE	6,131	5,909	5,365	5,908	*5,088	5,205
FL	1,587	1,526	1,429	1,631	1,641	1,843
GA	27,421	27,421	27,998	*27,061	*27,312	27,552
KY	6,238	5,754	5,620	5,815	6,147	6,347
LA	4,140	3,733	3,843	3,937	3,977	3,950
MD	4,901	5,354	5,632	*5,267	*5,667	6,069
MS	16,528	16,645	16,502	16,511	16,617	16,244
NC	15,434	14,915	15,715	15,465	14,630	14,449
OK	5,398	4,784	5,262	5,447	*4,451	4,780
PA	2,857	2,873	2,958	2,949	*2,858	2,875
SC	4,178	4,752	4,001	4,390	4,570	5,232
TX	12,739	12,829	12,804	12,936	13,067	13,002
VA	5,418	4,785	5,213	4,990	5,222	4,913
CA, MO, TN, & WV	16,485	16,049	*16,205	*16,490	*15,498	16,480
19 State Total	*175,059	*173,021	*174,210	*174,734	*174,337	175,742
Previous Year Total	173,466	173,733	172,679	171,340	172,928	175,504
Pct. of Prev. Year	101	100	101	102	101	100

* Revised