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

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 210 million eggs in incubators during the week ending July 8, 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 84 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

## Broiler Chicks Placed Down 1 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 174 million chicks for meat production during the week ending July 8, 2006. Placements were down 1 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 1, 2006 through July 8, 2006 were 4.71 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					
	Jun 3 2006	Jun 10 2006	Jun 17 2006	Jun 24 2006	Jul 1 2006	Jul 8 2006
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	*31,742	31,945	*31,137	30,803	*31,836	31,002
AR	30,440	30,499	*28,900	29,739	29,397	29,697
DE	3,887	3,959	3,854	3,957	3,765	3,758
FL	1,346	1,374	1,374	1,373	1,369	1,364
GA	35,085	35,280	35,312	34,559	34,920	34,205
KY	7,044	7,095	7,204	6,937	7,074	7,131
LA	3,923	3,923	3,923	3,923	3,923	3,798
MD	8,893	8,772	8,961	9,007	8,959	8,934
MS	17,901	17,916	*17,432	17,732	17,240	17,851
NC	18,498	18,844	*18,031	18,262	*18,082	18,068
OK	6,517	6,412	6,533	6,493	6,307	6,199
PA	3,950	4,011	*4,110	*4,099	*3,928	4,034
SC	5,392	5,297	5,103	5,124	5,454	5,161
TX	*14,903	*14,864	*14,870	*14,884	*13,099	14,819
VA	6,369	6,384	6,338	6,354	6,084	6,318
CA, MO, TN, & WV	17,628	17,801	17,925	*17,608	*17,124	17,593
19 State Total	*213,518	*214,376	*211,007	*210,854	*208,561	209,932
Previous Year Total	215,857	215,948	214,626	212,546	209,473	212,303
Pct. of Prev. Year	99	99	98	99	100	99

\* Revised

**Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States**

State	Week Ending					
	Jun 3 2006	Jun 10 2006	Jun 17 2006	Jun 24 2006	Jul 1 2006	Jul 8 2006
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	*21,928	21,126	21,647	21,192	*22,099	21,105
AR	22,812	23,247	23,373	23,547	24,123	22,999
DE	5,317	6,480	5,740	5,162	*4,883	4,547
FL	1,403	904	1,408	1,535	1,641	1,547
GA	28,168	29,278	28,858	28,642	28,484	28,872
KY	6,315	5,869	6,286	5,400	6,026	6,141
LA	4,189	3,558	3,741	4,024	3,830	3,670
MD	5,261	4,582	5,097	6,022	*6,098	6,941
MS	16,204	15,880	15,877	15,833	15,885	15,408
NC	15,699	15,721	15,230	15,234	15,302	14,735
OK	5,102	5,369	5,107	5,080	4,943	5,177
PA	2,892	2,945	*2,861	*2,878	*3,024	3,089
SC	4,993	4,091	4,460	4,364	4,870	5,067
TX	12,755	*12,926	*12,910	*12,983	*12,863	12,673
VA	5,202	*4,872	5,075	5,194	5,248	5,485
CA, MO, TN, & WV	17,195	17,050	17,043	16,305	*16,206	16,890
19 State Total	*175,435	173,898	*174,713	*173,395	*175,525	174,346
Previous Year Total	178,299	178,287	178,125	178,879	178,732	176,964
Pct. of Prev. Year	98	98	98	97	98	99

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