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BROILERS

January 7, 1998

BROILERS: EGGS SET (000) IN 15 SELECTED STATES

STATE	Nov 29	Dec 6	Dec 13	Dec 20	Dec 27	Jan 3
AL	25,840	*25,324	*25,301	25,260	25,552	25,018
AR	29,888	29,753	29,256	29,561	29,605	29,061
DE	4,542	4,429	4,141	4,623	4,339	4,461
FL	2,992	2,915	2,404	2,558	2,743	2,766
GA	29,936	29,527	*30,247	*29,797	*30,314	30,363
MD	8,785	8,587	8,661	8,688	8,014	8,532
MS	17,490	17,233	17,145	17,385	17,358	17,315
NC	17,097	16,420	16,796	17,078	16,182	16,940
PA	3,502	3,583	3,621	3,481	*3,697	3,604
SC	4,365	4,310	4,356	4,353	4,244	4,215
TX	12,313	12,391	*12,323	12,247	12,412	12,411
VA	6,427	6,259	6,383	6,405	6,403	6,401
CA, TN, & WV	11,048	10,657	10,071	9,876	9,912	10,848
1998 Total	174,225	*171,388	*170,705	*171,312	*170,775	171,935
1997 Total	169,854	168,466	169,406	170,115	171,220	170,719
% of Prev Yr	103	102	101	101	100	101

BROILERS: CHICKS PLACED (000) IN 15 SELECTED STATES

STATE	Nov 29	Dec 6	Dec 13	Dec 20	Dec 27	Jan 3
AL	18,673	*18,816	18,424	18,386	*18,047	18,109
AR	23,658	23,794	23,251	25,501	*24,700	23,866
DE	5,084	4,856	4,510	5,572	*5,938	4,960
FL	*2,277	*2,690	2,249	2,746	2,863	2,297
GA	22,577	23,232	*23,880	*24,046	*23,057	23,886
MD	5,604	5,776	6,534	5,557	5,310	6,184
MS	13,980	14,578	13,936	14,793	*14,195	14,111
NC	13,558	13,029	13,167	13,800	12,200	12,856
PA	2,725	2,705	2,770	2,708	*2,677	2,638
SC	3,531	3,580	3,210	3,489	4,156	4,760
TX	9,494	9,592	9,629	9,610	9,670	9,600
VA	5,648	5,035	5,436	5,508	*4,997	5,142
CA, TN, & WV	8,820	9,253	9,607	10,207	*9,648	9,711
1998 Total	*135,629	*136,936	*136,603	*141,923	*137,458	138,120
1997 Total	134,832	134,774	134,570	136,536	135,177	136,105
% of Prev Yr	101	102	102	104	102	101

*REVISED.

FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,297,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending January 3, 1998. Placements were 20 percent below the previous week, and eight percent below the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were one percent below the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 985,000 chicks eight percent below the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 138,120,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending January 3, 1997.

Placements were slightly above the previous week and one percent above the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were two percent above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1996 & 1997	1997 & 1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1996 & 1997	1997 & 1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
NOV 29	2,488	*2,277	92	134,832	*135,629	101	JAN 17
DEC 06	2,613	*2,690	103	134,774	*136,936	102	24
13	2,319	2,249	97	134,570	*136,603	102	31
20	2,564	2,746	107	136,536	*141,923	104	FEB 07
27	2,761	2,863	104	135,177	*137,458	102	14
JAN 03	2,497	2,297	92	136,105	138,120	101	21
TOTAL							
^{2/}	15,242	15,122	99	811,994	826,669	102	
^{3/}	1,071	985	92	77,716	59,253	76	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

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BROILERS

January 14, 1998

BROILERS: EGGS SET (000) IN 15 SELECTED STATES

STATE	Dec 6	Dec 13	Dec 20	Dec 27	Jan 3	Jan 10
AL	25,324	25,301	*25,063	25,552	25,018	25,310
AR	29,753	29,256	29,561	29,605	*29,091	29,535
DE	4,429	4,141	4,623	4,339	4,461	4,278
FL	2,915	2,404	2,558	2,743	2,766	2,790
GA	29,527	30,247	*30,037	30,314	30,363	30,249
MD	8,587	*8,709	8,688	8,014	*8,522	8,683
MS	17,233	17,145	17,385	17,358	17,315	16,844
NC	16,420	16,796	17,078	16,182	16,940	17,258
PA	3,583	*3,681	3,481	*3,679	*3,504	3,555
SC	4,310	4,356	4,353	4,244	4,215	4,185
TX	12,391	12,323	12,247	12,412	12,411	12,386
VA	6,259	6,383	6,405	6,403	6,401	6,529
CA, TN, & WV	10,657	10,071	9,876	9,912	*10,881	10,715
1998 Total	171,388	*170,813	*171,355	*170,757	*171,888	172,317
1997 Total	168,466	169,406	170,115	171,220	170,719	168,924
% of Prev Yr	102	101	101	100	101	102

BROILERS: CHICKS PLACED (000) IN 15 SELECTED STATES

STATE	Dec 6	Dec 13	Dec 20	Dec 27	Jan 3	Jan 10
AL	18,816	18,424	18,386	18,047	18,109	17,973
AR	23,794	23,251	25,501	24,700	*23,804	23,139
DE	4,856	4,510	5,572	5,938	4,960	5,499
FL	2,690	2,249	2,746	2,863	2,297	2,452
GA	23,232	23,880	24,046	23,057	*23,889	23,817
MD	5,776	6,534	5,557	5,310	6,184	6,020
MS	14,578	13,936	14,793	14,195	14,111	14,669
NC	13,029	13,167	13,800	12,200	12,856	13,132
PA	2,705	2,770	2,708	2,677	*2,699	2,724
SC	3,580	3,210	3,489	4,156	4,760	3,905
TX	9,592	9,629	9,610	9,670	9,600	9,526
VA	5,035	5,436	5,508	4,997	5,142	4,834
CA, TN, & WV	9,253	9,607	10,207	9,648	*9,728	8,691
1998 Total	136,936	136,603	141,923	137,458	*138,139	136,381
1997 Total	134,774	134,570	136,536	135,177	136,105	136,694
% of Prev Yr	102	102	104	102	101	100

*REVISED.

FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,452,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending January 10, 1998. Placements were seven percent above the previous week, but nine percent below the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were one percent below the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 3,437,000 chicks nine percent below the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 136,381,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending January 10, 1997.

Placements were one percent below the previous week and slightly below the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were two percent above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1996 & 1997	1997 & 1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1996 & 1997	1997 & 1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
DEC 06	2,613	2,690	103	134,774	136,936	102	JAN 24
13	2,319	2,249	97	134,570	136,603	102	31
20	2,564	2,746	107	136,536	141,923	104	FEB 07
27	2,761	2,863	104	135,177	137,458	102	14
JAN 03	2,497	2,297	92	136,105	*138,139	101	21
10	2,696	2,452	91	136,694	136,381	100	28
TOTAL							
^{2/}	15,450	15,297	99	813,856	827,440	102	
^{3/}	3,767	3,437	91	214,410	195,653	91	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

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January 21, 1998

BROILERS: EGGS SET (000) IN 15 SELECTED STATES

STATE	Dec 13	Dec 20	Dec 27	Jan 3	Jan 10	Jan 17
AL	25,301	*24,976	*25,452	25,018	*25,264	24,932
AR	29,256	29,561	29,605	29,091	29,535	28,965
DE	4,141	4,623	4,339	4,461	4,278	4,336
FL	2,404	2,558	2,743	2,766	2,790	2,841
GA	30,247	30,037	30,314	*30,262	*30,202	29,682
MD	8,709	8,688	8,014	8,522	8,683	8,555
MS	17,145	17,385	17,358	17,315	16,844	17,724
NC	16,796	17,078	16,182	16,940	17,258	17,460
PA	3,681	*3,574	3,679	3,504	3,555	3,712
SC	4,356	4,353	4,244	4,215	4,185	4,208
TX	12,323	12,247	12,412	12,411	12,386	12,384
VA	6,383	6,405	6,403	6,401	6,529	6,450
CA, TN, & WV	10,071	*9,924	*9,882	10,881	10,715	10,695
1998 Total	170,813	*171,409	*170,627	*171,787	*172,224	171,944
1997 Total	169,406	170,115	171,220	170,719	168,924	166,957
% of Prev Yr	101	101	100	101	102	103

BROILERS: CHICKS PLACED (000) IN 15 SELECTED STATES

STATE	Dec 13	Dec 20	Dec 27	Jan 3	Jan 10	Jan 17
AL	18,424	18,386	18,047	18,109	*17,889	18,282
AR	23,251	25,501	24,700	23,804	23,139	24,347
DE	4,510	5,572	5,938	4,960	5,499	5,131
FL	2,249	2,746	2,863	2,297	2,452	2,624
GA	23,880	24,046	23,057	*23,881	*23,810	24,360
MD	6,534	5,557	5,310	6,184	*6,021	5,660
MS	13,936	14,793	14,195	14,111	14,669	14,670
NC	13,167	13,800	12,200	12,856	13,132	12,398
PA	2,770	2,708	2,677	2,699	2,724	2,654
SC	3,210	3,489	4,156	4,760	3,905	3,840
TX	9,629	9,610	9,670	9,600	9,526	9,495
VA	5,436	5,508	4,997	5,142	4,834	4,912
CA, TN, & WV	*9,609	*10,314	9,648	9,728	*8,686	8,491
1998 Total	*136,605	*142,030	137,458	*138,131	*136,286	136,864
1997 Total	134,570	136,536	135,177	136,105	136,694	137,560
% of Prev Yr	102	104	102	101	100	99

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FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,624,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending January 17, 1998. Placements were seven percent above the previous week, but four percent below the comparable week of the year before.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 136,864,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending January 17, 1997.

Placements during the last six weeks were two percent below the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 6,061,000 chicks seven percent below the corresponding period of last year.

Placements were slightly above the previous week but one percent below the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were one percent above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1996 & 1997	1997 & 1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1996 & 1997	1997 & 1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
DEC 13	2,319	2,249	97	134,570	*136,605	102	JAN 31
20	2,564	2,746	107	136,536	*142,030	104	FEB 07
27	2,761	2,863	104	135,177	137,458	102	14
JAN 03	2,497	2,297	92	136,105	*138,131	101	21
10	2,696	2,452	91	136,694	*136,286	100	28
17	2,736	2,624	96	137,560	136,864	99	MAR 07
TOTAL							
^{2/}	15,573	15,231	98	816,642	827,374	101	
^{3/}	6,503	6,061	93	351,970	332,523	94	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

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BROILERS

January 28, 1998

BROILERS: EGGS SET (000) IN 15 SELECTED STATES

STATE	Dec 20	Dec 27	Jan 3	Jan 10	Jan 17	Jan 24
AL	24,976	25,452	*24,960	25,264	24,932	25,041
AR	29,561	29,605	29,091	29,535	28,965	29,138
DE	4,623	4,339	4,461	4,278	4,336	4,289
FL	2,558	2,743	2,766	2,790	2,841	2,818
GA	30,037	30,314	30,262	*30,254	*29,726	29,655
MD	8,688	8,014	8,522	8,683	*8,578	8,678
MS	17,385	17,358	17,315	16,844	17,724	17,229
NC	17,078	16,182	*16,991	17,258	17,460	16,572
PA	3,574	3,679	3,504	*3,480	*3,738	3,567
SC	4,353	4,244	4,215	4,185	4,208	4,197
TX	12,247	12,412	*12,404	12,386	12,384	12,358
VA	6,405	6,403	6,401	6,529	*6,397	6,512
CA, TN, & WV	9,924	9,882	10,881	10,715	10,695	10,162
1998 Total	171,409	170,627	*171,773	*172,201	*171,984	170,216
1997 Total	170,115	171,220	170,719	168,924	166,957	168,895
% of Prev Yr	101	100	101	102	103	101

BROILERS: CHICKS PLACED (000) IN 15 SELECTED STATES

STATE	Dec 20	Dec 27	Jan 3	Jan 10	Jan 17	Jan 24
AL	18,386	18,047	18,109	17,889	18,282	18,417
AR	25,501	24,700	23,804	23,139	*23,402	24,162
DE	5,572	5,938	4,960	5,499	*5,407	5,218
FL	2,746	2,863	2,297	2,452	2,624	2,424
GA	24,046	23,057	23,881	*23,807	*24,460	24,717
MD	5,557	5,310	6,184	6,021	*5,332	5,847
MS	14,793	14,195	14,111	14,669	14,670	14,345
NC	13,800	12,200	12,856	13,132	*12,368	12,971
PA	2,708	2,677	2,699	*2,713	*2,641	2,714
SC	3,489	4,156	4,760	3,905	3,840	3,262
TX	9,610	9,670	9,600	9,526	9,495	9,639
VA	5,508	4,997	5,142	4,834	*4,879	5,399
CA, TN, & WV	10,314	9,648	9,728	8,686	*8,551	8,920
1998 Total	142,030	137,458	138,131	*136,272	*135,951	138,035
1997 Total	136,536	135,177	136,105	136,694	137,560	137,072
% of Prev Yr	104	102	101	100	99	101

*REVISED.

FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,424,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending January 24, 1998. Placements were eight percent below the previous week, and one percent below the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were two percent below the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 8,485,000 chicks five percent below the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 138,035,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending January 24, 1997.

Placements were two percent above the previous week and one percent above the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were one percent above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1996 & 1997	1997 & 1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1996 & 1997	1997 & 1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
DEC 20	2,564	2,746	107	136,536	142,030	104	FEB 07
27	2,761	2,863	104	135,177	137,458	102	14
JAN 03	2,497	2,297	92	136,105	138,131	101	21
10	2,696	2,452	91	136,694	*136,272	100	28
17	2,736	2,624	96	137,560	*135,951	99	MAR 07
24	2,442	2,424	99	137,072	138,035	101	14
TOTAL							
^{2/}	15,696	15,406	98	819,144	827,877	101	
^{3/}	8,945	8,485	95	489,042	469,631	96	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

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BROILERS

February 4, 1998

BROILERS: EGGS SET (000) IN 15 SELECTED STATES

STATE	Dec 27	Jan 3	Jan 10	Jan 17	Jan 24	Jan 31
AL	25,452	24,960	*25,364	24,932	25,041	25,338
AR	29,605	29,091	29,535	28,965	29,138	29,093
DE	4,339	4,461	4,278	4,336	4,289	4,511
FL	2,743	2,766	2,790	2,841	2,818	2,629
GA	30,314	30,262	30,254	29,726	*29,620	29,114
MD	8,014	8,522	8,683	8,578	8,678	8,345
MS	17,358	17,315	*17,073	17,724	17,229	16,973
NC	16,182	16,991	*17,237	17,460	16,572	16,648
PA	3,679	3,504	3,480	3,738	*3,680	3,640
SC	4,244	4,215	4,185	4,208	4,197	4,155
TX	12,412	12,404	12,386	12,384	12,358	12,068
VA	6,403	6,401	6,529	6,397	*6,552	6,076
CA, TN, & WV	9,882	*10,880	10,715	10,695	10,162	10,195
1998 Total	170,627	*171,772	*172,509	171,984	*170,334	168,785
1997 Total	171,220	170,719	168,924	166,957	168,895	170,898
% of Prev Yr	100	101	102	103	101	99

BROILERS: CHICKS PLACED (000) IN 15 SELECTED STATES

STATE	Dec 27	Jan 3	Jan 10	Jan 17	Jan 24	Jan 31
AL	18,047	18,109	17,889	18,282	18,417	18,195
AR	24,700	23,804	23,139	23,402	24,162	23,060
DE	5,938	4,960	5,499	5,407	*5,267	5,709
FL	2,863	2,297	2,452	2,624	*2,482	2,709
GA	23,057	23,881	23,807	*24,501	*24,793	24,077
MD	5,310	6,184	6,021	5,332	*5,805	5,403
MS	14,195	14,111	14,669	14,670	14,345	14,189
NC	12,200	12,856	13,132	12,368	12,971	13,392
PA	2,677	*2,688	2,713	*2,631	*2,690	2,687
SC	4,156	4,760	3,905	3,840	*3,303	3,161
TX	9,670	9,600	9,526	9,495	9,639	9,629
VA	4,997	5,142	4,834	4,879	*5,384	5,196
CA, TN, & WV	*9,632	*9,359	8,686	8,551	*8,927	9,581
1998 Total	*137,442	*137,751	136,272	*135,982	*138,185	136,988
1997 Total	135,177	136,105	136,694	137,560	137,072	136,782
% of Prev Yr	102	101	100	99	101	100

*REVISED.

FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,709,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending January 31, 1998. Placements were nine percent above the previous week, and 16 percent above the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were slightly below the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 11,252,000 chicks slightly below the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 136,988,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending January 31, 1998.

Placements were one percent below the previous week and slightly above the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were slightly above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1996 & 1997	1997 & 1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1996 & 1997	1997 & 1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
DEC 27	2,761	2,863	104	135,177	*137,442	102	JAN 14
JAN 03	2,497	2,297	92	136,105	*137,751	101	21
10	2,696	2,452	91	136,694	136,272	100	28
17	2,736	2,624	96	137,560	*135,982	99	MAR 07
24	2,442	*2,482	102	137,072	*138,185	101	14
31	2,341	2,709	116	136,782	136,988	100	21
TOTAL							
^{2/}	15,473	15,427	100	819,390	822,620	100	
^{3/}	11,286	11,252	100	625,824	606,404	97	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

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BROILERS

February 11, 1998

BROILERS: EGGS SET (000) IN 15 SELECTED STATES

STATE	Jan 3	Jan 10	Jan 17	Jan 24	Jan 31	Feb 7
AL	24,960	25,364	24,932	25,041	25,338	25,377
AR	29,091	29,535	28,965	29,138	29,093	29,431
DE	4,461	4,278	4,336	4,289	*4,502	4,502
FL	2,766	2,790	2,841	2,818	2,629	2,678
GA	30,262	30,254	29,726	29,620	*29,169	29,544
MD	8,522	8,683	8,578	8,678	*8,361	8,000
MS	17,315	17,073	17,724	17,229	16,973	17,379
NC	*16,942	17,237	*17,399	16,572	16,648	17,063
PA	3,504	3,480	3,738	3,680	*3,530	3,528
SC	4,215	4,185	4,208	4,197	4,155	4,197
TX	12,404	12,386	*12,409	12,358	12,068	12,426
VA	6,401	6,529	6,397	6,552	*6,069	6,542
CA, TN, & WV	10,880	*10,688	*10,875	*10,134	10,195	10,326
1998 Total	*171,723	*172,482	*172,128	*170,306	*168,730	170,993
1997 Total	170,719	168,924	166,957	168,895	170,898	172,851
% of Prev Yr	101	102	103	101	99	99

BROILERS: CHICKS PLACED (000) IN 15 SELECTED STATES

STATE	Jan 3	Jan 10	Jan 17	Jan 24	Jan 31	Feb 7
AL	18,109	17,889	18,282	18,417	18,195	17,758
AR	23,804	23,139	23,402	24,162	23,060	23,745
DE	4,960	5,499	5,407	5,267	*5,838	4,718
FL	2,297	2,452	2,624	2,482	*2,779	2,907
GA	23,881	23,807	24,501	24,793	*24,081	24,030
MD	6,184	6,021	5,332	5,805	*5,106	6,188
MS	14,111	14,669	14,670	14,345	14,189	14,722
NC	12,856	13,132	12,368	12,971	13,392	13,318
PA	2,688	2,713	2,631	2,690	*2,681	2,818
SC	4,760	3,905	3,840	3,303	3,161	3,359
TX	*9,603	*9,528	*9,498	*9,648	*9,630	9,561
VA	5,142	4,834	4,879	5,384	*5,353	5,166
CA, TN, & WV	9,359	*8,855	*8,623	*9,115	9,581	9,811
1998 Total	*137,754	*136,443	*136,057	*138,382	*137,046	138,101
1997 Total	136,105	136,694	137,560	137,072	136,782	133,727
% of Prev Yr	101	100	99	101	100	103

*REVISED.

FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,907,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending February 7, 1998. Placements were five percent above the previous week, and four percent above the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were slightly below the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 14,229,000 chicks one percent above the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 138,101,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending February 7, 1998.

Placements were one percent above the previous week and three percent above the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were one percent above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1996 & 1997	1997 & 1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1996 & 1997	1997 & 1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
JAN 03	2,497	2,297	92	136,105	*137,754	101	FEB 21
10	2,696	2,452	91	136,694	*136,443	100	28
17	2,736	2,624	96	137,560	*136,057	99	MAR 07
24	2,442	2,482	102	137,072	*138,382	101	14
31	2,341	*2,779	119	136,782	*137,046	100	21
FEB 07	2,851	2,907	102	133,727	138,101	103	28
TOTAL							
^{2/}	15,563	15,541	100	817,940	823,783	101	
^{3/}	14,137	14,229	101	759,551	745,009	98	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

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February 18, 1998

BROILERS: EGGS SET (000) IN 15 SELECTED STATES

STATE	Jan 10	Jan 17	Jan 24	Jan 31	Feb 7	Feb 14
AL	25,364	24,932	25,041	25,338	25,377	25,351
AR	29,535	28,965	29,138	29,093	29,431	29,400
DE	4,278	4,336	4,289	4,502	4,502	4,581
FL	2,790	2,841	*2,857	2,629	2,678	2,844
GA	30,254	29,726	29,620	29,169	*29,195	29,766
MD	8,683	8,578	8,678	8,361	8,000	8,501
MS	17,073	17,724	17,229	16,973	17,379	17,581
NC	17,237	*17,293	*16,468	16,648	*16,969	17,746
PA	3,480	3,738	3,680	3,530	*3,575	3,634
SC	4,185	4,208	4,197	4,155	4,197	4,260
TX	12,386	12,409	12,358	12,068	12,426	12,369
VA	6,529	6,397	6,552	6,069	6,542	6,610
CA, TN, & WV	10,688	10,875	10,134	10,195	10,326	11,170
1998 Total	172,482	*172,022	*170,241	168,730	*170,597	173,813
1997 Total	168,924	166,957	168,895	170,898	172,851	173,704
% of Prev Yr	102	103	101	99	99	100

BROILERS: CHICKS PLACED (000) IN 15 SELECTED STATES

STATE	Jan 10	Jan 17	Jan 24	Jan 31	Feb 7	Feb 14
AL	17,889	18,282	18,417	18,195	*17,740	18,399
AR	23,139	23,402	24,162	23,060	*23,655	22,455
DE	5,499	5,407	5,267	5,838	4,718	4,464
FL	2,452	2,624	2,482	2,779	2,907	2,551
GA	23,807	24,501	24,793	24,081	*23,971	24,013
MD	6,021	5,332	5,805	5,106	6,188	6,394
MS	14,669	14,670	14,345	14,189	14,722	14,331
NC	*13,032	*12,338	*13,075	13,392	*13,656	12,597
PA	2,713	2,631	2,690	*2,677	*2,687	2,730
SC	3,905	3,840	3,303	3,161	*2,974	3,519
TX	9,528	9,498	9,648	9,630	9,561	9,606
VA	4,834	4,879	5,384	5,353	5,166	5,199
CA, TN, & WV	8,855	8,623	9,115	9,581	9,811	9,258
1998 Total	*136,343	*136,027	*138,486	*137,042	*137,756	135,516
1997 Total	136,694	137,560	137,072	136,782	133,727	136,118
% of Prev Yr	100	99	101	100	103	100

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FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,551,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending February 14, 1998. Placements were twelve percent below the previous week, but one percent above the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were one percent above the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 16,780,000 chicks one percent above the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 135,516,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending February 14, 1998.

Placements were two percent below the previous week and slightly below the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were slightly above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
JAN 10	2,696	2,452	91	136,694	*136,343	100	FEB 28
17	2,736	2,624	96	137,560	*136,027	99	MAR 07
24	2,442	2,482	102	137,072	*138,486	101	14
31	2,341	2,779	119	136,782	*137,042	100	21
FEB 07	2,851	2,907	102	133,727	*137,756	103	28
14	2,528	2,551	101	136,118	135,516	100	APR 04
TOTAL							
^{2/}	15,594	15,795	101	817,953	821,170	100	
^{3/}	16,665	16,780	101	895,067	880,150	98	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

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February 25, 1998

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BROILERS: EGGS SET (000) IN 15 SELECTED STATES

STATE	Jan 17	Jan 24	Jan 31	Feb 7	Feb 14	Feb 21
AL	24,932	25,041	25,338	25,377	25,351	25,808
AR	28,965	29,138	29,093	*29,221	*29,727	29,608
DE	4,336	4,289	4,502	4,502	4,581	4,638
FL	2,841	2,857	2,629	2,678	2,844	2,800
GA	29,726	29,620	29,169	29,195	*29,823	29,718
MD	8,578	8,678	8,361	8,000	8,501	8,614
MS	17,724	17,229	16,973	17,379	17,581	17,799
NC	17,293	16,468	16,648	16,969	*17,861	17,734
PA	3,738	3,680	3,530	3,575	*3,727	3,645
SC	4,208	4,197	4,155	4,197	4,260	4,289
TX	12,409	12,358	12,068	12,426	12,369	12,523
VA	6,397	6,552	6,069	6,542	6,610	6,630
CA, TN, & WV	10,875	10,134	10,195	10,326	11,170	10,437
1998 Total	172,022	170,241	168,730	*170,387	*174,405	174,243
1997 Total	166,957	168,895	170,898	172,851	173,704	173,366
% of Prev Yr	103	101	99	99	100	101

BROILERS: CHICKS PLACED (000) IN 15 SELECTED STATES

STATE	Jan 17	Jan 24	Jan 31	Feb 7	Feb 14	Feb 21
AL	18,282	18,417	18,195	17,740	18,399	17,897
AR	23,402	24,162	23,060	*23,492	*23,652	22,634
DE	5,407	5,267	5,838	4,718	4,464	5,229
FL	2,624	2,482	2,779	2,907	2,551	2,614
GA	24,501	24,793	24,081	23,971	*23,960	23,440
MD	5,332	5,805	5,106	6,188	6,394	5,534
MS	14,670	14,345	14,189	14,722	14,331	14,134
NC	12,338	13,075	13,392	13,656	*12,605	12,790
PA	2,631	2,690	2,677	2,687	*2,574	2,579
SC	3,840	3,303	3,161	2,974	3,519	3,579
TX	9,498	9,648	9,630	9,561	9,606	9,446
VA	4,879	5,384	5,353	5,166	5,199	4,762
CA, TN, & WV	8,623	9,115	9,581	9,811	9,258	9,659
1998 Total	136,027	138,486	137,042	*137,593	*136,512	134,297
1997 Total	137,560	137,072	136,782	133,727	136,118	136,402
% of Prev Yr	99	101	100	103	100	98

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FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,614,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending February 21, 1998. Placements were two percent above the previous week, and five percent above the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were four percent above the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 19,394,000 chicks one percent above the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 134,297,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending February 21, 1998.

