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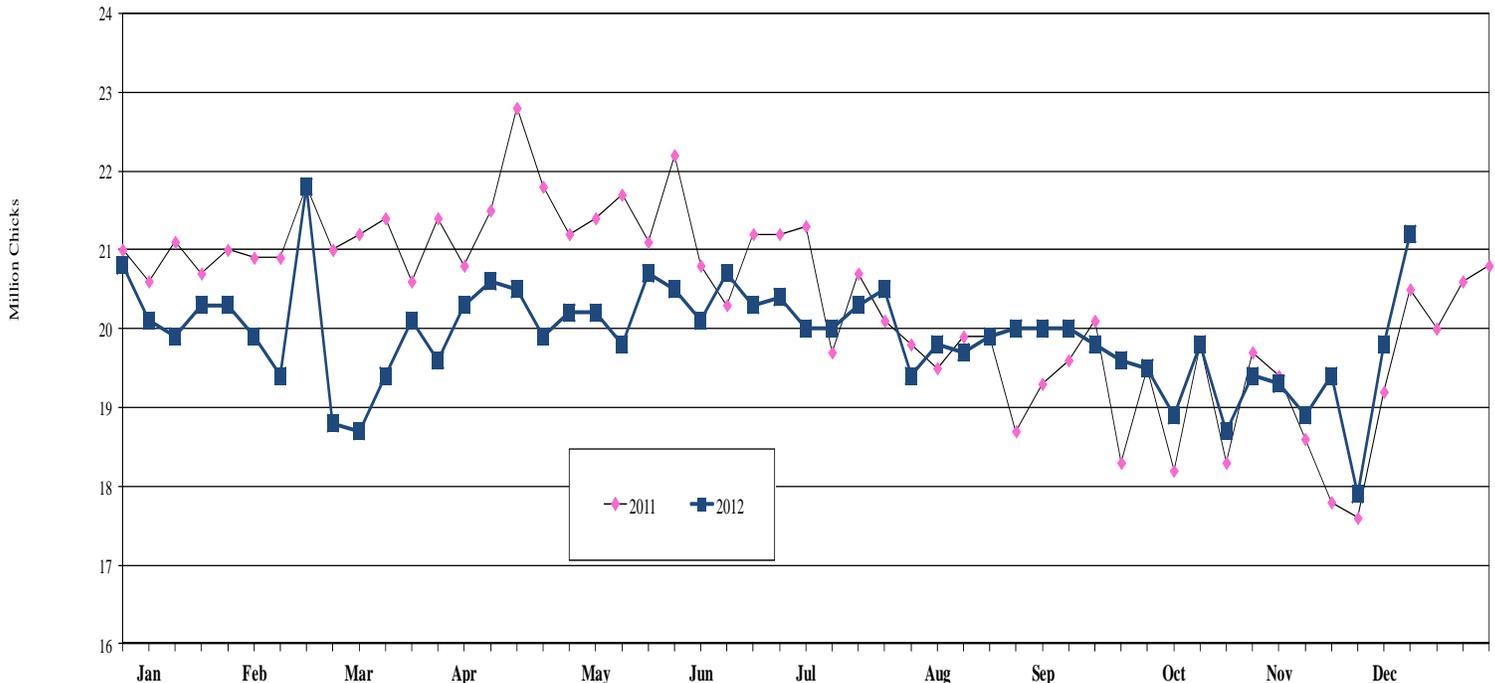
**BROILERS PLACED IN ALABAMA UP 3 PERCENT
BROILER EGGS SET DOWN 2 PERCENT**

Placement of broiler chicks in Alabama during the week ending December 8, 2012 was 21.2 million, up 7 percent from the previous week, and up 3 percent from the comparable week last year, according to the USDA, NASS Alabama Field Office. An estimated 27.6 million broiler type eggs were set by Alabama hatcheries, up 1 percent from the previous week, but down 2 percent from the comparable week a year earlier.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set and Broiler-Type Chicks Placed

