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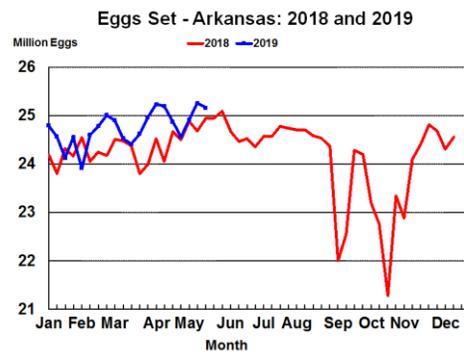
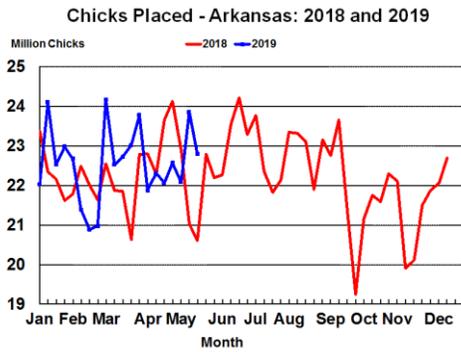
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This report contains the results from the **Monthly Chicken and Egg Report**. These data are also posted on our web site at <https://www.nass.usda.gov/ar> and in a more detailed report at <https://www.nass.usda.gov>. Thanks to all who responded to this survey.

**Chick Placements Up 11 Percent from Last Year**

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 22.8 million during the week ending May 18, 2019. Placements were up 11 percent from the comparable week in 2018 but down 4 percent from the previous week.

Arkansas hatcheries set 25.2 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending May 18, 2019, up 1 percent from the same period last year but down slightly from the previous week.



**Broiler-Type Eggs Set and Chicks Placed - Selected States and United States: 2019**

State	Eggs Set					Chicks Placed				
	Week Ending					Week Ending				
	20-Apr	27-Apr	4-May	11-May	18-May	20-Apr	27-Apr	4-May	11-May	18-May
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 chicks)								
Alabama	30,638	30,339	30,125	30,362	30,547	22,699	21,467	22,175	22,848	22,093
Arkansas	24,897	24,562	24,912	25,253	25,153	22,056	22,563	22,076	23,854	22,782
Delaware	5,489	5,303	5,152	4,872	5,151	5,730	4,628	6,503	5,872	5,103
Florida	1,178	1,178	1,178	1,178	1,178	1,331	1,315	1,212	1,308	1,334
Georgia	35,499	35,876	33,950	34,676	35,386	27,565	29,062	28,594	27,914	28,790
Kentucky	7,951	7,849	7,963	7,918	8,034	6,023	5,881	5,955	6,207	5,933
Louisiana	3,848	3,606	3,818	3,788	3,652	3,220	3,224	3,418	3,450	3,206
Maryland	8,307	8,363	7,884	7,946	8,188	5,875	6,665	4,470	5,161	6,565
Mississippi	19,334	19,081	18,956	19,303	19,303	16,015	16,106	16,003	16,286	16,007
Missouri	8,585	8,416	8,296	7,967	8,490	6,679	5,974	5,834	5,781	5,335
N. Carolina	23,980	23,804	24,220	23,741	24,210	18,625	18,898	18,965	19,257	19,389
Oklahoma	7,771	8,062	7,663	7,959	7,927	4,167	4,422	5,476	3,802	4,888
Pennsylvania	5,459	5,558	5,619	5,597	5,600	3,457	3,370	3,961	4,105	4,096
S. Carolina	5,594	5,832	6,029	5,892	5,942	5,111	4,419	5,207	5,432	4,434
Texas	17,338	17,706	17,850	17,487	17,420	14,096	14,182	14,141	14,201	14,638
Virginia	6,469	6,468	6,318	6,440	6,440	5,714	5,512	6,316	6,249	5,215
CA,TN & WV	12,430	12,357	12,441	12,633	12,679	10,662	11,079	10,687	10,583	11,424
Other States	9,938	9,736	9,808	9,891	9,763	7,721	7,474	7,899	7,794	7,960
<b>U.S. Total</b>	<b>234,705</b>	<b>234,096</b>	<b>232,182</b>	<b>232,903</b>	<b>235,063</b>	<b>186,746</b>	<b>186,241</b>	<b>188,892</b>	<b>190,104</b>	<b>189,192</b>
<b>% of Prev. Year</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>102</b>

**Broiler-Type Eggs Set in the United States Up 1 Percent**

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 235 million eggs in incubators during the week ending May 18, 2019, up 1 percent from a year ago. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 82.6 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 189 million chicks for meat production during the week ending May 18, 2019, up 2 percent from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 5, 2019 through May 18, 2019 for the United States were 3.71 billion. Cumulative placements were up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.