Placements were two percent below the previous week and two percent below the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were slightly above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
JAN 17	2,736	2,624	96	137,560	136,027	99	MAR 07
24	2,442	2,482	102	137,072	138,486	101	14
31	2,341	2,779	119	136,782	137,042	100	21
FEB 07	2,851	2,907	102	133,727	*137,593	103	28
14	2,528	2,551	101	136,118	*136,512	100	APR 04
21	2,495	2,614	105	136,402	134,297	98	11
TOTAL							
^{2/}	15,393	15,957	104	817,661	819,957	100	
^{3/}	19,160	19,394	101	1,031,469	1,015,280	98	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

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BROILERS

March 4, 1998

BROILERS: EGGS SET (000) IN 15 SELECTED STATES

STATE	Jan 24	Jan 31	Feb 7	Feb 14	Feb 21	Feb 28
AL	25,041	25,338	25,377	25,351	25,808	26,014
AR	29,138	29,093	29,221	29,727	*29,584	29,534
DE	4,289	4,502	4,502	4,581	4,638	4,643
FL	2,857	*2,672	*2,699	2,844	2,800	2,862
GA	29,620	29,169	29,195	29,823	*29,608	29,948
MD	8,678	8,361	8,000	8,501	8,614	8,905
MS	17,229	16,973	17,379	17,581	17,799	17,783
NC	16,468	16,648	16,969	17,861	17,734	17,677
PA	3,680	3,530	3,575	3,727	*3,715	3,627
SC	4,197	4,155	4,197	4,260	4,289	4,301
TX	12,358	12,068	12,426	12,369	12,523	13,140
VA	6,552	6,069	6,542	6,610	6,630	6,658
CA, TN, & WV	10,134	*10,128	10,326	11,170	*10,442	10,660
1998 Total	170,241	*168,706	*170,408	174,405	*174,184	175,752
1997 Total	168,895	170,898	172,851	173,704	173,366	173,860
% of Prev Yr	101	99	99	100	100	101

BROILERS: CHICKS PLACED (000) IN 15 SELECTED STATES

STATE	Jan 24	Jan 31	Feb 7	Feb 14	Feb 21	Feb 28
AL	18,417	18,195	17,740	18,399	17,897	17,889
AR	24,162	23,060	23,492	23,652	*22,944	24,875
DE	5,267	5,838	4,718	4,464	5,229	5,257
FL	2,482	2,779	2,907	2,551	2,614	2,786
GA	24,793	24,081	23,971	23,960	*23,412	23,063
MD	5,805	5,106	6,188	6,394	5,534	5,386
MS	14,345	14,189	14,722	14,331	14,134	14,483
NC	13,075	13,392	13,656	12,605	12,790	13,031
PA	2,690	2,677	2,687	2,574	*2,648	2,675
SC	3,303	3,161	2,974	3,519	3,579	4,015
TX	9,648	9,630	9,561	9,606	9,446	9,681
VA	5,384	5,353	5,166	5,199	4,762	5,255
CA, TN, & WV	9,115	*9,562	9,811	9,258	*9,509	9,164
1998 Total	138,486	*137,023	137,593	136,512	*134,498	137,560
1997 Total	137,072	136,782	133,727	136,118	136,402	139,848
% of Prev Yr	101	100	103	100	99	98

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FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,786,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending February 28, 1998. Placements were seven percent above the previous week, and four percent above the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were five percent above the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 22,180,000 chicks, two percent above the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 137,560,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending February 28, 1998.

Placements were two percent above the previous week but two percent below the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 821,672,000, slightly above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
JAN 24	2,442	2,482	102	137,072	138,486	101	MAR 14
31	2,341	2,779	119	136,782	*137,023	100	21
FEB 07	2,851	2,907	102	133,727	137,593	103	28
14	2,528	2,551	101	136,118	136,512	100	APR 04
21	2,495	2,614	105	136,402	*134,498	99	11
28	2,676	2,786	104	139,848	137,560	98	18
TOTAL							
^{2/}	15,333	16,119	105	819,949	821,672	100	
^{3/}	21,836	22,180	102	1,171,317	1,153,022	98	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

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BROILERS: EGGS SET (000) IN 15 SELECTED STATES

STATE	Jan 31	Feb 7	Feb 14	Feb 21	Feb 28	Mar 7
AL	25,338	25,377	25,351	25,808	26,014	25,588
AR	29,093	29,221	29,727	29,584	29,534	29,346
DE	4,502	4,502	4,581	4,638	4,643	4,694
FL	2,672	2,699	2,844	2,800	2,862	2,845
GA	29,169	29,195	29,823	29,608	29,948	30,150
MD	8,361	8,000	8,501	8,614	8,905	8,587
MS	16,973	17,379	17,581	17,799	17,783	17,727
NC	16,648	16,969	*17,831	17,734	17,677	17,984
PA	3,530	3,575	3,727	3,715	*3,641	3,669
SC	4,155	4,197	4,260	*4,379	4,301	4,224
TX	12,068	12,426	12,369	12,523	13,140	13,052
VA	6,069	6,542	6,610	6,630	6,658	6,639
CA, TN, & WV	10,128	10,326	11,170	10,442	10,660	10,940
1998 Total	168,706	170,408	*174,375	*174,274	*175,766	175,445
1997 Total	170,898	172,851	173,704	173,366	173,860	173,061
% of Prev Yr	99	99	100	101	101	101

BROILERS: CHICKS PLACED (000) IN 15 SELECTED STATES

STATE	Jan 31	Feb 7	Feb 14	Feb 21	Feb 28	Mar 7
AL	18,195	17,740	18,399	17,897	17,889	18,278
AR	23,060	23,492	23,652	22,944	24,875	24,045
DE	5,838	4,718	4,464	5,229	5,257	4,927
FL	2,779	2,907	2,551	2,614	2,786	2,805
GA	24,081	*24,062	*24,039	23,412	*23,098	23,994
MD	5,106	6,188	6,394	*5,535	*5,390	6,571
MS	14,189	14,722	14,331	14,134	14,483	14,594
NC	13,392	13,656	12,605	12,790	13,031	13,678
PA	2,677	2,687	2,574	2,648	*2,673	2,784
SC	3,161	2,974	3,519	*3,915	4,015	3,958
TX	9,630	*9,573	*9,618	*9,458	*9,694	9,578
VA	5,353	5,166	5,199	4,762	5,255	5,154
CA, TN, & WV	9,562	9,811	9,258	9,509	9,164	9,706
1998 Total	137,023	*137,696	*136,603	*134,847	*137,610	140,072
1997 Total	136,782	133,727	136,118	136,402	139,848	138,729
% of Prev Yr	100	103	100	99	98	101

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FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,805,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending March 7, 1998. Placements were one percent above the previous week, and one percent above the comparable week of the year before.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 140,072,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending March 7, 1998.

Placements were two percent above the previous week and one percent above the comparable week of the previous year.

Placements during the last six weeks were five percent above the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 24,985,000 chicks, two percent above the corresponding period of last year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 823,851,000, slightly above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
JAN 31	2,341	2,779	119	136,782	137,023	100	MAR 21
FEB 07	2,851	2,907	102	133,727	*137,696	103	28
14	2,528	2,551	101	136,118	*136,603	100	APR 04
21	2,495	2,614	105	136,402	*134,847	99	11
28	2,676	2,786	104	139,848	*137,610	98	18
MAR 07	2,774	2,805	101	138,729	140,072	101	25
TOTAL							
^{2/}	15,665	16,442	105	821,606	823,851	100	
^{3/}	24,610	24,985	102	1,310,046	1,293,687	99	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

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BROILERS

March 19, 1998

BROILERS: EGGS SET (000) IN 15 SELECTED STATES

STATE	Feb 7	Feb 14	Feb 21	Feb 28	Mar 7	Mar 14
AL	25,377	25,351	*25,949	26,014	25,588	25,482
AR	29,221	29,727	29,584	29,534	*29,663	29,519
DE	4,502	4,581	4,638	4,643	4,694	4,566
FL	2,699	2,844	2,800	2,862	2,845	2,698
GA	29,195	29,823	*29,702	29,948	*29,860	30,250
MD	8,000	8,501	8,614	8,905	*8,588	8,775
MS	17,379	17,581	17,799	17,783	17,727	17,828
NC	16,969	17,831	*17,629	17,677	17,984	17,863
PA	3,575	3,727	3,715	3,641	*3,733	3,734
SC	4,197	4,260	4,379	4,301	4,224	4,233
TX	12,426	12,369	12,523	13,140	13,052	12,811
VA	6,542	6,610	6,630	6,658	6,639	6,628
CA, TN, & WV	10,326	11,170	10,442	10,660	10,940	10,694
1998 Total	170,408	174,375	*174,404	175,766	*175,537	175,081
1997 Total	172,851	173,704	173,366	173,860	173,061	171,546
% of Prev Yr	99	100	101	101	101	102

BROILERS: CHICKS PLACED (000) IN 15 SELECTED STATES

STATE	Feb 7	Feb 14	Feb 21	Feb 28	Mar 7	Mar 14
AL	17,740	18,399	17,897	17,889	18,278	19,143
AR	23,492	23,652	22,944	24,875	*24,297	23,024
DE	4,718	4,464	5,229	5,257	*4,957	5,695
FL	2,907	2,551	2,614	2,786	*2,866	2,581
GA	24,062	24,039	23,412	23,098	*23,849	23,477
MD	6,188	6,394	5,535	5,390	*6,544	5,789
MS	14,722	14,331	14,134	14,483	14,594	14,787
NC	13,656	12,605	12,790	13,031	13,678	13,298
PA	2,687	2,574	2,648	2,673	*2,671	2,774
SC	2,974	3,519	3,915	4,015	3,958	4,017
TX	9,573	9,618	9,458	9,694	9,578	9,742
VA	5,166	5,199	4,762	5,255	5,154	5,501
CA, TN, & WV	9,811	9,258	9,509	9,164	9,706	9,122
1998 Total	137,696	136,603	134,847	137,610	*140,130	138,950
1997 Total	133,727	136,118	136,402	139,848	138,729	139,880
% of Prev Yr	103	100	99	98	101	99

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FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,581,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending March 14, 1998. Placements were ten percent below the previous week, and eight percent below the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were one percent above the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 27,627,000 chicks, one percent above the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 138,950,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending March 14, 1998.

