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## Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Up 2 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 215 million eggs in incubators during the week ending September 1, 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 178 million chicks for meat production during the week ending September 1, 2007. Placements were up 2 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2006 through September 1, 2007 were 6.19 billion, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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

State	Week Ending					
	Jul 28 2007	Aug 4 2007	Aug 11 2007	Aug 18 2007	Aug 25 2007	Sep 1 2007
	Thousand					
AL	32,769	32,404	32,236	32,061	*31,528	31,163
AR	28,036	28,256	28,414	28,305	*28,234	28,271
DE	4,188	4,173	4,169	4,186	3,958	3,974
FL	1,376	1,367	*1,342	1,374	1,366	1,344
GA	35,613	35,864	35,928	35,744	*35,676	36,031
KY	*7,763	*7,624	*7,801	7,857	7,666	7,575
LA	3,954	4,014	4,014	4,044	4,044	4,038
MD	8,673	8,730	8,752	8,823	*8,624	8,360
MS	18,802	18,741	18,726	18,656	17,771	17,633
NC	19,599	19,707	*19,713	19,161	19,885	19,341
OK	6,657	6,630	6,574	6,627	6,780	6,720
PA	4,029	3,940	4,232	4,181	4,246	4,173
<b>SC</b>	<b>5,646</b>	<b>5,566</b>	<b>5,743</b>	<b>5,554</b>	<b>5,592</b>	<b>5,370</b>
TX	15,200	14,281	14,737	15,012	14,981	14,956
VA	6,313	6,242	6,249	6,245	6,349	6,274
CA, MO, TN, & WV	19,758	19,116	19,058	19,065	*19,255	19,717
19 State Total	*218,376	*216,655	*217,688	216,895	*215,955	214,940
Previous Year Total	214,549	213,198	212,573	212,830	213,141	211,613
Pct. of Prev. Year	102	102	102	102	101	102

\* Revised

### Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jul 28 2007	Aug 4 2007	Aug 11 2007	Aug 18 2007	Aug 25 2007	Sep 1 2007
	Thousand					
AL	20,537	21,389	21,401	*21,217	*21,361	21,512
AR	23,136	23,512	24,226	23,964	24,673	24,551
DE	5,167	5,714	4,513	5,130	*5,224	4,935
FL	1,511	1,481	1,419	1,461	1,374	1,474
GA	30,435	30,600	29,154	29,268	*30,272	28,900
KY	6,240	6,619	6,882	*6,582	*6,040	6,672
LA	3,891	3,380	3,900	3,618	3,835	3,865
MD	6,175	5,755	7,059	5,431	*5,575	6,108
MS	16,845	16,972	16,978	16,920	17,090	17,135
NC	15,873	16,315	16,073	16,428	16,123	16,300
OK	4,922	6,034	4,173	4,918	4,205	4,383
PA	3,050	3,136	3,051	3,176	2,954	3,121
<b>SC</b>	<b>4,392</b>	<b>4,444</b>	<b>5,657</b>	<b>5,076</b>	<b>4,430</b>	<b>4,830</b>
TX	12,808	12,946	12,909	12,830	12,016	12,341
VA	4,721	5,411	4,584	4,820	5,080	4,734
CA, MO, TN, & WV	17,475	16,972	16,816	17,398	*17,309	17,123
19 State Total	177,178	180,680	178,795	*178,237	*177,561	177,984
Previous Year Total	173,121	175,451	175,423	175,536	174,052	173,686
Pct. of Prev. Year	102	103	102	102	102	102

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