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## 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 4 Percent

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 251 million eggs in incubators during the week ending August 3, 2024, up 4 percent from a year ago. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 79.5 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three-weeks earlier.

Hatcheries in Alabama set 35.4 million eggs during the week ending August 3, 2024, up 4 percent from a year ago. Hatcheries in Georgia set 36.0 million eggs during the same week, up 2 percent from a year ago.

### Broiler-Type Chicks Placed in the United States Up 1 Percent

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 191 million chicks for meat production during the week ending August 3, 2024, up 1 percent from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 6, 2024 through August 3, 2024 for the United States were 5.85 billion. Cumulative placements were up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

Broiler growers in Alabama placed 24.2 million chicks for meat production during the week ending August 3, 2024, down 2 percent from a year ago. Placements in Georgia totaled 27.3 million chicks, down slightly from a year ago.

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

State	Week ending						Percent of previous year (percent)
	June 29, 2024	July 6, 2024	July 13, 2024	July 20, 2024	July 27, 2024	August 3, 2024	
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	
Alabama .....	35,081	34,804	34,749	34,990	34,442	35,384	104
Florida .....	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	100
Georgia .....	35,443	36,345	35,022	36,035	36,243	35,969	102
South Carolina....	5,969	6,148	6,048	6,378	6,116	6,304	105
United States .....	245,549	247,513	245,956	249,240	248,434	250,597	104

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Alabama .....	24,753	24,946	24,984	24,538	24,437	24,221	98
Florida .....	1,247	1,336	1,302	1,277	1,346	1,254	107
Georgia .....	28,067	27,573	27,956	27,299	28,080	27,272	100
South Carolina....	4,677	4,808	4,558	4,969	5,423	4,799	98
United States .....	189,899	189,975	188,351	190,402	191,942	190,778	101

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Alabama .....	35,081	34,804	34,749	34,990	34,442	35,384
Arkansas.....	25,264	25,803	26,060	26,002	25,839	25,964
Delaware .....	5,638	5,646	5,644	5,611	5,634	5,634
Florida.....	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225
Georgia.....	35,443	36,345	35,022	36,035	36,243	35,969
Kentucky.....	8,219	8,011	8,025	8,137	8,148	8,013
Louisiana .....	3,561	3,655	3,258	3,530	3,608	3,655
Maryland.....	8,092	8,094	8,047	8,095	8,091	8,091
Mississippi .....	17,953	17,707	17,666	17,893	17,752	17,696
Missouri .....	9,035	8,873	9,054	8,948	9,007	9,022
North Carolina.....	25,747	25,876	25,373	26,007	26,122	26,454
Oklahoma .....	6,054	6,018	6,194	6,049	5,867	6,335
Pennsylvania .....	8,037	7,940	7,991	8,071	7,949	8,028
South Carolina .....	5,969	6,148	6,048	6,378	6,116	6,304
Texas.....	19,326	19,320	19,077	19,541	19,643	19,759
Virginia.....	5,661	5,376	5,359	5,475	5,657	5,555
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia.....	13,660	14,645	15,781	15,432	15,560	15,860
Other States.....	11,584	12,027	11,383	11,821	11,531	11,649
United States .....	245,549	247,513	245,956	249,240	248,434	250,597

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Alabama .....	24,753	24,946	24,984	24,538	24,437	24,221
Arkansas.....	21,521	21,853	19,986	21,082	20,806	22,177
Delaware .....	4,290	5,449	5,049	5,732	5,442	5,367
Florida.....	1,247	1,336	1,302	1,277	1,346	1,254
Georgia.....	28,067	27,573	27,956	27,299	28,080	27,272
Kentucky.....	5,902	5,944	5,877	6,001	5,685	6,160
Louisiana .....	3,020	2,948	3,037	3,054	2,944	2,717
Maryland.....	6,534	5,787	5,346	5,292	5,904	6,036
Mississippi .....	13,679	13,930	13,904	14,060	13,718	13,737
Missouri .....	5,315	5,851	6,277	5,485	5,503	5,810
North Carolina.....	19,620	19,776	20,046	20,122	20,090	19,745
Oklahoma .....	4,294	3,005	3,345	4,210	4,863	3,724
Pennsylvania .....	5,060	4,924	5,063	5,096	5,027	5,089
South Carolina .....	4,677	4,808	4,558	4,969	5,423	4,799
Texas.....	15,173	15,021	14,998	15,254	15,286	14,946
Virginia.....	5,411	4,904	5,677	5,578	5,034	4,983
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia.....	12,103	12,481	11,685	12,368	13,092	13,797
Other States.....	9,233	9,439	9,261	8,985	9,262	8,944
United States .....	189,899	189,975	188,351	190,402	191,942	190,778

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