Placements were one percent below the previous week and one percent below the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 825,836,000, slightly above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
FEB 07	2,851	2,907	102	133,727	137,696	103	MAR 28
14	2,528	2,551	101	136,118	136,603	100	APR 04
21	2,495	2,614	105	136,402	134,847	99	11
28	2,676	2,786	104	139,848	137,610	98	18
MAR 07	2,774	*2,866	103	138,729	*140,130	101	25
14	2,820	2,581	92	139,880	138,950	99	MAY 02
TOTAL							
^{2/}	16,144	16,305	101	824,704	825,836	100	
^{3/}	27,430	27,627	101	1,449,926	1,432,695	99	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

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March 26, 1998

BROILERS: EGGS SET (000) IN 15 SELECTED STATES

STATE	Feb 14	Feb 21	Feb 28	Mar 7	Mar 14	Mar 21
AL	25,351	25,949	26,014	25,588	*25,451	26,022
AR	29,727	*29,705	*29,806	29,663	*29,640	29,147
DE	4,581	4,638	4,643	4,694	4,566	4,529
FL	2,844	2,800	2,862	2,845	2,698	2,868
GA	29,823	29,702	29,948	29,860	*30,289	29,817
MD	8,501	8,614	8,905	8,588	8,775	8,733
MS	17,581	17,799	17,783	17,727	*17,889	17,952
NC	17,831	17,629	17,677	17,984	17,863	17,424
PA	3,727	3,715	3,641	3,733	3,734	3,707
SC	4,260	4,379	4,301	4,224	4,233	4,234
TX	12,369	12,523	13,140	13,052	12,811	12,400
VA	6,610	6,630	6,658	6,639	*6,573	6,664
CA, TN, & WV	*11,150	*10,425	*10,627	*10,980	*10,692	10,920
15 State Total	*174,355	*174,508	*176,005	*175,577	*175,214	174,397
Previous Year	173,704	173,366	173,860	173,061	171,546	171,495
% of Prev.	100	101	101	101	102	102

BROILERS: CHICKS PLACED (000) IN 15 SELECTED STATES

STATE	Feb 14	Feb 21	Feb 28	Mar 7	Mar 14	Mar 21
AL	18,399	17,897	17,889	18,278	*19,153	19,139
AR	23,652	22,944	24,875	24,297	*23,158	24,697
DE	4,464	5,229	5,257	4,957	5,695	5,770
FL	2,551	2,614	2,786	2,866	2,581	2,751
GA	24,039	23,412	23,098	23,849	*23,474	24,026
MD	6,394	5,535	5,390	6,544	5,789	6,011
MS	14,331	14,134	14,483	14,594	14,787	14,976
NC	12,605	12,790	13,031	13,678	13,298	13,311
PA	2,574	2,648	2,673	2,671	*2,754	2,721
SC	3,519	3,915	4,015	3,958	4,017	4,204
TX	9,618	9,458	9,694	9,578	9,742	10,156
VA	5,199	4,762	5,255	5,154	*5,449	5,578
CA, TN, & WV	*9,459	*9,489	*9,161	*9,722	*9,053	9,242
15 State Total	*136,804	*134,827	*137,607	*140,146	*138,950	142,582
Previous Year	136,118	136,402	139,848	138,729	139,880	140,845
% of Prev.	101	99	98	101	99	101

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FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,751,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending March 21, 1998. Placements were seven percent above the previous week, but four percent below the comparable week of the year before.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 142,582,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending March 21, 1998.

Placements were three percent above the previous week and one percent above the comparable week of the previous year.

Placements during the last six weeks were slightly below the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 30,378,000 chicks, slightly above the corresponding period of last year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 830,916,000, slightly below the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
FEB 14	2,528	2,551	101	136,118	*136,804	101	APR 04
21	2,495	2,614	105	136,402	*134,827	99	11
28	2,676	2,786	104	139,848	*137,607	98	18
MAR 07	2,774	2,866	103	138,729	*140,146	101	25
14	2,820	2,581	92	139,880	138,950	99	MAY 02
21	2,860	2,751	96	140,845	142,582	101	09
TOTAL							
^{2/}	16,153	16,149	100	831,822	830,916	100	
^{3/}	30,290	30,378	100	1,590,771	1,575,471	99	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

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April 1, 1998

Broiler Eggs Set (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Feb 21 1998	Feb 28 1998	Mar 7 1998	Mar 14 1998	Mar 21 1998	Mar 28 1998
AL	25,949	26,014	*25,715	25,451	26,002	26,080
AR	29,705	29,806	29,663	29,640	29,147	28,921
DE	4,638	4,643	4,694	4,566	4,529	4,677
FL	2,800	2,862	2,845	2,698	2,868	2,838
GA	29,702	29,948	29,860	30,289	*29,918	30,286
MD	8,614	8,905	8,588	8,775	8,733	8,878
MS	17,799	17,783	17,727	17,889	17,952	17,824
NC	17,629	17,677	17,984	17,863	17,424	17,200
PA	3,715	*3,797	3,733	3,734	*3,420	3,669
SC	4,379	4,301	4,224	4,233	4,234	4,224
TX	12,523	13,140	13,052	12,811	12,400	11,207
VA	6,630	6,658	6,639	6,573	6,664	6,680
CA, TN, & WV	10,425	10,627	10,980	10,692	10,920	10,876
15 State Total	174,508	*176,161	*175,704	175,214	*174,211	173,360
Previous Year	173,366	173,860	173,061	171,546	171,495	168,883
% of Prev. Year	101	101	102	102	102	103

* Revised.

Broiler Chicks Placed (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Feb 21 1998	Feb 28 1998	Mar 7 1998	Mar 14 1998	Mar 21 1998	Mar 28 1998
AL	17,897	17,889	18,278	19,153	19,139	18,365
AR	22,944	24,875	24,297	23,158	24,697	23,934
DE	5,229	5,257	4,957	5,695	5,770	4,965
FL	2,614	2,786	2,866	2,581	2,751	2,790
GA	23,412	23,098	23,849	23,474	*24,016	24,219
MD	5,535	5,390	6,544	5,789	*6,013	6,506
MS	14,134	14,483	14,594	*14,938	14,976	14,977
NC	12,790	13,031	13,678	13,298	*13,508	13,576
PA	2,648	2,673	2,671	2,754	*2,749	2,795
SC	3,915	4,015	3,958	4,017	4,204	3,626
TX	9,458	9,694	9,578	9,742	10,156	10,022
VA	4,762	5,255	5,154	5,449	5,578	5,650
CA, TN, & WV	9,489	9,161	9,722	9,053	9,242	10,313
15 State Total	134,827	137,607	140,146	*139,101	*142,799	141,738
Previous Year	136,402	139,848	138,729	139,880	140,845	140,214
% of Prev. Year	99	98	101	99	101	101

* Revised.

FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,790,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending March 28, 1998. Placements were one percent above the previous week, but eleven percent below the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were two percent below the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 33,168,000 chicks, one percent below the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 141,738,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending March 28, 1998.

Placements were one percent below the previous week and but percent above the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 836,218,000, slightly above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
FEB 21	2,495	2,614	105	136,402	134,827	99	APR 11
28	2,676	2,786	104	139,848	137,607	98	18
MAR 07	2,774	2,866	103	138,729	140,146	101	25
14	2,820	2,581	92	139,880	*139,101	99	MAY 02
21	2,860	2,751	96	140,845	*142,799	101	09
28	3,136	2,790	89	140,214	141,738	101	16
TOTAL							
^{2/}	16,761	16,388	98	835,918	836,218	100	
^{3/}	33,426	33,168	99	1,730,985	1,717,577	99	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

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Broiler Eggs Set (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Feb 28 1998	Mar 7 1998	Mar 14 1998	Mar 21 1998	Mar 28 1998	Apr 4 1998
AL	26,014	25,715	25,451	26,002	26,080	26,507
AR	29,806	29,663	29,640	29,147	28,921	29,766
DE	4,643	4,694	4,566	4,529	4,677	4,563
FL	2,862	2,845	2,698	2,868	2,838	2,887
GA	29,948	29,860	30,289	29,918	*30,389	30,419
MD	8,905	8,588	8,775	8,733	8,878	8,884
MS	17,783	17,727	17,889	17,952	17,824	17,843
NC	17,677	17,984	*18,034	17,424	17,200	17,875
PA	3,797	3,733	3,734	3,420	*3,690	3,684
SC	4,301	4,224	4,233	4,234	4,224	4,302
TX	13,140	13,052	12,811	12,400	11,207	12,320
VA	6,658	6,639	6,573	6,664	*6,636	6,602
CA, TN, & WV	10,627	10,980	10,692	10,920	10,876	10,908
15 State Total	176,161	175,704	*175,385	174,211	*173,440	176,560
Previous Year	173,860	173,061	171,546	171,495	168,883	173,505
% of Prev. Year	101	102	102	102	103	102

* Revised.

Broiler Chicks Placed (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Feb 28 1998	Mar 7 1998	Mar 14 1998	Mar 21 1998	Mar 28 1998	Apr 4 1998
AL	17,889	18,278	19,153	19,139	18,365	18,540
AR	24,875	24,297	23,158	24,697	23,934	23,754
DE	5,257	4,957	5,695	5,770	4,965	5,896
FL	2,786	2,866	2,581	2,751	2,790	2,448
GA	23,098	23,849	23,474	24,016	*24,273	24,477
MD	5,390	6,544	5,789	6,013	*6,509	5,628
MS	14,483	14,594	14,938	14,976	14,977	15,020
NC	13,031	13,678	13,298	13,508	13,576	14,350
PA	*2,713	*2,710	2,754	2,749	*2,753	2,857
SC	4,015	3,958	4,017	4,204	3,626	3,039
TX	9,694	9,578	9,742	10,156	10,022	9,719
VA	5,255	5,154	5,449	5,578	*5,531	5,288
CA, TN, & WV	9,161	9,722	9,053	9,242	*10,442	9,798
15 State Total	*137,647	*140,185	139,101	142,799	*141,763	140,814
Previous Year	139,848	138,729	139,880	140,845	140,214	139,871
% of Prev. Year	98	101	99	101	101	101

* Revised.

FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,448,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending April 4, 1998. Placements were twelve percent below the previous week, but three percent above the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were three percent below the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 35,616,000 chicks, one percent below the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 140,814,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending April 4, 1998.

Placements were one percent below the previous week but one percent above the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 842,309,000, slightly above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
FEB 28	2,676	2,786	104	139,848	*137,647	98	APR 18
MAR 07	2,774	2,866	103	138,729	*140,185	101	25
14	2,820	2,581	92	139,880	139,101	99	MAY 02
21	2,860	2,751	96	140,845	142,799	101	09
28	3,136	2,790	89	140,214	*141,763	101	16
APR 04	2,388	2,448	103	139,871	140,814	101	23
TOTAL ^{2/}	16,654	16,222	97	839,387	842,309	100	
^{3/}	35,814	35,616	99	1,870,856	1,858,495	99	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

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Broiler Eggs Set (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Mar 7 1998	Mar 14 1998	Mar 21 1998	Mar 28 1998	Apr 4 1998	Apr 11 1998
AL	25,715	25,451	26,002	26,080	26,507	26,498
AR	29,663	29,640	29,147	28,921	29,766	29,985
DE	4,694	4,566	4,529	4,677	4,563	4,462
FL	2,845	2,698	2,868	2,838	2,887	2,853
GA	29,860	30,289	29,918	30,389	*30,397	30,645
MD	8,588	8,775	8,733	8,878	8,884	8,840
MS	17,727	17,889	17,952	17,824	17,843	18,001
NC	17,984	18,034	*17,487	17,200	*17,643	17,773
PA	3,733	3,734	3,420	3,690	*3,720	3,586
SC	4,224	4,233	4,234	4,224	4,302	4,286
TX	13,052	12,811	12,400	11,207	12,320	12,301
VA	6,639	6,573	6,664	6,636	6,602	6,670
CA, TN, & WV	10,980	10,692	10,920	10,876	*11,090	11,024
15 State Total	175,704	175,385	*174,274	173,440	*176,524	176,924
Previous Year	174,173	172,521	172,495	169,906	174,509	174,847
% of Prev. Year	101	102	101	102	101	101

* Revised.

Broiler Chicks Placed (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Mar 7 1998	Mar 14 1998	Mar 21 1998	Mar 28 1998	Apr 4 1998	Apr 11 1998
AL	18,278	19,153	19,139	18,365	18,540	18,319
AR	24,297	23,158	24,697	23,934	23,754	23,215
DE	4,957	5,695	5,770	4,965	5,896	4,669
FL	2,866	2,581	2,751	2,790	2,448	2,848
GA	23,849	23,474	24,016	24,273	*24,702	24,460
MD	6,544	5,789	6,013	6,509	5,628	6,307
MS	14,594	14,938	14,976	14,977	15,020	15,534
NC	13,678	13,298	13,508	13,576	14,350	13,779
PA	2,710	2,754	2,749	2,753	*2,868	2,644
SC	3,958	4,017	4,204	3,626	3,039	3,281
TX	*9,602	*9,766	*10,180	*10,020	9,719	9,281
VA	5,154	5,449	5,578	5,531	5,288	5,632
CA, TN, & WV	9,722	9,053	9,242	10,442	*9,777	10,148
15 State Total	*140,209	*139,125	*142,823	*141,761	*141,029	140,117
Previous Year	139,025	140,735	141,807	141,814	140,989	140,129
% of Prev. Year	101	99	101	100	100	100

* Revised.

FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,848,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending April 11, 1998. Placements were sixteen percent above the previous week, and seventeen percent above the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were one percent below the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 38,464,000 chicks, one percent above the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 140,117,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending April 11, 1998.

