

Delmarva Agriculture Data

Weekly Broiler Chicks Report

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PLACEMENTS SLIGHTLY DOWN

For the week ending October 06, 2007, growers placed 10.7 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% below the comparable week a year earlier. Broiler-type chicks hatched (10.7 million) increased 0.4% from comparable week in 2006. Eggs set in incubators during the week totaled 13.7 million, a decrease of 0.5% from the same week a year earlier. Federally inspected slaughter on Delmarva was 11.3 million for the week ending September 29, 2007 compared to 11.3 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 -----						
08/11/2007	14,088	14,032	11,508	11,746	11,634	11,746
08/18/2007	14,034	14,127	11,760	11,702	11,815	10,963
08/25/2007	13,755	13,792	11,678	11,599	11,679	11,599
09/01/2007	13,797	13,544	11,474	11,695	11,477	11,695
09/08/2007	13,585	13,615	11,537	11,732	11,537	11,732
09/15/2007	13,075	12,817	11,266	11,483	11,461	11,483
09/22/2007	13,642	13,547	11,346	11,348	11,391	11,348
09/29/2007	13,741	14,114	11,248	11,520	11,380	11,520
10/06/2007	13,740	13,670	10,695	10,736	10,757	10,736

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2/ The difference between chicks hatched and placed includes chicks withdrawn for hatchery flocks, inshipments and outshipments.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
	10/13/2007			
New York Weighted Avg	67.90	68.67	76.85	61.73
12-City Composite 2/	70.36	70.66	80.56	64.24

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, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Sep 1 2007	Sep 8 2007	Sep 15 2007	Sep 22 2007	Sep 29 2007	Oct 6 2007
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	31,536	30,946	31,385	31,535	30,714	31,892
AR	28,271	*27,225	26,429	27,324	*26,379	27,443
DE	3,974	3,954	3,885	3,870	*4,218	3,996
FL	1,344	1,344	*1,374	1,344	1,344	1,344
GA	36,031	34,273	34,299	35,012	*33,548	35,453
KY	7,766	*7,126	*7,003	8,096	6,891	7,555
LA	4,038	4,029	3,999	3,978	3,712	4,015
MD	8,360	8,500	7,950	8,512	8,732	8,495
MS	17,633	18,093	17,881	17,434	17,106	17,409
NC	19,126	*17,631	*19,135	19,395	*18,396	18,271
OK	6,720	6,749	6,049	6,977	6,373	6,896
PA	4,397	4,204	4,058	*4,297	4,316	4,289
SC	5,370	5,390	5,547	5,518	5,728	5,394
TX	14,970	14,642	13,224	13,982	14,173	14,691
VA	6,290	6,211	5,810	6,223	5,855	6,264
CA, MO, TN, & WV	20,032	*18,833	*18,106	*18,831	*19,560	19,604
19 State Total	215,858	*209,150	*206,134	*212,328	*207,045	213,011
Previous Year Total	211,613	204,137	202,441	207,521	203,118	205,727
Pct. of Prev. Year	102	102	102	102	102	104

• Revised

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 213 million eggs in incubators during the week ending October 6, 2007. This was up 4 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					
	Sep 1 2007	Sep 8 2007	Sep 15 2007	Sep 22 2007	Sep 29 2007	Oct 6 2007
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	21,584	20,757	20,991	20,892	20,015	20,489
AR	24,551	23,745	24,169	23,070	*23,197	22,624
DE	4,937	4,874	4,841	5,259	*4,540	4,790
FL	1,474	1,354	1,343	1,343	1,393	1,183
GA	28,900	29,267	29,387	28,786	*28,243	28,416
KY	6,132	6,452	5,911	6,436	*5,832	6,078
LA	3,865	3,979	3,905	4,225	4,057	3,552
MD	5,860	6,109	5,783	5,408	*6,343	5,429
MS	17,079	16,947	16,238	16,172	16,618	16,183
NC	16,300	15,934	16,414	15,950	*14,872	15,897
OK	4,521	4,897	5,383	5,619	5,097	4,950
PA	3,018	3,123	3,252	*3,139	3,155	3,022
SC	4,830	4,382	4,512	5,087	*4,663	4,890
TX	12,345	12,486	12,385	12,519	12,202	11,155
VA	4,916	5,271	5,353	4,866	4,887	4,561
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*17,097	*17,120	*16,823	*17,739	*16,881	15,942
19 State Total	*177,409	*176,697	*176,690	*176,510	*171,995	169,161
Previous Year Total	173,686	174,016	174,374	173,499	167,530	164,849
Pct. of Prev. Year	102	102	101	102	103	103

• Revised

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 169 million chicks for meat production during the week ending October 6, 2007. Placements were up 3 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2006 through October 6, 2007 were 7.06 billion, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.