



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 252 million eggs in incubators during the week ending May 24, 2025, up 1 percent from a year ago. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 79.1 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 May 24, 2025, up 1 percent from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 4, 2025 through May 24, 2025 for the United States were 4.03 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					
	April 19, 2025	April 26, 2025	May 3, 2025	May 10, 2025	May 17, 2025	May 24, 2025
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)
Alabama	35,445	35,651	35,593	35,384	35,621	35,552
Arkansas	26,826	26,345	26,125	26,604	26,643	26,335
Delaware	5,691	5,859	5,716	5,770	5,770	5,770
Georgia	34,839	34,769	34,921	34,735	34,864	34,869
Kentucky	8,009	7,958	8,443	7,998	7,920	8,408
Maryland	8,579	8,579	8,544	8,521	8,534	8,544
Mississippi	18,033	18,033	18,124	18,017	18,124	18,033
Missouri	9,189	9,165	8,605	9,196	9,176	9,126
North Carolina	25,831	25,003	25,944	26,132	25,968	26,179
Oklahoma	5,889	6,308	5,776	5,911	5,831	5,776
Pennsylvania	8,692	8,950	8,581	8,228	8,664	8,700
South Carolina	6,147	6,032	6,079	6,021	6,266	6,162
Texas	19,263	19,566	19,593	19,500	19,505	19,726
Virginia	5,708	5,705	5,672	5,680	5,683	5,680
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	16,267	15,712	16,172	16,006	16,130	16,118
Other States	16,752	17,242	16,812	16,758	16,824	17,098
United States	251,160	250,877	250,700	250,461	251,523	252,076

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

State	Week ending					
	April 19, 2025	April 26, 2025	May 3, 2025	May 10, 2025	May 17, 2025	May 24, 2025
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)
Alabama	24,511	23,679	24,464	25,255	25,054	24,441
Arkansas	22,961	22,032	21,445	21,255	22,160	21,666
Delaware	6,296	5,996	5,491	5,857	5,071	6,449
Georgia	26,410	26,568	26,455	26,970	26,033	26,902
Kentucky	5,879	5,954	5,796	6,115	5,818	6,334
Maryland	6,029	6,511	6,183	6,085	7,122	5,392
Mississippi	14,149	14,403	14,448	14,701	14,575	14,438
Missouri	5,593	5,482	6,141	6,462	5,564	5,118
North Carolina	20,113	19,735	20,637	20,790	19,907	20,609
Oklahoma	3,046	4,281	4,118	4,208	4,251	4,310
Pennsylvania	4,628	4,818	4,832	4,807	5,037	4,817
South Carolina	4,784	5,570	4,344	4,047	5,059	5,117
Texas	14,719	14,743	14,914	14,731	14,922	14,959
Virginia	4,122	4,684	5,266	4,864	5,197	5,041
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	14,269	14,144	14,550	14,028	14,051	14,641
Other States	13,793	13,141	13,491	13,504	13,859	13,324
United States	191,302	191,741	192,575	193,679	193,680	193,558

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.

Revision Policy: Revisions are generally the result of late or corrected data. Revisions made to the previous five-week's data during the current week are published in this report. Final estimates are published in the annual *Hatchery Production Summary* released in April.

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