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## Broiler Hatchery



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

December 14, 2022

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### Broiler-Type Eggs Set in the United States Up Slightly

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 240 million eggs in incubators during the week ending December 10, 2022, up slightly from a year ago. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 80.3 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Hatcheries in Alabama set 34.6 million eggs during the week ending December 10, 2022, up 1 percent from a year ago. Hatcheries in Georgia set 35.9 million eggs during the same week, up 4 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 190 million chicks for meat production during the week ending December 10, 2022, up 1 percent from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 8, 2022 through December 10, 2022 for the United States were 9.22 billion. Cumulative placements were up 2 percent from the same period a year earlier.

Broiler growers in Alabama placed 24.7 million chicks for meat production during the week ending December 10, 2022, up 6 percent from a year ago. Placements in Georgia totaled 27.4 million chicks, up slightly from a year ago.

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

State	Week ending						Percent of previous year (percent)
	November 5, 2022	November 12, 2022	November 19, 2022	November 26, 2022	December 3, 2022	December 10, 2022	
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	
Alabama .....	33,396	34,091	34,721	33,726	34,863	34,602	101
Florida .....	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	100
Georgia .....	34,157	35,515	35,923	35,468	35,860	35,863	104
South Carolina....	5,641	5,770	5,980	5,907	6,043	5,786	120
United States .....	233,365	238,080	241,670	237,725	240,999	239,922	100

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Alabama .....	23,349	24,248	24,304	23,960	25,809	24,714	106
Florida .....	1,342	1,328	1,329	1,332	1,331	1,292	97
Georgia .....	26,946	26,744	26,160	25,439	24,884	27,385	100
South Carolina....	5,312	5,125	4,352	4,109	4,968	4,401	106
United States .....	186,866	185,699	183,528	182,714	187,011	189,864	101

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Alabama .....	33,396	34,091	34,721	33,726	34,863	34,602
Arkansas.....	24,152	24,698	24,401	24,346	24,328	24,195
Delaware .....	5,180	5,148	5,123	5,215	5,354	5,271
Florida.....	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225
Georgia.....	34,157	35,515	35,923	35,468	35,860	35,863
Kentucky.....	6,407	6,131	6,802	6,043	6,115	5,943
Louisiana .....	3,516	3,214	3,516	3,516	3,516	3,350
Maryland.....	8,004	8,005	8,002	8,005	8,003	8,005
Mississippi .....	15,860	15,660	16,659	16,344	16,172	16,432
Missouri .....	9,033	9,926	9,905	9,954	9,813	9,813
North Carolina.....	23,717	23,831	25,359	24,811	25,003	24,418
Oklahoma .....	7,375	7,336	7,732	7,279	7,326	7,697
Pennsylvania .....	6,893	6,966	6,920	6,915	6,902	6,663
South Carolina .....	5,641	5,770	5,980	5,907	6,043	5,786
Texas.....	16,927	18,231	18,217	17,586	18,395	18,506
Virginia.....	6,050	6,449	4,667	5,128	6,388	6,286
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia.....	12,997	13,041	13,694	13,491	12,950	13,161
Other States.....	12,835	12,843	12,824	12,766	12,743	12,706
United States .....	233,365	238,080	241,670	237,725	240,999	239,922

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Alabama .....	23,349	24,248	24,304	23,960	25,809	24,714
Arkansas.....	20,962	20,859	21,152	21,235	20,966	22,061
Delaware .....	5,308	5,185	4,684	4,793	4,511	4,469
Florida.....	1,342	1,328	1,329	1,332	1,331	1,292
Georgia.....	26,946	26,744	26,160	25,439	24,884	27,385
Kentucky.....	5,102	5,520	5,817	5,016	5,545	6,599
Louisiana .....	2,786	3,002	2,953	2,862	2,705	2,966
Maryland.....	4,792	4,806	5,307	7,054	5,866	7,164
Mississippi .....	13,159	13,493	13,202	13,444	13,223	13,916
Missouri .....	6,981	6,198	5,494	5,002	6,913	6,377
North Carolina.....	19,311	19,387	19,177	19,093	19,548	19,656
Oklahoma .....	4,639	4,480	3,954	5,711	4,767	4,097
Pennsylvania .....	4,724	4,663	4,422	4,741	4,766	4,778
South Carolina .....	5,312	5,125	4,352	4,109	4,968	4,401
Texas.....	14,911	14,148	15,308	13,483	14,268	14,499
Virginia.....	6,336	6,384	5,980	4,302	6,079	3,762
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia.....	11,482	10,855	10,639	11,445	11,367	12,230
Other States.....	9,424	9,274	9,294	9,693	9,495	9,498
United States .....	186,866	185,699	183,528	182,714	187,011	189,864

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