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This report contains the results from the **Weekly Broiler Hatchery Survey**. Thanks to all who responded.

February 23, 2022

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Broiler-Type Eggs Set in the United States Up 4 Percent

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 240 million eggs in incubators during the week ending February 19, 2022, up 4 percent from a year ago. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 79.3 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Hatcheries in Alabama set 34.8 million eggs during the week ending February 19, 2022, up 4 percent from a year ago. Hatcheries in Georgia set 35.3 million eggs during the same week, up 2 percent from a year ago.

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

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 185 million chicks for meat production during the week ending February 19, 2022, up 1 percent from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 8, 2022 through February 19, 2022 for the United States were 1.30 billion. Cumulative placements were down 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

Broiler growers in Alabama placed 23.8 million chicks for meat production during the week ending February 19, 2022, up 1 percent from a year ago. Placements in Georgia totaled 27.1 million chicks, up 2 percent from a year ago.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set – Selected States and United States: 2022

State	Week ending						Percent of previous year (percent)
	January 15, 2022	January 22, 2022	January 29, 2022	February 5, 2022	February 12, 2022	February 19, 2022	
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	
Alabama	34,296	34,311	34,692	34,351	34,660	34,752	104
Florida	1,194	1,193	1,194	1,194	1,194	1,194	99
Georgia	35,025	35,335	35,520	35,055	34,972	35,275	102
South Carolina....	4,709	5,651	5,026	5,590	5,531	5,518	97
United States	237,274	238,226	239,613	239,342	239,951	239,687	104

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Alabama	23,658	24,195	23,388	23,732	23,754	23,822	101
Florida	1,241	1,249	1,218	1,210	1,123	1,142	83
Georgia	26,321	26,360	26,994	27,062	28,081	27,071	102
South Carolina....	4,575	3,622	4,144	4,257	4,552	3,846	74
United States	185,218	184,248	186,295	185,728	184,920	185,156	101

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Alabama	34,296	34,311	34,692	34,351	34,660	34,752
Arkansas.....	24,917	24,928	24,291	24,915	24,662	24,720
Delaware	4,938	4,788	4,752	4,880	4,966	4,973
Florida.....	1,194	1,193	1,194	1,194	1,194	1,194
Georgia.....	35,025	35,335	35,520	35,055	34,972	35,275
Kentucky.....	5,296	5,285	5,427	5,312	5,087	5,384
Louisiana	3,199	3,229	3,275	3,275	3,175	3,244
Maryland.....	7,794	7,857	7,929	7,792	7,864	7,337
Mississippi	16,176	15,947	16,546	16,807	16,792	16,745
Missouri	9,233	9,383	9,546	9,256	9,605	9,600
North Carolina.....	25,557	25,399	25,891	24,878	25,106	25,194
Oklahoma	7,691	7,550	7,586	7,559	7,622	7,494
Pennsylvania	6,605	6,551	6,495	6,800	6,645	6,679
South Carolina	4,709	5,651	5,026	5,590	5,531	5,518
Texas.....	18,002	18,129	18,910	18,913	19,089	19,057
Virginia.....	6,724	6,702	6,792	6,702	6,807	6,831
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia.....	13,543	13,525	13,448	13,436	13,452	13,221
Other States.....	12,375	12,463	12,293	12,627	12,722	12,469
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Alabama	23,658	24,195	23,388	23,732	23,754	23,822
Arkansas.....	21,884	21,319	22,904	21,841	21,869	21,287
Delaware	5,142	4,972	4,400	4,906	5,154	5,596
Florida.....	1,241	1,249	1,218	1,210	1,123	1,142
Georgia.....	26,321	26,360	26,994	27,062	28,081	27,071
Kentucky.....	4,859	4,406	3,714	4,032	4,163	4,186
Louisiana	2,652	2,724	2,770	2,681	2,672	2,699
Maryland.....	5,235	5,390	5,722	6,279	5,284	5,303
Mississippi	13,642	13,228	13,344	13,401	13,185	13,759
Missouri	6,418	6,567	6,276	7,156	6,371	6,104
North Carolina.....	20,228	20,002	20,797	20,437	19,449	20,237
Oklahoma	4,361	4,557	3,886	3,623	4,348	4,708
Pennsylvania	4,871	4,978	4,822	4,812	4,691	4,695
South Carolina	4,575	3,622	4,144	4,257	4,552	3,846
Texas.....	14,464	14,571	14,495	14,441	14,254	14,866
Virginia.....	5,140	5,371	5,991	5,371	5,390	5,448
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia.....	11,182	11,582	12,058	11,179	11,209	11,770
Other States.....	9,345	9,155	9,372	9,308	9,371	8,617
United States	185,218	184,248	186,295	185,728	184,920	185,156

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