



# 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 234 million eggs in incubators during the week ending September 11, 2021, up 4 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.

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

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 185 million chicks for meat production during the week ending September 11, 2021, down 1 percent from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 9, 2021 through September 11, 2021 for the United States were 6.72 billion. Cumulative placements were up slightly from the same period a year earlier.

## Broiler-Type Eggs Set – Selected States and United States: 2021

State	Week ending					
	August 7, 2021	August 14, 2021	August 21, 2021	August 28, 2021	September 4, 2021	September 11, 2021
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)
Alabama .....	33,841	33,565	33,210	33,513	33,682	33,391
Arkansas .....	25,149	25,195	25,084	24,524	24,384	22,738
Delaware .....	4,465	4,558	4,510	4,474	4,476	4,478
Florida .....	1,186	1,186	1,186	1,186	1,186	1,186
Georgia .....	34,801	34,526	34,893	34,831	34,680	35,089
Kentucky .....	7,809	6,274	7,881	7,284	7,534	7,060
Louisiana .....	3,184	3,204	3,259	3,230	3,169	2,780
Maryland .....	7,913	7,915	7,939	7,937	7,945	7,794
Mississippi .....	17,106	17,065	17,102	16,788	16,191	16,676
Missouri .....	9,435	9,625	9,625	9,548	9,508	9,503
North Carolina .....	24,583	24,719	24,733	24,316	24,015	23,836
Oklahoma .....	7,446	7,459	7,394	6,966	7,501	6,572
Pennsylvania .....	6,586	6,725	6,605	6,560	6,712	6,736
South Carolina .....	5,861	5,905	5,838	5,610	5,738	5,753
Texas .....	17,633	17,804	18,172	17,286	17,199	18,043
Virginia .....	6,598	6,727	6,779	6,762	6,752	6,780
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia .....	13,059	12,991	12,659	12,786	12,819	12,695
Other States .....	12,683	12,819	12,365	11,994	12,235	12,470
United States .....	239,338	238,262	239,234	235,595	235,726	233,580
Percent of previous year .....	103	103	103	102	102	104

## Broiler-Type Chicks Placed – Selected States and United States: 2021

State	Week ending					
	August 7, 2021	August 14, 2021	August 21, 2021	August 28, 2021	September 4, 2021	September 11, 2021
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)
Alabama .....	23,447	23,696	24,385	23,488	23,518	23,371
Arkansas .....	21,288	21,381	20,155	21,409	21,387	20,652
Delaware .....	4,449	5,197	4,711	5,091	4,901	5,329
Florida .....	1,253	1,291	928	960	1,282	1,170
Georgia .....	26,096	25,876	27,005	27,527	27,182	25,594
Kentucky .....	5,937	6,245	5,672	5,508	5,298	6,226
Louisiana .....	2,805	2,721	2,692	2,664	2,804	2,816
Maryland .....	5,746	4,729	5,288	4,842	5,593	4,586
Mississippi .....	13,853	14,213	14,091	14,114	14,116	14,218
Missouri .....	5,840	6,275	6,682	7,208	6,428	6,144
North Carolina .....	19,001	20,204	19,738	19,604	19,307	19,953
Oklahoma .....	4,770	4,362	4,532	3,124	3,566	4,480
Pennsylvania .....	4,801	4,843	4,996	4,730	4,973	4,930
South Carolina .....	4,976	4,954	5,177	5,026	4,928	5,147
Texas .....	13,707	14,091	14,025	13,865	14,314	14,331
Virginia .....	5,685	5,576	5,479	6,282	5,369	5,899
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia .....	10,669	11,435	10,571	10,770	10,863	11,496
Other States .....	9,571	9,387	9,721	9,767	9,443	9,003
United States .....	183,894	186,476	185,848	185,979	185,272	185,345
Percent of previous year .....	98	102	101	100	99	99

## 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.

**Revision Policy:** Revisions are generally the result of late or corrected data. Revisions made to the previous five-week's data during the current week are published in this report. Final estimates are published in the annual *Hatchery Production Summary* released in April.

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