Placements were slightly above the previous week but slightly below the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 845,064,000, slightly above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
MAR 07	2,774	2,866	103	*139,025	*140,209	101	APR 25
14	2,820	2,581	92	*140,735	*139,125	99	MAY 02
21	2,860	2,751	96	*141,807	*142,823	101	09
28	3,136	2,790	89	*141,814	*141,761	100	16
APR 04	2,388	2,448	103	*140,989	*141,029	100	23
11	2,434	2,848	117	140,129	140,117	100	30
TOTAL ^{2/}	16,412	16,284	99	844,499	845,064	100	
^{3/}	38,248	38,464	101	2,015,816	1,998,897	99	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

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April 22, 1998

Broiler Eggs Set (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Mar 14 1998	Mar 21 1998	Mar 28 1998	Apr 4 1998	Apr 11 1998	Apr 18 1998
AL	25,451	26,002	*26,060	26,507	26,498	25,995
AR	29,640	29,147	*29,272	29,766	29,985	28,772
DE	4,566	4,529	4,677	4,563	4,462	4,402
FL	2,698	2,868	2,838	2,887	2,853	2,888
GA	30,289	29,918	30,389	30,397	*30,643	30,472
MD	8,775	8,733	8,878	8,884	*8,879	8,716
MS	17,889	17,952	17,824	17,843	18,001	17,654
NC	18,034	17,487	*17,285	17,643	17,773	17,799
PA	3,734	3,420	3,690	*3,564	*3,599	3,542
SC	4,233	4,234	4,224	4,302	4,286	4,399
TX	12,811	12,400	*12,326	12,320	12,301	12,444
VA	6,573	6,664	6,636	6,602	*6,649	6,659
CA, TN, & WV	10,692	10,920	10,876	11,090	11,024	10,807
15 State Total	175,385	174,274	*174,975	*176,368	*176,953	174,549
Previous Year	172,521	172,495	169,906	174,509	174,847	174,755
% of Prev. Year	102	101	103	101	101	100

* Revised.

Broiler Chicks Placed (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Mar 14 1998	Mar 21 1998	Mar 28 1998	Apr 4 1998	Apr 11 1998	Apr 18 1998
AL	19,153	19,139	*18,350	18,540	18,319	18,782
AR	23,158	24,697	23,934	23,754	23,215	23,431
DE	5,695	5,770	4,965	5,896	*4,602	5,381
FL	2,581	2,751	2,790	2,448	2,848	2,619
GA	23,474	24,016	24,273	24,702	*24,451	24,492
MD	5,789	6,013	6,509	5,628	*6,374	5,940
MS	14,938	14,976	14,977	15,020	15,534	14,723
NC	13,298	13,508	13,576	14,350	13,779	13,966
PA	2,754	2,749	2,753	*2,887	*2,699	2,835
SC	4,017	4,204	3,626	3,039	3,281	3,441
TX	9,766	10,180	10,020	9,719	9,281	9,293
VA	5,449	5,578	5,531	5,288	*5,602	5,357
CA, TN, & WV	9,053	9,242	10,442	9,777	*10,217	9,798
15 State Total	139,125	142,823	*141,746	*141,048	*140,202	140,058
Previous Year	140,735	141,807	141,814	140,989	140,129	137,516
% of Prev. Year	99	101	100	100	100	102

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FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,619,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending April 18, 1998. Placements were eight percent below the previous week, but two percent above the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were one percent below the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 41,083,000 chicks, one percent above the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 140,058,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending April 18, 1998.

Placements were slightly above the previous week and two percent above the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 845,017,000, slightly above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
MAR 14	2,820	2,581	92	140,735	139,125	99	MAY 02
21	2,860	2,751	96	141,807	142,823	101	09
28	3,136	2,790	89	141,814	*141,746	100	16
APR 04	*2,430	2,448	101	140,989	*141,048	100	23
11	2,434	2,848	117	140,129	*140,202	100	30
18	2,574	2,619	102	137,516	140,058	102	JUN 06
TOTAL ^{2/}	16,254	16,037	99	842,990	845,002	100	
^{3/}	40,864	41,083	101	2,153,332	2,139,059	99	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

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April 29, 1998

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Broiler Eggs Set (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Mar 21 1998	Mar 28 1998	Apr 4 1998	Apr 11 1998	Apr 18 1998	Apr 25 1998
AL	26,002	26,060	*26,416	26,498	25,995	25,895
AR	29,147	29,272	29,766	*30,013	28,772	29,228
DE	4,529	4,677	4,563	4,462	4,402	4,389
FL	2,868	2,838	2,887	2,853	2,888	2,914
GA	29,918	*30,356	*30,359	30,643	*30,425	30,935
MD	8,733	8,878	8,884	8,879	8,716	8,888
MS	17,952	17,824	17,843	18,001	17,654	17,745
NC	17,487	17,285	17,643	17,773	17,799	17,600
PA	3,420	3,690	3,564	*3,608	*3,783	3,677
SC	4,234	4,224	4,302	4,286	4,399	4,379
TX	12,400	12,326	12,320	12,301	12,444	12,580
VA	6,664	6,636	6,602	6,649	6,659	6,772
CA, TN, & WV	10,920	10,876	11,090	11,024	10,807	10,878
15 State Total	174,274	*174,942	*176,239	*176,990	*174,743	175,880
Previous Year	172,495	169,906	174,509	174,847	174,755	174,256
% of Prev. Year	101	103	101	101	100	101

* Revised.

Broiler Chicks Placed (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Mar 21 1998	Mar 28 1998	Apr 4 1998	Apr 11 1998	Apr 18 1998	Apr 25 1998
AL	19,139	18,350	18,540	18,319	18,782	18,856
AR	24,697	23,934	23,754	*23,226	23,431	24,281
DE	5,770	4,965	5,896	4,602	5,381	5,613
FL	2,751	2,790	2,448	2,848	2,619	2,682
GA	24,016	24,273	24,702	24,451	*24,472	24,520
MD	6,013	6,509	5,628	6,374	5,940	5,815
MS	14,976	14,977	15,020	15,534	14,723	15,062
NC	13,508	13,576	14,350	13,779	13,966	13,365
PA	2,749	2,753	2,887	*2,684	*2,832	2,743
SC	4,204	3,626	3,039	3,281	3,441	3,896
TX	10,180	10,020	9,719	9,281	*9,297	9,519
VA	5,578	5,531	5,288	5,602	5,357	5,605
CA, TN, & WV	9,242	10,442	9,777	10,217	9,798	10,183
15 State Total	142,823	141,746	141,048	*140,198	*140,039	142,140
Previous Year	141,807	141,814	140,989	140,129	137,516	140,313
% of Prev. Year	101	100	100	100	102	101

* Revised.

FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,682,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending April 25, 1998. Placements were two percent above the previous week, but five percent below the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were one percent below the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 43,765,000 chicks, slightly above the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 142,140,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending April 25, 1998.

Placements were two percent above the previous week and one percent above the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 847,994,000, one percent above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
MAR 21	2,860	2,751	96	141,807	142,823	101	MAY 09
28	3,136	2,790	89	141,814	141,746	100	16
APR 04	2,430	2,448	101	140,989	141,048	100	23
11	2,434	2,848	117	140,129	*140,198	100	30
18	2,574	2,619	102	137,516	*140,039	102	JUN 06
25	2,837	2,682	95	140,313	142,140	101	13
TOTAL ^{2/}	16,271	16,138	99	842,568	847,994	101	
^{3/}	43,701	43,765	100	2,293,645	2,281,176	99	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

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May 6, 1998

Broiler Eggs Set (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Mar 28 1998	Apr 4 1998	Apr 11 1998	Apr 18 1998	Apr 25 1998	May 2 1998
AL	26,060	26,416	26,498	25,995	25,895	26,538
AR	29,272	29,766	30,013	28,772	29,228	29,498
DE	4,677	4,563	4,462	4,402	4,389	4,670
FL	2,838	2,887	2,853	2,888	2,914	2,869
GA	30,356	30,359	30,643	30,425	*30,934	30,874
MD	8,878	8,884	*8,779	8,716	8,888	8,835
MS	17,824	17,843	18,001	17,654	17,745	17,552
NC	*17,335	17,643	17,773	17,799	17,600	17,313
PA	3,690	3,564	3,608	3,783	*3,708	3,685
SC	4,224	4,302	4,286	4,399	4,379	4,393
TX	12,326	12,320	12,301	12,444	12,580	12,472
VA	6,636	6,602	6,649	6,659	6,772	6,773
CA, TN, & WV	*10,917	11,090	11,024	10,807	10,878	11,233
15 State Total	*175,033	176,239	*176,890	174,743	*175,910	176,705
Previous Year	169,906	174,509	174,847	174,755	174,256	172,865
% of Prev. Year	103	101	101	100	101	102

* Revised.

Broiler Chicks Placed (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Mar 28 1998	Apr 4 1998	Apr 11 1998	Apr 18 1998	Apr 25 1998	May 2 1998
AL	18,350	18,540	18,319	18,782	18,856	19,439
AR	23,934	23,754	23,226	23,431	24,281	24,666
DE	4,965	5,896	4,602	5,381	5,613	5,417
FL	2,790	2,448	2,848	2,619	2,682	2,643
GA	24,273	24,702	24,451	24,472	*24,585	24,807
MD	6,509	5,628	6,374	5,940	*5,818	6,037
MS	14,977	15,020	15,534	14,723	15,062	15,191
NC	13,576	14,350	13,779	13,966	13,365	13,658
PA	2,753	*2,853	*2,642	*2,794	*2,676	2,772
SC	3,626	3,039	3,281	3,441	*3,892	3,874
TX	10,020	*9,720	*9,282	*9,299	*9,520	9,531
VA	5,531	5,288	5,602	5,357	5,605	5,215
CA, TN, & WV	*10,450	9,777	10,217	9,798	10,183	9,951
15 State Total	*141,754	*141,015	*140,157	*140,003	*142,138	143,201
Previous Year	141,814	140,989	140,129	137,516	140,313	141,102
% of Prev. Year	100	100	100	102	101	101

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FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,643,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending May 2, 1998. Placements were one percent below the previous week, and three percent below the comparable week of the year before.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 143,201,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending May 2, 1998.

Placements were one percent above the previous week and one percent above the comparable week of the previous year.

Placements during the last six weeks were one percent below the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 46,408,000 chicks, slightly below the corresponding period of last year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 848,268,000, one percent above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
MAR 28	3,136	2,790	89	141,814	*141,754	100	MAY 16
APR 04	2,430	2,448	101	140,989	*141,015	100	23
11	2,434	2,848	117	140,129	*140,157	100	30
18	2,574	2,619	102	137,516	*140,003	102	JUN 06
25	2,837	2,682	95	140,313	*142,138	101	13
MAY 02	2,723	2,643	97	141,102	143,201	101	20
TOTAL ^{2/}	16,134	16,030	99	841,863	848,268	101	
^{3/}	46,424	46,408	100	2,434,747	2,424,273	100	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.
^{2/} Six week total.
^{3/} Year to date totals.
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May 13, 1998

Broiler Eggs Set (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Apr 4 1998	Apr 11 1998	Apr 18 1998	Apr 25 1998	May 2 1998	May 9 1998
AL	26,416	26,498	25,995	*26,164	*26,573	26,345
AR	29,766	30,013	28,772	29,228	29,498	29,953
DE	4,563	4,462	4,402	4,389	4,670	4,459
FL	2,887	2,853	2,888	2,914	2,869	2,877
GA	30,359	30,643	30,425	30,934	*30,934	30,871
MD	8,884	8,779	8,716	8,888	8,835	8,752
MS	17,843	18,001	17,654	17,745	17,552	17,768
NC	17,643	17,773	*17,781	17,600	17,313	17,265
PA	3,564	3,608	3,783	*3,798	3,685	3,632
SC	4,302	4,286	4,399	4,379	4,393	4,313
TX	12,320	12,301	12,444	12,580	*12,493	12,482
VA	6,602	6,649	6,659	6,772	6,773	6,659
CA, TN, & WV	*11,091	11,024	10,807	10,878	11,233	11,157
15 State Total	*176,240	176,890	*174,725	*176,269	*176,821	176,533
Previous Year	174,509	174,847	174,755	174,256	172,865	174,951
% of Prev. Year	101	101	100	101	102	101

* Revised.

Broiler Chicks Placed (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Apr 4 1998	Apr 11 1998	Apr 18 1998	Apr 25 1998	May 2 1998	May 9 1998
AL	18,540	18,319	18,782	*18,837	*19,464	18,995
AR	23,754	23,226	23,431	24,281	24,666	23,410
DE	5,896	4,602	5,381	5,613	5,417	5,226
FL	2,448	2,848	2,619	2,682	*2,692	3,079
GA	24,702	24,451	24,472	24,585	*24,716	23,475
MD	5,628	6,374	5,940	5,818	6,037	6,183
MS	15,020	15,534	14,723	15,062	15,191	14,319
NC	14,350	13,779	13,966	13,365	13,658	13,633
PA	2,853	2,642	2,794	*2,753	2,772	2,888
SC	3,039	3,281	3,441	3,892	3,874	4,778
TX	9,720	9,282	9,299	9,520	*9,509	9,471
VA	5,288	5,602	5,357	5,605	5,215	5,437
CA, TN, & WV	9,777	10,217	9,798	10,183	9,951	9,791
15 State Total	141,015	140,157	140,003	*142,196	*143,162	140,685
Previous Year	140,989	140,129	137,516	140,313	141,102	140,325
% of Prev. Year	100	100	102	101	101	100

* Revised.

FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 3,079,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending May 9, 1998. Placements were sixteen percent above the previous week, and sixteen percent above the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were four percent above the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 49,536,000 chicks, one percent above the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 140,685,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending May 9, 1998.

