

# 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 206 million eggs in incubators during the week ending March 13, 2010. This was up 1 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 Slightly

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 170 million chicks for meat production during the week ending March 13, 2010. Placements were up slightly from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 3, 2010 through March 13, 2010 were 1.67 billion, down slightly from the same period a year earlier.

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

State	Week Ending					
	Feb 6 2010	Feb 13 2010	Feb 20 2010	Feb 27 2010	Mar 6 2010	Mar 13 2010
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	29,407	29,791	*30,080	30,106	*30,030	29,667
AR	23,926	24,504	*23,906	24,481	*24,439	23,114
DE	3,225	3,269	3,266	3,264	3,193	3,782
FL	1,389	1,352	1,376	1,385	1,338	1,303
GA	31,757	31,630	31,902	31,747	31,594	31,691
KY	7,561	7,493	*7,830	7,553	*7,655	7,710
LA	3,470	3,392	3,470	3,470	3,470	3,440
MD	8,741	8,904	9,069	9,106	9,062	8,856
MS	19,390	19,380	*19,258	19,465	19,349	19,156
NC	18,767	18,737	*19,134	18,763	18,772	18,901
OK	6,850	6,807	*6,727	6,924	*6,879	7,122
PA	3,168	3,620	3,693	3,698	*3,692	3,615
SC	5,435	5,515	5,675	5,977	5,643	5,640
TX	*15,884	*15,968	*16,145	*15,807	*15,448	15,566
VA	6,301	6,490	6,435	6,427	6,549	6,543
CA, MO, TN, & WV	18,805	18,882	18,989	19,647	*19,424	19,464
19 State Total	*204,076	*205,734	*206,955	*207,820	*206,537	205,570
Previous Year Total	201,805	202,817	204,603	206,753	202,111	203,072
Pct. of Prev. Year	101	101	101	101	102	101

\* Revised

**Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States**

State	Week Ending					
	Feb 6 2010	Feb 13 2010	Feb 20 2010	Feb 27 2010	Mar 6 2010	Mar 13 2010
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	20,420	20,296	20,884	20,739	*20,883	21,449
AR	19,920	20,798	21,265	20,773	*22,446	21,430
DE	4,577	4,512	3,911	5,629	3,625	4,581
FL	1,081	1,029	1,104	1,040	1,037	1,030
GA	25,908	26,329	25,852	26,205	*25,847	25,946
KY	*6,143	*6,299	*6,158	*6,120	*6,033	6,405
LA	2,955	2,929	3,014	3,049	3,032	3,021
MD	6,252	5,800	5,808	5,316	6,589	6,115
MS	16,484	16,259	16,617	16,897	17,174	16,809
NC	15,072	14,868	15,010	15,411	15,299	15,790
OK	4,305	4,557	4,863	4,505	*3,172	4,658
PA	2,957	2,932	2,646	2,609	*2,854	2,956
SC	4,613	4,952	4,982	5,071	5,156	4,841
TX	*12,413	*12,245	*12,966	*13,173	*13,249	13,376
VA	4,412	4,731	4,948	4,561	5,751	5,212
CA, MO, TN, & WV	15,767	16,095	*15,812	*17,185	*16,869	16,236
19 State Total	*163,279	*164,631	*165,840	*168,283	*169,016	169,855
Previous Year Total	168,018	167,039	163,431	166,495	167,577	169,505
Pct. of Prev. Year	97	99	101	101	101	100

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