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

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 214 million eggs in incubators during the week ending February 24, 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 1 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 172 million chicks for meat production during the week ending February 24, 2007. Placements were down 1 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2006 through February 24, 2007 were 1.38 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					
	Jan 20 2007	Jan 27 2007	Feb 3 2007	Feb 10 2007	Feb 17 2007	Feb 24 2007
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	29,225	*30,640	*30,382	30,476	*30,912	30,755
AR	27,627	27,758	27,525	27,822	27,995	27,708
DE	3,974	3,840	3,852	3,995	3,993	3,994
FL	1,368	1,369	*1,369	1,363	1,362	1,365
GA	34,615	34,597	*35,107	35,080	35,777	35,637
KY	7,838	*7,770	*7,600	*7,757	*7,592	7,607
LA	3,664	3,695	3,711	3,740	3,833	3,802
MD	8,403	8,729	8,078	8,781	8,822	8,743
MS	18,363	18,529	18,816	19,044	19,195	19,044
NC	18,300	18,619	*18,566	18,280	19,072	18,708
OK	6,527	6,508	6,553	6,472	*6,526	6,542
PA	3,946	3,679	*3,929	*3,672	*3,929	3,831
SC	5,440	5,361	5,493	5,308	5,499	5,446
TX	14,107	13,871	14,454	14,626	14,660	14,617
VA	6,121	5,879	6,177	6,146	6,116	6,179
CA, MO, TN, & WV	19,073	19,391	19,779	*19,446	*19,661	19,569
19 State Total	208,591	*210,235	*211,391	*212,008	*214,944	213,547
Previous Year Total	215,404	214,147	212,810	212,616	215,181	216,954
Pct. of Prev. Year	97	98	99	100	100	98

* Revised

Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jan 20 2007	Jan 27 2007	Feb 3 2007	Feb 10 2007	Feb 17 2007	Feb 24 2007
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	20,319	20,604	20,315	*19,693	*20,150	20,616
AR	24,096	23,381	24,410	23,244	*24,192	22,970
DE	4,968	5,457	5,550	4,576	5,643	4,190
FL	*1,506	*1,447	*1,745	*1,559	*1,595	1,592
GA	28,990	28,590	27,628	28,409	*28,819	28,676
KY	6,248	*6,501	*6,512	*6,734	*6,277	5,891
LA	3,557	3,310	3,410	3,548	3,597	3,592
MD	5,991	5,214	5,124	5,946	5,185	5,778
MS	16,689	15,965	16,089	16,442	16,907	16,956
NC	15,111	15,525	15,314	14,914	15,834	15,494
OK	4,379	5,635	4,381	4,814	*4,667	5,304
PA	2,950	2,994	*2,908	*2,865	*2,731	2,915
SC	4,828	4,425	5,508	5,260	4,165	4,306
TX	12,019	11,931	12,157	11,827	11,551	11,966
VA	4,871	4,802	4,900	4,985	*4,725	4,963
CA, MO, TN, & WV	16,284	15,792	16,051	*16,246	*15,685	16,906
19 State Total	*172,806	*171,573	*172,002	*171,062	*171,723	172,115
Previous Year Total	174,210	174,755	174,471	176,021	174,381	173,142
Pct. of Prev. Year	99	98	99	97	98	99

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