Placements were two percent below the previous week but slightly above the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 847,218,000, one percent above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
APR 04	2,430	2,448	101	140,989	141,015	100	MAY 23
11	2,434	2,848	117	140,129	140,157	100	30
18	2,574	2,619	102	137,516	140,003	102	JUN 06
25	2,837	2,682	95	140,313	*142,196	101	13
MAY 02	2,723	*2,692	99	141,102	*143,162	101	20
09	2,647	3,079	116	140,325	140,685	100	27
TOTAL ^{2/}	15,645	16,368	105	840,374	847,218	101	
^{3/}	49,071	49,536	101	2,575,072	2,564,977	100	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

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BROILERS

May 21, 1998

Broiler Eggs Set (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Apr 11 1998	Apr 18 1998	Apr 25 1998	May 2 1998	May 9 1998	May 16 1998
AL	26,498	25,995	26,164	26,573	*26,331	26,472
AR	30,013	28,772	29,228	29,498	29,953	29,598
DE	4,462	4,402	4,389	4,670	*4,604	4,596
FL	2,853	2,888	2,914	2,869	2,877	2,938
GA	30,643	30,425	*30,919	30,934	*30,979	31,180
MD	8,779	8,716	8,888	8,835	8,752	8,924
MS	18,001	17,654	17,745	17,552	17,768	17,807
NC	17,773	17,781	*17,374	17,313	17,265	17,342
PA	3,608	3,783	3,798	3,685	3,632	3,702
SC	4,286	4,399	4,379	4,393	4,313	4,277
TX	12,301	12,444	*12,761	12,493	12,482	12,982
VA	6,649	6,659	6,772	6,773	6,659	6,643
CA, TN, & WV	*11,077	10,807	10,878	11,233	11,157	11,036
15 State Total	*176,943	174,725	*176,209	176,821	*176,772	177,497
Previous Year	174,847	174,755	174,256	172,865	174,951	175,876
% of Prev. Year	101	100	101	102	101	101

* Revised.

Broiler Chicks Placed (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Apr 11 1998	Apr 18 1998	Apr 25 1998	May 2 1998	May 9 1998	May 16 1998
AL	18,319	18,782	18,837	19,464	*19,034	19,029
AR	23,226	23,431	24,281	24,666	23,410	22,907
DE	4,602	5,381	5,613	5,417	*4,953	5,506
FL	2,848	2,619	2,682	2,692	3,079	2,697
GA	24,451	24,472	24,585	24,716	*23,355	24,700
MD	6,374	5,940	5,818	*6,038	*6,475	5,846
MS	15,534	14,723	15,062	15,191	14,319	14,912
NC	13,779	13,966	13,365	13,658	13,633	13,389
PA	2,642	2,794	2,753	2,772	2,888	2,881
SC	3,281	3,441	3,892	3,874	4,778	3,608
TX	9,282	9,299	9,520	9,509	9,471	9,776
VA	5,602	5,357	5,605	5,215	5,437	6,074
CA, TN, & WV	*10,221	9,798	10,183	9,951	9,791	10,302
15 State Total	*140,161	140,003	142,196	*143,163	*140,623	141,627
Previous Year	140,129	137,516	140,313	141,102	140,325	140,850
% of Prev. Year	100	102	101	101	100	101

* Revised.

FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,697,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending May 16, 1998. Placements were twelve percent below the previous week, but slightly above the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were four percent above the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 52,233,000 chicks, one percent above the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 141,627,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending May 16, 1998.

Placements were one percent above the previous week and one percent above the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 847,773,000, one percent above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
APR 11	2,434	2,848	117	140,129	*140,161	100	MAY 30
18	2,574	2,619	102	137,516	140,003	102	JUN 06
25	2,837	2,682	95	140,313	142,196	101	13
MAY 02	2,723	2,692	99	141,102	*143,163	101	20
09	2,647	3,079	116	140,325	*140,623	100	27
16	2,693	2,697	100	140,850	141,627	101	JUL 04
TOTAL ^{2/}	15,908	16,617	104	840,235	847,773	101	
^{3/}	51,764	52,233	101	2,715,922	2,706,547	100	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

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BROILERS

May 27, 1998

Broiler Eggs Set (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Apr 18 1998	Apr 25 1998	May 2 1998	May 9 1998	May 16 1998	May 23 1998
AL	25,995	26,164	*26,515	26,331	26,472	26,509
AR	28,772	29,228	29,498	29,953	29,598	29,410
DE	4,402	4,389	4,670	4,604	*4,591	4,685
FL	2,888	2,914	2,869	2,877	2,938	2,625
GA	30,425	30,919	30,934	30,979	*31,255	30,586
MD	8,716	8,888	8,835	8,752	*8,937	8,814
MS	17,654	17,745	17,552	17,768	17,807	17,946
NC	17,781	17,374	17,313	17,265	17,342	17,146
PA	3,783	3,798	*3,697	3,632	3,702	3,795
SC	4,399	4,379	4,393	4,313	4,277	4,322
TX	12,444	12,761	12,493	12,482	12,982	13,021
VA	6,659	6,772	6,773	6,659	6,643	6,648
CA, TN, & WV	10,807	*11,067	11,233	11,157	11,036	10,809
15 State Total	174,725	*176,398	*176,775	176,772	*177,580	176,316
Previous Year	174,755	174,256	172,865	174,951	175,876	175,353
% of Prev. Year	100	101	102	101	101	101

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Broiler Chicks Placed (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Apr 18 1998	Apr 25 1998	May 2 1998	May 9 1998	May 16 1998	May 23 1998
AL	18,782	18,837	19,464	19,034	19,029	19,379
AR	23,431	24,281	24,666	23,410	22,907	23,558
DE	5,381	5,613	5,417	4,953	*5,524	5,584
FL	2,619	2,682	2,692	3,079	2,697	2,493
GA	24,472	24,585	24,716	23,355	*24,789	24,937
MD	5,940	5,818	6,038	6,475	*6,121	5,956
MS	14,723	15,062	15,191	14,319	14,912	14,997
NC	13,966	13,365	13,658	13,633	*13,289	13,081
PA	2,794	2,753	*2,765	2,888	2,881	2,845
SC	3,441	3,892	3,874	4,778	3,608	3,713
TX	9,299	9,520	9,509	9,471	9,776	9,676
VA	5,357	5,605	5,215	5,437	*5,922	5,306
CA, TN, & WV	9,798	10,183	*9,945	*9,790	*10,304	10,311
15 State Total	140,003	142,196	*143,150	*140,622	*141,759	141,836
Previous Year	137,516	140,313	141,102	140,325	140,850	139,848
% of Prev. Year	102	101	101	100	101	101

* Revised.

FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,493,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending May 23, 1998. Placements were eight percent below the previous week, and five percent below the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were one percent above the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 54,726,000 chicks, one percent above the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 141,836,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending May 23, 1998.

Placements were slightly above the previous week and one percent above the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 849,566,000, one percent above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
APR 18	2,574	2,619	102	137,516	140,003	102	JUN 06
25	2,837	2,682	95	140,313	142,196	101	13
MAY 02	2,723	2,692	99	141,102	*143,150	101	20
09	2,647	3,079	116	140,325	*140,622	100	27
16	2,693	2,697	100	140,850	*141,759	101	JUL 04
23	2,631	2,493	95	139,848	141,836	101	11
TOTAL ^{2/}	16,105	16,262	101	839,954	849,566	101	
^{3/}	54,395	54,726	101	2,855,770	2,848,501	100	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

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BROILERS

June 4, 1998

Broiler Eggs Set (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Apr 25 1998	May 2 1998	May 9 1998	May 16 1998	May 23 1998	May 30 1998
AL	26,164	26,515	26,331	26,472	26,509	26,575
AR	29,228	29,498	29,953	29,598	29,410	29,716
DE	4,389	4,670	4,604	4,591	*4,726	4,722
FL	2,914	2,869	2,877	2,938	2,625	2,573
GA	30,919	*30,994	30,979	*31,342	*30,592	31,175
MD	8,888	8,835	8,752	8,937	8,814	8,784
MS	17,745	17,552	17,768	17,807	17,946	18,031
NC	17,374	*17,235	17,265	17,342	17,146	17,533
PA	3,798	3,697	*3,623	*3,670	*3,727	3,688
SC	4,379	4,393	4,313	4,277	4,322	4,310
TX	12,761	12,493	12,482	12,982	13,021	12,935
VA	6,772	6,773	6,659	6,643	*6,627	6,655
CA, TN, & WV	11,067	11,233	11,157	11,036	*10,899	10,956
15 State Total	176,398	*176,757	*176,763	*177,635	*176,364	177,653
Previous Year	174,256	172,865	174,951	175,876	175,353	176,303
% of Prev. Year	101	102	101	101	101	101

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Broiler Chicks Placed (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Apr 25 1998	May 2 1998	May 9 1998	May 16 1998	May 23 1998	May 30 1998
AL	18,837	19,464	19,034	19,029	19,379	18,944
AR	24,281	24,666	23,410	*23,129	23,558	24,114
DE	5,613	5,417	4,953	5,524	*5,559	5,480
FL	2,682	2,692	3,079	2,697	2,493	2,795
GA	24,585	24,716	23,355	*24,784	*24,864	25,569
MD	5,818	6,038	6,475	6,121	*6,007	5,773
MS	15,062	15,191	14,319	14,912	14,997	14,816
NC	13,365	13,658	13,633	13,289	13,081	13,357
PA	2,753	2,765	*2,793	*2,902	*2,850	2,867
SC	3,892	3,874	4,778	3,608	3,713	3,291
TX	9,520	9,509	9,471	9,776	9,676	9,573
VA	5,605	5,215	5,437	5,922	*5,294	5,393
CA, TN, & WV	10,183	9,945	9,790	10,304	*10,394	9,900
15 State Total	142,196	143,150	*140,527	*141,997	*141,865	141,872
Previous Year	140,313	141,102	140,325	140,850	139,848	141,209
% of Prev. Year	101	101	100	101	101	100

* Revised.

FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,795,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending May 30, 1998. Placements were twelve percent above the previous week and seven percent above the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were two percent above the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 57,521,000 chicks, one percent above the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 141,872,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending May 30, 1998.

Placements were slightly above the previous week and slightly above the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 851,607,000, one percent above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
APR 25	2,837	2,682	95	140,313	142,196	101	JUN 13
MAY 02	2,723	2,692	99	141,102	143,150	101	20
09	2,647	3,079	116	140,325	*140,527	100	27
16	2,693	2,697	100	140,850	*141,997	101	JUL 04
23	2,631	2,493	95	139,848	*141,865	101	11
30	2,624	2,795	107	141,209	141,872	100	18
TOTAL ^{2/}	16,155	16,438	102	843,647	851,607	101	
^{3/}	57,019	57,521	101	2,996,974	2,990,545	100	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

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BROILERS

June 10, 1998

Broiler Eggs Set (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	May 2 1998	May 9 1998	May 16 1998	May 23 1998	May 30 1998	Jun 6 1998
AL	26,515	26,331	26,472	26,509	*26,571	26,328
AR	29,498	29,953	29,598	29,410	29,716	29,699
DE	4,670	4,604	4,591	4,726	4,722	4,725
FL	2,869	2,877	2,938	2,625	2,573	2,567
GA	30,994	30,979	*31,345	*30,970	*31,190	31,239
MD	8,835	8,752	8,937	8,814	8,784	8,805
MS	17,552	17,768	17,807	17,946	18,031	17,990
NC	17,235	17,265	17,342	17,146	17,533	17,591
PA	3,697	*3,741	*3,708	*3,723	*3,674	3,708
SC	4,393	4,313	4,277	4,322	4,310	4,329
TX	12,493	12,482	*12,801	13,021	12,935	13,008
VA	6,773	6,659	6,643	6,627	*6,654	6,680
CA, TN, & WV	11,233	11,157	11,036	*10,898	*11,127	11,153
15 State Total	176,757	*176,881	*177,495	*176,737	*177,820	177,822
Previous Year	172,865	174,951	175,876	175,353	176,303	176,249
% of Prev. Year	102	101	101	101	101	101

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Broiler Chicks Placed (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	May 2 1998	May 9 1998	May 16 1998	May 23 1998	May 30 1998	Jun 6 1998
AL	19,464	19,034	19,029	19,379	*18,940	19,272
AR	24,666	23,410	23,129	23,558	24,114	23,134
DE	5,417	4,953	5,524	5,559	*5,320	5,634
FL	2,692	3,079	2,697	2,493	2,795	2,715
GA	24,716	23,355	24,784	*24,861	*25,542	25,186
MD	6,038	6,475	6,121	6,007	*5,806	5,502
MS	15,191	14,319	14,912	14,997	14,816	14,703
NC	13,658	13,633	13,289	13,081	13,357	13,736
PA	2,765	*2,659	*2,829	*2,804	*2,901	2,923
SC	3,874	4,778	3,608	3,713	3,291	3,350
TX	*9,505	*9,467	*9,773	*9,673	*9,570	9,874
VA	5,215	5,437	5,922	5,294	*5,500	5,454
CA, TN, & WV	9,945	9,790	10,304	*10,395	*9,903	10,129
15 State Total	*143,146	*140,389	*141,921	*141,814	*141,855	141,612
Previous Year	141,102	140,325	140,850	139,848	141,209	142,511
% of Prev. Year	101	100	101	101	100	99

* Revised.

FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,715,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending June 6, 1998. Placements were three percent below the previous week and slightly below the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were three percent above the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 60,236,000 chicks, one percent above the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 141,612,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending June 6, 1998.

Placements were one percent below the previous week and slightly above the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 850,737,000, one percent above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
MAY 02	2,723	2,692	99	141,102	*143,146	101	JUN 20
09	2,647	3,079	116	140,325	*140,389	100	27
16	2,693	2,697	100	140,850	*141,921	101	JUL 04
23	2,631	2,493	95	139,848	*141,814	101	11
30	2,624	2,795	107	141,209	*141,855	100	18
JUN 06	2,718	2,715	100	142,511	141,612	99	25
TOTAL ^{2/}	16,036	16,471	103	845,845	850,737	101	
^{3/}	59,737	60,236	101	3,139,485	3,131,871	100	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

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June 17, 1998

Broiler Eggs Set (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	May 9 1998	May 16 1998	May 23 1998	May 30 1998	Jun 6 1998	Jun 13 1998
AL	26,331	26,472	*26,572	26,571	26,328	26,328
AR	29,953	29,598	29,410	29,716	29,699	29,776
DE	4,604	4,591	4,726	4,722	4,725	4,745
FL	2,877	2,938	*2,685	2,573	2,567	2,546
GA	30,979	31,345	30,970	*31,268	*31,260	31,629
MD	8,752	8,937	8,814	8,784	8,805	8,915
MS	17,768	17,807	17,946	18,031	17,990	17,999
NC	17,265	17,342	*17,223	17,533	17,591	18,045
PA	3,741	3,708	3,723	3,674	*3,709	3,732
SC	4,313	4,277	4,322	4,310	4,329	4,316
TX	12,482	12,801	13,021	12,935	13,008	12,947
VA	6,659	6,643	6,627	6,654	*6,678	6,842
CA, TN, & WV	11,157	11,036	10,898	11,127	*11,208	11,225
15 State Total	176,881	177,495	*176,937	*177,898	*177,897	179,045
Previous Year	174,951	175,876	175,353	176,303	176,249	175,071
% of Prev. Year	101	101	101	101	101	102

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Broiler Chicks Placed (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	May 9 1998	May 16 1998	May 23 1998	May 30 1998	Jun 6 1998	Jun 13 1998
AL	19,034	19,029	19,379	18,940	19,272	19,103
AR	23,410	23,129	23,558	24,114	23,134	23,441
DE	4,953	5,524	5,559	5,320	5,634	4,859
FL	3,079	2,697	2,493	2,795	2,715	2,674
GA	23,355	24,784	24,861	*25,556	*25,191	25,176
MD	6,475	6,121	6,007	5,806	*5,505	6,426
MS	14,319	14,912	14,997	14,816	14,703	15,100
NC	13,633	13,289	13,081	13,357	13,736	13,688
PA	2,659	2,829	2,804	2,901	*2,877	2,911
SC	4,778	3,608	3,713	3,291	3,350	3,479
TX	9,467	9,773	9,673	9,570	9,874	9,947
VA	5,437	5,922	5,294	5,500	*5,419	5,388
CA, TN, & WV	9,790	10,304	10,395	9,903	*10,146	9,683
15 State Total	140,389	141,921	141,814	*141,869	*141,556	141,875
Previous Year	140,325	140,850	139,848	141,209	142,511	142,374
% of Prev. Year	100	101	101	100	99	100

* Revised.

FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,674,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending June 13, 1998. Placements were two percent below the previous week but two percent above the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were three percent above the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 62,910,000 chicks, one percent above the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 141,875,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending June 13, 1998.

Placements were slightly above the previous week and slightly above the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 849,424,000, slightly above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
MAY 09	2,647	3,079	116	140,325	140,389	100	JUN 27
16	2,693	2,697	100	140,850	141,921	101	JUL 04
23	2,631	2,493	95	139,848	141,814	101	11
30	2,624	2,795	107	141,209	*141,869	100	18
JUN 06	2,718	2,715	100	142,511	*141,556	99	25
13	2,629	2,674	102	142,374	141,875	100	AUG 01
TOTAL ^{2/}	15,942	16,453	103	847,117	849,424	100	
^{3/}	62,366	62,910	101	3,281,859	3,273,704	100	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

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BROILERS

June 24, 1998

Broiler Eggs Set (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	May 16 1998	May 23 1998	May 30 1998	Jun 6 1998	Jun 13 1998	Jun 20 1998
AL	26,472	26,572	26,571	26,328	26,328	26,329
AR	29,598	29,410	*29,731	29,699	29,776	29,505
DE	4,591	4,726	4,722	4,725	4,745	4,732
FL	2,938	2,685	2,573	2,567	2,546	2,509
GA	31,345	30,970	31,268	31,260	*31,618	31,182
MD	8,937	8,814	8,784	8,805	8,915	8,705
MS	17,807	17,946	18,031	17,990	17,999	17,705
NC	17,342	17,223	*17,462	17,591	18,045	17,443
PA	3,708	3,723	3,674	3,709	*3,616	3,674
SC	4,277	4,322	4,310	4,329	4,316	4,370
TX	12,801	13,021	12,935	13,008	12,947	13,354
VA	6,643	6,627	6,654	6,678	6,842	6,637
CA, TN, & WV	11,036	10,898	11,127	11,208	*11,240	11,225
15 State Total	177,495	176,937	*177,842	177,897	*178,933	177,370
Previous Year	175,876	175,353	176,303	176,249	175,071	175,236
% of Prev. Year	101	101	101	101	102	101

* Revised.

Broiler Chicks Placed (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	May 16 1998	May 23 1998	May 30 1998	Jun 6 1998	Jun 13 1998	Jun 20 1998
AL	19,029	19,379	18,940	19,272	19,103	19,341
AR	23,129	23,558	24,114	23,134	23,441	24,184
DE	5,524	5,559	5,320	5,634	4,859	4,579
FL	2,697	2,493	2,795	2,715	*2,631	2,319
GA	24,784	24,861	25,556	25,191	*25,173	24,878
MD	6,121	6,007	5,806	5,505	6,426	6,710
MS	14,912	14,997	14,816	14,703	15,100	15,298
NC	13,289	13,081	13,357	13,736	13,688	13,638
PA	2,829	2,804	2,901	2,877	*2,725	2,817
SC	3,608	3,713	3,291	3,350	3,479	3,476
TX	9,773	9,673	9,570	9,874	9,947	9,954
VA	5,922	5,294	5,500	5,419	5,388	5,471
CA, TN, & WV	10,304	10,395	9,903	10,146	*9,687	10,096
15 State Total	141,921	141,814	141,869	141,556	*141,647	142,761
Previous Year	140,850	139,848	141,209	142,511	142,374	141,506
% of Prev. Year	101	101	100	99	99	101

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FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,319,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending June 20, 1998. Placements were twelve percent below the previous week and thirteen percent below the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were two percent below the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 65,186,000 chicks, slightly above the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 142,761,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending June 20, 1998.

Placements were one percent above the previous week and one percent above the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 851,568,000, slightly above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
MAY 16	2,693	2,697	100	140,850	141,921	101	JUL 04
23	2,631	2,493	95	139,848	141,814	101	11
30	2,624	2,795	107	141,209	141,869	100	18
JUN 06	2,718	2,715	100	142,511	141,556	99	25
13	2,629	*2,631	100	142,374	*141,647	99	AUG 01
20	2,657	2,319	87	141,506	142,761	101	08
TOTAL ^{2/}	15,952	15,650	98	848,298	851,568	100	
^{3/}	65,023	65,186	100	3,423,365	3,416,237	100	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

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BROILERS

July 1, 1998

Broiler Eggs Set (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	May 23 1998	May 30 1998	Jun 6 1998	Jun 13 1998	Jun 20 1998	Jun 27 1998
AL	26,572	26,571	26,328	26,328	26,329	25,426
AR	29,410	29,731	29,699	29,776	29,505	29,222
DE	4,726	4,722	4,725	*4,744	*4,560	4,783
FL	2,685	2,573	2,567	2,546	2,509	2,434
GA	30,970	31,268	31,260	31,618	*31,192	31,299
MD	8,814	8,784	8,805	8,915	8,705	8,757
MS	17,946	18,031	17,990	17,999	*17,794	17,911
NC	17,223	17,462	17,591	18,045	17,443	17,490
PA	3,723	3,674	3,709	3,616	*3,734	3,610
SC	4,322	4,310	4,329	4,316	4,370	4,356
TX	13,021	12,935	13,008	12,947	13,354	13,271
VA	6,627	6,654	6,678	6,842	6,637	6,642
CA, TN, & WV	10,898	11,127	11,208	*11,241	*11,070	11,155
15 State Total	176,937	177,842	177,897	*178,933	*177,202	176,356
Previous Year	175,353	176,303	176,249	175,071	175,236	170,037
% of Prev. Year	101	101	101	102	101	104

* Revised.

Broiler Chicks Placed (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	May 23 1998	May 30 1998	Jun 6 1998	Jun 13 1998	Jun 20 1998	Jun 27 1998
AL	19,379	18,940	19,272	19,103	19,341	19,185
AR	23,558	*24,181	*23,635	*23,647	24,184	24,367
DE	5,559	5,320	5,634	*4,933	*4,521	5,760
FL	2,493	2,795	2,715	2,631	2,319	2,434
GA	24,861	25,556	25,191	25,173	*24,988	24,514
MD	6,007	5,806	5,505	*6,438	*6,770	5,686
MS	14,997	14,816	14,703	15,100	*15,146	14,910
NC	13,081	13,357	13,736	13,688	13,638	13,760
PA	2,804	2,901	2,877	2,725	*2,703	2,735
SC	3,713	3,291	3,350	3,479	3,476	3,994
TX	9,673	9,570	9,874	9,947	9,954	9,883
VA	5,294	5,500	5,419	5,388	5,471	5,223
CA, TN, & WV	10,395	9,903	10,146	9,687	*10,080	10,549
15 State Total	141,814	*141,936	*142,057	*141,939	*142,591	143,000
Previous Year	139,848	141,209	142,511	142,374	141,506	142,448
% of Prev. Year	101	101	100	100	101	100

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FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,434,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending June 27, 1998. Placements were five percent above the previous week but eleven percent below the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were four percent below the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 67,620,000 chicks, slightly below the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 142,761,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending June 27, 1998.

Placements were one percent above the previous week and one percent above the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 851,568,000, slightly above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
MAY 23	2,631	2,493	95	139,848	141,814	101	JUL 11
30	2,624	2,795	107	141,209	141,869	100	18
JUN 06	2,718	2,715	100	142,511	141,556	99	25
13	2,629	2,631	100	142,374	*141,647	99	AUG 01
20	2,657	2,319	87	141,506	142,761	101	08
27	2,723	2,434	89	142,448			15
TOTAL ^{2/}	15,982	15,387	96	849,896	709,647	83	
^{3/}	67,746	67,620	100	3,565,813	3,416,237	96	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

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BROILERS

July 8, 1998

Broiler Eggs Set (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	May 30 1998	Jun 6 1998	Jun 13 1998	Jun 20 1998	Jun 27 1998	Jul 4 1998
AL	26,571	26,328	26,328	26,329	25,426	25,205
AR	29,731	29,699	*29,576	29,505	29,222	28,955
DE	4,722	4,725	4,744	4,560	4,783	4,439
FL	2,573	2,567	2,546	2,509	2,434	2,477
GA	31,268	31,260	*31,519	31,192	*31,307	30,790
MD	8,784	8,805	8,915	8,705	8,757	8,056
MS	18,031	17,990	17,999	17,794	17,911	17,807
NC	17,462	17,591	18,045	17,443	*17,868	16,329
PA	3,674	3,709	3,616	3,734	*3,660	3,602
SC	4,310	4,329	4,316	4,370	4,356	4,220
TX	12,935	13,008	12,947	13,354	13,271	12,380
VA	6,654	6,678	6,842	6,637	*6,649	6,615
CA, TN, & WV	11,127	11,208	11,241	11,070	*10,876	10,481
15 State Total	177,842	177,897	*178,634	177,202	*176,520	171,356
Previous Year	176,303	176,249	175,071	175,236	170,037	171,374
% of Prev. Year	101	101	102	101	104	100

* Revised.

