



Broiler Hatchery

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

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 249 million eggs in incubators during the week ending August 23, 2025, up 1 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.

Broiler-Type Chicks Placed in the United States Up 1 Percent

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 194 million chicks for meat production during the week ending August 23, 2025, up 1 percent from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 4, 2025 through August 23, 2025 for the United States were 6.55 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					
	July 19, 2025	July 26, 2025	August 2, 2025	August 9, 2025	August 16, 2025	August 23, 2025
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)
Alabama	34,486	34,513	34,818	34,441	34,605	34,200
Arkansas	25,994	25,897	26,444	26,182	26,158	25,880
Delaware	5,741	5,742	5,742	5,462	5,460	5,460
Georgia	35,303	35,188	35,458	35,265	35,202	35,349
Kentucky	7,588	8,069	8,028	7,950	7,942	7,954
Maryland	8,417	8,419	8,420	8,416	8,417	8,417
Mississippi	18,318	18,123	18,208	18,484	18,423	18,393
Missouri	9,182	9,275	9,167	9,251	9,261	9,139
North Carolina	25,794	26,073	25,723	25,924	25,877	26,043
Oklahoma	5,542	5,544	5,517	5,638	5,868	5,745
Pennsylvania	8,972	8,899	8,673	8,984	8,887	9,002
South Carolina	5,988	6,326	6,362	6,268	6,244	6,151
Texas	19,613	19,600	18,920	19,108	19,308	19,204
Virginia	5,654	5,553	5,622	5,654	5,814	5,608
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	15,669	15,594	15,616	15,801	15,775	15,901
Other States	17,229	16,987	16,837	17,054	17,033	16,867
United States	249,490	249,802	249,555	249,882	250,274	249,313

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

State	Week ending					
	July 19, 2025	July 26, 2025	August 2, 2025	August 9, 2025	August 16, 2025	August 23, 2025
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)
Alabama	24,392	23,774	23,528	23,716	24,187	24,442
Arkansas	20,622	21,419	21,252	22,057	21,861	21,756
Delaware	5,460	5,616	5,907	5,562	5,358	5,002
Georgia	27,298	27,917	26,877	27,106	26,993	26,694
Kentucky	5,964	5,871	5,977	5,479	6,013	6,138
Maryland	6,332	6,264	5,461	6,138	6,333	6,881
Mississippi	14,753	14,558	14,809	14,646	14,383	14,411
Missouri	5,650	6,058	6,281	5,493	5,621	5,666
North Carolina	20,837	20,811	20,519	20,461	20,883	20,745
Oklahoma	4,984	3,314	3,215	3,647	3,852	4,338
Pennsylvania	5,110	5,103	5,117	5,135	5,349	5,106
South Carolina	4,349	4,282	6,161	4,971	4,675	4,789
Texas	15,346	14,898	15,271	14,900	15,223	14,887
Virginia	5,272	5,159	5,648	5,602	5,710	5,334
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	14,020	13,232	13,610	14,021	13,162	13,693
Other States	13,938	13,967	13,712	14,184	13,934	14,041
United States	194,327	192,243	193,345	193,118	193,537	193,923

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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