

Delmarva Agriculture Data

Weekly Broiler Chicks Report

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PLACEMENTS DOWN

For the week ending November 17, 2007, growers placed 11.0 million broiler chicks in Delmarva growing houses, according to the Maryland Field Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. These placements were 0.4% below the comparable week a year earlier. Broiler-type chicks hatched (10.9 million) increased 0.6% from comparable week in 2006. Eggs set in incubators during the week totaled 13.4 million, a decrease of 1.9% from the same week a year earlier. Federally inspected slaughter on Delmarva was 11.4 million for the week ending November 10, 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 -----						
09/22/2007	13,642	13,687	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
10/13/2007	13,240	13,813	11,300	11,457	11,318	11,458
10/20/2007	13,145	12,910	11,382	11,847	11,645	11,847
10/27/2007	13,022	12,941	11,517	11,462	11,630	11,462
11/03/2007	13,655	14,336	11,119	11,569	11,223	11,569
11/10/2007	13,164	14,261	10,905	10,826	10,925	10,826
11/17/2007	13,622	13,364	10,865	10,934	11,075	11,030

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2/ The difference between chicks hatched and placed includes chicks withdrawn for hatchery flocks, inshipments and outshipments.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
	11/24/2007			
New York Weighted Avg	68.35	67.76	67.76	61.67
12-City Composite 2/	73.13	71.21	70.05	65.99

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					
	Oct 13 2007	Oct 20 2007	Oct 27 2007	Nov 3 2007	Nov 10 2007	Nov 17 2007
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	30,305	30,477	*27,913	28,679	31,467	32,169
AR	26,967	25,563	24,231	26,388	*28,752	28,849
DE	4,188	4,121	3,956	4,188	4,173	4,155
FL	1,364	1,364	*1,362	1,358	1,356	1,361
GA	35,031	33,614	*35,230	34,040	35,370	35,360
KY	*7,093	6,607	*7,300	6,796	7,417	7,672
LA	3,829	3,939	3,923	3,769	3,924	3,924
MD	8,460	7,791	7,806	8,938	8,897	7,999
MS	17,559	17,601	17,551	18,203	18,903	17,851
NC	18,259	18,360	*18,699	18,647	19,665	19,466
OK	6,472	6,371	6,661	6,124	6,036	6,576
PA	*4,017	*4,117	*4,026	*4,237	*4,159	4,235
SC	5,343	5,641	5,590	4,549	5,471	5,218
TX	14,310	13,482	13,477	15,061	15,537	14,439
VA	6,324	6,184	*6,165	6,008	6,309	6,372
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*19,210	*18,329	*18,491	*18,838	*19,853	19,826
19 State Total	*208,731	*203,561	*202,381	*205,823	*217,289	215,472
Previous Year Total	203,451	196,782	192,800	198,175	207,802	211,187
Pct. of Prev. Year	103	103	105	104	105	102

• Revised

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 215 million eggs in incubators during the week ending November 17, 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					
	Oct 13 2007	Oct 20 2007	Oct 27 2007	Nov 3 2007	Nov 10 2007	Nov 17 2007
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	20,896	20,528	21,110	*20,083	20,189	19,361
AR	23,143	22,846	23,948	24,126	*23,406	20,903
DE	4,844	5,415	4,912	4,357	5,053	4,910
FL	1,519	1,432	1,522	1,393	1,283	1,126
GA	28,985	27,222	27,443	28,526	28,060	27,876
KY	6,944	6,115	5,923	*5,561	5,415	5,751
LA	3,881	3,576	3,938	3,598	3,937	3,876
MD	5,785	5,805	5,946	6,297	4,789	5,379
MS	16,096	15,846	15,804	16,276	15,875	15,905
NC	16,579	15,516	15,223	15,144	14,972	15,391
OK	4,922	4,474	4,596	4,719	4,550	5,070
PA	3,154	*3,184	*3,289	*3,127	*3,069	3,011
SC	3,846	5,481	5,476	4,015	4,272	4,618
TX	11,804	11,907	12,495	12,104	11,442	11,429
VA	4,750	4,560	*4,933	5,293	5,352	4,824
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*16,697	*16,126	*17,874	*17,369	*16,278	16,267
19 State Total	*173,845	*170,033	*174,432	*171,988	*167,942	165,697
Previous Year Total	167,994	165,109	167,680	165,516	160,423	156,497
Pct. of Prev. Year	103	103	104	104	105	106

• Revised

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 166 million chicks for meat production during the week ending November 17, 2007. Placements were up 6 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2006 through November 17, 2007 were 8.08 billion, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.