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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 5 Percent

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 244 million eggs in incubators during the week ending September 7, 2024, up 5 percent 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 35.2 million eggs during the week ending September 7, 2024, up 4 percent from a year ago. Hatcheries in Georgia set 35.5 million eggs during the same week, up slightly from a year ago.

### Broiler-Type Chicks Placed in the United States Up 3 Percent

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 193 million chicks for meat production during the week ending September 7, 2024, up 3 percent from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 6, 2024 through September 7, 2024 for the United States were 6.81 billion. Cumulative placements were up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

Broiler growers in Alabama placed 24.8 million chicks for meat production during the week ending September 7, 2024, up 3 percent from a year ago. Placements in Georgia totaled 28.2 million chicks, up 1 percent from a year ago.

### Broiler-Type Eggs Set – Selected States and United States: 2024

State	Week ending						Percent of previous year (percent)
	August 3, 2024	August 10, 2024	August 17, 2024	August 24, 2024	August 31, 2024	September 7, 2024	
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	
Alabama .....	35,383	35,292	35,386	35,232	35,235	35,175	104
Florida .....	1,225	1,222	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,224	100
Georgia .....	35,402	35,510	35,637	35,141	35,462	35,530	100
South Carolina....	6,307	6,290	6,101	6,062	6,273	5,818	99
United States .....	249,606	248,589	248,121	247,510	247,468	244,016	105

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Alabama .....	24,121	24,863	23,535	24,993	24,884	24,812	103
Florida .....	1,254	1,261	1,318	1,249	1,367	1,338	116
Georgia .....	27,271	27,850	27,947	27,560	27,666	28,223	101
South Carolina....	4,576	5,014	5,139	4,909	5,188	4,510	105
United States .....	190,791	193,301	192,872	193,223	193,697	193,213	103

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Alabama .....	35,383	35,292	35,386	35,232	35,235	35,175
Arkansas.....	25,852	25,517	25,352	25,440	25,541	25,160
Delaware .....	5,634	5,595	5,375	5,570	5,475	4,956
Florida.....	1,225	1,222	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,224
Georgia.....	35,402	35,510	35,637	35,141	35,462	35,530
Kentucky.....	8,109	8,155	8,138	8,171	8,173	7,994
Louisiana .....	3,655	3,608	3,608	3,655	3,655	3,655
Maryland.....	8,095	8,093	8,092	8,092	8,092	7,965
Mississippi .....	17,696	17,681	17,496	17,648	17,631	16,801
Missouri .....	9,022	8,864	8,866	8,908	9,041	9,020
North Carolina.....	26,118	25,721	25,825	25,888	25,174	24,904
Oklahoma .....	6,335	5,870	6,213	6,165	6,284	6,079
Pennsylvania .....	7,970	7,901	7,960	7,972	7,743	7,733
South Carolina .....	6,307	6,290	6,101	6,062	6,273	5,818
Texas.....	19,729	19,694	19,848	19,375	19,178	19,071
Virginia.....	5,555	5,661	5,423	5,457	5,580	5,428
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia.....	15,862	15,785	15,447	15,707	15,763	15,692
Other States.....	11,657	12,130	12,129	11,802	11,943	11,811
United States .....	249,606	248,589	248,121	247,510	247,468	244,016

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Alabama .....	24,121	24,863	23,535	24,993	24,884	24,812
Arkansas.....	22,177	21,969	20,230	21,360	21,464	20,699
Delaware .....	5,341	5,397	4,185	5,648	5,715	4,813
Florida.....	1,254	1,261	1,318	1,249	1,367	1,338
Georgia.....	27,271	27,850	27,947	27,560	27,666	28,223
Kentucky.....	6,245	6,195	6,102	6,075	6,059	6,153
Louisiana .....	2,717	2,941	2,991	3,016	2,980	3,072
Maryland.....	5,641	5,498	6,542	5,424	5,560	6,154
Mississippi .....	13,737	13,711	13,896	13,894	13,612	13,679
Missouri .....	5,810	5,585	5,515	5,241	5,786	6,290
North Carolina.....	20,166	20,677	20,777	21,138	20,965	20,839
Oklahoma .....	3,724	4,178	5,421	4,562	4,267	4,025
Pennsylvania .....	5,052	5,103	5,109	4,977	4,789	5,067
South Carolina .....	4,576	5,014	5,139	4,909	5,188	4,510
Texas.....	14,309	15,419	15,559	15,622	15,456	15,508
Virginia.....	5,300	4,880	4,943	4,672	4,912	5,046
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia.....	14,405	13,475	14,553	13,906	13,661	13,561
Other States.....	8,945	9,285	9,110	8,977	9,366	9,424
United States .....	190,791	193,301	192,872	193,223	193,697	193,213

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