



Broiler Hatchery

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Broiler-Type Eggs Set in the United States Up 2 Percent

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 246 million eggs in incubators during the week ending July 13, 2024, up 2 percent from a year ago. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 78.9 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 1 Percent

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 188 million chicks for meat production during the week ending July 13, 2024, up 1 percent from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 6, 2024 through July 13, 2024 for the United States were 5.27 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					
	June 8, 2024	June 15, 2024	June 22, 2024	June 29, 2024	July 6, 2024	July 13, 2024
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)
Alabama	35,030	34,902	35,191	35,086	34,804	34,925
Arkansas	25,532	25,192	24,893	25,529	25,490	25,828
Delaware	5,658	5,645	5,631	5,638	5,646	5,644
Florida	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225
Georgia	35,991	35,544	35,785	35,797	36,143	35,286
Kentucky	8,060	8,221	8,157	8,219	8,196	8,023
Louisiana	3,530	3,593	3,530	3,561	3,655	3,650
Maryland	8,092	8,090	8,090	8,092	8,094	8,092
Mississippi	17,678	17,923	17,953	17,727	17,893	17,833
Missouri	8,903	9,009	8,994	8,992	8,779	8,939
North Carolina	25,286	25,570	25,270	25,695	25,824	25,828
Oklahoma	5,968	5,827	5,414	5,867	5,847	5,937
Pennsylvania	7,943	7,902	7,942	8,024	7,940	7,856
South Carolina	6,050	6,126	5,916	5,969	6,148	6,119
Texas	19,620	19,451	19,046	19,296	19,290	18,894
Virginia	5,610	5,645	5,621	5,631	5,346	5,359
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	13,334	13,843	13,082	13,534	14,756	14,998
Other States	12,124	12,227	12,275	11,584	12,027	11,636
United States	245,634	245,935	244,015	245,466	247,103	246,072

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

State	Week ending					
	June 8, 2024	June 15, 2024	June 22, 2024	June 29, 2024	July 6, 2024	July 13, 2024
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)
Alabama	23,806	24,945	24,639	24,753	24,946	24,888
Arkansas	21,285	22,409	20,771	21,521	21,853	19,891
Delaware	5,491	4,656	4,344	4,290	5,449	4,914
Florida	1,316	1,333	1,240	1,247	1,336	1,302
Georgia	29,240	28,109	27,731	28,067	27,573	27,966
Kentucky	6,092	5,944	5,883	5,902	5,944	5,882
Louisiana	3,006	3,070	3,039	3,020	2,948	3,037
Maryland	5,328	6,127	6,606	6,534	5,787	5,639
Mississippi	13,776	13,831	13,695	13,679	13,930	13,901
Missouri	5,077	5,026	5,364	5,315	5,851	6,277
North Carolina	20,020	20,331	19,865	19,620	19,776	19,621
Oklahoma	4,269	2,972	4,909	4,294	3,005	3,345
Pennsylvania	5,165	5,198	5,035	5,060	4,924	4,939
South Carolina	4,442	4,740	4,900	4,677	4,808	4,626
Texas	15,197	15,250	15,182	15,173	15,021	14,981
Virginia	5,473	5,192	5,023	5,411	4,904	5,710
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	12,014	11,956	12,847	12,104	12,500	11,797
Other States	9,100	9,165	9,091	9,233	9,439	9,260
United States	190,097	190,254	190,164	189,900	189,994	187,976

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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