



Arkansas Weekly Broiler Report

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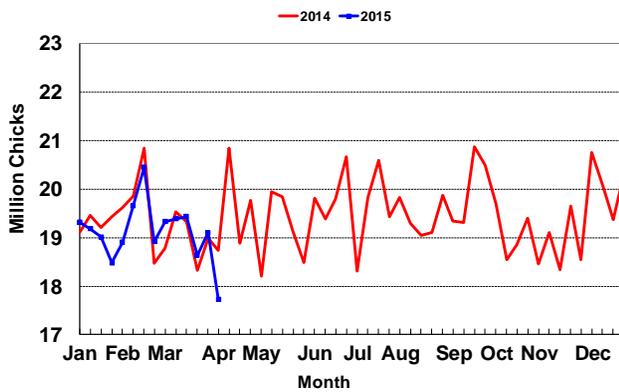
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Arkansas Chick Placements Down 5 Percent from Last Year

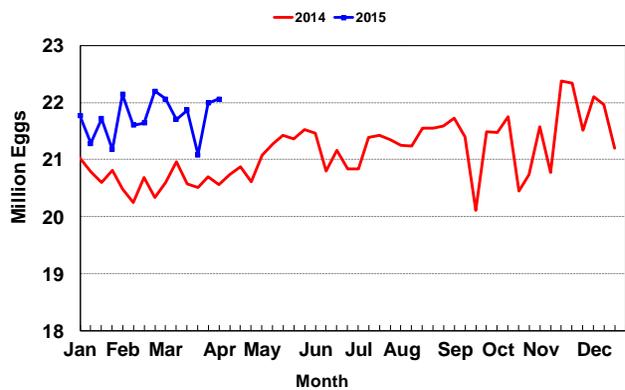
Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 17.7 million during the week ending April 4, 2015. Placements were down 5 percent from the comparable week in 2014 and down 7 percent from the previous week.

Arkansas hatcheries set 22.1 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending April 4, 2015, up 7 percent from the same period last year and up slightly 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, March 7, 2015 - April 4, 2015

State	Eggs Set					Chicks Placed				
	Week Ending					Week Ending				
	7-Mar	14-Mar	21-Mar	28-Mar	4-Apr	7-Mar	14-Mar	21-Mar	28-Mar	4-Apr
	1,000 eggs					1,000 chicks				
Alabama	29,323	28,928	29,294	28,730	29,684	21,513	21,971	22,405	21,925	21,682
Arkansas	21,702	21,865	21,083	21,991	22,057	19,387	19,428	18,639	19,102	17,728
Delaware	4,766	4,829	4,578	4,670	4,750	5,200	4,519	5,427	5,425	5,324
Florida	1,068	1,192	1,200	1,199	1,201	1,364	1,163	1,003	1,210	1,319
Georgia	32,574	32,469	32,871	34,553	34,046	26,450	26,013	25,265	25,800	26,106
Kentucky	7,375	7,766	7,651	7,752	7,735	6,055	6,327	6,392	5,580	6,249
Louisiana	3,833	3,817	3,833	3,833	3,833	3,365	3,354	3,355	3,606	3,316
Maryland	7,744	7,937	7,581	7,838	7,856	5,840	6,387	5,647	5,984	5,958
Mississippi	17,576	18,001	17,841	17,935	17,728	14,959	14,928	14,842	14,436	15,007
Missouri	7,810	7,904	8,310	8,229	8,212	6,253	5,879	6,298	5,474	5,739
N. Carolina	20,963	21,553	21,045	21,286	21,249	17,626	16,553	16,655	16,134	17,457
Oklahoma	6,588	6,348	6,568	6,737	6,726	4,079	4,643	4,635	3,954	5,079
Pennsylvania	4,545	4,435	4,419	4,246	4,486	3,949	4,049	4,048	3,994	3,652
S. Carolina	5,590	5,596	5,852	5,721	5,761	4,493	5,138	4,770	5,995	4,778
Texas	15,411	13,745	14,622	15,304	15,633	12,236	12,406	12,703	12,748	11,619
Virginia	6,845	6,586	6,536	6,534	6,534	5,553	5,619	5,635	5,567	6,050
CA, TN & WV	11,944	12,017	11,817	12,027	12,385	11,883	11,293	11,772	11,098	11,212
19 State Total	205,657	204,988	205,101	208,585	209,876	170,205	169,670	169,491	168,032	168,275
% of Prev. Year	101	101	102	103	103	104	104	103	101	101
Other States	8,005	8,364	8,131	8,097	7,670	6,030	6,147	6,251	6,194	6,126
U.S. Total	213,662	213,352	213,232	216,682	217,546	176,235	175,817	175,742	174,226	174,401

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 218 million eggs in incubators during the week ending April 4, 2015, up 3 percent from a year ago. Hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 210 million eggs in incubators during the week ending April 4, 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 2 Percent

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 174 million chicks for meat production during the week ending April 4, 2015, up 2 percent from a year ago. Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 168 million chicks for meat production during the week ending April 4, 2015, up 1 percent from the year earlier. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 10, 2015 through April 4, 2015 for the United States were 2.28 billion. Cumulative placements were up 3 percent from the same period a year earlier.