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## Delmarva Agricultural Data

### Weekly Broiler Chicks Data

#### PLACEMENTS DOWN 3%

For the week ending March 1, 2014, growers placed 10.6 million broiler chicks in Delmarva growing houses, according to the Maryland Field Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. These placements were 3.0% below the comparable week a year earlier. Broiler-type chicks hatched (10.4 million) increased 3.9% from the comparable week in 2013. Eggs set in incubators during the week totaled 13.4 million, an increase of 12.6% from the same week a year earlier. Federally inspected slaughter on Delmarva was 10.2 million for the week ending February 22, 2014, compared to 9.6 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 -----						
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	13,287	10,004	11,179	11,027	11,240
02/22/2014	11,842	13,383	9,974	10,788	10,722	10,969
03/01/2014	11,908	13,413	9,993	10,384	10,957	10,624

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2/ The difference between chicks hatched and placed includes chicks withdrawn for hatchery flocks, inshipments and outshipments.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.

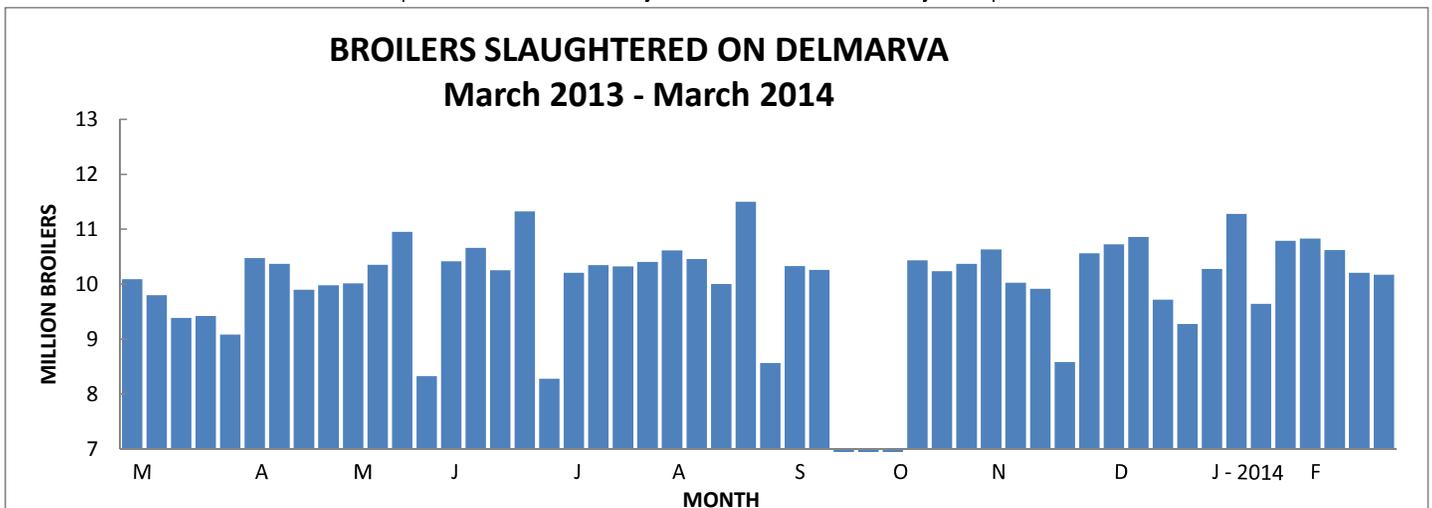
Negotiated prices in trucklot and less-than-trucklot quantities of ready-to-cook whole body broiler/fryers delivered to first receivers;

Prices in cents per pound 1/

	WEEK ENDING 03/01/2014	PREV. WEEK	PREV. MONTH	PREV. YEAR
New York Weighted Avg	95.64	92.39	96.99	105.59
National Composite Weighted Avg.	94.40	91.62	95.07	104.52

1/ Source: USDA AMS Poultry Market News & Analysis; [www.ams.usda.gov/pymnhomepage](http://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 – 19 Selected States and United States: 2014

