



Broiler Hatchery

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Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Up 3 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 205 million eggs in incubators during the week ending March 27, 2010. This was up 3 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 169 million chicks for meat production during the week ending March 27, 2010. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 3, 2010 through March 27, 2010 were 2.01 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 20 2010	Feb 27 2010	Mar 6 2010	Mar 13 2010	Mar 20 2010	Mar 27 2010
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	30,080	30,104	*30,017	29,667	30,564	30,325
AR	23,906	24,327	*24,284	22,958	*23,778	23,437
DE	3,266	3,264	3,193	3,782	3,615	3,709
FL	1,376	1,385	1,338	1,303	1,316	1,343
GA	31,902	31,520	*31,745	31,691	31,701	31,500
KY	7,830	7,775	*7,822	7,710	7,995	7,708
LA	3,470	3,470	3,470	3,440	3,500	3,470
MD	9,069	9,106	9,062	8,856	9,141	9,089
MS	19,258	19,465	19,349	19,156	19,503	19,405
NC	19,134	18,768	*18,790	18,901	18,559	18,743
OK	6,727	6,658	*6,623	7,113	*7,224	7,145
PA	3,693	3,698	3,692	3,839	*3,743	3,698
SC	5,675	5,977	5,643	5,640	6,048	5,990
TX	16,145	15,807	15,448	15,566	15,541	14,758
VA	6,435	6,427	6,549	6,543	6,412	6,178
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*19,015	*19,614	*19,435	*19,502	*19,134	18,832
19 State Total	*206,981	*207,365	*206,460	*205,667	*207,774	205,330
Previous Year Total	204,603	206,753	202,111	203,072	200,382	199,817
Pct. of Prev. Year	101	100	102	101	104	103

* Revised

Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Feb 20 2010	Feb 27 2010	Mar 6 2010	Mar 13 2010	Mar 20 2010	Mar 27 2010
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	20,884	20,739	20,883	21,449	20,750	20,850
AR	21,265	20,773	22,446	21,477	*21,677	21,428
DE	3,911	5,629	3,625	4,581	4,994	4,391
FL	1,104	1,040	1,037	1,030	1,029	1,096
GA	25,852	26,205	25,847	25,946	26,433	27,287
KY	6,158	6,120	6,033	6,450	6,070	6,256
LA	3,014	3,049	3,032	3,021	3,043	3,059
MD	5,808	5,316	6,589	6,115	6,069	6,223
MS	16,617	16,897	17,174	16,809	16,891	16,766
NC	15,010	15,411	15,299	15,790	15,610	15,853
OK	4,863	4,505	3,172	4,658	*4,286	4,347
PA	2,646	2,609	2,854	3,023	*2,993	2,940
SC	4,982	5,071	5,156	4,841	4,810	4,114
TX	12,966	13,173	13,249	13,376	13,204	12,821
VA	4,948	4,561	5,751	5,212	5,052	5,328
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*15,858	*17,201	*16,893	*16,389	*17,105	16,422
19 State Total	*165,886	*168,299	*169,040	*170,167	*170,016	169,181
Previous Year Total	163,431	166,495	167,577	169,505	170,633	167,014
Pct. of Prev. Year	102	101	101	100	100	101

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