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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.

February 2, 2022

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Broiler-Type Eggs Set in the United States Up 3 Percent

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 241 million eggs in incubators during the week ending January 29, 2022, up 3 percent from a year ago. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 80.0 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Hatcheries in Alabama set 34.7 million eggs during the week ending January 29, 2022, up 4 percent from a year ago. Hatcheries in Georgia set 35.5 million eggs during the same week, up 5 percent from a year ago.

Broiler-Type Chicks Placed in the United States Down Slightly

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 186 million chicks for meat production during the week ending January 29, 2022, down slightly from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 8, 2022 through January 29, 2022 for the United States were 740 million. Cumulative placements were down 2 percent from the same period a year earlier.

Broiler growers in Alabama placed 23.4 million chicks for meat production during the week ending January 29, 2022, down 4 percent from a year ago. Placements in Georgia totaled 27.0 million chicks, up 4 percent from a year ago.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set – Selected States and United States: 2021 and 2022

State	Week ending						Percent of previous year (percent)
	December 25, 2021	January 1, 2022	January 8, 2022	January 15, 2022	January 22, 2022	January 29, 2022	
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	
Alabama	34,016	34,227	34,207	34,296	34,341	34,722	104
Florida	1,194	1,194	1,194	1,194	1,193	1,194	99
Georgia	35,214	35,124	34,678	35,025	35,488	35,520	105
South Carolina....	5,611	5,011	5,576	4,709	5,651	5,510	94
United States	238,160	236,948	237,433	237,232	238,543	240,757	103

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Alabama	23,986	23,896	23,868	23,536	24,013	23,370	96
Florida	1,017	1,138	1,142	1,241	1,252	1,226	89
Georgia	26,611	26,626	25,680	26,321	26,360	26,996	104
South Carolina....	5,271	3,439	4,620	4,575	3,643	3,923	73
United States	186,378	185,219	184,672	185,110	184,045	185,850	100

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Alabama	34,016	34,227	34,207	34,296	34,341	34,722
Arkansas.....	24,707	24,665	24,886	24,917	24,928	25,039
Delaware	4,845	4,657	4,743	4,938	4,788	4,752
Florida.....	1,194	1,194	1,194	1,194	1,193	1,194
Georgia.....	35,214	35,124	34,678	35,025	35,488	35,520
Kentucky.....	5,173	5,021	5,244	5,296	5,285	5,427
Louisiana	3,289	3,288	3,198	3,199	3,229	3,275
Maryland.....	7,973	7,968	7,894	7,794	7,944	7,937
Mississippi	16,765	16,315	16,160	16,144	15,973	16,509
Missouri	9,206	9,206	9,425	9,233	9,383	9,546
North Carolina.....	25,074	24,932	25,292	25,557	25,399	25,822
Oklahoma	7,882	7,681	7,793	7,691	7,550	7,586
Pennsylvania	6,695	6,815	6,478	6,605	6,551	6,500
South Carolina	5,611	5,011	5,576	4,709	5,651	5,510
Texas.....	18,589	18,467	18,351	18,002	18,129	18,910
Virginia.....	6,489	6,467	6,615	6,724	6,702	6,792
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia.....	13,224	13,642	13,470	13,533	13,525	13,416
Other States.....	12,214	12,268	12,229	12,375	12,484	12,300
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Arkansas.....	21,149	21,499	21,702	21,429	21,709	22,791
Delaware	4,508	4,581	4,858	5,142	4,946	4,636
Florida.....	1,017	1,138	1,142	1,241	1,252	1,226
Georgia.....	26,611	26,626	25,680	26,321	26,360	26,996
Kentucky.....	4,546	5,005	4,429	4,541	4,251	3,989
Louisiana	2,736	2,817	2,309	2,652	2,724	2,770
Maryland.....	5,591	5,672	4,798	5,122	5,357	5,233
Mississippi	13,977	14,064	13,825	13,642	13,261	13,397
Missouri	6,334	6,218	7,304	6,795	6,797	6,828
North Carolina.....	19,401	20,105	19,708	20,228	20,002	20,728
Oklahoma	5,178	4,597	3,827	4,380	3,966	3,388
Pennsylvania	5,085	5,068	5,047	4,871	4,821	4,813
South Carolina	5,271	3,439	4,620	4,575	3,643	3,923
Texas.....	14,477	14,582	14,544	14,464	14,471	14,494
Virginia.....	5,953	5,997	5,983	5,254	5,483	6,190
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia.....	11,540	10,824	12,075	11,856	11,950	12,038
Other States.....	9,018	9,091	8,953	9,061	9,039	9,040
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