



Broiler Hatchery

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Broiler-Type Eggs Set in the United States Down 1 Percent

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 216 million eggs in incubators during the week ending June 25, 2016, down 1 percent from a year ago. Hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 207 million eggs in incubators during the week ending June 25, 2016, down 1 percent from the year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 84 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler-Type Chicks Placed in the United States Down 1 Percent

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 180 million chicks for meat production during the week ending June 25, 2016, down 1 percent from a year ago. Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 173 million chicks for meat production during the week ending June 25, 2016, down 1 percent from the year earlier. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 9, 2016 through June 25, 2016 for the United States were 4.45 billion. Cumulative placements were up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set – 19 Selected States and United States: 2016

State	Week ending					
	May 21, 2016	May 28, 2016	June 4, 2016	June 11, 2016	June 18, 2016	June 25, 2016
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)
Alabama	28,582	28,582	28,178	28,048	28,095	28,116
Arkansas	22,559	22,596	22,419	22,706	22,068	21,255
Delaware	4,851	5,058	5,225	5,078	5,104	5,078
Florida	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,221	1,145
Georgia	34,900	34,732	34,723	34,923	34,754	35,097
Kentucky	8,145	7,934	7,776	7,911	7,927	7,637
Louisiana	3,682	3,651	3,651	3,651	3,651	3,591
Maryland	8,195	8,138	8,067	8,131	8,135	8,134
Mississippi	18,366	18,272	18,138	18,422	17,635	17,600
Missouri	8,083	8,059	7,810	7,811	7,809	7,841
North Carolina	21,718	21,458	21,080	20,853	20,913	20,663
Oklahoma	6,439	6,582	6,541	7,216	6,972	7,025
Pennsylvania	4,559	4,710	4,523	4,513	4,636	4,624
South Carolina	5,495	5,581	5,354	5,402	5,529	5,460
Texas	15,846	16,031	16,020	16,064	15,162	15,321
Virginia	6,576	6,570	6,577	6,549	6,554	6,529
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	12,225	11,896	12,375	12,029	12,256	11,758
19 State total	211,446	211,075	209,682	210,532	208,421	206,874
Percent of previous year	101	100	99	100	99	99
Other States	8,657	8,614	8,367	8,314	8,483	8,662
United States	220,103	219,689	218,049	218,846	216,904	215,536
Percent of previous year	101	100	99	101	99	99

Broiler-Type Chicks Placed – 19 Selected States and United States: 2016

State	Week ending					
	May 21, 2016	May 28, 2016	June 4, 2016	June 11, 2016	June 18, 2016	June 25, 2016
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)
Alabama	21,217	20,934	22,322	21,516	21,295	21,066
Arkansas	21,143	21,407	20,687	20,726	20,948	20,994
Delaware	6,274	6,076	5,267	5,879	4,777	5,010
Florida	1,155	1,052	1,071	1,369	1,215	1,211
Georgia	27,376	27,507	27,373	27,212	28,205	28,049
Kentucky	5,897	6,956	5,703	5,754	6,294	6,265
Louisiana	3,295	3,311	3,252	3,243	3,202	3,252
Maryland	5,353	5,835	6,673	5,439	6,570	6,473
Mississippi	15,295	15,315	15,314	15,320	15,266	15,100
Missouri	5,735	5,461	5,942	5,718	6,049	5,820
North Carolina	16,276	17,451	17,109	17,409	17,456	16,751
Oklahoma	3,437	3,528	4,359	4,123	4,370	4,095
Pennsylvania	3,780	3,546	3,652	3,633	3,869	3,554
South Carolina	5,131	4,543	3,890	5,456	5,203	5,106
Texas	12,922	12,764	12,883	13,128	13,007	12,960
Virginia	5,698	5,640	5,485	5,601	5,717	5,870
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	11,429	11,753	11,068	11,850	10,922	11,006
19 State total	171,413	173,079	172,050	173,376	174,365	172,582
Percent of previous year	99	100	99	100	100	99
Other States	7,211	6,535	6,873	7,125	6,854	6,978
United States	178,624	179,614	178,923	180,501	181,219	179,560
Percent of previous year	100	100	99	100	100	99

Statistical Methodology

Survey Procedures: Data for broiler hatchery estimates are collected weekly from all broiler-type hatcheries that hatch at least one million chicks a year. Individual NASS field offices maintain a list of all known hatcheries and update their lists on a continual basis. All hatcheries that meet the minimum size criteria are given adequate time to respond to the weekly survey. Those that do not respond are contacted by telephone. The weekly United States total for chicks placed includes states receiving greater than 500,000 chicks annually for grow-out.

Estimating Procedures: All data are analyzed for unusual values. Data from each operation are compared to their own past operating profile and to trends from similar operations. Data for missing operations are estimated based on similar operations or historical data. NASS field offices prepare these estimates by using a combination of survey indications and historic trends. Individual State estimates are reviewed by the Agricultural Statistics Board for reasonableness. Individual hatchery data are summed to State, 19 State total, Other States, and the United States.

Revision Policy: Revisions are generally the result of late or corrected data. Revisions made to the previous five-week's data during the current week are published in this report. Final estimates are published in the annual *Hatchery Production Summary* released in April.

Reliability: Estimates are subject to errors such as omission, duplication, and mistakes in reporting, recording, and processing the data. While these errors cannot be measured directly, they are minimized through strict quality controls in the data collection process and a careful review of all reported data for consistency and reasonableness.

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