

Arkansas

Broiler Hatchery

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Arkansas Chick Placements Up 7 Percent From Last Year

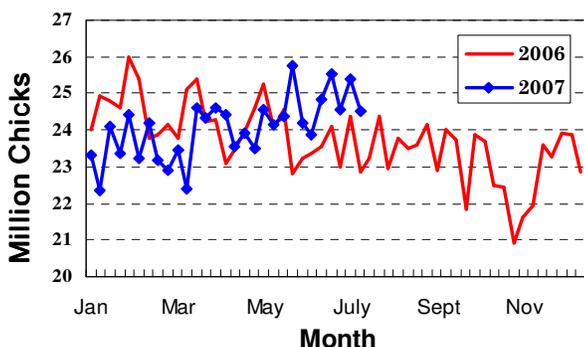
Broiler-type **chicks placed** for meat production in Arkansas were 24.5 million during the week ending July 21, 2007. Placements were up 7 percent from the comparable week in 2006, but down 3 percent from the previous week, and included 4.2 million chicks shipped in from other states. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2006 through July 21, 2007 were 697.6 million, virtually unchanged from the same period a year earlier.

The broiler-type **chicks hatched** for the week were 22.9 million, virtually unchanged from the corresponding week a year earlier and down 3 percent from the previous week. Of the total hatch, 2.3 million chicks were shipped out of the state. Average hatchability for chicks hatched was 83 percent.

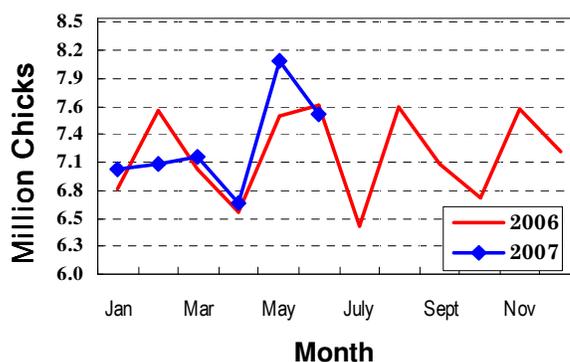
Arkansas hatcheries **set** 27.8 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending July 21, 2007, down 1 percent from the same period last year, and down 1 percent from the previous week.

Leading breeders in the **United States** placed 7.55 million **broiler-type pullet chicks** for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during June 2007, down 1 percent from June 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>		
June 16	23,371	23,889	102
June 23	23,545	24,845	106
June	24,121	25,529	105
July 7	22,991	24,578	107
July 14	24,376	25,377*	103
July 21	22,878	24,502	107

Month	U.S. Pullet Chicks Placed		
	Year		% of Prev. Year
	2005-2006	2006-2007	
	<i>Thousand</i>		
Jan.	6,825	7,015	103
Feb.	7,593	7,071	93
Mar.	7,012	7,135	102
Apr.	6,593	6,692	102
May	7,531	8,083*	107
Jun.	7,636	7,554	99

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

*Revised

Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Weeks, June 16, 2007 - July 14, 2007

State	Eggs Set						Chicks Placed									
	Week Ending						Week Ending									
	23-Jun	30-Jun	7-Jul	14-Jul	21-Jul	% 1/	23-Jun	30-Jun	7-Jul	14-Jul	21-Jul	% 1/				
	<i>Thousand</i>						<i>Thousand</i>									
Alabama	30,953	31,228	30,789	31,299	*	32,196	100	20,521	20,699	20,932	20,795	21,461	98			
Arkansas	27,925	27,439	27,843	28,042	*	27,772	99	24,857	25,529	24,578	25,377	24,502	107			
Delaware	4,218	4,217	4,216	4,189	*	4,188	110	5,264	5,166	5,185	5,171	*	5,138	86		
Florida	1,364	1,343	*	1,374	1,369	1,343	98	1,464	1,414	1,540	1,367	1,478	106			
Georgia	35,116	34,758	*	36,096	36,290	*	35,812	103	29,735	30,456	29,527	29,406	*	28,662	101	
Kentucky	7,894	7,027	*	7,849	7,845	7,784	108	6,249	6,327	6,289	6,244	5,555	98			
Louisiana	3,923	3,923	3,923	3,923	3,923	99	3,825	3,771	3,954	3,897	3,927	100				
Maryland	8,907	8,354	8,649	8,852	8,778	99	6,398	5,737	6,192	*	6,017	*	5,598	116		
Mississippi	19,059	18,499	18,891	18,701	18,741	104	17,436	17,255	17,307	17,579	16,510	109				
N. Carolina	19,620	18,952	*	18,821	19,937	19,686	107	15,797	16,228	16,057	16,226	15,895	106			
Oklahoma	6,746	6,302	6,659	6,701	*	6,796	105	4,803	5,355	4,837	4,526	5,680	104			
Pennsylvania	4,294	3,944	4,053	*	4,153	*	4,128	98	3,020	3,060	3,067	*	3,188	*	2,955	103
S. Carolina	5,565	5,559	5,385	5,722	5,747	107	5,494	4,740	4,414	4,464	4,690	99				
Texas	15,294	14,194	15,170	15,364	15,302	104	12,994	13,006	12,948	12,929	11,845	107				
Virginia	6,419	6,077	6,388	6,374	6,175	97	5,236	5,688	4,952	5,262	*	4,971	96			
CA,MO,TN & WV	19,421	19,053	*	19,583	19,387	*	19,596	97	18,246	16,508	17,519	17,367	*	16,512	100	
19 State Total	216,718	210,869	*	215,689	*	218,077	*	217,967	181,339	180,939	179,298	*	179,815	*	175,379	
Prev. Year Total	210,971	208,219	211,044	213,579	214,110	175,252	176,711	173,487	173,852	171,142						
% of Prev. Year	103	101	102	102	102	103	102	103	103	102						
Approximate Marketing Date 2007 2/							11-Aug	18-Aug	25-Aug	1-Sep	8-Sep					

* 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 2 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 218 million eggs in incubators during the week ending July 21, 2007. This was up 2 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler Chicks Placed Up 2 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 175 million chicks for meat production during the week ending July 21, 2007. Placements were up 2 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative Placements from December 31, 2006 through July 21, 2007 were 5.12 billion, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.