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

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Broiler-Type Eggs Set in the United States Up Slightly

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 241 million eggs in incubators during the week ending March 5, 2022, up slightly 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 March 5, 2022, up 2 percent from a year ago. Hatcheries in Georgia set 35.2 million eggs during the same week, up slightly from a year ago.

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

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 186 million chicks for meat production during the week ending March 5, 2022, down 1 percent from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 8, 2022 through March 5, 2022 for the United States were 1.67 billion. Cumulative placements were down 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

Broiler growers in Alabama placed 25.4 million chicks for meat production during the week ending March 5, 2022, up 6 percent from a year ago. Placements in Georgia totaled 24.5 million chicks, down 4 percent from a year ago.

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

State	Week ending						Percent of previous year (percent)
	January 29, 2022	February 5, 2022	February 12, 2022	February 19, 2022	February 26, 2022	March 5, 2022	
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	
Alabama	34,692	34,351	34,660	34,752	34,306	34,763	102
Florida	1,194	1,194	1,194	1,194	1,194	1,194	99
Georgia	35,520	35,055	34,972	35,275	35,353	35,162	100
South Carolina....	5,026	5,590	5,531	5,457	5,599	5,557	95
United States.....	239,729	239,181	239,766	239,802	238,912	241,026	100

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Alabama	23,388	23,732	23,754	23,821	24,180	25,361	106
Florida	1,218	1,210	1,123	1,142	1,212	1,215	95
Georgia	26,994	27,062	28,081	27,071	25,373	24,520	96
South Carolina....	4,144	4,257	4,552	3,808	5,330	5,231	89
United States.....	186,130	185,622	184,588	185,698	185,495	185,972	99

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Alabama	34,692	34,351	34,660	34,752	34,306	34,763
Arkansas.....	24,291	24,857	24,662	24,662	24,368	24,849
Delaware	4,752	4,760	4,790	4,973	5,175	4,983
Florida.....	1,194	1,194	1,194	1,194	1,194	1,194
Georgia.....	35,520	35,055	34,972	35,275	35,353	35,162
Kentucky.....	5,680	5,566	5,087	5,670	5,320	5,603
Louisiana	3,275	3,275	3,175	3,290	3,199	3,003
Maryland.....	7,929	7,792	7,992	7,333	7,837	7,881
Mississippi	16,546	16,807	16,792	16,735	16,578	16,686
Missouri	9,546	9,256	9,605	9,600	9,598	9,605
North Carolina.....	25,891	24,878	25,106	25,194	24,700	26,158
Oklahoma	7,586	7,559	7,622	7,494	7,761	7,658
Pennsylvania	6,358	6,663	6,508	6,497	6,611	6,655
South Carolina	5,026	5,590	5,531	5,457	5,599	5,557
Texas.....	18,910	18,913	19,089	19,122	19,283	19,330
Virginia.....	6,792	6,702	6,807	6,831	6,801	6,692
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia.....	13,448	13,336	13,452	13,254	12,929	13,085
Other States.....	12,293	12,627	12,722	12,469	12,300	12,162
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Alabama	23,388	23,732	23,754	23,821	24,180	25,361
Arkansas.....	22,904	21,898	21,823	21,252	21,554	21,244
Delaware	4,400	4,920	5,102	5,854	4,348	5,041
Florida.....	1,218	1,210	1,123	1,142	1,212	1,215
Georgia.....	26,994	27,062	28,081	27,071	25,373	24,520
Kentucky.....	3,714	4,032	4,163	4,328	4,269	3,954
Louisiana	2,770	2,681	2,672	2,699	2,677	2,653
Maryland.....	5,721	6,284	5,311	5,154	6,004	5,542
Mississippi	13,344	13,401	13,185	13,747	13,799	13,804
Missouri	6,276	7,156	6,371	6,104	6,325	6,767
North Carolina.....	20,797	20,437	19,449	20,237	19,481	19,480
Oklahoma	3,886	3,623	4,348	4,708	4,648	4,481
Pennsylvania	4,267	4,229	4,093	4,055	4,463	4,259
South Carolina	4,144	4,257	4,552	3,808	5,330	5,231
Texas.....	14,495	14,441	14,254	14,866	14,752	14,817
Virginia.....	6,189	5,642	5,486	5,488	5,627	5,599
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia.....	12,204	11,269	11,403	12,095	11,981	12,358
Other States.....	9,419	9,348	9,418	9,269	9,472	9,646
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