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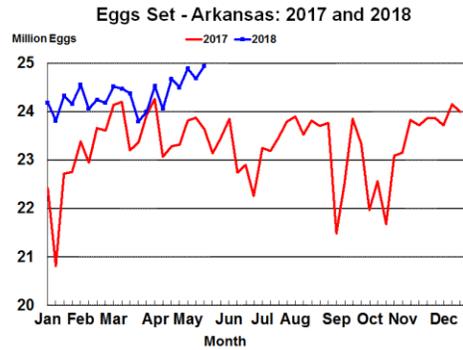
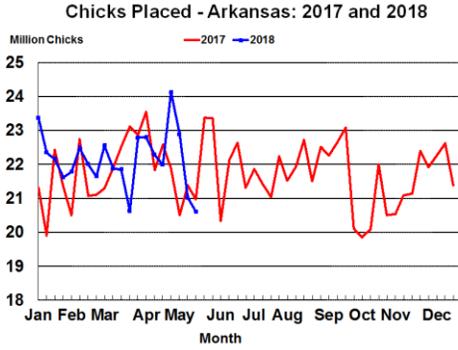


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Chick Placements Down 2 Percent from Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 20.6 million during the week ending May 19, 2018. Placements were down 2 percent from the comparable week in 2017 and down 2 percent from the previous week.

Arkansas hatcheries set 24.9 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending May 19, 2018, up 6 percent from the same period last year and up 1 percent from the previous week.



Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed - 19 Major States by Week: April 21, 2018 - May 19, 2018

State	Eggs Set					Chicks Placed				
	Week Ending					Week Ending				
	21-Apr	28-Apr	5-May	12-May	19-May	21-Apr	28-Apr	5-May	12-May	19-May
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 chicks)								
Alabama	30,254	30,426	30,612	30,124	30,876	22,554	22,642	22,633	22,810	22,356
Arkansas	24,668	24,492	24,883	24,680	24,937	21,991	24,125	22,890	21,024	20,617
Delaware	5,278	5,280	5,280	5,280	5,270	5,531	5,572	4,692	5,680	5,818
Florida	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,224	1,274	1,379	1,606	1,521	1,508
Georgia	35,466	35,316	35,285	35,335	35,471	27,174	26,475	27,325	27,641	28,725
Kentucky	7,791	7,929	7,872	7,800	7,795	5,959	5,978	6,375	6,304	6,139
Louisiana	3,591	3,500	3,470	3,637	3,621	2,647	2,994	2,989	2,997	2,828
Maryland	8,251	8,248	8,238	8,253	8,259	5,848	6,464	6,623	5,444	6,289
Mississippi	18,579	18,579	18,782	18,701	18,700	15,194	15,191	15,114	15,316	15,225
Missouri	8,038	8,327	8,689	8,366	8,721	5,598	5,326	5,516	5,656	6,592
N. Carolina	22,965	22,777	22,834	22,768	22,748	17,995	18,247	17,929	17,773	18,294
Oklahoma	7,756	7,786	7,769	7,606	7,804	3,946	2,301	3,456	5,544	5,019
Pennsylvania	6,050	5,716	5,715	5,637	5,847	3,860	4,070	4,105	4,199	4,062
S. Carolina	5,691	5,737	5,784	5,655	5,675	4,942	5,631	5,161	5,158	4,823
Texas	16,148	16,226	16,243	16,361	16,455	13,576	13,404	13,254	13,407	13,634
Virginia	6,191	6,225	6,207	6,319	6,304	5,532	5,215	5,647	5,749	4,684
CA,TN & WV	12,718	13,121	12,336	12,409	12,620	11,559	11,147	11,637	11,220	11,256
Other States	9,754	9,684	9,518	9,655	9,604	7,702	7,499	7,663	8,000	7,733
U.S. Total	230,414	230,594	230,742	229,811	231,931	182,882	183,660	184,615	185,443	185,602
% of Prev. Year	103	104	103	103	103	101	101	102	102	103

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

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 232 million eggs in incubators during the week ending May 19, 2018, up 3 percent from a year ago. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 82 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 3 Percent

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 186 million chicks for meat production during the week ending May 19, 2018, up 3 percent from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 6, 2018 through May 19, 2018 for the United States were 3.65 billion. Cumulative placements were up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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