

Arkansas

Broiler Hatchery

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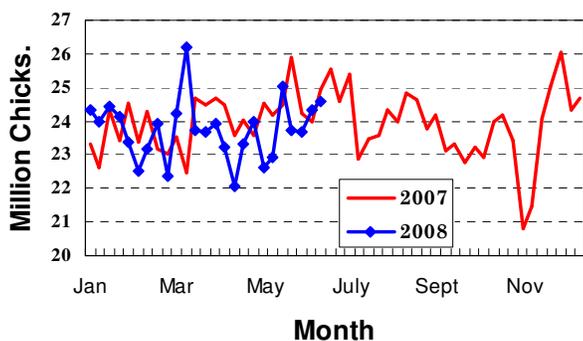
Arkansas Chick Placements Down 1 Percent From Last Year

Broiler-type **chicks placed** for meat production in Arkansas were 24.6 million during the week ending June 21, 2008. Placements were down 1 percent from the comparable week in 2007, but up 1 percent from the previous week.

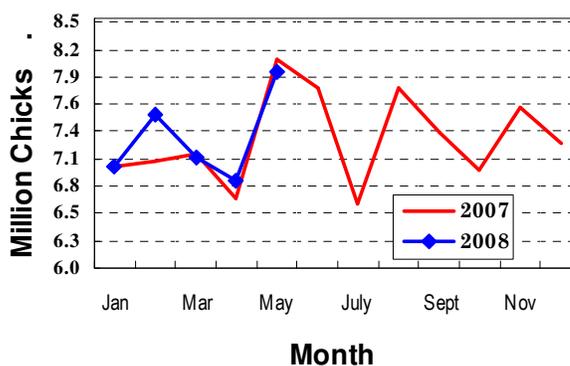
Arkansas hatcheries **set** 26.3 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending June 21, 2008, down 6 percent from last year but up slightly from the previous week.

Leading breeders in the **United States** placed 7.96 million **broiler-type pullet chicks** for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during May 2008, down 1 percent from May 2007.

Chicks Placed in Arkansas by Week, 2007-2008



U. S. Broiler-Type Pullet Chicks Placed for Domestic Hatchery Supply Flocks, 2007-2008



Week Ending 1/	Chicks Placed in Arkansas		
	Year		% of Prev. Year
	2007	2008	
	<i>Thousand</i>		
May 17	24,188	22,940	95
May 24	24,471	25,035	102
May 31	25,876	23,748	92
June 7	24,238	23,671	98
June 14	24,001	24,314*	101
June 21	24,945	24,590	99

Month	U.S. Pullet Chicks Placed		
	Year		% of Prev. Year
	2006-2007	2007-2008	
	<i>Thousand</i>		
Dec.	7,176	7,248	101
Jan.	7,015	7,012	100
Feb.	7,071	7,536	107
Mar.	7,135	7,090	99
Apr.	6,692	6,867	103
May	8,083	7,962	99

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

* Revised

Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, May 24, 2008 - June 21, 2008

State	Eggs Set						Chicks Placed					
	Week Ending						Week Ending					
	24-May	31-May	7-Jun	14-Jun	21-Jun	% 1/	24-May	31-May	7-Jun	14-Jun	21-Jun	% 1/
	<i>Thousand</i>						<i>Thousand</i>					
Alabama	32,510	32,731	32,740	31,511 *	31,350	101	22,280	21,497	22,140	22,327 *	22,049	108
Arkansas	27,244	27,203	26,918	26,331 *	26,337	94	25,035	23,748	23,671	24,314 *	24,590	99
Delaware	3,717	3,721	3,718	3,630 *	3,647	86	4,949	5,206	5,127	4,521 *	4,609	88
Florida	1,336	1,346	1,341	1,341	1,341	98	1,136	1,383	1,146	1,136	1,224	84
Georgia	34,509	34,121 *	34,119	34,260 *	34,353	100	28,981	28,993	29,052	28,012 *	28,951	100
Kentucky	8,317	8,098 *	8,171	7,568 *	7,687	97	6,158	6,071	6,492	6,904 *	6,408	104
Louisiana	3,682	3,620	3,651	3,642	3,651	93	3,474	3,683	3,794	3,742	3,755	98
Maryland	8,771	8,601	8,976	8,236 *	9,164	103	6,008	5,602	5,939	6,308 *	6,567	108
Mississippi	18,948	18,981	19,074	18,930	18,761	98	16,614	17,259	17,348	17,262	17,186	99
N. Carolina	19,413	19,359 *	19,263	19,108 *	19,089	97	16,087	16,076	16,047	16,010 *	15,617	99
Oklahoma	7,243	7,191 *	7,342	7,216	6,987	101	3,883	4,608	4,802	4,917	3,810	79
Pennsylvania	4,442	4,592	4,474 *	4,539 *	4,503	105	3,261	3,191	3,278 *	3,414 *	3,461	114
S. Carolina	5,556	5,490	5,769	5,260	5,317	96	4,618	4,756	4,726	5,494	5,220	95
Texas	15,485	15,690 *	15,778	15,899	15,920	104	12,523	12,416	12,990	13,149	13,193	102
Virginia	6,257	6,242	6,199	6,476	6,315	98	4,976	4,858	5,202	5,287	4,911	94
CA,MO,TN & WW	19,723	19,840	20,058	19,684 *	19,078	98	17,249	17,659	18,141	16,582 *	17,769	98
19 State Total	217,153	216,826 *	217,591 *	213,631 *	213,500		177,232	177,006	179,895 *	179,379 *	179,320	
Prev. Year Total	219,527	218,990	219,184	217,590	216,287		179,069	180,055	180,462	179,754	180,026	
% of Prev. Year	99	99	99	98	99		99	98	100	100	100	

* Revised in current week.

1/ Current week as percent of the same week last year.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Down 1 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 214 million eggs in incubators during the week ending June 21, 2008. This was down 1 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 Down Slightly

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 179 million chicks for meat production during the week ending June 21, 2008. Placements were down slightly from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2007 through June 21, 2008 were 4.46 billion, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.