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

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 218 million eggs in incubators during the week ending July 21, 2007. This was up 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 Up 2 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 175 million chicks for meat production during the week ending July 21, 2007. Placements were up 2 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2006 through July 21, 2007 were 5.12 billion, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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

State	Week Ending					
	Jun 16 2007	Jun 23 2007	Jun 30 2007	Jul 7 2007	Jul 14 2007	Jul 21 2007
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	31,282	30,953	31,228	30,789	*31,229	32,196
AR	28,691	27,925	*27,439	27,843	*28,042	27,772
DE	4,153	4,218	4,217	4,216	*4,188	4,188
FL	1,345	1,364	*1,343	1,374	1,369	1,343
GA	35,971	35,116	*34,758	36,096	*36,290	35,812
KY	7,792	7,894	*7,027	7,849	7,845	7,784
LA	3,923	3,923	3,923	3,923	3,923	3,923
MD	9,025	8,907	8,354	8,649	8,852	8,778
MS	19,150	19,059	18,499	18,891	18,701	18,741
NC	19,513	19,620	*18,952	18,821	19,937	19,686
OK	6,584	6,746	6,302	6,659	*6,701	6,796
PA	4,086	4,294	3,944	*4,053	*4,153	4,128
SC	5,430	5,565	5,559	5,385	5,722	5,747
TX	15,206	15,294	14,194	15,170	15,364	15,302
VA	6,477	6,419	6,077	6,388	6,374	6,175
CA, MO, TN, & WV	19,386	19,421	*19,053	19,583	*19,387	19,596
19 State Total	218,014	216,718	*210,869	*215,689	*218,077	217,967
Previous Year Total	210,714	210,971	208,219	211,044	213,579	214,110
Pct. of Prev. Year	103	103	101	102	102	102

\* Revised

**Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States**

State	Week Ending					
	Jun 16 2007	Jun 23 2007	Jun 30 2007	Jul 7 2007	Jul 14 2007	Jul 21 2007
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	20,593	20,521	20,699	20,932	20,795	21,461
AR	23,889	24,857	25,529	24,578	*25,377	24,502
DE	5,121	5,264	5,166	5,185	*5,171	5,138
FL	1,375	1,464	1,414	1,540	1,367	1,478
GA	29,478	29,735	30,456	29,527	*29,406	28,662
KY	6,361	6,249	6,327	6,289	6,244	5,555
LA	3,775	3,825	3,771	3,954	3,897	3,927
MD	6,240	6,398	5,737	*6,192	*6,017	5,598
MS	17,380	17,436	17,255	17,307	17,579	16,510
NC	16,087	15,797	16,228	16,057	16,226	15,895
OK	5,307	4,803	5,355	4,837	4,526	5,680
PA	2,983	3,020	3,060	*3,067	*3,188	2,955
SC	5,043	5,494	4,740	4,414	4,464	4,690
TX	12,939	12,994	13,006	12,948	12,929	11,845
VA	5,119	5,236	5,688	4,952	*5,262	4,971
CA, MO, TN, & WV	18,633	18,246	16,508	17,519	*17,367	16,512
19 State Total	180,323	181,339	180,939	*179,298	*179,815	175,379
Previous Year Total	175,714	175,252	176,711	173,487	173,852	171,142
Pct. of Prev. Year	103	103	102	103	103	102

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