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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 235 million eggs in incubators during the week ending October 22, 2022, up slightly 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 32.7 million eggs during the week ending October 22, 2022, up 3 percent from a year ago. Hatcheries in Georgia set 35.0 million eggs during the same week, up 3 percent from a year ago.

### Broiler-Type Chicks Placed in the United States Up 6 Percent

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 188 million chicks for meat production during the week ending October 22, 2022, up 6 percent from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 8, 2022 through October 22, 2022 for the United States were 7.92 billion. Cumulative placements were up 2 percent from the same period a year earlier.

Broiler growers in Alabama placed 23.8 million chicks for meat production during the week ending October 22, 2022, up 9 percent from a year ago. Placements in Georgia totaled 26.0 million chicks, down 1 percent from a year ago.

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

State	Week ending						Percent of previous year (percent)
	September 17, 2022	September 24, 2022	October 1, 2022	October 8, 2022	October 15, 2022	October 22, 2022	
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	
Alabama .....	33,495	34,279	33,143	34,775	33,734	32,697	103
Florida .....	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	103
Georgia .....	34,596	35,143	35,117	35,117	35,733	35,029	103
South Carolina....	5,894	5,883	5,837	5,520	5,650	5,910	101
United States .....	237,949	242,498	239,712	237,931	238,314	234,864	100

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Alabama .....	25,489	25,648	25,689	24,415	25,569	23,762	109
Florida .....	1,270	1,395	1,321	1,294	1,217	1,212	96
Georgia .....	28,192	26,346	26,743	26,371	25,322	25,996	99
South Carolina....	4,463	5,527	5,101	3,861	5,013	4,980	101
United States .....	194,205	188,459	188,882	187,053	190,670	187,762	106

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Alabama .....	33,495	34,279	33,143	34,775	33,734	32,697
Arkansas.....	24,635	25,280	25,297	23,719	23,924	23,354
Delaware .....	4,699	4,792	4,729	4,711	4,593	4,566
Florida.....	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225
Georgia.....	34,596	35,143	35,117	35,117	35,733	35,029
Kentucky.....	6,922	6,971	6,545	6,412	6,316	6,356
Louisiana .....	3,411	3,407	3,138	3,340	3,441	3,532
Maryland.....	8,065	8,067	8,003	8,043	8,050	8,056
Mississippi .....	16,212	17,013	16,499	15,813	16,029	15,690
Missouri .....	9,604	9,710	9,313	9,699	9,632	9,351
North Carolina.....	24,590	25,945	24,295	24,635	24,956	24,590
Oklahoma .....	7,609	7,762	7,607	7,541	6,862	7,129
Pennsylvania .....	7,027	6,651	7,215	6,959	6,991	6,955
South Carolina .....	5,894	5,883	5,837	5,520	5,650	5,910
Texas.....	18,288	18,716	18,945	17,814	18,746	18,275
Virginia.....	6,861	6,624	6,623	6,599	6,785	6,757
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia.....	12,941	12,944	13,517	13,793	13,058	13,049
Other States.....	11,875	12,086	12,664	12,216	12,589	12,343
United States .....	237,949	242,498	239,712	237,931	238,314	234,864

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Alabama .....	25,489	25,648	25,689	24,415	25,569	23,762
Arkansas.....	21,748	21,793	21,257	21,704	23,038	23,062
Delaware .....	5,568	4,694	4,604	5,943	5,551	4,183
Florida.....	1,270	1,395	1,321	1,294	1,217	1,212
Georgia.....	28,192	26,346	26,743	26,371	25,322	25,996
Kentucky.....	6,244	5,717	5,479	5,925	5,645	5,758
Louisiana .....	3,153	3,166	3,133	3,009	3,135	2,917
Maryland.....	6,218	5,157	6,055	4,513	4,955	5,646
Mississippi .....	13,919	12,715	13,539	13,469	14,066	13,836
Missouri .....	7,312	6,944	6,260	6,557	6,828	6,164
North Carolina.....	20,079	18,891	18,901	19,759	20,562	19,469
Oklahoma .....	4,877	4,715	4,775	4,755	3,583	3,738
Pennsylvania .....	4,833	4,505	4,784	4,855	4,643	4,900
South Carolina .....	4,463	5,527	5,101	3,861	5,013	4,980
Texas.....	15,033	14,456	15,187	14,498	14,885	15,155
Virginia.....	5,500	5,997	5,787	5,936	6,056	6,604
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia.....	11,454	11,737	10,909	11,395	11,758	11,216
Other States.....	8,853	9,056	9,358	8,794	8,844	9,164
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