Week Ended	Eggs Set			Chicks Placed		
	2011	2012	% of prev. yr.	2011	2012	% of prev. yr.
Nov 3	24,116	24,206	100	19,403	19,325	100
Nov 10	27,255	26,346	97	18,624	18,897	101
Nov 17	27,403	27,978	102	17,798	19,390	109
Nov 24	27,726	27,056	98	17,578	17,883	102
Dec 1	27,771	27,369	99	19,231	19,786	103
Dec 8	28,093	27,628	98	20,541	21,156	103

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN ALABAMA BY WEEK, 2011-2012



Broiler-Type Eggs Set – 19 Selected States: 2012

State	Week ending					
	November 3, 2012	November 10, 2012	November 17, 2012	November 24, 2012	December 1, 2012	December 8, 2012
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)
Alabama	24,206	26,346	27,978	27,056	27,369	27,628
Arkansas	20,132	20,996	21,588	21,532	21,963	20,830
Delaware	3,284	3,389	3,415	3,413	3,415	3,414
Florida	1,351	1,353	1,351	1,353	1,655	1,048
Georgia	29,979	31,559	32,130	31,711	33,372	30,365
Kentucky	7,412	7,397	7,836	7,171	6,772	7,638
Louisiana	2,956	2,956	3,288	3,258	3,258	3,273
Maryland	6,803	7,136	7,158	7,182	7,067	7,117
Mississippi	15,168	17,223	16,865	17,178	17,089	17,377
Missouri	6,859	7,258	8,040	8,013	8,012	7,713
North Carolina	19,336	19,975	19,640	19,786	19,794	19,259
Oklahoma	6,662	6,553	6,830	6,825	7,026	6,809
Pennsylvania	3,530	3,546	3,749	3,630	3,935	3,583
South Carolina	5,156	5,129	5,397	5,657	5,557	5,316
Texas	13,023	14,007	14,128	14,000	14,764	13,761
Virginia	4,780	5,176	6,275	6,455	6,638	6,002
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	9,966	10,414	10,816	10,421	10,940	9,279
19 State total	180,603	190,413	196,484	194,641	198,626	190,412
Previous year total	186,594	194,224	195,158	194,560	194,178	194,887
Percent of previous year	97	98	101	100	102	98

Broiler-Type Chicks Placed – 19 Selected States: 2012

State	Week ending					
	November 3, 2012	November 10, 2012	November 17, 2012	November 24, 2012	December 1, 2012	December 8, 2012
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)
Alabama	19,325	18,897	19,390	17,883	19,786	21,156
Arkansas	17,289	17,258	20,306	18,987	19,476	19,134
Delaware	4,164	4,095	4,371	4,309	3,550	3,831
Florida	1,276	1,035	1,326	1,162	1,020	1,369
Georgia	25,812	24,781	24,678	24,791	26,359	25,951
Kentucky	5,544	5,250	5,745	5,875	5,542	6,190
Louisiana	2,949	2,981	2,891	2,664	2,642	2,940
Maryland	5,712	5,246	5,307	5,710	7,060	6,526
Mississippi	13,994	13,869	13,993	12,984	14,757	14,396
Missouri	4,996	4,849	5,265	4,869	5,316	5,768
North Carolina	14,505	15,055	15,712	16,127	16,728	15,726
Oklahoma	3,706	4,181	3,680	3,997	4,204	5,307
Pennsylvania	2,901	2,634	2,488	2,965	2,804	3,084
South Carolina	4,251	3,726	4,184	4,885	3,843	5,064
Texas	11,027	10,791	11,256	11,162	11,832	11,940
Virginia	4,526	4,349	4,507	3,929	3,592	4,264
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	10,090	8,560	10,573	9,435	10,751	10,586
19 State total	152,067	147,557	155,672	151,734	159,262	163,232
Previous year total	149,126	152,174	152,567	156,853	160,576	162,541
Percent of previous year	102	97	102	97	99	100

Average hatchability for chicks hatched in the 19 selected States during the week was 85 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.