



Broiler Hatchery

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Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Up 1 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 204 million eggs in incubators during the week ending December 26, 2009. This was up 1 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 84 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler Chicks Placed Up Slightly

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 166 million chicks for meat production during the week ending December 26, 2009. Placements were up slightly from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 28, 2008 through December 26, 2009 were 8.62 billion, down 4 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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Broiler-Type Eggs Set, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Nov 21 2009	Nov 28 2009	Dec 5 2009	Dec 12 2009	Dec 19 2009	Dec 26 2009
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	28,480	28,719	29,465	29,548	29,459	29,859
AR	23,732	24,268	*23,143	23,852	*24,446	24,140
DE	3,781	3,366	3,102	3,377	3,425	3,438
FL	1,329	1,329	1,329	1,327	1,297	1,296
GA	30,497	31,283	31,043	31,544	31,147	31,202
KY	7,909	*8,080	*7,828	8,005	7,998	8,026
LA	3,440	3,304	3,424	3,349	3,349	3,379
MD	8,711	8,698	8,922	8,918	9,006	8,960
MS	18,511	18,620	*18,638	18,780	18,882	18,735
NC	18,986	19,214	*18,294	18,823	18,909	18,759
OK	7,082	7,210	*6,790	6,930	*7,165	7,149
PA	3,830	3,857	3,614	4,096	*3,771	3,841
SC	5,375	5,613	5,685	5,589	5,825	5,814
TX	15,681	15,694	15,302	15,689	15,273	15,395
VA	6,222	6,201	6,193	5,968	6,114	6,224
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*18,302	*17,237	*18,213	*19,368	*18,483	17,856
19 State Total	*201,868	*202,693	*200,985	*205,163	*204,549	204,073
Previous Year Total	203,681	204,719	200,741	205,041	203,388	202,493
Pct. of Prev. Year	99	99	100	100	101	101

* Revised

Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Nov 21 2009	Nov 28 2009	Dec 5 2009	Dec 12 2009	Dec 19 2009	Dec 26 2009
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	18,285	18,215	21,077	20,232	20,436	21,064
AR	20,045	19,658	21,571	21,515	*21,151	21,425
DE	3,924	4,871	4,961	4,097	4,836	4,589
FL	1,021	1,017	821	1,010	1,015	999
GA	22,950	24,256	25,026	25,688	26,389	25,996
KY	6,118	6,430	6,290	6,069	6,250	6,475
LA	2,594	2,687	2,969	3,075	3,022	3,066
MD	5,927	5,870	5,385	6,828	6,024	5,390
MS	13,563	15,374	15,785	15,903	16,187	16,031
NC	14,690	15,281	15,379	15,505	*15,695	15,156
OK	3,587	5,392	4,322	3,869	5,228	3,865
PA	2,951	2,833	3,185	3,037	*3,091	2,921
SC	4,441	4,726	5,199	4,586	4,656	5,099
TX	12,188	13,330	13,414	13,631	13,575	13,204
VA	4,856	4,173	4,973	5,065	4,966	5,459
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*14,054	*14,333	*15,961	*16,838	*15,872	15,644
19 State Total	*151,194	*158,446	*166,318	*166,948	*168,393	166,383
Previous Year Total	152,410	159,463	166,189	167,904	168,272	166,152
Pct. of Prev. Year	99	99	100	99	100	100

* Revised