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Delmarva Agricultural Data

Weekly Broiler Chicks Data

PLACEMENTS UP 3%

For the week ending February 15, 2014, growers placed 11.4 million broiler chicks in Delmarva growing houses, according to the Maryland Field Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. These placements were 3.3% above the comparable week a year earlier. Broiler-type chicks hatched (11.2 million) increased 12.0% from the comparable week in 2013. Eggs set in incubators during the week totaled 13.3 million, an increase of 13.3% from the same week a year earlier. Federally inspected slaughter on Delmarva was 10.6 million for the week ending February 8, 2014, compared to 9.8 million slaughtered during the same week in 2013.

BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET AND BROILER CHICKS PLACED ON DELMARVA

WEEK ENDING	EGGS SET 1/ PREVIOUS YR	CURRENT YR	CHICKS HATCHED 1/ PREVIOUS YR	CURRENT YR	CHICKS PLACED 2/ PREVIOUS YR	CURRENT YR
----- THOUSANDS -----						
12/21/2013	11,837	13,283	9,892	10,920	10,992	11,793
12/28/2013	11,643	12,765	9,903	10,961	10,654	11,442
01/04/2014	11,836	12,591	10,030	10,978	11,201	11,332
01/11/2014	11,839	12,841	9,988	10,910	11,130	11,336
01/18/2014	11,795	13,286	9,840	10,647	11,052	11,187
01/25/2014	11,858	13,426	9,954	10,555	11,128	11,093
02/01/2014	11,844	12,939	9,945	10,721	10,908	10,861
02/08/2014	11,896	12,473	9,954	11,063	10,902	11,197
02/15/2014	11,748	13,313	10,004	11,203	11,027	11,386

1/ For all broiler-type chicks, including those intended for hatchery flocks.

2/ The difference between chicks hatched and placed includes chicks withdrawn for hatchery flocks, inshipments and outshipments. None of those numbers are published to avoid disclosure of proprietary information.

Negotiated prices in trucklot and less-than-trucklot quantities of ready-to-cook whole body broiler/fryers delivered to first receivers;

Prices in cents per pound 1/

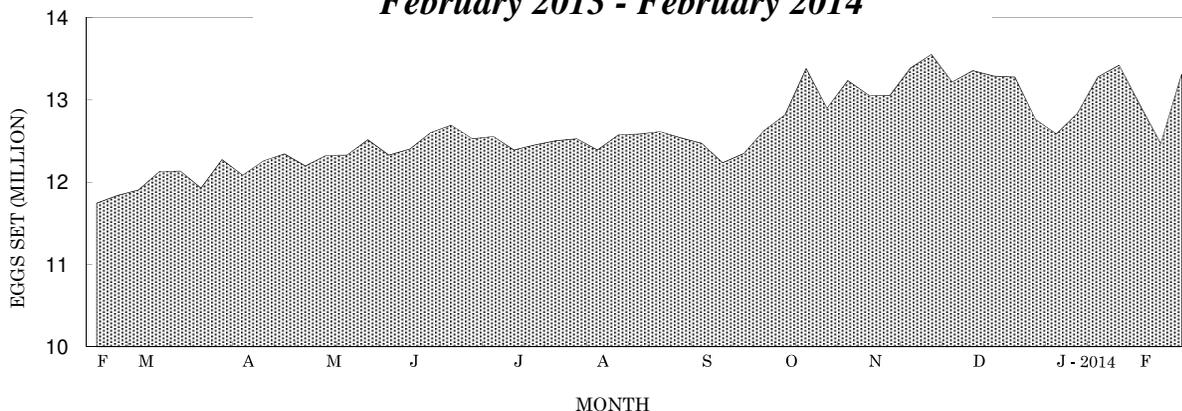
	WEEK ENDING 02/15/2014	PREV. WEEK	PREV. MONTH	PREV. YEAR
New York Weighted Avg	92.64	93.22	97.14	102.36
National Composite Weighted Avg.	91.58	92.21	97.25	100.96

1/ Source: USDA AMS Poultry Market News & Analysis; www.ams.usda.gov/pymnhomepage

**The Weekly Final Broiler/Fryer report has been discontinued. The weighted average prices are now published on the Weekly National Whole Broiler/Fryer Report.

BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET ON DELMARVA

February 2013 - February 2014



Broiler-Type Eggs Set – 19 Selected States and United States: 2014

State	Week ending					
	January 11, 2014	January 18, 2014	January 25, 2014	February 1, 2014	February 8, 2014	February 15, 2014
	(1,000 eggs)					
Alabama	28,188	28,196	28,140	28,298	28,145	27,998
Arkansas	20,787	20,601	20,807	20,152	20,245	20,685
Delaware	4,405	4,398	4,484	4,342	4,373	4,408
Florida	1,224	1,223	1,223	1,222	1,223	1,145
Georgia	33,711	33,356	33,419	33,662	33,734	33,659
Kentucky	7,748	7,301	7,828	7,671	7,693	7,636
Louisiana	3,864	3,864	3,894	3,909	3,894	3,878
Maryland	7,226	7,679	7,732	7,690	7,193	7,695
Mississippi	17,931	17,014	17,331	17,538	17,757	17,543
Missouri	8,476	8,431	8,415	8,443	8,176	8,516
North Carolina	20,048	20,148	20,496	20,055	19,964	20,444
Oklahoma	7,270	6,897	7,161	6,942	7,180	6,915
Pennsylvania	3,825	3,796	3,734	4,048	3,730	3,717
South Carolina	5,169	5,362	5,210	5,249	5,207	5,123
Texas	14,788	14,531	14,609	14,524	14,561	14,598
Virginia	6,448	6,405	6,332	6,168	6,110	6,419
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	10,392	10,247	9,801	10,107	9,855	10,192
19 State total	201,500	199,449	200,616	200,020	199,040	200,571
Percent of previous year	103	102	102	101	101	101
Other States	7,797	7,838	7,886	7,813	7,845	7,960
United States	209,297	207,287	208,502	207,833	206,885	208,531
Percent of previous year	103	102	102	101	101	101

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 209 million eggs in incubators during the week ending February 15, 2014, up 1 percent from a year ago. Hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 201 million eggs in incubators during the week ending February 15, 2014, up 1 percent from the year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler-Type Chicks Placed – 19 Selected States and United States: 2014

State	Week ending					
	January 11, 2014	January 18, 2014	January 25, 2014	February 1, 2014	February 8, 2014	February 15, 2014
	(1,000 chicks)					
Alabama	20,952	21,019	20,608	22,085	21,620	21,116
Arkansas	19,450	19,213	19,426	19,618	19,856	20,847
Delaware	5,059	5,402	4,789	4,713	5,146	4,842
Florida	1,210	1,350	1,439	1,262	1,250	1,317
Georgia	27,899	26,335	27,372	25,896	26,931	25,919
Kentucky	5,539	6,445	6,377	5,914	5,842	6,466
Louisiana	3,241	3,292	3,364	3,370	3,387	3,406
Maryland	5,288	4,805	5,809	5,689	5,691	6,070
Mississippi	14,813	14,842	14,693	14,971	14,253	14,653
Missouri	5,896	5,717	5,785	6,238	6,189	5,175
North Carolina	15,836	16,005	15,827	15,373	16,022	16,173
Oklahoma	4,572	4,922	4,877	4,022	3,514	3,792
Pennsylvania	3,106	3,151	3,156	3,149	3,222	3,077
South Carolina	4,468	5,134	4,506	4,902	4,157	4,441
Texas	11,349	11,388	11,584	11,775	11,631	11,697
Virginia	5,548	5,685	5,293	4,783	4,837	5,027
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	9,967	9,761	8,094	9,625	9,235	9,266
19 State total	164,193	164,466	162,999	163,385	162,783	163,284
Percent of previous year	100	101	100	100	100	100
Other States	6,043	5,790	5,859	5,935	5,597	5,752
United States	170,236	170,256	168,858	169,320	168,380	169,036
Percent of previous year	100	102	100	101	100	100

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 169 million chicks for meat production during the week ending February 15, 2014, down slightly from a year ago. Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 163 million chicks for meat production during the week ending February 15, 2014, down slightly from the year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 29, 2013 through February 15, 2014 for the United States were 1.19 billion. Cumulative placements were up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.