



# Broiler Hatchery

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## **Broiler-Type Eggs Set in the United States Up 4 Percent**

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 250 million eggs in incubators during the week ending January 25, 2025, up 4 percent from a year ago. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 79.0 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 4 Percent**

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 192 million chicks for meat production during the week ending January 25, 2025, up 4 percent from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 4, 2025 through January 25, 2025 for the United States were 767 million. Cumulative placements were up 3 percent from the same period a year earlier.

## Broiler-Type Eggs Set – Selected States and United States: 2024 and 2025

State	Week ending					
	December 21, 2024	December 28, 2024	January 4, 2025	January 11, 2025	January 18, 2025	January 25, 2025
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)
Alabama .....	35,378	35,087	35,348	35,268	34,775	34,930
Arkansas .....	25,964	26,158	26,245	25,931	26,007	26,130
Delaware .....	5,637	5,725	5,738	5,748	5,743	5,742
Florida .....	1,225	1,225	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Georgia .....	35,248	34,741	35,178	34,951	34,577	34,565
Kentucky .....	7,739	7,844	7,917	7,596	7,803	7,973
Louisiana .....	3,624	3,624	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Maryland .....	8,093	8,263	8,442	8,267	8,267	8,355
Mississippi .....	18,128	18,081	18,169	18,203	18,112	18,097
Missouri .....	9,067	8,912	8,879	9,111	8,999	9,017
North Carolina .....	25,964	26,161	25,811	26,078	26,006	26,077
Oklahoma .....	5,669	5,683	5,770	5,851	5,576	5,984
Pennsylvania .....	8,767	8,347	8,735	8,692	8,571	8,403
South Carolina .....	6,191	6,054	6,079	5,913	6,077	6,300
Texas .....	19,052	19,037	19,315	19,758	19,445	19,956
Virginia .....	5,668	5,685	5,691	5,722	5,730	5,718
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia .....	15,150	15,315	15,440	14,634	15,465	15,640
Other States .....	11,900	11,616	16,777	16,912	16,810	16,821
United States .....	248,464	247,558	249,534	248,635	247,963	249,708

(NA) Not available.

## Broiler-Type Chicks Placed – Selected States and United States: 2024 and 2025

State	Week ending					
	December 21, 2024	December 28, 2024	January 4, 2025	January 11, 2025	January 18, 2025	January 25, 2025
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)
Alabama .....	24,976	25,533	25,765	24,721	23,734	24,565
Arkansas .....	21,373	21,617	22,163	22,808	21,088	21,404
Delaware .....	5,329	4,933	4,494	5,263	4,521	4,508
Florida .....	1,312	1,299	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Georgia .....	27,189	26,966	26,672	27,435	27,131	26,852
Kentucky .....	5,999	5,346	5,928	5,840	5,774	5,503
Louisiana .....	3,065	3,029	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Maryland .....	6,535	6,595	7,572	6,978	7,657	7,749
Mississippi .....	14,680	14,516	14,327	14,261	14,154	13,924
Missouri .....	6,296	6,569	5,444	5,754	5,092	6,080
North Carolina .....	20,556	19,638	19,784	19,841	19,738	19,825
Oklahoma .....	4,005	2,842	3,527	2,396	4,894	3,479
Pennsylvania .....	5,014	4,976	5,374	5,161	5,120	5,031
South Carolina .....	5,358	5,008	5,237	4,990	5,270	5,509
Texas .....	15,306	14,936	14,663	14,831	15,210	15,553
Virginia .....	5,410	5,000	4,795	4,676	4,587	4,676
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia .....	13,235	13,290	13,314	12,284	13,809	13,921
Other States .....	9,406	9,202	13,421	13,501	13,543	13,558
United States .....	195,044	191,295	192,480	190,740	191,322	192,137

(NA) Not available.

## 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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