

Delmarva Agriculture Data

Weekly Broiler Chicks Report

09/19/07
BC-38-07

PLACEMENTS UP SLIGHTLY

For the week ending September 15, 2007, growers placed 11.5 million broiler chicks in Delmarva growing houses, according to the Maryland Field Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. These placements were 0.2% above the comparable week a year earlier. Broiler-type chicks hatched (11.5 million) increased 1.9% from comparable week in 2006. Eggs set in incubators during the week totaled 12.9 million, a decrease of 1.0% from the same week a year earlier. Federally inspected slaughter on Delmarva was 10.3 million for the week ending September 08, 2007 compared to 9.7 million slaughtered during the same week in 2006.

BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET AND BROILER CHICKS PLACED ON DELMARVA

WEEK ENDING	EGGS SET 1/		CHICKS HATCHED 1/		CHICKS PLACED 2/	
	PREVIOUS YR	CURRENT YR	PREVIOUS YR	CURRENT YR	PREVIOUS YR	CURRENT YR
----- THOUSANDS -----						
07/21/07	13,889	14,125	11,348	11,316	12,481	11,411
07/28/07	14,118	14,037	11,518	11,697	12,539	11,697
08/04/07	14,117	14,004	11,610	11,767	11,852	11,769
08/11/07	14,088	14,032	11,508	11,746	11,634	11,746
08/18/07	14,034	14,127	11,760	11,702	11,815	10,963
08/25/07	13,755	13,792	11,678	11,599	11,679	11,599
09/01/07	13,797	13,544	11,474	11,695	11,477	11,695
09/08/07	13,585	13,615	11,537	11,732	11,537	11,732
09/15/07	13,075	12,949	11,266	11,485	11,461	11,485

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2/ The difference between chicks hatched and placed includes chicks withdrawn for hatchery flocks, inshipments and outshipments.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/

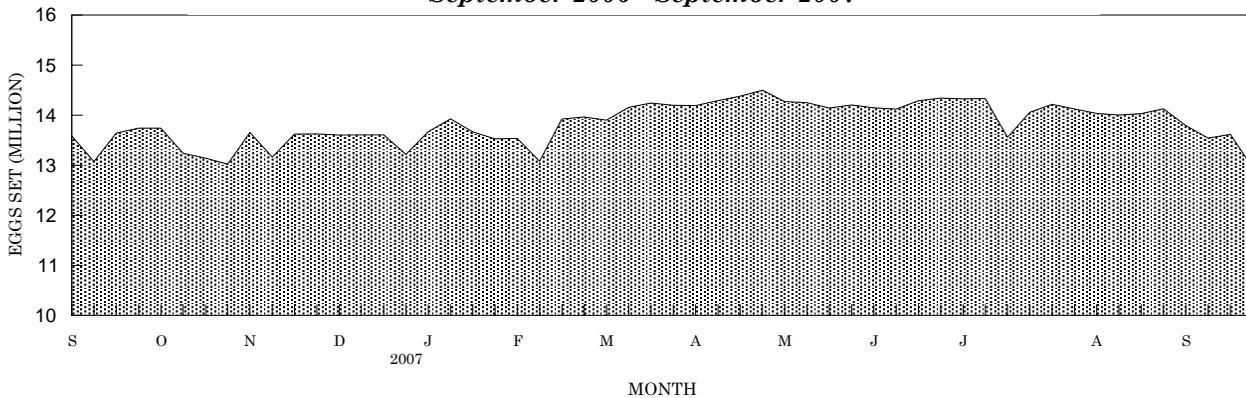
	WEEK ENDING 09/22/07	PREV. WEEK	PREV. MONTH	PREV. YEAR
New York Weighted Avg	76.71	76.95	73.05	66.17
12-City Composite 2/	77.91	80.37	77.88	69.86

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.

BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET ON DELMARVA

September 2006 - September 2007



Delmarva Agriculture Data

Weekly Broiler Chicks Report

Broiler-Type Eggs Set, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Aug 11 2007	Aug 18 2007	Aug 25 2007	Sep 1 2007	Sep 8 2007	Sep 15 2007
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	32,236	32,061	*31,632	31,432	30,964	31,327
AR	28,414	28,305	28,234	28,271	27,155	26,429
DE	4,169	4,186	3,958	3,974	3,954	3,982
FL	1,342	1,344	1,366	1,344	1,344	1,344
GA	35,928	35,726	35,676	36,031	34,273	34,299
KY	*7,767	*7,815	*7,670	7,616	7,214	7,505
LA	4,014	4,044	4,044	4,038	*4,029	3,999
MD	8,752	8,823	8,624	8,360	8,500	7,984
MS	18,726	18,656	17,771	17,633	18,093	17,881
NC	19,713	19,074	*19,713	19,341	17,926	19,068
OK	6,574	6,627	6,780	6,720	6,749	6,049
PA	4,232	4,341	*4,484	*4,397	*4,108	4,275
SC	5,743	5,554	5,592	5,370	5,390	5,547
TX	14,741	15,027	14,995	14,970	*14,583	13,224
VA	6,249	6,245	6,349	6,290	6,211	5,810
CA, MO, TN, & WV	19,083	19,065	19,254	19,438	*18,854	18,195
19 State Total	*217,683	*216,893	*216,142	*215,225	*209,347	206,918
Previous Year Total	212,573	212,830	213,141	211,613	204,137	202,441
Pct. of Prev. Year	102	102	101	102	103	102

* Revised

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 207 million eggs in incubators during the week ending September 15, 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, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Aug 11 2007	Aug 18 2007	Aug 25 2007	Sep 1 2007	Sep 8 2007	Sep 15 2007
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	21,401	21,217	21,361	*21,584	*20,757	20,960
AR	24,226	23,964	24,673	24,551	23,745	24,169
DE	4,464	5,130	5,224	4,937	4,874	4,960
FL	1,419	1,461	1,374	1,474	1,354	1,343
GA	29,154	29,268	30,272	28,900	*29,267	29,387
KY	6,874	6,388	6,032	*6,132	*6,452	5,840
LA	3,900	3,618	3,835	3,865	3,979	3,905
MD	6,908	5,326	5,575	5,860	6,109	5,666
MS	16,978	16,920	17,090	17,079	16,947	16,238
NC	16,073	16,428	16,123	16,300	15,934	16,414
OK	4,173	4,918	4,205	4,521	4,897	5,383
PA	3,051	*3,067	*2,794	*3,018	*3,225	3,266
SC	5,657	5,076	4,430	4,830	*4,382	4,512
TX	12,913	12,834	12,020	12,345	12,486	12,385
VA	4,584	4,820	5,080	4,916	5,271	5,353
CA, MO, TN, & WV	16,835	17,994	17,334	17,144	*17,153	16,972
19 State Total	178,610	*178,429	*177,422	*177,456	*176,832	176,753
Previous Year Total	175,423	175,536	174,052	173,686	174,016	174,374
Pct. of Prev. Year	102	102	102	102	102	101

* Revised

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 177 million chicks for meat production during the week ending September 15, 2007. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2006 through September 15, 2007 were 6.54 billion, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.