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Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Down Slightly

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 214 million eggs in incubators during the week ending July 15, 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 Placed Down 1 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 174 million chicks for meat production during the week ending July 15, 2006. Placements were down 1 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 1, 2006 through July 15, 2006 were 4.89 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 10 2006	Jun 17 2006	Jun 24 2006	Jul 1 2006	Jul 8 2006	Jul 15 2006
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	31,945	31,137	*30,768	31,836	*31,436	32,033
AR	30,499	28,900	29,739	29,397	29,697	30,275
DE	3,959	3,854	3,957	3,765	*3,887	3,969
FL	1,374	1,374	1,373	1,369	1,364	1,344
GA	35,280	35,312	34,559	34,920	34,205	35,020
KY	7,095	*7,061	*6,831	*6,958	*7,105	7,264
LA	3,923	3,923	3,923	3,923	3,798	3,954
MD	8,772	8,961	9,007	8,959	8,934	8,942
MS	17,916	17,432	17,732	17,240	17,851	17,916
NC	18,844	18,031	*18,436	18,082	*18,047	18,762
OK	6,412	6,533	6,493	6,307	*6,118	6,333
PA	4,011	4,110	*3,991	*3,920	*4,088	4,077
SC	5,297	5,103	5,124	5,454	5,161	5,455
TX	14,864	14,870	14,884	13,099	14,819	14,816
VA	6,384	6,338	6,354	6,084	6,318	6,382
CA, MO, TN, & WV	17,801	*17,939	*17,622	*17,138	*17,604	17,787
19 State Total	214,376	*210,878	*210,793	*208,451	*210,432	214,329
Previous Year Total	215,948	214,626	212,546	209,473	212,303	214,405
Pct. of Prev. Year	99	98	99	100	99	100

* Revised

Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jun 10 2006	Jun 17 2006	Jun 24 2006	Jul 1 2006	Jul 8 2006	Jul 15 2006
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	21,126	21,647	21,192	22,099	*21,003	20,659
AR	23,247	23,373	23,547	24,123	*22,993	24,377
DE	6,480	5,740	5,162	4,883	*4,703	5,916
FL	904	1,408	1,535	1,641	*1,546	1,487
GA	29,278	28,858	28,642	28,484	*28,873	28,323
KY	5,869	6,286	5,400	*6,203	*5,986	5,836
LA	3,558	3,741	4,024	3,830	3,670	3,578
MD	4,582	5,097	6,022	6,098	*6,795	5,977
MS	15,880	15,877	15,833	15,885	15,408	15,776
NC	15,721	15,230	15,234	15,302	14,735	15,629
OK	5,369	5,107	5,080	4,943	*5,176	4,526
PA	2,945	2,861	*2,821	*3,029	*2,945	3,027
SC	4,091	4,460	4,364	4,870	5,067	4,312
TX	12,926	12,910	12,983	12,863	12,673	12,800
VA	4,872	5,075	5,194	5,248	5,485	5,503
CA, MO, TN, & WV	17,050	17,043	*16,311	16,206	*16,481	16,511
19 State Total	173,898	174,713	*173,344	*175,707	*173,539	174,237
Previous Year Total	178,287	178,125	178,879	178,732	176,964	175,429
Pct. of Prev. Year	98	98	97	98	98	99

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