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Arkansas Chick Placements Up 6 Percent From Last Year

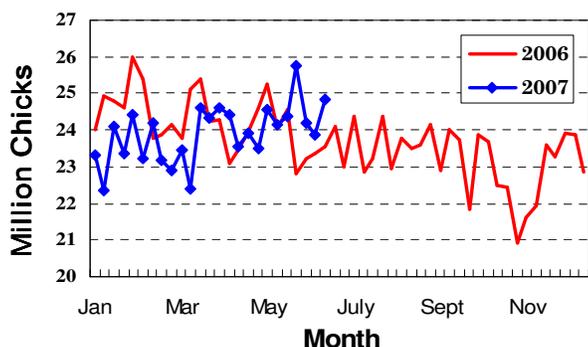
Broiler-type **chicks placed** for meat production in Arkansas were 24.8 million during the week ending June 23, 2007. Placements were up 6 percent from the comparable week in 2006, and up 4 percent from the previous week, and included 2.4 million chicks shipped in from other states. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2006 through June 23, 2007 were 597.6 million, down 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

The broiler-type **chicks hatched** for the week were 24.2 million, up 2 percent from the corresponding week a year earlier, and up slightly from the previous week. Of the total hatch, 1.5 million chicks were shipped out of the state. Average hatchability for chicks hatched was 84 percent.

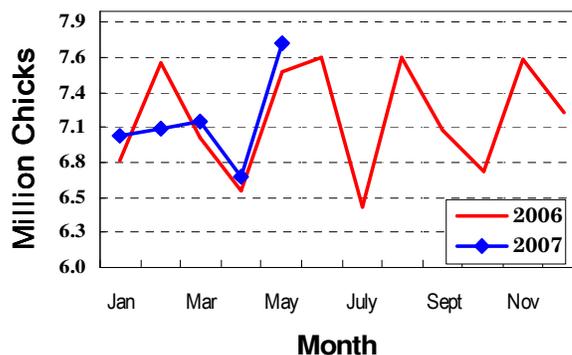
Arkansas hatcheries **set** 28.1 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending June 23, 2007, up 1 percent from the same period last year, but down 2 percent from the previous week.

Leading breeders in the **United States** placed 7.75 million **broiler-type pullet chicks** for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during May 2007, up 3 percent from May 2006.

Chicks Placed in Arkansas by Week, 2006-2007



U. S. Broiler-Type Pullet Chicks Placed for Domestic Hatchery Supply Flocks, 2006 - 2007



Week Ending 1/	Chicks Placed in Arkansas		
	Year		% of Prev. Year
	2006	2007	
	<i>Thousand</i>		
May 19	24,058	24,148	100
May 26	24,544	24,378	99
June 2	22,810	25,750	113
June 9	23,245	24,190	104
June 16	23,371	23,889	102
June 23	23,545	24,845	106

Month	U.S. Pullet Chicks Placed		
	Year		% of Prev. Year
	2005-2006	2006-2007	
	<i>Thousand</i>		
Dec.	7,112	7,176	101
Jan.	6,825	7,015	103
Feb.	7,593	7,071	93
Mar.	7,012	7,135	102
Apr.	6,593	6,692	102
Jun.	7,531	7,746	103

1/ For previous year, it is the comparable week.

* Revised

Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Weeks, May 26, 2007 - June 23, 2007

State	Eggs Set						Chicks Placed					
	Week Ending						Week Ending					
	26-May	2-Jun	9-Jun	16-Jun	23-Jun	% 1/	26-May	2-Jun	9-Jun	16-Jun	23-Jun	% 1/
	<i>Thousand</i>						<i>Thousand</i>					
Alabama	31,211	31,481	31,647	31,302	30,807	100	20,693	21,820	20,991	20,593 *	20,509	97
Arkansas	28,790	28,778	28,755	28,691	28,062	101	24,378	25,750	24,190	23,889	24,845	106
Delaware	4,121	4,188	4,155 *	4,153 *	4,217	107	4,526	4,948	4,987 *	5,121 *	5,685	110
Florida	1,359	1,383 *	1,343	1,345	1,364	99	1,427	1,342	1,268	1,375	1,464	93
Georgia	36,391	36,229 *	36,768	35,971	35,385	102	30,298	29,693	29,897	29,478 *	29,758	102
Kentucky	7,830	7,893	7,884	7,858 *	7,876	112	6,779	6,933	7,209	6,361 *	6,473	118
Louisiana	3,923	3,923	3,923	3,923	3,923	100	3,987	3,625	3,931	3,775	3,804	95
Maryland	8,851	8,907	8,977	9,025	8,994	100	6,658	6,435	6,428 *	6,240 *	5,807	96
Mississippi	19,090	19,031 *	18,850	19,150	19,059	107	16,935	17,218	17,345	17,380	17,436	110
N. Carolina	19,596	19,687 *	19,915	19,548	19,594	106	15,717	15,876	15,991	15,468	16,072	106
Oklahoma	6,704	6,745	6,786	6,584	6,746	104	5,240	5,795	5,643	5,307	4,874	96
Pennsylvania	4,116 *	3,897	4,239 *	4,090 *	4,071	102	3,024 *	3,059	3,080 *	2,971 *	3,001	106
S. Carolina	5,946	5,525	5,752	5,596	5,565	109	4,439	4,742	5,347	5,043	5,494	126
Texas	15,445	15,282 *	15,348	15,212	15,300	103	12,723	12,846	12,873	12,942	12,996	100
Virginia	6,479	6,438	6,454	6,477	6,419	101	5,394	5,333	4,987	5,119	5,236	107
CA,MO,TN & WW	20,087	19,870 *	19,177	20,107	19,564	100	17,671	15,870	17,437	18,630	18,191	101
19 State Total	219,939 *	219,257 *	219,973 *	219,032 *	216,946		179,889 *	181,285	181,604 *	179,692 *	181,645	
Prev. Year Total	213,886	213,519	214,378	210,714	210,971		174,620	175,872	175,179	175,714	175,252	
% of Prev. Year	103	103	103	104	103		103	103	104	102	104	
Approximate Marketing Date 2007 2/							14-Jul	21-Jul	28-Jul	4-Aug	11-Aug	

* Revised in current week. 1/ Current week as percent of the same week last year. 2/ Industry average; seven weeks from placement.

Broiler Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Up 3 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 217 million eggs in incubators during the week ending June 23, 2007. This was up 3 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 84 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler Chicks Placed Up 4 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 182 million chicks for meat production during the week ending June 23, 2007. Placements were up 4 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative Placements from December 31, 2006 through June 23, 2007 were 4.41 billion, up slightly from the same period a year earlier.