



Arkansas Weekly Broiler Report

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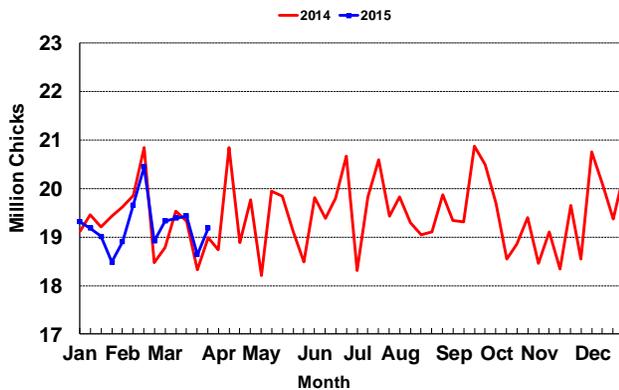
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Arkansas Chick Placements Up 1 Percent from Last Year

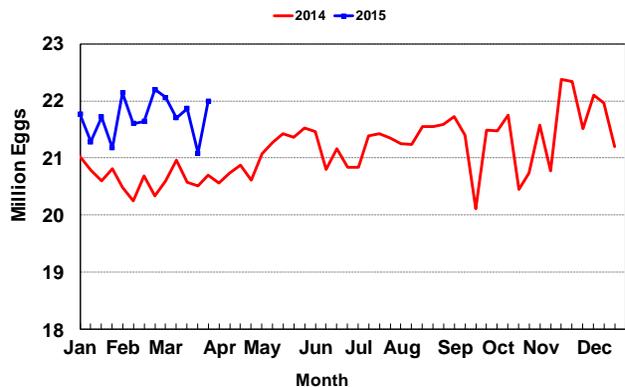
Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 19.2 million during the week ending March 28, 2015. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week in 2014 and up 3 percent from the previous week.

Arkansas hatcheries set 22.0 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending March 28, 2015, up 6 percent from the same period last year and up 4 percent from the previous week.

Chicks Placed In Arkansas, 2014-2015



Eggs Set In Arkansas, 2014-2015



Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, February 28, 2015 - March 28, 2015

State	Eggs Set					Chicks Placed				
	Week Ending					Week Ending				
	28-Feb	7-Mar	14-Mar	21-Mar	28-Mar	28-Feb	7-Mar	14-Mar	21-Mar	28-Mar
	<i>1,000 eggs</i>					<i>1,000 chicks</i>				
Alabama	29,250	29,323	28,928	29,294	28,952	21,644	21,513	21,971	22,405	21,640
Arkansas	22,058	21,702	21,865	21,083	21,991	19,331	19,387	19,428	18,639	19,182
Delaware	4,903	4,766	4,829	4,578	4,771	5,479	5,200	4,519	5,427	5,460
Florida	1,046	1,068	1,192	1,200	1,199	1,303	1,364	1,163	1,003	1,210
Georgia	33,186	32,574	32,469	32,871	34,191	26,021	26,450	26,013	25,265	25,767
Kentucky	7,821	7,375	7,766	7,651	7,752	6,304	6,055	6,327	6,392	5,580
Louisiana	3,833	3,833	3,817	3,833	3,833	3,356	3,365	3,354	3,355	3,606
Maryland	7,784	7,744	7,937	7,581	7,838	5,864	5,840	6,387	5,647	5,952
Mississippi	17,841	17,576	18,001	17,841	17,933	15,155	14,959	14,928	14,842	14,551
Missouri	8,229	7,810	7,904	8,310	8,229	5,728	6,253	5,879	6,298	5,474
N. Carolina	21,157	20,963	21,386	21,045	21,312	17,335	17,626	16,553	16,655	16,150
Oklahoma	6,615	6,588	6,348	6,568	6,568	4,301	4,079	4,643	4,635	3,954
Pennsylvania	4,451	4,545	4,435	4,419	4,386	3,866	3,949	4,049	4,048	3,995
S. Carolina	5,521	5,590	5,596	5,852	5,626	4,822	4,493	5,138	4,770	5,981
Texas	15,288	15,411	13,745	14,622	15,279	12,366	12,236	12,406	12,703	12,741
Virginia	6,587	6,845	6,615	6,536	6,534	5,207	5,553	5,619	5,635	5,560
CA,TN & WV	12,305	11,944	12,019	11,817	12,016	10,569	11,883	11,293	11,772	11,098
19 State Total	207,875	205,657	204,852	205,101	208,410	168,651	170,205	169,670	169,491	167,901
% of Prev. Year	102	101	101	102	103	104	104	104	103	101
Other States	8,064	8,005	8,302	8,131	8,097	6,338	6,030	6,149	6,251	6,276
U.S. Total	215,939	213,662	213,154	213,232	216,507	174,989	176,235	175,819	175,742	174,177

Revisions made to the previous four-week's data during the current week are published in this report.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set in the United States Up 3 Percent

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 217 million eggs in incubators during the week ending March 28, 2015, up 3 percent from a year ago. Hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 208 million eggs in incubators during the week ending March 28, 2015, up 3 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 in the United States Up 1 Percent

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 174 million chicks for meat production during the week ending March 28, 2015, up 1 percent from a year ago. Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 168 million chicks for meat production during the week ending March 28, 2015, up 1 percent from the year earlier. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 10, 2015 through March 28, 2015 for the United States were 2.10 billion. Cumulative placements were up 3 percent from the same period a year earlier.