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## Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Up 3 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 220 million eggs in incubators during the week ending May 26, 2007. This was up 3 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 Up 3 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 180 million chicks for meat production during the week ending May 26, 2007. Placements were up 3 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2006 through May 26, 2007 were 3.68 billion, down slightly from the same period a year earlier.

### Broiler-Type Eggs Set, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Apr 21 2007	Apr 28 2007	May 5 2007	May 12 2007	May 19 2007	May 26 2007
	Thousand					
AL	31,737	31,504	*31,146	31,185	*31,373	31,223
AR	28,327	28,547	29,200	29,002	*27,928	28,790
DE	4,064	4,108	4,160	4,086	*4,115	4,121
FL	1,383	1,384	1,376	1,377	1,321	1,359
GA	36,540	36,488	*35,991	36,101	36,294	36,361
KY	8,059	7,720	*7,847	7,769	7,888	7,853
LA	3,924	3,924	3,955	3,955	3,923	3,923
MD	8,941	8,932	8,776	8,926	8,852	8,851
MS	19,090	18,796	*18,765	19,104	18,878	19,029
NC	19,625	19,843	*19,596	19,949	*19,845	19,648
OK	6,771	6,583	6,633	6,636	6,852	6,704
PA	4,152	3,836	3,998	*4,076	*4,063	4,041
<b>SC</b>	<b>5,775</b>	<b>5,659</b>	<b>5,473</b>	<b>5,643</b>	<b>5,604</b>	<b>5,946</b>
TX	15,049	15,122	14,971	15,073	15,098	15,100
VA	6,540	6,478	6,480	6,553	6,507	6,479
CA, MO, TN, & WV	20,638	19,850	20,157	20,959	21,080	20,361
19 State Total	220,615	218,774	*218,524	*220,394	*219,621	219,789
Previous Year Total	212,327	210,570	211,844	213,524	213,197	213,886
Pct. of Prev. Year	104	104	103	103	103	103

\* Revised

### Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Apr 21 2007	Apr 28 2007	May 5 2007	May 12 2007	May 19 2007	May 26 2007
	Thousand					
AL	20,676	20,656	20,593	21,030	*21,784	20,580
AR	23,531	23,898	23,518	24,560	24,148	24,308
DE	5,507	5,467	4,801	5,307	*4,913	4,526
FL	1,497	1,555	1,468	1,830	1,390	1,427
GA	28,447	30,068	30,109	29,934	28,603	30,345
KY	6,347	5,891	6,096	6,640	6,340	6,554
LA	3,765	3,901	3,892	3,833	*3,947	3,800
MD	5,833	6,047	5,881	6,666	*6,285	6,658
MS	17,370	17,559	17,429	17,502	16,994	16,935
NC	15,907	16,434	16,370	15,837	*16,142	15,717
OK	5,298	5,007	5,623	4,862	4,699	5,538
PA	2,990	3,144	3,257	*3,150	*2,899	3,152
<b>SC</b>	<b>4,971</b>	<b>5,415</b>	<b>4,671</b>	<b>4,611</b>	<b>5,602</b>	<b>4,268</b>
TX	12,713	12,675	12,606	12,663	12,773	12,685
VA	5,203	5,225	6,157	4,446	5,255	5,394
CA, MO, TN, & WV	18,091	17,751	18,370	18,109	17,517	18,278
19 State Total	178,146	180,693	180,841	*180,980	*179,291	180,165
Previous Year Total	175,809	177,833	176,955	174,308	172,844	174,620
Pct. of Prev. Year	101	102	102	104	104	103

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