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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.

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Broiler-Type Eggs Set in the United States Down 1 Percent

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 241 million eggs in incubators during the week ending July 29, 2023, down 1 percent from a year ago. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 79.4 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Hatcheries in Alabama set 34.3 million eggs during the week ending July 29, 2023, down 1 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 Down 2 Percent

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 188 million chicks for meat production during the week ending July 29, 2023, down 2 percent from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 7, 2023 through July 29, 2023 for the United States were 5.61 billion. Cumulative placements were down slightly from the same period a year earlier.

Broiler growers in Alabama placed 24.0 million chicks for meat production during the week ending July 29, 2023, down 6 percent from a year ago. Placements in Georgia totaled 27.9 million chicks, up 1 percent from a year ago.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set – Selected States and United States: 2023

State	Week ending						Percent of previous year
	June 24, 2023	July 1, 2023	July 8, 2023	July 15, 2023	July 22, 2023	July 29, 2023	
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(percent)
Alabama	34,622	34,307	34,378	34,697	34,778	34,292	99
Florida	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	103
Georgia	34,783	35,531	35,571	35,766	35,760	35,342	102
South Carolina....	5,764	5,838	5,779	5,800	5,900	5,863	101
United States	241,909	240,663	241,381	242,095	241,750	240,761	99

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service, [Broiler Hatchery](#), August 2, 2023

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Alabama	24,319	24,575	23,534	24,366	24,242	23,954	94
Florida	1,293	1,277	1,297	1,270	1,151	1,237	106
Georgia	28,515	28,043	27,286	26,480	26,538	27,892	101
South Carolina....	4,611	4,881	5,199	4,493	4,845	5,109	113
United States	189,130	189,982	188,095	186,498	185,575	187,627	98

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Alabama	34,622	34,307	34,378	34,697	34,778	34,292
Arkansas.....	24,769	24,996	24,801	24,503	24,266	24,770
Delaware	5,438	5,437	5,436	5,437	5,064	5,344
Florida.....	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225
Georgia.....	34,783	35,531	35,571	35,766	35,760	35,342
Kentucky.....	6,654	6,594	6,921	6,812	6,583	6,736
Louisiana	3,501	3,502	3,502	3,502	3,517	2,928
Maryland.....	8,090	8,095	8,094	8,095	8,096	8,095
Mississippi	16,721	17,081	16,541	17,212	17,338	17,505
Missouri	9,956	9,748	9,498	9,862	9,855	9,680
North Carolina.....	25,105	23,851	24,560	23,954	24,798	24,190
Oklahoma	7,178	7,659	7,530	7,163	7,554	7,587
Pennsylvania	7,164	7,169	7,270	7,265	7,308	7,367
South Carolina	5,764	5,838	5,779	5,800	5,900	5,863
Texas.....	18,661	18,140	18,603	18,949	18,350	18,554
Virginia.....	5,895	5,881	5,909	5,910	5,910	5,908
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia.....	13,337	12,988	13,123	13,396	12,867	12,803
Other States.....	13,046	12,621	12,640	12,547	12,581	12,572
United States	241,909	240,663	241,381	242,095	241,750	240,761

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Alabama	24,319	24,575	23,534	24,366	24,242	23,954
Arkansas.....	21,135	20,813	20,603	21,244	21,366	21,640
Delaware	4,819	5,171	5,166	4,403	5,400	5,501
Florida.....	1,293	1,277	1,297	1,270	1,151	1,237
Georgia.....	28,515	28,043	27,286	26,480	26,538	27,892
Kentucky.....	5,214	5,275	5,607	5,370	5,881	5,156
Louisiana	2,640	2,846	2,933	2,912	2,866	2,687
Maryland.....	6,071	5,690	5,256	6,559	5,480	5,171
Mississippi	13,125	13,192	13,150	13,186	13,395	13,231
Missouri	6,006	6,519	6,799	6,373	5,948	6,695
North Carolina.....	20,244	20,002	20,093	19,725	18,682	19,084
Oklahoma	5,555	5,606	5,009	4,382	4,825	3,888
Pennsylvania	4,594	4,560	4,612	4,670	4,702	4,748
South Carolina	4,611	4,881	5,199	4,493	4,845	5,109
Texas.....	14,599	14,992	14,066	14,794	14,441	14,789
Virginia.....	5,093	5,085	5,672	4,841	4,703	5,406
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia.....	11,666	11,841	12,175	11,814	11,399	11,677
Other States.....	9,631	9,614	9,638	9,616	9,711	9,762
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