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Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Down Slightly

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 216 million eggs in incubators during the week ending March 3, 2007. This was down slightly 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 Down Slightly

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 174 million chicks for meat production during the week ending March 3, 2007. Placements were down slightly from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2006 through March 3, 2007 were 1.55 billion, down 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jan 27 : 2007	Feb 3 : 2007	Feb 10 : 2007	Feb 17 : 2007	Feb 24 : 2007	Mar 3 : 2007
	Thousand					
AL	30,640	*30,397	*30,853	30,912	*30,731	30,944
AR	27,758	27,525	27,822	27,995	*27,872	28,089
DE	3,840	3,852	3,995	3,993	3,994	4,021
FL	1,369	1,369	1,363	1,362	1,365	1,366
GA	34,597	35,107	*35,263	35,777	35,637	35,732
KY	7,770	*7,765	7,757	7,592	7,607	7,666
LA	3,695	3,711	3,740	3,833	3,802	3,786
MD	8,729	8,078	8,781	8,822	8,743	8,958
MS	18,529	18,816	19,044	19,195	19,044	19,135
NC	18,619	18,566	*18,430	19,072	18,708	19,624
OK	6,508	6,553	6,472	6,526	6,542	6,684
PA	3,679	3,929	3,672	*4,000	*3,914	3,839
SC	5,361	5,493	5,308	5,499	*5,452	5,616
TX	*13,872	*14,455	*14,627	*14,682	*14,639	14,639
VA	5,879	6,177	6,146	6,116	6,179	6,184
CA, MO, TN, & WV	19,391	19,779	19,446	*19,486	*20,122	20,008
19 State Total	*210,236	*211,572	*212,719	*214,862	*214,351	216,291
Previous Year Total	214,147	212,810	212,616	215,181	216,954	216,951
Pct. of Prev. Year	98	99	100	100	99	100

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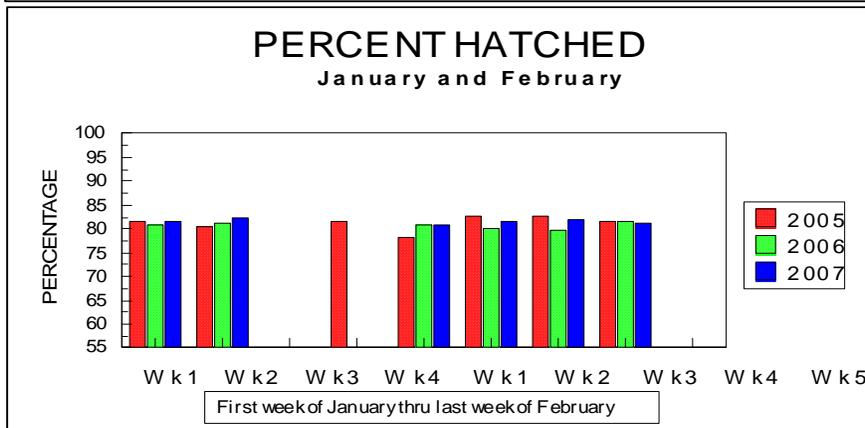
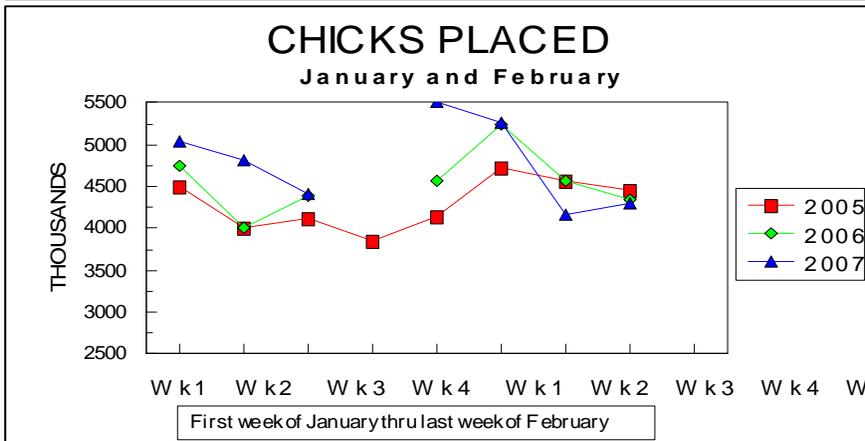
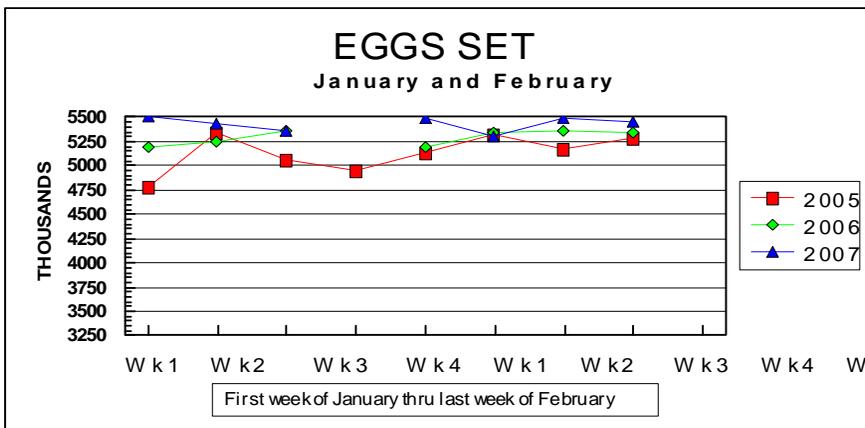
Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jan 27 : 2007	Feb 3 : 2007	Feb 10 : 2007	Feb 17 : 2007	Feb 24 : 2007	Mar 3 : 2007
	Thousand					
AL	20,604	20,315	19,693	20,150	*20,504	20,640
AR	23,381	24,410	23,244	24,192	*23,169	22,890
DE	5,457	5,550	4,576	5,643	4,190	4,407
FL	1,447	1,745	1,559	1,595	1,592	1,736
GA	28,590	27,628	*28,359	28,819	*28,793	28,796
KY	6,501	6,512	6,734	6,277	*6,099	5,844
LA	3,310	3,410	3,548	3,597	3,592	3,890
MD	5,214	5,124	5,946	5,185	5,778	5,890
MS	15,965	16,089	16,442	16,907	16,956	17,131
NC	15,525	15,314	14,914	15,834	15,494	15,638
OK	5,635	4,381	4,814	4,667	*5,252	5,100
PA	2,994	2,908	2,865	*2,681	*2,852	2,854
SC	4,425	5,508	5,260	4,165	*4,303	4,185
TX	11,931	12,157	*11,828	*11,552	*11,967	12,182
VA	4,802	4,900	4,985	4,725	*5,011	5,125
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*15,861	*16,038	*16,062	*15,631	*17,130	17,251
19 State Total	*171,642	*171,989	*170,829	*171,620	*172,682	173,559
Previous Year Total	174,755	174,471	176,021	174,381	173,142	173,663
Pct. of Prev. Year	98	99	97	98	100	100

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