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Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 218 million eggs in incubators during the week ending July 21, 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 Up 2 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 175 million chicks for meat production during the week ending July 21, 2007. Placements were up 2 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2006 through July 21, 2007 were 5.12 billion, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	: Jun 16	: Jun 23	: Jun 30	: Jul 7	: Jul 14	: Jul 21
	: 2007	: 2007	: 2007	: 2007	: 2007	: 2007
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AL	31,282	30,953	31,228	30,789	*31,229	32,196
AR	28,691	27,925	*27,439	27,843	*28,042	27,772
DE	4,153	4,218	4,217	4,216	*4,188	4,188
FL	1,345	1,364	*1,343	1,374	1,369	1,343
GA	35,971	35,116	*34,758	36,096	*36,290	35,812
KY	7,792	7,894	*7,027	7,849	7,845	7,784
LA	3,923	3,923	3,923	3,923	3,923	3,923
MD	9,025	8,907	8,354	8,649	8,852	8,778
MS	19,150	19,059	18,499	18,891	18,701	18,741
NC	19,513	19,620	*18,952	18,821	19,937	19,686
OK	6,584	6,746	6,302	6,659	*6,701	6,796
PA	4,086	4,294	3,944	*4,053	*4,153	4,128
SC	5,430	5,565	5,559	5,385	5,722	5,747
TX	15,206	15,294	14,194	15,170	15,364	15,302
VA	6,477	6,419	6,077	6,388	6,374	6,175
CA, MO, TN, & WV	19,386	19,421	*19,053	19,583	*19,387	19,596
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19 State Total	218,014	216,718	*210,869	*215,689	*218,077	217,967
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Previous Year Total	210,714	210,971	208,219	211,044	213,579	214,110
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Pct. of Prev. Year	:	103	103	101	102	102

* Revised

Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	: Jun 16	: Jun 23	: Jun 30	: Jul 7	: Jul 14	: Jul 21
	: 2007	: 2007	: 2007	: 2007	: 2007	: 2007
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AL	20,593	20,521	20,699	20,932	20,795	21,461
AR	23,889	24,857	25,529	24,578	*25,377	24,502
DE	5,121	5,264	5,166	5,185	*5,171	5,138
FL	1,375	1,464	1,414	1,540	1,367	1,478
GA	29,478	29,735	30,456	29,527	*29,406	28,662
KY	6,361	6,249	6,327	6,289	6,244	5,555
LA	3,775	3,825	3,771	3,954	3,897	3,927
MD	6,240	6,398	5,737	*6,192	*6,017	5,598
MS	17,380	17,436	17,255	17,307	17,579	16,510
NC	16,087	15,797	16,228	16,057	16,226	15,895
OK	5,307	4,803	5,355	4,837	4,526	5,680
PA	2,983	3,020	3,060	*3,067	*3,188	2,955
SC	5,043	5,494	4,740	4,414	4,464	4,690
TX	12,939	12,994	13,006	12,948	12,929	11,845
VA	5,119	5,236	5,688	4,952	*5,262	4,971
CA, MO, TN, & WV	18,633	18,246	16,508	17,519	*17,367	16,512
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19 State Total	180,323	181,339	180,939	*179,298	*179,815	175,379
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Previous Year Total	175,714	175,252	176,711	173,487	173,852	171,142
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Pct. of Prev. Year	:	103	103	102	103	102

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