



# Broiler Hatchery

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## **Broiler-Type Eggs Set in the United States Up Slightly**

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 242 million eggs in incubators during the week ending June 4, 2022, up slightly from a year ago. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 80.3 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three-weeks earlier.

## **Broiler-Type Chicks Placed in the United States Up 2 Percent**

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 190 million chicks for meat production during the week ending June 4, 2022, up 2 percent from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 8, 2022 through June 4, 2022 for the United States were 4.11 billion. Cumulative placements were down slightly from the same period a year earlier.

## Broiler-Type Eggs Set – Selected States and United States: 2022

State	Week ending					
	April 30, 2022	May 7, 2022	May 14, 2022	May 21, 2022	May 28, 2022	June 4, 2022
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)
Alabama .....	35,104	34,312	34,187	34,488	33,730	33,958
Arkansas .....	24,561	24,526	24,724	24,753	24,883	24,878
Delaware .....	4,964	4,723	5,025	4,965	4,962	4,928
Florida .....	1,194	1,194	1,194	1,194	1,194	1,194
Georgia .....	35,086	35,284	35,167	35,034	34,805	34,825
Kentucky .....	6,769	6,509	6,522	6,440	6,472	6,528
Louisiana .....	3,351	3,380	3,390	3,389	3,351	3,253
Maryland .....	8,007	8,000	8,007	8,035	8,034	8,276
Mississippi .....	16,103	17,254	17,370	17,476	17,487	17,487
Missouri .....	9,648	9,648	9,438	9,648	9,573	9,543
North Carolina .....	26,202	25,744	25,858	26,376	26,331	26,054
Oklahoma .....	7,626	7,427	7,571	7,665	7,485	7,838
Pennsylvania .....	6,427	6,439	6,652	6,719	6,580	6,562
South Carolina .....	5,483	5,532	5,592	5,662	5,716	5,591
Texas .....	19,197	18,870	18,912	18,737	18,873	18,759
Virginia .....	6,816	6,665	6,820	6,812	6,483	6,482
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia .....	12,733	12,840	13,339	13,501	13,426	13,206
Other States .....	12,527	12,228	12,529	12,119	12,624	12,349
United States .....	241,798	240,575	242,297	243,013	242,009	241,711

## Broiler-Type Chicks Placed – Selected States and United States: 2022

State	Week ending					
	April 30, 2022	May 7, 2022	May 14, 2022	May 21, 2022	May 28, 2022	June 4, 2022
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)
Alabama .....	25,411	24,965	25,578	25,003	24,945	24,704
Arkansas .....	21,255	21,746	21,378	22,460	21,488	21,675
Delaware .....	4,647	5,957	5,018	5,034	4,352	5,715
Florida .....	1,435	1,332	1,330	1,213	1,212	1,269
Georgia .....	25,330	26,905	25,784	26,972	27,852	27,641
Kentucky .....	5,421	5,153	5,180	5,658	5,584	5,607
Louisiana .....	2,774	2,757	2,739	2,806	2,856	2,816
Maryland .....	4,892	4,424	4,967	5,552	5,788	4,719
Mississippi .....	13,685	12,770	12,316	12,572	13,937	13,679
Missouri .....	6,259	6,483	6,617	6,974	6,290	6,708
North Carolina .....	20,047	20,156	20,802	20,021	19,849	20,149
Oklahoma .....	5,342	4,728	4,546	3,159	4,995	4,395
Pennsylvania .....	4,367	4,465	4,454	4,296	4,213	4,446
South Carolina .....	4,500	4,908	4,567	5,308	4,758	4,668
Texas .....	14,598	14,830	15,437	15,782	15,065	15,065
Virginia .....	6,735	6,120	6,453	5,842	6,133	6,283
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia .....	11,045	10,421	11,297	11,193	10,995	10,994
Other States .....	9,546	9,345	9,972	9,724	9,406	9,728
United States .....	187,289	187,465	188,435	189,569	189,718	190,261

## Statistical Methodology

**Survey Procedures:** Data for broiler hatchery estimates are collected weekly from all broiler-type hatcheries that hatch at least one million chicks a year. Individual NASS regional field offices maintain a list of all known hatcheries and update their lists on a continual basis. All hatcheries that meet the minimum size criteria are given adequate time to respond to the weekly survey. Those that do not respond are contacted by telephone. The weekly United States total for chicks placed includes states receiving greater than 500,000 chicks annually for grow-out.

**Estimating Procedures:** All data are analyzed for unusual values. Data from each operation are compared to their own past operating profile and to trends from similar operations. Data for missing operations are estimated based on similar operations or historical data. NASS regional field offices prepare these estimates by using a combination of survey indications and historic trends. Individual State estimates are reviewed by the Agricultural Statistics Board for reasonableness.

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