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Southern Region News Release Broiler Hatchery



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This report contains the results from the Weekly Broiler Hatchery Survey. Thanks to all who responded.

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Broiler-Type Eggs Set in the United States Up 3 Percent

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 248 million eggs in incubators during the week ending July 27, 2024, up 3 percent from a year ago. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 79.3 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three-weeks earlier.

Hatcheries in Alabama set 34.4 million eggs during the week ending July 27, 2024, up 1 percent from a year ago. Hatcheries in Georgia set 36.3 million eggs during the same week, up 3 percent from a year ago.

Broiler-Type Chicks Placed in the United States Up 2 Percent

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 192 million chicks for meat production during the week ending July 27, 2024, up 2 percent from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 6, 2024 through July 27, 2024 for the United States were 5.66 billion. Cumulative placements were up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

Broiler growers in Alabama placed 24.4 million chicks for meat production during the week ending July 27, 2024, up 2 percent from a year ago. Placements in Georgia totaled 28.1 million chicks, up 1 percent from a year ago.

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

	Week ending							
State	June 22, 2024	June 29, 2024	July 6, 2024	July 13, 2024	July 20, 2024	July 27, 2024	Percent of previous year	
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(percent)	
Alabama	35,191	35,081	34,804	34,754	34,990	34,442	101	
Florida	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	100	
Georgia	35,785	35,443	36,345	34,993	36,035	36,295	103	
South Carolina	5,916	5,969	6,148	6,048	6,378	6,118	104	
United States	244,015	245,549	247,513	245,378	249,240	247,956	103	

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	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)	
Alabama	24,639	24,753	24,946	24,984	24,538	24,437	102	
Florida	1,240	1,247	1,336	1,302	1,277	1,346	109	
Georgia	27,731	28,067	27,573	27,956	27,299	28,141	101	
South Carolina	4,900	4,677	4,808	4,558	4,969	5,122	100	
United States	190,158	189,899	189,975	188,351	190,402	191,641	102	

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Alabama	35,191	35,081	34,804	34,754	34,990	34,442	
Arkansas	24,893	25,264	25,803	25,828	26,002	25,839	
Delaware	5,631	5,638	5,646	5,644	5,611	5,634	
Florida	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	
Georgia	35,785	35,443	36,345	34,993	36,035	36,295	
Kentucky	8,157	8,219	8,011	8,025	8,137	8,147	
Louisiana	3,530	3,561	3,655	3,258	3,530	3,608	
Maryland	8,090	8,092	8,094	8,047	8,095	8,092	
Mississippi	17,953	17,953	17,707	17,833	17,893	17,752	
Missouri	8,994	9,035	8,873	8,939	8,948	9,007	
North Carolina	25,270	25,747	25,876	25,342	26,007	25,937	
Oklahoma	5,414	6,054	6,018	6,089	6,049	5,867	
Pennsylvania	7,942	8,037	7,940	8,043	8,071	7,949	
South Carolina	5,916	5,969	6,148	6,048	6,378	6,118	
Texas	19,046	19,326	19,320	19,047	19,541	19,643	
Virginia	5,621	5,661	5,376	5,359	5,475	5,657	
California, Tennessee,							
and West Virginia	13,082	13,660	14,645	15,521	15,432	15,214	
Other States	12,275	11,584	12,027	11,383	11,821	11,530	
United States	244,015	245,549	247,513	245,378	249,240	247,956	

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	(1,000 chicks)						
Alabama Arkansas	24,639 20,771	24,753 21,521	24,946 21,853	24,984 19,986	24,538 21,082	24,437 20,806	
Delaware	4,344	4,290	5,449	5,049	5,732	5,310	
FloridaGeorgia	1,240 27,731	1,247 28,067	1,336 27,573	1,302 27,956	1,277 27,299	1,346 28,141	
Kentucky	5,883	5,902	5,944	5,877	6,001	5,692	
Louisiana Maryland	3,039 6,606	3,020 6,534	2,948 5,787	3,037 5,346	3,054 5,292	2,944 5,504	
Mississippi	13,695	13,679	13,930	13,904	14,060	13,718	
Missouri	5,364	5,315	5,851	6,277	5,485	5,503	
North Carolina	19,865	19,620	19,776	20,046	20,122	20,377	
Oklahoma Pennsylvania	4,909 5,035	4,294 5,060	3,005 4,924	3,345 5,063	4,210 5,096	4,863 5,027	
South Carolina	4,900	4,677	4,808	4,558	4,969	5,122	
TexasVirginia	15,182 5,023	15,173 5,411	15,021 4,904	14,998 5,677	15,254 5,578	15,286 5,339	
California, Tennessee,	·		·			•	
and West Virginia	12,841	12,103	12,481	11,685	12,368	12,936	
Other States	9,091	9,233	9,439	9,261	8,985	9,290	
United States	190,158	189,899	189,975	188,351	190,402	191,641	

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