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

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 217 million eggs in incubators during the week ending August 18, 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 1 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 178 million chicks for meat production during the week ending August 18, 2007. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2006 through August 18, 2007 were 5.83 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 14 2007	Jul 21 2007	Jul 28 2007	Aug 4 2007	Aug 11 2007	Aug 18 2007
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	32,134	32,197	32,847	*32,769	*32,236	32,060
AR	28,071	27,830	28,036	28,256	28,414	28,305
DE	4,188	4,188	4,188	4,173	*4,169	4,186
FL	1,369	1,363	*1,376	1,343	1,362	1,374
GA	36,290	35,812	35,613	35,864	35,928	35,706
KY	7,705	*7,802	*7,759	7,751	7,780	7,857
LA	3,923	3,923	3,954	4,014	4,014	4,044
MD	8,852	8,778	8,673	8,730	8,752	8,823
MS	18,701	18,741	*18,802	18,741	18,726	18,656
NC	19,924	19,416	*19,599	19,651	19,651	19,131
OK	6,701	6,796	6,657	6,930	*6,574	6,572
PA	3,995	4,090	4,102	4,003	4,187	4,188
SC	5,722	5,747	*5,646	5,566	5,743	5,554
TX	*15,376	*15,314	*15,200	*14,281	*14,737	15,012
VA	6,374	6,175	6,313	6,242	6,249	6,245
CA, MO, TN, & WV	19,387	19,356	19,758	*19,116	19,058	19,071
19 State Total	*218,712	*217,528	*218,523	*217,430	*217,580	216,784
Previous Year Total	213,579	214,110	214,549	213,198	212,573	212,830
Pct. of Prev. Year	102	102	102	102	102	102

* Revised

Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jul 14 2007	Jul 21 2007	Jul 28 2007	Aug 4 2007	Aug 11 2007	Aug 18 2007
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	20,795	21,346	20,537	21,389	*21,401	21,072
AR	25,377	22,879	23,136	23,512	*24,226	24,065
DE	5,171	5,124	5,167	5,714	*4,513	5,130
FL	1,367	1,478	1,511	1,481	1,419	1,461
GA	29,406	28,662	30,435	30,600	*29,154	29,243
KY	6,131	5,719	6,240	6,619	*6,882	6,595
LA	3,897	3,927	3,891	3,380	3,900	3,618
MD	6,017	5,606	6,175	5,755	*7,059	5,431
MS	17,579	16,544	16,845	16,972	16,978	16,918
NC	16,226	15,895	15,873	16,315	16,073	16,428
OK	3,535	5,133	4,922	6,034	*4,173	4,880
PA	3,138	*2,873	*3,099	*3,170	*2,987	3,116
SC	4,464	4,690	4,392	4,444	5,657	5,076
TX	*12,948	*11,865	*12,808	*12,946	*12,909	12,830
VA	5,262	4,971	4,721	5,411	4,584	4,820
CA, MO, TN, & WV	17,371	16,266	17,475	*16,972	*16,816	17,330
19 State Total	*178,684	*172,978	*177,227	*180,714	*178,731	178,013
Previous Year Total	173,852	171,142	173,121	175,451	175,423	175,536
Pct. of Prev. Year	103	101	102	103	102	101

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