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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 August 4, 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 3 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 181 million chicks for meat production during the week ending August 4, 2007. Placements were up 3 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2006 through August 4, 2007 were 5.48 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 30 2007	Jul 7 2007	Jul 14 2007	Jul 21 2007	Jul 28 2007	Aug 4 2007
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	31,229	31,096	32,071	32,197	*32,847	32,589
AR	27,263	27,843	28,071	27,830	28,036	28,256
DE	4,217	4,216	4,188	4,188	4,188	4,173
FL	1,343	1,374	1,369	1,343	1,344	1,343
GA	34,758	*36,465	36,290	35,812	35,613	35,899
KY	*7,019	*7,654	7,845	*7,773	7,787	7,774
LA	3,923	3,923	3,923	3,923	3,954	4,014
MD	8,354	8,649	8,852	8,778	8,673	8,730
MS	18,499	18,891	18,701	18,741	18,666	18,741
NC	18,952	19,210	*19,924	19,686	19,703	19,651
OK	6,302	6,659	6,701	6,796	6,657	6,930
PA	3,944	4,053	*3,995	*4,090	*4,104	3,967
SC	5,559	5,385	5,722	5,747	5,451	5,566
TX	14,194	*15,171	*15,368	*15,306	*15,192	14,273
VA	6,077	6,388	6,374	6,175	6,313	6,242
CA, MO, TN, & WV	19,053	19,583	19,387	*19,359	*19,760	19,369
19 State Total	*210,686	*216,560	*218,781	*217,744	*218,288	217,517
Previous Year Total	208,219	211,044	213,579	214,110	214,549	213,198
Pct. of Prev. Year	101	103	102	102	102	102

\* Revised

**Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States**

State	Week Ending					
	Jun 30 2007	Jul 7 2007	Jul 14 2007	Jul 21 2007	Jul 28 2007	Aug 4 2007
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	20,699	20,932	20,795	21,346	*20,537	21,388
AR	25,529	24,578	25,377	22,879	23,136	23,512
DE	5,166	5,185	5,171	5,124	*5,167	5,714
FL	1,414	1,540	1,367	1,478	1,511	1,481
GA	30,456	29,527	29,406	28,662	30,435	30,599
KY	*6,261	*6,175	*6,131	*5,719	*6,240	6,743
LA	3,771	3,954	3,897	3,927	3,891	3,380
MD	5,737	6,192	6,017	5,606	*6,175	5,755
MS	17,255	17,307	17,579	16,544	16,845	16,972
NC	16,228	16,057	16,226	15,895	15,873	16,315
OK	5,355	4,837	4,526	5,133	4,922	6,034
PA	3,060	3,067	*3,138	*2,866	*3,108	3,165
SC	4,740	4,414	4,464	4,690	4,392	4,444
TX	13,006	12,948	12,929	*11,846	12,789	12,939
VA	5,688	4,952	5,262	4,971	4,721	5,411
CA, MO, TN, & WV	16,508	17,519	17,367	*16,257	*17,485	16,970
19 State Total	*180,873	*179,184	*179,652	*172,943	*177,227	180,822
Previous Year Total	176,711	173,487	173,852	171,142	173,121	175,451
Pct. of Prev. Year	102	103	103	101	102	103

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