

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 245 million eggs in incubators during the week ending June 22, 2024, up 2 percent from a year ago. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 79.2 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 22, 2024, up slightly from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 6, 2024 through June 22, 2024 for the United States were 4.71 billion. Cumulative placements were up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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

71 00	Week ending						
State	May 18,	May 25,	June 1,	June 8,	June 15,	June 22,	
	2024	2024	2024	2024	2024	2024	
	(1,000 eggs)						
Alabama Arkansas Delaware Florida Georgia Kentucky Louisiana Maryland Mississippi Missouri	35,189	34,924	34,678	35,040	34,860	35,309	
	25,611	25,658	25,678	25,511	25,192	25,139	
	5,598	5,599	5,656	5,658	5,645	5,631	
	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	
	36,276	36,228	35,866	35,811	35,592	35,741	
	8,092	8,057	8,194	8,015	8,140	8,157	
	3,362	3,561	3,561	3,530	3,593	3,530	
	8,053	8,094	8,095	8,092	8,090	8,090	
	17,842	17,845	17,845	17,678	17,923	17,953	
	8,591	8,721	8,705	8,891	8,922	8,963	
North Carolina Oklahoma Pennsylvania South Carolina Texas Virginia California, Tennessee, and West Virginia Other States	25,440	25,796	25,577	25,330	25,712	25,708	
	5,921	5,820	5,933	5,968	5,661	5,581	
	8,080	8,185	7,988	7,970	7,936	8,007	
	5,969	5,966	6,050	6,050	6,126	5,918	
	19,418	19,449	19,677	19,489	19,247	19,016	
	5,458	5,491	5,584	5,580	5,645	5,591	
	13,550	13,434	13,422	13,334	13,742	13,377	
United States	245,773	246,119	245,487	245,296	245,684	245,390	

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

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	Week ending							
State	May 18,	May 25,	June 1,	June 8,	June 15,	June 22,		
	2024	2024	2024	2024	2024	2024		
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)		
Alabama Arkansas Delaware Florida Georgia Kentucky Louisiana Maryland Mississippi Missouri	25,683	24,737	24,252	23,806	24,945	24,639		
	21,034	22,817	20,610	21,285	22,409	20,771		
	6,045	4,530	4,892	5,491	4,656	4,422		
	1,302	1,354	1,311	1,316	1,333	1,240		
	27,164	28,417	27,964	29,240	28,109	27,587		
	5,895	6,099	5,868	6,092	5,944	5,952		
	2,921	2,905	2,951	3,006	3,070	3,039		
	5,057	6,111	6,321	5,328	6,127	6,292		
	13,345	13,370	13,627	13,776	13,831	13,695		
	6,466	5,090	5,659	5,077	5,026	5,364		
North Carolina Oklahoma Pennsylvania South Carolina Texas Virginia California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	19,771	20,125	19,791	20,044	20,354	20,115		
	3,377	2,612	4,682	4,269	2,972	4,909		
	4,797	4,879	4,628	5,165	5,198	5,089		
	5,215	4,817	4,533	4,442	4,740	4,955		
	15,306	15,579	15,413	15,207	15,270	15,182		
	5,440	5,164	5,015	5,473	5,192	5,060		
Other States	9,325	9,280	9,106	9,100	9,165	9,061		
	189,592	189,637	188,805	190,131	190,297	190,076		

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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