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Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Down 1 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 211 million eggs in incubators during the week ending June 24, 2006. This was down 1 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 Placed Down 3 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 174 million chicks for meat production during the week ending June 24, 2006. Placements were down 3 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 1, 2006 through June 24, 2006 were 4.37 billion, down 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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Broiler-Type Eggs Set, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	May 20 2006	May 27 2006	Jun 3 2006	Jun 10 2006	Jun 17 2006	Jun 24 2006
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	31,644	31,821	*31,732	31,840	31,072	30,898
AR	30,709	30,428	*30,440	30,499	28,819	29,739
DE	3,661	3,840	3,887	3,959	3,944	3,957
FL	962	1,392	1,346	1,374	1,374	1,373
GA	34,612	34,869	35,085	34,951	35,312	34,559
KY	7,031	7,174	7,129	*7,210	*7,204	6,937
LA	3,923	3,923	3,923	3,923	3,923	3,923
MD	8,955	8,544	8,893	8,772	8,961	9,007
MS	17,916	17,910	17,901	17,916	17,569	17,732
NC	18,872	18,387	*18,498	18,900	*17,958	18,259
OK	6,276	6,478	6,517	6,412	*6,533	6,493
PA	*4,142	*4,073	*3,950	*4,030	*4,033	4,089
SC	5,309	5,385	5,392	5,297	5,103	5,124
TX	14,886	14,868	14,907	14,867	14,875	14,889
VA	6,475	6,460	6,369	6,384	6,338	6,354
CA, MO, TN, & WV	17,898	18,092	17,605	17,834	*18,047	17,545
19 State Total	*213,271	*213,644	*213,574	*214,168	*211,065	210,878
Previous Year Total	216,555	215,660	215,857	215,948	214,626	212,546
Pct. of Prev. Year	98	99	99	99	98	99

* Revised

Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	May 20 2006	May 27 2006	Jun 3 2006	Jun 10 2006	Jun 17 2006	Jun 24 2006
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	21,550	21,210	21,298	21,126	21,647	21,242
AR	24,060	24,546	22,812	23,247	*23,373	23,507
DE	5,119	6,056	5,317	6,480	5,835	5,264
FL	1,372	1,452	1,403	*904	1,408	1,535
GA	28,669	28,308	28,168	29,687	29,263	29,379
KY	6,388	6,013	6,315	*5,869	*6,325	5,432
LA	3,767	3,619	4,189	3,558	3,741	4,024
MD	4,979	4,512	5,261	4,582	4,849	5,916
MS	15,414	16,241	16,204	15,880	15,877	15,833
NC	15,513	15,357	15,699	15,721	*15,230	15,260
OK	5,296	4,781	5,102	5,369	5,107	5,079
PA	*2,629	*2,921	*2,892	*2,950	*2,878	2,875
SC	4,701	3,929	4,993	4,091	4,460	4,364
TX	11,455	12,828	12,755	12,928	12,913	12,986
VA	5,792	5,206	5,202	4,870	*5,075	5,194
CA, MO, TN, & WV	15,156	16,152	17,195	*17,023	*17,007	16,250
19 State Total	*171,860	*173,131	*174,805	*174,285	*174,988	174,140
Previous Year Total	177,385	178,099	178,299	178,287	178,125	178,879
Pct. of Prev. Year	97	97	98	98	98	97

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