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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 11, 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 179 million chicks for meat production during the week ending August 11, 2007. Placements were up 2 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2006 through August 11, 2007 were 5.66 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					
	Jul 7 2007	Jul 14 2007	Jul 21 2007	Jul 28 2007	Aug 4 2007	Aug 11 2007
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	31,096	*32,134	32,197	32,847	32,589	32,179
AR	27,843	28,071	27,830	28,036	28,256	28,414
DE	4,216	4,188	4,188	4,188	4,173	4,170
FL	1,374	1,369	*1,363	1,344	1,343	1,362
GA	36,465	36,290	35,812	35,613	*35,864	35,928
KY	7,654	*7,705	7,773	7,787	*7,751	7,780
LA	3,923	3,923	3,923	3,954	4,014	4,014
MD	8,649	8,852	8,778	8,673	8,730	8,752
MS	18,891	18,701	18,741	18,666	18,741	18,726
NC	19,210	19,924	*19,416	19,703	19,651	19,651
OK	6,659	6,701	6,796	6,657	6,930	6,695
PA	4,053	3,995	4,090	*4,102	*4,003	4,187
SC	5,385	5,722	5,747	5,451	5,566	5,743
TX	15,171	15,368	15,306	15,192	14,273	14,729
VA	6,388	6,374	6,175	6,313	6,242	6,249
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*19,584	19,387	*19,356	*19,758	*19,366	19,058
19 State Total	*216,561	*218,704	*217,491	*218,284	*217,492	217,637
Previous Year Total	211,044	213,579	214,110	214,549	213,198	212,573
Pct. of Prev. Year	103	102	102	102	102	102

\* Revised

**Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States**

State	Week Ending					
	Jul 7 2007	Jul 14 2007	Jul 21 2007	Jul 28 2007	Aug 4 2007	Aug 11 2007
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	20,932	20,795	21,346	20,537	*21,389	21,402
AR	24,578	25,377	22,879	23,136	23,512	24,168
DE	5,185	5,171	5,124	5,167	5,714	4,333
FL	1,540	1,367	1,478	1,511	1,481	1,419
GA	29,527	29,406	28,662	30,435	*30,600	29,147
KY	6,175	6,131	5,719	6,240	*6,619	6,751
LA	3,954	3,897	3,927	3,891	3,380	3,900
MD	6,192	6,017	5,606	6,175	5,755	7,216
MS	17,307	17,579	16,544	16,845	16,972	16,978
NC	16,057	16,226	15,895	15,873	16,315	16,073
OK	4,837	*3,535	5,133	4,922	6,034	4,217
PA	3,067	3,138	2,866	*3,090	*3,143	2,980
SC	*4,415	4,464	4,690	4,392	4,444	5,657
TX	12,948	12,929	11,846	12,789	12,939	12,903
VA	4,952	5,262	4,971	4,721	5,411	4,584
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*17,532	*17,371	*16,266	*17,475	*16,971	16,785
19 State Total	*179,198	*178,665	*172,952	*177,199	*180,679	178,513
Previous Year Total	173,487	173,852	171,142	173,121	175,451	175,423
Pct. of Prev. Year	103	103	101	102	103	102

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