



Broiler Hatchery

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Broiler-Type Eggs Set in the United States Up Slightly

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 245 million eggs in incubators during the week ending June 8, 2024, up slightly from a year ago. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 79.1 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 Up Slightly

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 190 million chicks for meat production during the week ending June 8, 2024, up slightly from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 6, 2024 through June 8, 2024 for the United States were 4.33 billion. Cumulative placements were up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set – Selected States and United States: 2024

State	Week ending					
	May 4, 2024	May 11, 2024	May 18, 2024	May 25, 2024	June 1, 2024	June 8, 2024
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)
Alabama	35,041	34,331	35,189	34,924	34,438	35,045
Arkansas	25,662	25,866	25,611	25,507	25,678	25,511
Delaware	5,725	5,714	5,598	5,599	5,656	5,658
Florida	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225
Georgia	36,280	35,749	36,276	36,228	35,865	35,811
Kentucky	8,023	8,133	8,092	8,057	8,194	8,015
Louisiana	3,515	3,654	3,527	3,561	3,561	3,530
Maryland	8,065	8,065	8,053	8,094	8,095	8,092
Mississippi	17,199	17,545	17,842	17,182	17,679	17,678
Missouri	8,550	8,901	8,867	8,785	8,769	8,891
North Carolina	25,672	25,183	25,430	25,826	25,577	25,330
Oklahoma	5,921	6,062	5,921	5,820	5,772	5,968
Pennsylvania	7,627	7,381	8,060	8,185	7,988	7,966
South Carolina	6,128	6,171	5,969	5,966	6,050	6,050
Texas	20,060	19,689	19,418	19,449	19,586	19,489
Virginia	5,863	5,264	5,458	5,491	5,584	5,580
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	12,899	13,345	13,550	13,436	13,422	13,385
Other States	12,084	12,008	12,098	12,066	11,753	12,124
United States	245,539	244,286	246,184	245,401	244,892	245,348

Broiler-Type Chicks Placed – Selected States and United States: 2024

State	Week ending					
	May 4, 2024	May 11, 2024	May 18, 2024	May 25, 2024	June 1, 2024	June 8, 2024
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)
Alabama	24,732	24,865	25,683	24,737	24,252	23,750
Arkansas	21,259	21,361	21,034	22,817	21,335	22,000
Delaware	5,053	4,534	6,045	4,530	4,892	5,491
Florida	1,346	1,341	1,302	1,354	1,311	1,316
Georgia	28,561	28,008	27,164	28,417	27,964	29,240
Kentucky	5,847	5,992	5,895	6,099	5,868	6,092
Louisiana	2,915	3,013	2,921	2,905	2,951	3,006
Maryland	5,945	6,734	5,057	6,111	6,321	5,327
Mississippi	13,448	13,736	13,345	13,370	13,627	13,776
Missouri	5,265	5,818	6,446	5,090	5,659	5,236
North Carolina	19,767	19,892	19,771	20,125	19,791	20,044
Oklahoma	4,372	3,209	3,377	1,962	3,957	3,554
Pennsylvania	4,908	4,901	4,797	4,879	4,628	5,206
South Carolina	4,996	5,062	5,215	4,817	4,533	4,442
Texas	15,224	14,877	15,306	15,579	15,413	15,207
Virginia	5,012	4,784	5,440	5,164	5,015	5,523
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	12,398	12,679	11,449	11,748	12,182	12,052
Other States	9,403	9,388	9,325	9,256	9,006	9,102
United States	190,451	190,194	189,572	188,960	188,705	190,364

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 regional 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 regional 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.

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