



**DELMARVA AGRICULTURE DATA  
WEEKLY BROILER CHICKS REPORT**

02/16/05  
BC-7-05

**PLACEMENTS DOWN 1%**

For the week ending February 12, 2005, growers placed 11.0 million broiler chicks in Delmarva grow houses, according to the Maryland Agricultural Statistics Service. These placements were 0.7% below the comparable week a year earlier. Broiler-type chicks hatched (11.0 million) decreased 1.1% from comparable week in 2004. Eggs set in incubators during the week totaled 14.0 million, an increase of 1.2% from the same week a year earlier. Federally inspected slaughter on Delmarva was 10.7 million for the week ending February 05, 2005 compared to 10.9 million slaughtered during the same week in 2004.

**BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET AND BROILER CHICKS PLACED ON DELMARVA**

WEEK ENDING	EGGS SET 1/		CHICKS HATCHED 1/		CHICKS PLACED 2/	
	PREV YEAR	CURR YEAR	PREV YEAR	CURR YEAR	PREV YEAR	CURR YEAR
----- THOUSANDS -----						
12/18/04	13,719	13,804	11,507	11,455	11,507	11,455
12/25/04	13,621	14,010	11,278	11,235	11,278	11,237
01/01/05	13,595	13,713	11,385	11,464	11,385	11,464
01/08/05	13,634	13,875	11,233	11,487	11,233	11,487
01/15/05	13,755	13,402	11,151	11,657	11,151	11,657
01/22/05	13,656	13,114	11,217	11,418	11,217	11,418
01/29/05	13,432	13,707	11,194	11,486	11,194	11,486
02/05/05	13,500	13,977	11,358	11,155	11,358	11,155
02/12/05	13,842	14,008	11,058	10,934	11,058	10,984

1/ For all broiler-type chicks, including those intended for hatchery flocks.

2/ The difference between chicks hatched and placed includes chicks withdrawn for hatchery flocks, inshipments and outshipments. None of those numbers are published to avoid disclosure of proprietary information.

\* Revised.

**NEGOTIATED PRICE FOR TRUCKLOT OF READY-TO-COOK, ICE-PACK,  
GRADE A FRYERS (\$ per CWT) 1/**

	WEEK ENDING	PREV. WEEK	PREV. MONTH	PREV. YEAR
	02/19/05			
New York Weighted Avg	69.79	69.68	71.08	76.67
12-City Composite 2/	71.37	71.37	72.01	75.41

1/ Source: U.S.D.A., Poultry Market News.

2/ 12-cities: Boston/New England, Chicago, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Denver, Detroit, Los Angeles, New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, St. Louis and San Francisco.