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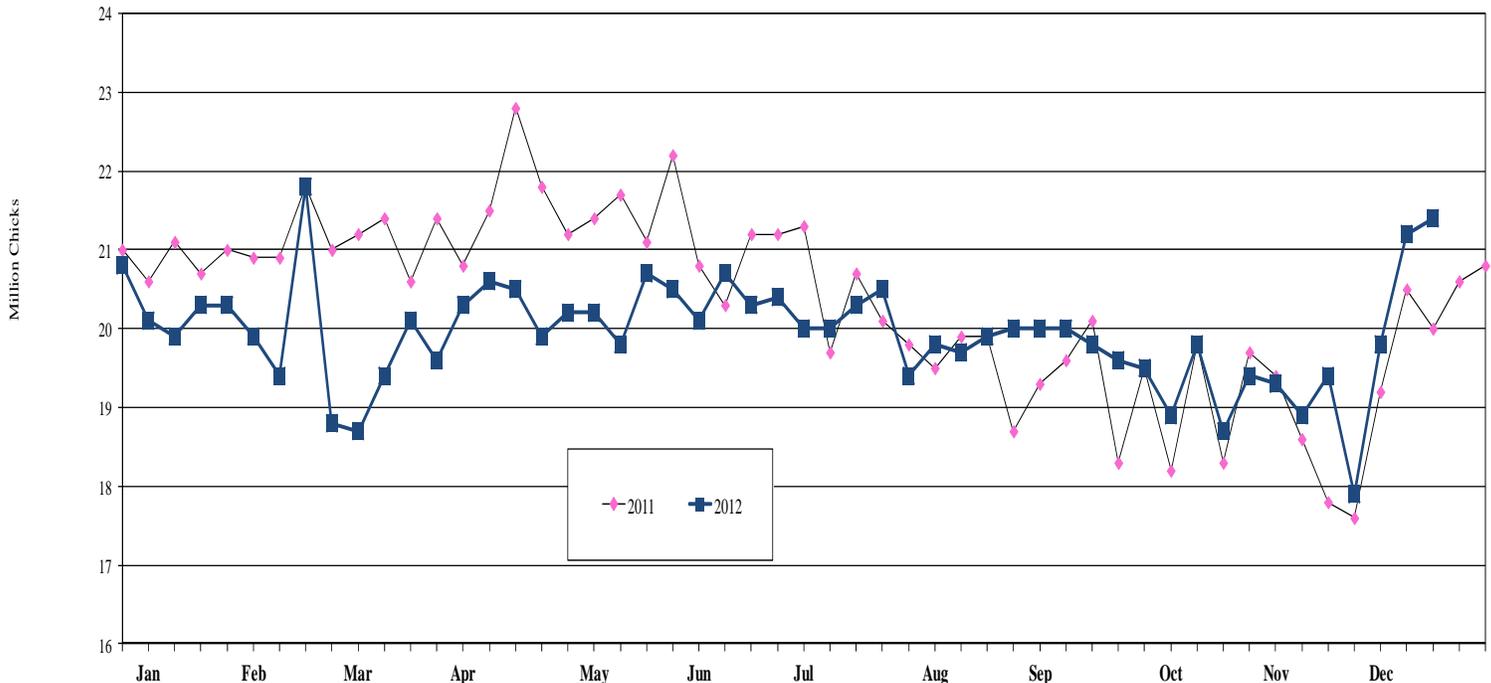
BROILERS PLACED IN ALABAMA UP 7 PERCENT BROILER EGGS SET DOWN 1 PERCENT

Placement of broiler chicks in Alabama during the week ending December 15, 2012 was 21.4 million, up 1 percent from the previous week, and up 7 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, down slightly from the previous week, and down 1 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.
	Thousands			Thousands		
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	28,045	101	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
Dec 15	27,904	27,607	99	19,985	21,449	107

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN ALABAMA BY WEEK, 2011-2012



Broiler-Type Eggs Set – 19 Selected States: 2012

State	Week ending					
	November 10, 2012	November 17, 2012	November 24, 2012	December 1, 2012	December 8, 2012	December 15, 2012
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)
Alabama	26,346	27,978	28,045	27,369	27,628	27,607
Arkansas	20,996	21,588	21,532	21,963	20,830	21,845
Delaware	3,389	3,415	3,413	3,415	3,414	3,415
Florida	1,353	1,351	1,353	1,655	1,048	1,350
Georgia	31,559	32,130	32,298	33,372	30,251	32,433
Kentucky	7,397	7,836	7,362	6,772	7,638	7,725
Louisiana	2,956	3,288	3,258	3,258	3,273	3,288
Maryland	7,136	7,158	7,182	7,067	7,117	7,185
Mississippi	17,223	16,865	17,178	17,089	17,377	16,927
Missouri	7,258	8,040	8,013	8,012	7,713	7,881
North Carolina	19,975	19,640	20,043	19,794	19,259	19,992
Oklahoma	6,553	6,830	6,825	7,026	6,809	6,537
Pennsylvania	3,546	3,749	3,701	3,935	3,583	3,689
South Carolina	5,129	5,397	5,657	5,557	5,316	4,675
Texas	14,007	14,128	14,212	14,764	13,761	14,328
Virginia	5,176	6,275	6,455	6,638	6,002	6,476
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	10,392	10,830	10,420	10,939	9,278	9,586
19 State total	190,391	196,498	196,947	198,625	190,297	194,939
Previous year total	194,224	195,158	194,560	194,178	194,887	194,602
Percent of previous year	98	101	101	102	98	100

Broiler-Type Chicks Placed – 19 Selected States: 2012

State	Week ending					
	November 10, 2012	November 17, 2012	November 24, 2012	December 1, 2012	December 8, 2012	December 15, 2012
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)
Alabama	18,897	19,390	17,883	19,786	21,156	21,449
Arkansas	17,258	20,306	18,987	19,476	19,134	20,377
Delaware	4,095	4,371	4,309	3,550	3,831	4,086
Florida	1,035	1,326	1,162	1,020	1,369	1,311
Georgia	24,989	24,885	24,958	26,525	25,978	26,221
Kentucky	5,250	5,745	5,875	5,542	6,190	6,383
Louisiana	2,981	2,891	2,664	2,642	2,940	2,912
Maryland	5,246	5,307	5,710	7,060	6,526	6,198
Mississippi	13,869	13,993	12,984	14,757	14,396	14,770
Missouri	4,849	5,265	4,869	5,316	5,768	5,720
North Carolina	15,055	15,712	16,127	16,728	15,726	16,314
Oklahoma	4,181	3,680	3,997	4,204	5,307	4,187
Pennsylvania	2,634	2,488	2,772	2,804	3,084	3,077
South Carolina	3,726	4,184	4,885	3,843	5,064	4,344
Texas	10,791	11,256	11,162	11,832	11,940	11,807
Virginia	4,349	4,507	3,929	3,592	4,264	4,456
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	8,566	10,589	9,465	10,742	10,596	9,562
19 State total	147,771	155,895	151,738	159,419	163,269	163,174
Previous year total	152,174	152,567	156,853	160,576	162,541	162,116
Percent of previous year	97	102	97	99	100	101

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.