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

April 20, 2022

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Broiler-Type Eggs Set in the United States Down Slightly

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 238 million eggs in incubators during the week ending April 16, 2022, down slightly from a year ago. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 79.8 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 April 16, 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 Slightly

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 188 million chicks for meat production during the week ending April 16, 2022, up slightly from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 8, 2022 through April 16, 2022 for the United States were 2.79 billion. Cumulative placements were down slightly from the same period a year earlier.

Broiler growers in Alabama placed 24.7 million chicks for meat production during the week ending April 16, 2022, up 3 percent from a year ago. Placements in Georgia totaled 26.7 million chicks, up 1 percent from a year ago.

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

State	Week ending						Percent of previous year (percent)
	March 12, 2022	March 19, 2022	March 26, 2022	April 2, 2022	April 9, 2022	April 16, 2022	
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	
Alabama	34,716	34,703	34,837	34,908	34,398	34,750	104
Florida	1,194	1,194	1,194	1,194	1,194	1,194	99
Georgia	35,400	35,497	34,651	35,087	34,970	35,294	102
South Carolina....	5,177	5,259	5,475	5,861	5,645	5,550	95
United States.....	240,221	240,836	239,837	240,532	239,130	238,130	100

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Alabama	25,476	23,959	25,178	24,025	24,543	24,667	103
Florida	1,129	1,194	1,128	1,322	1,311	1,311	100
Georgia	24,998	27,468	25,965	27,551	27,300	26,721	101
South Carolina....	4,192	4,372	4,634	4,829	3,789	4,798	100
United States.....	186,679	185,845	187,464	187,524	187,923	187,615	100

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Alabama	34,716	34,703	34,837	34,908	34,398	34,750
Arkansas.....	23,933	24,185	24,658	24,657	24,903	24,909
Delaware	4,880	4,904	4,946	4,959	4,822	4,828
Florida.....	1,194	1,194	1,194	1,194	1,194	1,194
Georgia.....	35,400	35,497	34,651	35,087	34,970	35,294
Kentucky.....	5,447	5,507	5,418	5,501	5,448	5,617
Louisiana	3,078	3,199	3,260	3,290	3,320	3,290
Maryland.....	8,038	8,038	7,965	7,983	8,006	8,006
Mississippi	16,569	16,732	16,641	16,823	16,698	15,562
Missouri	9,605	9,634	9,634	9,576	9,248	9,561
North Carolina.....	26,262	26,420	25,969	26,152	25,127	25,820
Oklahoma	7,481	7,710	7,813	7,870	7,561	7,601
Pennsylvania	6,517	6,623	6,512	6,303	6,509	6,498
South Carolina	5,177	5,259	5,475	5,861	5,645	5,550
Texas.....	19,039	18,667	19,086	18,771	18,735	18,651
Virginia.....	6,831	6,827	6,831	6,637	6,816	6,182
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia.....	13,336	13,255	12,797	12,775	13,006	12,739
Other States.....	12,718	12,482	12,150	12,185	12,724	12,078
United States	240,221	240,836	239,837	240,532	239,130	238,130

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Arkansas.....	21,746	22,173	22,689	21,481	21,015	21,734
Delaware	4,722	4,863	4,255	4,588	4,803	4,753
Florida.....	1,129	1,194	1,128	1,322	1,311	1,311
Georgia.....	24,998	27,468	25,965	27,551	27,300	26,721
Kentucky.....	4,514	4,470	5,129	4,676	4,771	4,785
Louisiana	2,696	2,659	2,563	2,591	2,673	2,713
Maryland.....	4,647	5,481	5,401	5,148	5,989	5,960
Mississippi	13,845	13,569	13,671	13,632	13,501	13,657
Missouri	6,164	6,426	6,658	7,187	5,957	6,161
North Carolina.....	20,471	19,645	20,735	20,391	21,401	20,076
Oklahoma	4,716	3,399	3,082	3,531	5,323	5,104
Pennsylvania	4,264	4,255	4,368	4,314	4,434	4,395
South Carolina	4,192	4,372	4,634	4,829	3,789	4,798
Texas.....	14,873	15,098	15,097	14,660	14,814	14,809
Virginia.....	6,316	5,673	6,780	6,523	5,357	5,694
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia.....	12,467	11,790	10,823	11,163	11,414	10,920
Other States.....	9,443	9,351	9,308	9,912	9,528	9,357
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