



# Broiler Hatchery

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## **Broiler-Type Eggs Set in the United States Up 1 Percent**

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 246 million eggs in incubators during the week ending June 15, 2024, up 1 percent from a year ago. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 79.1 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 Slightly**

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 190 million chicks for meat production during the week ending June 15, 2024, up slightly from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 6, 2024 through June 15, 2024 for the United States were 4.52 billion. Cumulative placements were up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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

State	Week ending					
	May 11, 2024	May 18, 2024	May 25, 2024	June 1, 2024	June 8, 2024	June 15, 2024
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)
Alabama .....	34,331	35,189	34,924	34,438	35,045	34,927
Arkansas .....	25,866	25,611	25,658	25,678	25,511	25,182
Delaware .....	5,714	5,598	5,599	5,656	5,658	5,645
Florida .....	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225
Georgia .....	35,749	36,276	36,228	35,866	35,811	35,498
Kentucky .....	8,133	8,092	8,057	8,194	8,015	8,140
Louisiana .....	3,654	3,527	3,561	3,561	3,530	3,593
Maryland .....	8,065	8,053	8,094	8,095	8,092	8,090
Mississippi .....	17,545	17,842	17,825	17,679	17,678	17,923
Missouri .....	8,817	8,867	8,785	8,769	8,891	8,922
North Carolina .....	25,183	25,440	25,796	25,577	25,330	25,712
Oklahoma .....	6,062	5,921	5,820	5,772	5,968	5,802
Pennsylvania .....	7,381	8,080	8,185	7,988	7,970	7,929
South Carolina .....	6,171	5,969	5,966	6,050	6,050	6,129
Texas .....	19,689	19,418	19,449	19,586	19,489	19,331
Virginia .....	5,264	5,458	5,446	5,584	5,580	5,645
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia .....	13,346	13,550	13,434	13,422	13,334	13,650
Other States .....	12,008	12,098	12,066	11,753	12,124	12,215
United States .....	244,203	246,214	246,118	244,893	245,301	245,558

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

State	Week ending					
	May 11, 2024	May 18, 2024	May 25, 2024	June 1, 2024	June 8, 2024	June 15, 2024
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)
Alabama .....	24,865	25,683	24,737	24,252	23,791	24,869
Arkansas .....	21,361	21,034	22,817	20,610	21,285	21,915
Delaware .....	4,534	6,045	4,530	4,892	5,491	4,656
Florida .....	1,341	1,302	1,354	1,311	1,316	1,296
Georgia .....	28,008	27,164	28,417	27,964	29,240	28,298
Kentucky .....	5,992	5,895	6,099	5,868	6,092	6,024
Louisiana .....	3,013	2,921	2,905	2,951	3,006	3,070
Maryland .....	6,734	5,057	6,111	6,321	5,328	6,177
Mississippi .....	13,736	13,345	13,370	13,627	13,776	13,801
Missouri .....	5,818	6,466	5,090	5,659	5,236	5,484
North Carolina .....	19,892	19,771	20,125	19,791	20,044	20,163
Oklahoma .....	3,209	3,377	2,612	4,682	4,269	3,017
Pennsylvania .....	4,901	4,797	4,879	4,628	5,165	5,202
South Carolina .....	5,062	5,215	4,817	4,533	4,442	4,798
Texas .....	14,877	15,306	15,579	15,413	15,207	15,323
Virginia .....	4,784	5,440	5,164	5,015	5,473	5,192
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia .....	12,679	11,449	11,748	12,182	12,018	11,868
Other States .....	9,388	9,325	9,256	9,006	9,100	9,148
United States .....	190,194	189,592	189,610	188,705	190,279	190,301

## 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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