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

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 212 million eggs in incubators during the week ending September 2, 2006. This was up 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 Up 2 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 173 million chicks for meat production during the week ending September 2, 2006. Placements were up 2 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 1, 2006 through September 2, 2006 were 6.10 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					
	Jul 29 2006	Aug 5 2006	Aug 12 2006	Aug 19 2006	Aug 26 2006	Sep 2 2006
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	32,037	31,885	*31,683	31,873	31,580	32,017
AR	30,096	30,155	*30,238	30,346	30,429	29,829
DE	4,075	4,110	4,112	4,008	3,824	3,824
FL	1,364	1,389	*1,371	1,353	1,364	1,364
GA	*34,868	34,988	34,513	35,047	35,145	35,708
KY	7,607	*7,533	7,253	7,195	*7,189	7,202
LA	3,954	3,952	3,954	3,954	3,954	3,954
MD	8,867	8,831	8,797	8,862	8,766	8,864
MS	17,914	17,864	17,693	17,628	17,700	16,990
NC	18,397	18,046	*18,273	18,350	*18,333	17,337
OK	6,555	6,620	*6,344	6,264	6,456	6,475
PA	4,246	3,962	3,984	4,104	4,086	4,081
SC	5,259	5,288	5,328	5,261	5,291	4,842
TX	14,777	14,820	14,758	14,794	14,852	14,976
VA	6,323	6,279	6,326	5,917	5,917	6,169
CA, MO, TN, & WV	18,250	17,883	18,148	18,093	*18,270	18,357
19 State Total	*214,589	*213,605	*212,775	213,049	*213,156	211,989
Previous Year Total	214,171	213,068	210,010	212,244	212,598	210,692
Pct. of Prev. Year	100	100	101	100	100	101

* Revised

Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jul 29 2006	Aug 5 2006	Aug 12 2006	Aug 19 2006	Aug 26 2006	Sep 2 2006
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	20,820	21,928	21,798	22,310	21,902	21,308
AR	23,224	24,382	22,941	23,635	23,946	23,591
DE	5,242	5,116	4,662	5,331	4,449	4,689
FL	1,388	1,534	1,410	1,510	*1,400	1,449
GA	28,099	28,525	29,068	*28,133	28,275	28,446
KY	5,892	6,004	5,741	6,231	*6,311	6,368
LA	3,630	3,962	3,668	3,629	3,923	3,901
MD	6,154	6,062	6,454	5,844	6,621	6,345
MS	15,924	15,990	15,975	15,894	16,028	15,885
NC	14,929	15,565	15,198	15,464	*15,151	15,421
OK	5,047	4,029	*6,149	5,238	4,523	5,021
PA	2,841	3,063	3,042	2,970	2,735	2,893
SC	4,217	4,643	4,304	4,417	4,707	4,342
TX	12,596	12,577	12,411	12,390	12,523	12,535
VA	5,669	5,143	4,775	4,995	4,929	4,834
CA, MO, TN, & WV	17,035	16,606	17,035	16,727	*16,881	15,881
19 State Total	172,707	175,129	*174,631	*174,718	*174,304	172,909
Previous Year Total	175,277	177,097	177,045	176,063	174,673	169,752
Pct. of Prev. Year	99	99	99	99	100	102

* Revised