



Broiler Hatchery

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Broiler-Type Eggs Set in the United States Down 1 Percent

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 248 million eggs in incubators during the week ending November 22, 2025, down 1 percent 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.

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

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 191 million chicks for meat production during the week ending November 22, 2025, up 3 percent from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 4, 2025 through November 22, 2025 for the United States were 9.02 billion. Cumulative placements were up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set – Selected States and United States: 2025

State	Week ending					
	October 18, 2025	October 25, 2025	November 1, 2025	November 8, 2025	November 15, 2025	November 22, 2025
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)
Alabama	34,290	34,517	32,853	33,464	34,039	33,098
Arkansas	22,675	24,936	25,876	25,317	25,252	25,632
Delaware	5,309	5,496	5,402	5,402	5,402	5,402
Georgia	33,884	34,910	34,853	34,447	34,683	35,351
Kentucky	7,007	7,811	7,817	7,548	7,920	7,802
Maryland	8,419	8,417	8,414	8,557	8,382	8,386
Mississippi	17,096	17,854	16,467	17,763	18,181	18,227
Missouri	8,886	8,501	8,976	9,152	9,152	8,713
North Carolina	23,556	24,878	25,666	25,655	26,290	26,302
Oklahoma	5,905	6,008	6,043	5,065	5,988	6,013
Pennsylvania	8,979	8,570	8,726	8,629	8,994	8,919
South Carolina	6,126	6,112	5,910	6,154	6,045	6,344
Texas	18,456	18,563	19,168	17,437	18,963	19,191
Virginia	5,542	5,898	5,819	5,785	5,764	5,772
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	15,249	15,657	16,535	15,675	16,282	16,200
Other States	16,699	16,825	17,047	16,543	16,952	17,081
United States	238,078	244,953	245,572	242,593	248,289	248,433

Broiler-Type Chicks Placed – Selected States and United States: 2025

State	Week ending					
	October 18, 2025	October 25, 2025	November 1, 2025	November 8, 2025	November 15, 2025	November 22, 2025
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)
Alabama	23,662	21,958	22,804	23,783	24,426	22,084
Arkansas	21,535	21,689	19,908	18,250	21,384	22,158
Delaware	5,485	5,319	5,934	5,354	5,478	5,207
Georgia	27,330	27,673	27,095	26,514	27,290	27,488
Kentucky	5,960	5,795	5,843	5,262	6,322	5,776
Maryland	5,828	6,240	6,134	6,864	6,567	6,448
Mississippi	13,972	12,405	13,032	13,621	14,057	12,965
Missouri	5,638	6,529	5,847	6,274	5,356	5,437
North Carolina	19,941	19,412	18,346	18,925	19,903	20,293
Oklahoma	3,630	2,994	3,511	4,185	3,235	3,971
Pennsylvania	5,095	4,721	5,194	5,292	4,936	5,089
South Carolina	4,636	5,015	5,161	4,713	4,860	5,321
Texas	15,179	14,918	14,486	14,763	14,914	15,134
Virginia	5,334	5,171	5,067	4,235	4,745	5,140
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	12,866	13,797	14,318	13,503	14,003	14,429
Other States	13,277	13,749	13,532	13,668	13,961	14,116
United States	189,368	187,385	186,212	185,206	191,437	191,056

Statistical Methodology

Survey Procedures: Data for broiler hatchery estimates are collected weekly from all broiler-type hatcheries that hatch at least one million chicks a year. Individual NASS regional field offices maintain a list of all known hatcheries and update their lists on a continual basis. All hatcheries that meet the minimum size criteria are given adequate time to respond to the weekly survey. Those that do not respond are contacted by telephone. The weekly United States total for chicks placed includes states receiving greater than 500,000 chicks annually for grow-out.

Estimating Procedures: All data are analyzed for unusual values. Data from each operation are compared to their own past operating profile and to trends from similar operations. Data for missing operations are estimated based on similar operations or historical data. NASS regional field offices prepare these estimates by using a combination of survey indications and historic trends. Individual State estimates are reviewed by the Agricultural Statistics Board for reasonableness.

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