State	Week ending					
	January 25, 2014	February 1, 2014	February 8, 2014	February 15, 2014	February 22, 2014	March 1, 2014
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)
Alabama .....	28,140	28,298	28,095	28,034	28,378	28,060
Arkansas .....	20,807	20,487	20,245	20,685	20,341	20,466
Delaware .....	4,484	4,342	4,373	4,382	4,462	4,472
Florida .....	1,223	1,222	1,223	1,145	1,159	1,221
Georgia .....	33,419	33,662	33,734	33,659	33,442	33,705
Kentucky .....	7,859	7,601	7,659	7,636	7,566	7,778
Louisiana .....	3,894	3,909	3,894	3,878	3,878	3,878
Maryland .....	7,732	7,690	7,193	7,695	7,711	7,740
Mississippi .....	17,331	17,538	17,757	17,543	17,567	17,958
Missouri .....	8,415	8,443	8,176	8,516	8,517	8,559
North Carolina .....	20,496	20,055	20,187	20,468	20,668	20,474
Oklahoma .....	7,161	6,942	7,180	6,915	6,452	7,214
Pennsylvania .....	3,734	4,048	3,730	3,158	3,746	3,835
South Carolina .....	5,210	5,249	5,207	5,053	5,047	5,235
Texas .....	14,609	14,694	14,561	14,598	14,828	14,685
Virginia .....	6,332	6,168	6,132	6,419	6,415	6,541
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia .....	9,801	10,091	9,838	9,931	10,149	9,951
19 State total .....	200,647	200,439	199,184	199,715	200,326	201,772
Percent of previous year .....	102	102	101	100	100	101
Other States .....	7,857	7,777	7,808	7,948	7,871	7,730
United States .....	208,504	208,216	206,992	207,663	208,197	209,502
Percent of previous year .....	102	101	101	100	100	101

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 210 million eggs in incubators during the week ending March 1, 2014, up 1 percent from a year ago. Hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 202 million eggs in incubators during the week ending March 1, 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 25, 2014	February 1, 2014	February 8, 2014	February 15, 2014	February 22, 2014	March 1, 2014
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)
Alabama .....	20,608	22,085	21,620	21,138	21,175	21,420
Arkansas .....	19,426	19,618	19,856	20,847	18,464	18,774
Delaware .....	4,789	4,713	5,146	4,629	5,360	4,793
Florida .....	1,439	1,262	1,250	1,317	1,542	1,379
Georgia .....	27,372	25,896	26,931	25,919	25,206	26,811
Kentucky .....	6,377	5,914	5,908	6,529	5,633	6,028
Louisiana .....	3,364	3,370	3,387	3,406	3,442	3,406
Maryland .....	5,809	5,689	5,691	6,138	5,295	5,416
Mississippi .....	14,693	14,971	14,253	14,652	14,709	14,787
Missouri .....	5,785	6,238	6,189	5,175	6,060	4,721
North Carolina .....	15,827	15,373	16,082	16,223	15,699	15,394
Oklahoma .....	4,877	4,022	3,514	3,792	4,879	5,001
Pennsylvania .....	3,156	3,149	3,222	3,163	3,354	3,067
South Carolina .....	4,506	4,902	4,157	4,370	4,917	4,416
Texas .....	11,584	11,775	11,631	11,697	11,776	11,997
Virginia .....	5,293	4,783	4,837	5,027	4,671	4,862
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia .....	8,094	9,625	9,235	9,350	10,235	9,418
19 State total .....	162,999	163,385	162,909	163,372	162,417	161,690
Percent of previous year .....	100	100	100	100	100	99
Other States .....	5,865	5,942	5,604	5,736	6,095	6,221
United States .....	168,864	169,327	168,513	169,108	168,512	167,911
Percent of previous year .....	100	101	100	100	100	100

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 168 million chicks for meat production during the week ending March 1, 2014, down slightly from a year ago. Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 162 million chicks for meat production during the week ending March 1, 2014, down 1 percent from the year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 29, 2013 through March 1, 2014 for the United States were 1.52 billion. Cumulative placements were up slightly from the same period a year earlier.