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# Southern Region News Release

## 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 Slightly

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 239 million eggs in incubators during the week ending January 28, 2023, down slightly from a year ago. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 79.7 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Hatcheries in Alabama set 34.5 million eggs during the week ending January 28, 2023, down slightly from a year ago. Hatcheries in Georgia set 35.2 million eggs during the same week, down 1 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 188 million chicks for meat production during the week ending January 28, 2023, up 1 percent from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 7, 2023 through January 28, 2023 for the United States were 748 million. Cumulative placements were up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

Broiler growers in Alabama placed 23.5 million chicks for meat production during the week ending January 28, 2023, up slightly from a year ago. Placements in Georgia totaled 27.8 million chicks, up 3 percent from a year ago.

### Broiler-Type Eggs Set – Selected States and United States: 2022 and 2023

State	Week ending						Percent of previous year (percent)
	December 24, 2022	December 31, 2022	January 7, 2023	January 14, 2023	January 21, 2023	January 28, 2023	
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	
Alabama .....	34,526	34,565	34,349	34,447	34,511	34,532	100
Florida .....	1,225	1,209	1,194	1,194	1,194	1,194	100
Georgia .....	35,932	34,388	35,529	35,216	35,167	35,229	99
South Carolina....	5,599	6,041	5,836	5,711	5,854	5,778	115
United States .....	240,691	237,943	240,697	237,527	238,819	239,126	100

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service, [Broiler Hatchery](#), February 1, 2023

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Alabama .....	25,079	25,107	23,988	24,642	25,085	23,452	100
Florida .....	1,231	1,298	1,183	1,301	1,283	1,282	105
Georgia .....	27,784	28,274	28,436	27,343	25,518	27,825	103
South Carolina....	5,062	4,734	4,506	4,899	4,210	3,992	96
United States .....	188,553	187,810	187,885	187,643	185,244	187,578	101

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Alabama .....	34,526	34,565	34,349	34,447	34,511	34,532
Arkansas.....	24,432	24,177	24,090	24,451	24,496	24,590
Delaware .....	5,206	4,913	5,302	5,183	5,088	5,112
Florida.....	1,225	1,209	1,194	1,194	1,194	1,194
Georgia.....	35,932	34,388	35,529	35,216	35,167	35,229
Kentucky.....	6,652	6,638	6,804	5,987	6,138	6,213
Louisiana .....	3,426	3,426	3,123	3,154	3,243	3,244
Maryland.....	8,066	8,066	8,067	8,067	8,066	8,056
Mississippi .....	16,054	15,872	16,271	16,572	16,436	16,512
Missouri .....	9,761	9,825	9,871	9,859	9,779	9,916
North Carolina.....	24,917	24,741	25,066	24,531	25,114	25,448
Oklahoma .....	7,523	7,473	7,415	7,541	7,339	7,291
Pennsylvania .....	6,637	6,561	6,631	6,547	6,677	6,618
South Carolina .....	5,599	6,041	5,836	5,711	5,854	5,778
Texas.....	18,128	17,733	18,046	16,858	16,864	17,583
Virginia.....	6,532	6,564	6,685	6,632	6,616	6,637
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia.....	13,357	13,048	13,517	12,776	13,220	12,587
Other States.....	12,718	12,703	12,901	12,801	13,017	12,586
United States .....	240,691	237,943	240,697	237,527	238,819	239,126

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Alabama .....	25,079	25,107	23,988	24,642	25,085	23,452
Arkansas.....	21,662	21,588	22,036	20,205	19,552	20,763
Delaware .....	4,821	4,895	6,134	4,801	5,252	5,792
Florida.....	1,231	1,298	1,183	1,301	1,283	1,282
Georgia.....	27,784	28,274	28,436	27,343	25,518	27,825
Kentucky.....	6,422	5,377	4,946	5,293	5,146	5,339
Louisiana .....	2,937	2,869	2,461	2,891	2,972	2,639
Maryland.....	6,086	5,570	4,705	5,461	4,815	4,778
Mississippi .....	13,351	13,572	13,609	13,272	13,073	13,674
Missouri .....	7,183	6,308	5,810	6,419	6,425	6,838
North Carolina.....	18,498	17,982	19,276	19,319	19,629	19,724
Oklahoma .....	3,054	4,202	4,296	5,334	6,041	4,565
Pennsylvania .....	4,724	4,500	4,540	4,533	4,405	4,461
South Carolina .....	5,062	4,734	4,506	4,899	4,210	3,992
Texas.....	14,684	14,601	14,598	14,444	14,075	14,318
Virginia.....	5,700	5,746	5,839	6,122	6,690	6,106
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia.....	10,804	11,618	11,950	11,844	11,718	12,499
Other States.....	9,471	9,569	9,572	9,520	9,355	9,531
United States .....	188,553	187,810	187,885	187,643	185,244	187,578

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