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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 Up Slightly

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 241 million eggs in incubators during the week ending April 2, 2022, up slightly from a year ago. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 79.8 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Hatcheries in Alabama set 34.9 million eggs during the week ending April 2, 2022, up 4 percent from a year ago. Hatcheries in Georgia set 35.0 million eggs during the same week, up slightly from a year ago.

### Broiler-Type Chicks Placed in the United States Up Slightly

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 188 million chicks for meat production during the week ending April 2, 2022, up slightly from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 8, 2022 through April 2, 2022 for the United States were 2.42 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 April 2, 2022, down 1 percent from a year ago. Placements in Georgia totaled 27.6 million chicks, up 7 percent from a year ago.

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

State	Week ending						Percent of previous year (percent)
	February 26, 2022	March 5, 2022	March 12, 2022	March 19, 2022	March 26, 2022	April 2, 2022	
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	
Alabama .....	34,544	34,763	34,716	34,703	34,837	34,908	104
Florida .....	1,194	1,194	1,194	1,194	1,194	1,194	99
Georgia .....	35,353	35,162	35,400	35,497	34,651	34,980	100
South Carolina....	5,599	5,557	5,177	5,259	5,475	5,861	102
United States.....	239,173	240,897	240,221	240,836	239,834	240,776	101

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Alabama .....	24,240	25,482	25,476	23,959	25,258	23,960	99
Florida .....	1,212	1,216	1,129	1,194	1,128	1,322	103
Georgia .....	25,373	24,520	24,998	27,468	25,965	27,551	107
South Carolina....	5,322	5,204	4,192	4,372	4,634	4,829	85
United States.....	185,562	186,025	186,679	185,845	187,464	187,741	100

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Alabama .....	34,544	34,763	34,716	34,703	34,837	34,908
Arkansas.....	24,368	24,849	23,933	24,185	24,658	24,657
Delaware .....	5,175	4,890	4,880	4,904	4,946	4,959
Florida.....	1,194	1,194	1,194	1,194	1,194	1,194
Georgia.....	35,353	35,162	35,400	35,497	34,651	34,980
Kentucky.....	5,320	5,529	5,447	5,507	5,418	5,501
Louisiana .....	3,199	3,078	3,078	3,199	3,260	3,290
Maryland.....	7,837	7,976	8,038	8,038	7,965	7,983
Mississippi .....	16,578	16,686	16,569	16,732	16,641	16,823
Missouri .....	9,598	9,605	9,605	9,634	9,634	9,576
North Carolina.....	24,700	26,155	26,262	26,420	25,969	26,152
Oklahoma .....	7,761	7,658	7,481	7,710	7,813	7,870
Pennsylvania .....	6,619	6,536	6,517	6,623	6,512	6,287
South Carolina .....	5,599	5,557	5,177	5,259	5,475	5,861
Texas.....	19,283	19,330	19,039	18,667	19,086	18,771
Virginia.....	6,801	6,827	6,831	6,827	6,831	6,637
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia.....	12,929	12,940	13,336	13,255	12,794	13,152
Other States.....	12,315	12,162	12,718	12,482	12,150	12,175
United States .....	239,173	240,897	240,221	240,836	239,834	240,776

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Arkansas.....	21,501	21,363	21,746	22,173	22,248	20,981
Delaware .....	4,348	4,516	4,722	4,863	4,255	4,588
Florida.....	1,212	1,216	1,129	1,194	1,128	1,322
Georgia.....	25,373	24,520	24,998	27,468	25,965	27,551
Kentucky.....	5,020	5,107	4,514	4,470	4,687	4,533
Louisiana .....	2,677	2,653	2,696	2,659	2,563	2,591
Maryland.....	5,429	6,282	4,647	5,481	5,299	5,086
Mississippi .....	13,799	13,804	13,845	13,569	13,671	13,632
Missouri .....	6,422	6,846	6,164	6,426	6,608	7,029
North Carolina.....	19,480	19,563	20,471	19,645	20,735	20,391
Oklahoma .....	4,606	4,285	4,716	3,399	3,573	4,189
Pennsylvania .....	4,472	4,192	4,264	4,255	4,368	4,309
South Carolina .....	5,322	5,204	4,192	4,372	4,634	4,829
Texas.....	14,754	14,819	14,873	15,098	15,097	14,660
Virginia.....	6,202	5,319	6,316	5,673	6,882	6,474
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia.....	11,596	11,864	12,467	11,790	11,386	11,706
Other States.....	9,109	8,990	9,443	9,351	9,107	9,910
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