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## Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Down 2 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 209 million eggs in incubators during the week ending January 27, 2007. This was down 2 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 2 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 172 million chicks for meat production during the week ending January 27, 2007. Placements were down 2 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2006 through January 27, 2007 were 690 million, down 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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**Broiler-Type Eggs Set, 19 Selected States**

State	Week Ending					
	Dec 23 2006	Dec 30 2006	Jan 6 2007	Jan 13 2007	Jan 20 2007	Jan 27 2007
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	*30,614	*30,936	30,385	30,435	*29,442	30,198
AR	29,386	29,531	29,212	29,400	29,476	29,654
DE	3,572	3,971	3,998	3,807	3,974	3,840
FL	1,322	1,362	*1,354	1,341	1,343	1,344
GA	35,040	35,205	35,155	35,446	34,538	34,832
KY	*7,432	*7,317	7,817	*7,943	*7,977	7,388
LA	3,742	3,649	3,680	3,680	3,664	3,695
MD	8,498	8,531	8,781	8,716	8,403	8,361
MS	18,374	18,439	17,683	18,116	18,363	18,529
NC	18,835	18,334	*18,600	18,559	*18,606	18,622
OK	6,483	6,386	6,553	6,567	6,527	6,508
PA	3,862	3,926	3,849	*3,972	*3,946	3,875
SC	5,230	5,610	5,550	5,516	5,440	5,361
TX	14,114	14,243	14,208	14,410	14,090	13,854
VA	6,164	6,238	6,176	6,168	6,121	5,879
CA, MO, TN, & WV	17,151	18,075	17,452	*17,097	*17,221	17,464
19 State Total	*209,819	*211,753	*210,453	*211,173	*209,131	209,404
Previous Year Total	212,232	214,172	213,256	213,689	215,404	214,147
Pct. of Prev. Year	99	99	99	99	97	98

\* Revised

**Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States**

State	Week Ending					
	Dec 23 2006	Dec 30 2006	Jan 6 2007	Jan 13 2007	Jan 20 2007	Jan 27 2007
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	21,090	20,541	*20,428	*20,317	*20,726	20,899
AR	23,869	22,870	23,302	22,355	24,090	23,383
DE	4,914	4,385	4,933	4,454	4,968	5,583
FL	1,517	1,401	1,537	1,353	1,441	1,382
GA	*29,243	*28,076	*29,017	*28,583	*28,990	28,357
KY	*6,178	*5,263	*5,987	*6,144	*6,248	6,623
LA	3,816	3,421	3,619	3,686	3,557	3,310
MD	5,944	6,548	5,752	6,333	5,991	5,718
MS	15,238	15,312	*16,175	*16,398	*16,998	15,976
NC	15,445	15,301	15,944	15,416	15,111	15,525
OK	4,754	5,288	4,799	5,941	4,379	5,635
PA	2,890	2,730	3,007	*2,966	*2,950	2,905
SC	4,561	4,475	4,673	5,034	4,828	4,425
TX	12,054	11,791	11,915	11,897	12,016	11,928
VA	5,275	4,407	5,012	4,690	4,871	4,549
CA, MO, TN, & WV	16,655	16,606	17,038	*15,795	*16,250	15,775
19 State Total	173,443	168,415	*173,138	*171,362	*173,414	171,973
Previous Year Total	174,733	173,580	175,059	172,920	174,210	174,755
Pct. of Prev. Year	99	97	99	99	100	98

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