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Delmarva Agricultural Data

Weekly Broiler Chicks Data

PLACEMENTS UP 4%

For the week ending March 15, 2014, growers placed 11.2 million broiler chicks in Delmarva growing houses, according to the Maryland Field Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. These placements were 3.8% above the comparable week a year earlier. Broiler-type chicks hatched (11.1 million) increased 11.7% from the comparable week in 2013. Eggs set in incubators during the week totaled 13.7 million, an increase of 12.6% from the same week a year earlier. Federally inspected slaughter on Delmarva was 9.9 million for the week ending March 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/		CHICKS HATCHED 1/		CHICKS PLACED 2/	
	PREVIOUS YR	CURRENT YR	PREVIOUS YR	CURRENT YR	PREVIOUS YR	CURRENT YR
----- THOUSANDS -----						
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	13,356	9,993	10,364	10,957	10,477
03/08/2014	12,132	13,569	9,932	10,986	11,112	11,277
03/15/2014	12,139	13,674	9,898	11,054	10,754	11,167

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2/ The difference between chicks hatched and placed includes chicks withdrawn for hatchery flocks, inshipments and outshipments.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

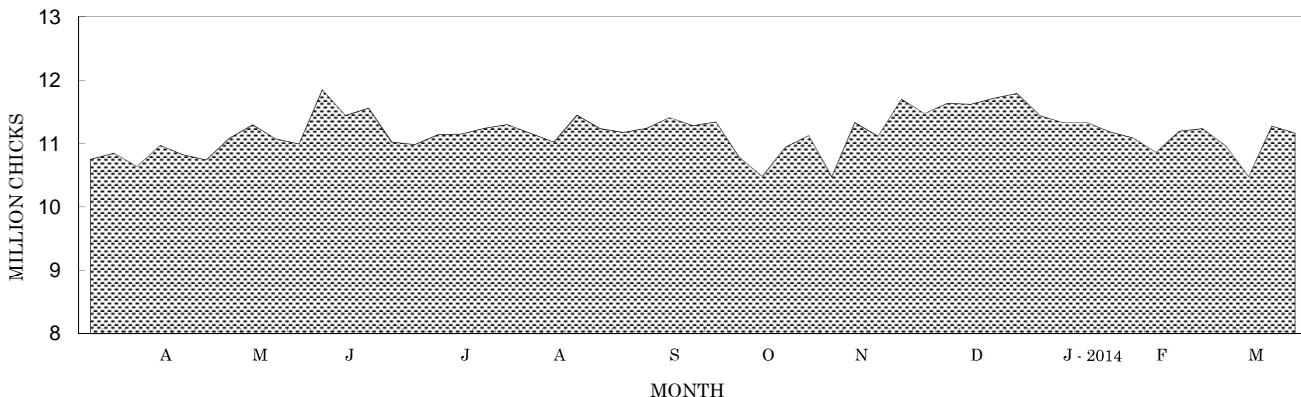
	WEEK ENDING 03/15/2014	PREV. WEEK	PREV. MONTH	PREV. YEAR
New York Weighted Avg	109.79	101.71	92.64	109.9
National Composite Weighted Avg.	106.67	100.62	91.58	107.78

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.

BROILERS PLACED IN DELMARVA

March 2013- March 2014



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

State	Week ending					
	February 8, 2014	February 15, 2014	February 22, 2014	March 1, 2014	March 8, 2014	March 15, 2014
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)
Alabama	28,095	28,034	28,378	28,060	28,482	28,534
Arkansas	20,245	20,685	20,341	20,466	20,960	20,334
Delaware	4,373	4,382	4,462	4,407	4,607	4,669
Florida	1,223	1,145	1,159	1,221	1,224	1,224
Georgia	33,734	33,599	33,442	33,619	33,696	34,237
Kentucky	7,659	7,636	7,566	7,778	7,449	7,765
Louisiana	3,894	3,878	3,878	3,848	3,833	3,772
Maryland	7,193	7,695	7,711	7,740	7,692	7,735
Mississippi	17,757	17,543	17,567	17,958	17,611	17,660
Missouri	8,176	8,516	8,517	8,559	8,533	8,541
North Carolina	20,187	20,449	20,649	20,416	19,985	20,330
Oklahoma	7,180	6,915	6,452	7,214	6,998	6,851
Pennsylvania	3,730	3,158	3,746	4,073	3,908	3,831
South Carolina	5,207	5,053	5,047	5,235	5,102	4,786
Texas	14,561	14,788	14,828	14,714	14,358	14,555
Virginia	6,132	6,419	6,415	6,541	6,681	6,829
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	9,860	9,929	9,793	9,957	9,933	9,584
19 State total	199,206	199,824	199,951	201,806	201,052	201,237
Percent of previous year	101	100	100	101	101	101
Other States	7,808	7,948	7,871	7,827	7,933	7,828
United States	207,014	207,772	207,822	209,633	208,985	209,065
Percent of previous year	101	100	100	101	101	101

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 209 million eggs in incubators during the week ending March 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 March 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					
	February 8, 2014	February 15, 2014	February 22, 2014	March 1, 2014	March 8, 2014	March 15, 2014
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)
Alabama	21,620	21,138	21,175	21,417	21,528	21,718
Arkansas	19,856	20,847	18,464	18,774	19,532	19,326
Delaware	5,146	4,629	5,360	4,713	4,539	4,139
Florida	1,250	1,317	1,542	1,379	1,218	1,366
Georgia	26,931	25,919	25,206	26,912	26,443	26,092
Kentucky	5,925	6,550	5,585	5,803	5,787	6,109
Louisiana	3,387	3,406	3,442	3,401	3,397	3,407
Maryland	5,691	6,138	5,295	5,349	6,006	6,689
Mississippi	14,253	14,652	14,709	14,787	14,638	14,763
Missouri	6,189	5,175	6,060	4,721	5,958	5,097
North Carolina	16,085	16,292	15,793	15,305	15,897	16,372
Oklahoma	3,514	3,792	4,879	5,001	3,803	4,483
Pennsylvania	3,222	3,163	3,354	3,163	2,614	3,054
South Carolina	4,157	4,370	4,917	4,416	4,351	4,716
Texas	11,631	11,697	11,776	11,982	11,846	11,713
Virginia	4,837	5,027	4,671	4,862	5,460	5,008
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	9,240	9,348	10,281	9,423	9,543	8,760
19 State total	162,934	163,460	162,509	161,408	162,560	162,812
Percent of previous year	100	100	100	99	99	99
Other States	5,604	5,736	6,095	6,218	5,847	5,919
United States	168,538	169,196	168,604	167,626	168,407	168,731
Percent of previous year	100	100	100	99	99	99

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 169 million chicks for meat production during the week ending March 15, 2014, down 1 percent from a year ago. Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 163 million chicks for meat production during the week ending March 15, 2014, down 1 percent from the year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 29, 2013 through March 15, 2014 for the United States were 1.86 billion. Cumulative placements were up slightly from the same period a year earlier.