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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 22, 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 34.6 million eggs during the week ending July 22, 2023, up slightly from a year ago. Hatcheries in Georgia set 35.8 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 186 million chicks for meat production during the week ending July 22, 2023, down 2 percent from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 7, 2023 through July 22, 2023 for the United States were 5.43 billion. Cumulative placements were down slightly from the same period a year earlier.

Broiler growers in Alabama placed 24.3 million chicks for meat production during the week ending July 22, 2023, down 2 percent from a year ago. Placements in Georgia totaled 26.5 million chicks, down 3 percent from a year ago.

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

State	Week ending						Percent of previous year
	June 17, 2023	June 24, 2023	July 1, 2023	July 8, 2023	July 15, 2023	July 22, 2023	
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(percent)
Alabama .....	34,058	34,622	34,307	34,378	34,516	34,596	100
Florida .....	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	103
Georgia .....	36,050	34,783	34,063	36,104	35,766	35,760	102
South Carolina....	5,952	5,764	5,838	5,779	5,800	5,900	101
United States .....	242,673	241,909	239,195	241,949	241,271	240,682	99

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	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)					
Alabama .....	24,477	24,319	24,575	24,069	24,366	24,251	98
Florida .....	1,306	1,293	1,277	1,297	1,270	1,151	92
Georgia .....	28,355	28,515	28,043	27,286	26,480	26,538	97
South Carolina....	5,565	4,611	4,881	5,199	4,493	4,822	88
United States .....	189,225	189,130	189,982	188,676	186,546	185,633	98

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Alabama .....	34,058	34,622	34,307	34,378	34,516	34,596
Arkansas.....	24,822	24,769	24,996	25,014	24,503	24,300
Delaware .....	5,437	5,438	5,437	5,436	5,437	5,064
Florida.....	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225
Georgia.....	36,050	34,783	34,063	36,104	35,766	35,760
Kentucky.....	6,865	6,654	6,594	6,872	6,612	6,383
Louisiana .....	3,502	3,501	3,502	3,502	3,502	3,517
Maryland.....	8,092	8,090	8,095	8,094	8,095	8,096
Mississippi .....	16,813	16,721	17,081	16,045	16,648	16,739
Missouri .....	10,052	9,956	9,748	9,658	9,962	9,985
North Carolina.....	24,964	25,105	23,851	24,652	24,054	24,798
Oklahoma .....	7,439	7,178	7,659	7,530	7,163	7,554
Pennsylvania .....	7,081	7,164	7,169	7,270	7,265	7,315
South Carolina .....	5,952	5,764	5,838	5,779	5,800	5,900
Texas.....	17,626	18,661	18,140	18,452	18,849	18,250
Virginia.....	5,910	5,895	5,881	5,909	5,910	5,910
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia.....	13,825	13,337	12,988	13,104	13,096	12,606
Other States.....	12,960	13,046	12,621	12,925	12,868	12,684
United States .....	242,673	241,909	239,195	241,949	241,271	240,682

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Alabama .....	24,477	24,319	24,575	24,069	24,366	24,251
Arkansas.....	22,440	21,135	20,813	20,649	21,274	21,404
Delaware .....	5,362	4,819	5,171	5,166	4,403	5,400
Florida.....	1,306	1,293	1,277	1,297	1,270	1,151
Georgia.....	28,355	28,515	28,043	27,286	26,480	26,538
Kentucky.....	5,544	5,214	5,275	5,607	5,370	5,881
Louisiana .....	3,006	2,640	2,846	2,933	2,912	2,866
Maryland.....	5,124	6,071	5,690	5,256	6,559	5,480
Mississippi .....	13,275	13,125	13,192	13,150	13,186	13,377
Missouri .....	6,204	6,006	6,519	6,799	6,373	5,948
North Carolina.....	19,470	20,244	20,002	20,093	19,725	18,720
Oklahoma .....	4,049	5,555	5,606	5,009	4,382	4,825
Pennsylvania .....	4,614	4,594	4,560	4,612	4,670	4,697
South Carolina .....	5,565	4,611	4,881	5,199	4,493	4,822
Texas.....	14,606	14,599	14,992	14,066	14,794	14,441
Virginia.....	5,407	5,093	5,085	5,672	4,841	4,703
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia.....	11,420	11,666	11,841	12,175	11,814	11,380
Other States.....	9,001	9,631	9,614	9,638	9,634	9,749
United States .....	189,225	189,130	189,982	188,676	186,546	185,633

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