Broiler Chicks Placed (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	May 30 1998	Jun 6 1998	Jun 13 1998	Jun 20 1998	Jun 27 1998	Jul 4 1998
AL	18,940	19,272	19,103	19,341	*19,189	19,294
AR	24,181	23,635	23,647	24,184	24,367	23,714
DE	5,320	5,634	4,933	4,521	*6,076	5,532
FL	2,795	2,715	2,631	2,319	2,434	2,408
GA	25,556	25,191	25,173	24,988	*24,472	24,442
MD	5,806	5,505	6,438	6,770	*5,447	6,240
MS	14,816	14,703	15,100	15,146	14,910	14,871
NC	13,357	13,736	13,688	13,638	*13,731	13,657
PA	2,901	2,877	2,725	2,703	*2,728	2,749
SC	3,291	3,350	3,479	3,476	3,994	4,603
TX	9,570	*9,871	*9,945	*9,952	*9,880	9,774
VA	5,500	5,419	5,388	5,471	*5,201	5,585
CA, TN, & WV	9,903	10,146	9,687	10,080	*10,538	10,260
15 State Total	141,936	*142,054	*141,937	*142,589	*142,967	143,129
Previous Year	141,209	142,511	142,374	141,506	142,448	140,860
% of Prev. Year	101	100	100	101	100	102

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FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,408,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending July 4, 1998. Placements were one percent below the previous week and twelve percent below the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were five percent below the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 70,028,000 chicks, one percent below the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 143,129,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending July 4, 1998.

Placements were slightly above the previous week and two percent above the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 854,612,000, slightly above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
MAY 30	2,624	2,795	107	141,209	141,936	101	JUL 18
JUN 06	2,718	2,715	100	142,511	*142,054	100	25
13	2,629	2,631	100	142,374	*141,937	100	AUG 01
20	2,657	2,319	87	141,506	*142,589	101	08
27	2,723	2,434	89	142,448	*142,967	100	15
JUL 4	2,729	2,408	88	140,860	143,129	102	22
TOTAL ^{2/}	16,080	15,302	95	850,908	854,612	100	
^{3/}	70,475	70,028	99	3,706,673	3,703,113	100	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

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Broiler Eggs Set (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jun 6 1998	Jun 13 1998	Jun 20 1998	Jun 27 1998	Jul 4 1998	Jul 11 1998
AL	26,328	26,328	26,329	25,426	25,205	26,115
AR	29,699	29,576	*29,305	29,222	28,955	27,744
DE	4,725	4,744	4,560	4,783	4,439	4,500
FL	2,567	2,546	2,509	2,434	2,477	2,450
GA	31,260	31,519	31,192	31,307	*30,824	30,718
MD	8,805	8,915	8,705	8,757	8,056	8,574
MS	17,990	17,999	17,794	17,911	17,807	17,956
NC	17,591	18,045	*17,476	17,868	16,329	17,441
PA	3,709	*3,639	*3,757	*3,683	*3,605	3,746
SC	4,329	4,316	4,370	4,356	4,220	4,021
TX	13,008	12,947	13,354	13,271	12,380	13,142
VA	6,678	6,842	6,637	6,649	6,615	6,642
CA, TN, & WV	11,208	11,241	11,070	10,876	10,481	11,063
15 State Total	177,897	*178,657	*177,058	*176,543	*171,393	174,112
Previous Year	176,249	175,071	175,236	170,037	171,374	172,616
% of Prev. Year	101	102	101	104	100	101

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Broiler Chicks Placed (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jun 6 1998	Jun 13 1998	Jun 20 1998	Jun 27 1998	Jul 4 1998	Jul 11 1998
AL	19,272	19,103	19,341	19,189	19,294	19,085
AR	23,635	23,647	24,184	24,367	*23,708	23,066
DE	5,634	4,933	4,521	6,076	5,532	5,176
FL	2,715	2,631	2,319	2,434	*2,428	2,381
GA	25,191	25,173	24,988	24,472	*24,374	24,502
MD	5,505	6,438	6,770	5,447	*6,243	6,217
MS	14,703	15,100	15,146	14,910	14,871	14,630
NC	13,736	13,688	13,638	13,731	13,657	13,323
PA	2,877	2,725	2,703	2,728	*2,795	2,907
SC	3,350	3,479	3,476	3,994	4,603	3,496
TX	9,871	9,945	9,952	9,880	9,774	10,037
VA	5,419	5,388	5,471	5,201	5,585	5,266
CA, TN, & WV	10,146	9,687	10,080	10,538	10,260	10,073
15 State Total	142,054	141,937	142,589	142,967	*143,124	140,159
Previous Year	142,511	142,374	141,506	142,448	140,860	140,991
% of Prev. Year	100	100	101	100	102	99

* Revised.

FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,381,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending July 11, 1998. Placements were two percent below the previous week and four percent below the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were four percent below the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 72,429,000 chicks, one percent below the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 140,159,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending July 11, 1998.

Placements were two percent below the previous week and one percent below the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 852,830,000, slightly above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
JUN 06	2,718	2,715	100	142,511	142,054	100	JUL 25
13	2,629	2,631	100	142,374	141,937	100	AUG 01
20	2,657	2,319	87	141,506	142,589	101	08
27	2,723	2,434	89	142,448	142,967	100	15
JUL 4	2,729	*2,428	89	140,860	*143,124	102	22
11	2,481	2,381	96	140,991	140,159	99	29
TOTAL ^{2/}	15,937	14,908	94	850,690	852,830	100	
^{3/}	72,956	72,429	99	3,847,664	3,843,267	100	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

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July 22, 1998

Broiler Eggs Set (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jun 13 1998	Jun 20 1998	Jun 27 1998	Jul 4 1998	Jul 11 1998	Jul 18 1998
AL	26,328	26,329	25,426	25,205	26,115	26,167
AR	29,576	29,305	29,222	28,955	27,744	28,980
DE	4,744	4,560	4,783	4,439	4,500	4,432
FL	2,546	2,509	2,434	2,477	2,450	2,550
GA	31,519	31,192	31,307	30,824	*30,664	31,185
MD	8,915	8,705	8,757	8,056	8,574	8,538
MS	17,999	17,794	17,911	17,807	17,956	17,792
NC	18,045	*17,536	*17,879	16,329	*17,467	17,461
PA	3,639	3,757	3,683	3,605	*3,752	3,703
SC	*4,546	*4,600	*4,577	*4,468	*4,216	4,272
TX	12,947	13,354	13,271	12,380	13,142	13,281
VA	6,842	6,637	6,649	6,615	6,642	6,635
CA, TN, & WV	11,241	11,070	10,876	*10,503	*11,000	10,876
15 State Total	*178,887	*177,348	*176,775	*171,663	*174,222	175,872
Previous Year	175,071	175,236	170,037	171,374	172,616	174,221
% of Prev. Year	102	101	104	100	101	101

* Revised.

Broiler Chicks Placed (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jun 13 1998	Jun 20 1998	Jun 27 1998	Jul 4 1998	Jul 11 1998	Jul 18 1998
AL	19,103	19,341	19,189	19,294	19,085	18,140
AR	23,647	24,184	24,367	23,708	23,066	22,469
DE	4,933	4,521	6,076	5,532	5,176	5,743
FL	2,631	2,319	2,434	2,428	2,381	2,274
GA	25,173	24,988	24,472	24,374	*24,423	24,887
MD	6,438	6,770	5,447	6,243	6,217	5,929
MS	15,100	15,146	14,910	14,871	14,630	14,459
NC	13,688	13,638	13,731	13,657	*13,530	13,545
PA	2,725	2,703	2,728	2,795	*2,933	2,800
SC	3,479	3,476	*4,015	*4,721	*3,703	4,260
TX	9,945	9,952	9,880	9,774	10,037	9,924
VA	5,388	5,471	5,201	5,585	5,266	5,341
CA, TN, & WV	9,687	10,080	*10,540	*10,242	*10,186	10,093
15 State Total	141,937	142,589	*142,990	*143,224	*140,633	139,864
Previous Year	142,374	141,506	142,448	140,860	140,991	135,981
% of Prev. Year	100	101	100	102	100	103

* Revised

FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,274,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending July 18, 1998. Placements were four percent below the previous week and fourteen percent below the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were nine percent below the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 74,703,000 chicks, one percent below the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 139,864,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending July 18, 1998.

Placements were one percent below the previous week but three percent above the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 851,237,000, one percent above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
JUN 13	2,629	2,631	100	142,374	141,937	100	AUG 01
20	2,657	2,319	87	141,506	142,589	101	08
27	2,723	2,434	89	142,448	*142,990	100	15
JUL 4	2,729	2,428	89	140,860	*143,224	102	22
11	2,481	2,381	96	140,991	*140,633	100	29
18	2,640	2,274	86	135,981	139,864	103	SEP 05
TOTAL ^{2/}	15,859	14,467	91	844,160	851,237	101	
^{3/}	75,596	74,703	99	3,983,645	3,983,728	100	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

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July 29, 1998

Broiler Eggs Set (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jun 20 1998	Jun 27 1998	Jul 4 1998	Jul 11 1998	Jul 18 1998	Jul 25 1998
AL	26,329	25,426	25,205	26,115	*26,094	25,857
AR	29,305	*28,993	28,955	27,744	28,980	29,316
DE	4,560	4,783	4,439	4,500	4,432	4,554
FL	2,509	2,434	*2,517	2,450	2,550	2,480
GA	31,192	31,307	30,824	30,664	*31,283	31,096
MD	8,705	8,757	8,056	8,574	8,538	8,720
MS	17,794	17,911	17,807	17,956	*17,807	17,872
NC	17,536	17,879	*16,314	17,467	*17,460	17,738
PA	3,757	3,683	*3,636	*3,819	*3,622	3,659
SC	4,600	4,577	4,468	4,216	4,272	4,378
TX	13,354	13,271	12,380	13,142	13,281	12,858
VA	6,637	6,649	6,615	6,642	6,635	6,648
CA, TN, & WV	11,070	10,876	10,503	11,000	10,876	10,734
15 State Total	177,348	*176,546	*171,719	*174,289	*175,830	175,910
Previous Year	175,236	170,037	171,374	172,616	174,221	172,509
% of Prev. Year	101	104	100	101	101	102

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Broiler Chicks Placed (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jun 20 1998	Jun 27 1998	Jul 4 1998	Jul 11 1998	Jul 18 1998	Jul 25 1998
AL	19,341	19,189	19,294	19,085	*18,144	17,692
AR	*24,219	24,367	23,708	23,066	22,469	22,938
DE	4,521	6,076	5,532	5,176	5,743	5,977
FL	2,319	2,434	2,428	2,381	2,274	2,645
GA	24,988	24,472	*24,394	*24,443	*24,893	24,439
MD	6,770	5,447	6,243	6,217	5,929	4,485
MS	15,146	14,910	14,871	14,630	*14,400	14,243
NC	13,638	13,731	13,657	13,530	*13,561	12,739
PA	2,703	2,728	*2,761	*2,883	*2,813	2,768
SC	3,476	*3,994	4,721	3,703	4,260	3,269
TX	9,952	9,880	9,774	10,037	9,924	9,224
VA	5,471	5,201	5,585	*5,614	*5,364	5,319
CA, TN, & WV	10,080	10,540	10,242	*10,214	*10,059	9,896
15 State Total	*142,624	*142,969	*143,210	*140,979	*139,833	135,634
Previous Year	141,506	142,448	140,860	140,991	135,981	138,060
% of Prev. Year	101	100	102	100	103	98

* Revised.

FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,645,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending July 25, 1998. Placements were sixteen percent above the previous week and one percent above the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were nine percent below the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 77,348,000 chicks, one percent below the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 135,634,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending July 25, 1998.

Placements were three percent below the previous week and two percent below the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 845,249,000, one percent above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
JUN 20	2,657	2,319	87	141,506	*142,624	101	AUG 08
27	2,723	2,434	89	142,448	*142,969	100	15
JUL 4	2,729	2,428	89	140,860	*143,210	102	22
11	2,481	2,381	96	140,991	*140,979	100	29
18	2,640	2,274	86	135,981	*139,833	103	SEP 05
25	2,614	2,645	101	138,060	135,634	98	12
TOTAL ^{2/}	15,844	14,481	91	839,846	845,249	101	
^{3/}	78,210	77,348	99	4,121,705	4,119,677	100	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

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BROILERS

August 5, 1998

Broiler Eggs Set (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jun 27 1998	Jul 4 1998	Jul 11 1998	Jul 18 1998	Jul 25 1998	Aug 1 1998
AL	25,426	25,205	*26,110	26,094	25,857	25,849
AR	28,993	28,955	27,744	28,980	*28,375	28,225
DE	4,783	4,439	4,500	4,432	4,554	4,460
FL	2,434	2,517	2,450	2,550	2,480	2,474
GA	31,307	30,824	30,664	31,283	*31,059	31,081
MD	8,757	8,056	8,574	8,538	8,720	8,826
MS	17,911	17,807	17,956	17,807	17,872	17,776
NC	17,879	16,314	*17,663	17,460	17,738	17,535
PA	3,683	3,636	3,819	3,622	*3,692	3,671
SC	4,577	4,468	4,216	4,272	4,378	4,277
TX	13,271	12,380	13,142	13,281	12,858	12,797
VA	6,649	6,615	6,642	6,635	6,648	6,637
CA, TN, & WV	10,876	10,503	11,000	10,876	10,734	10,151
15 State Total	176,546	171,719	*174,480	175,830	*174,965	173,759
Previous Year	170,037	171,374	172,616	174,221	172,509	171,930
% of Prev. Year	104	100	101	101	101	101

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Broiler Chicks Placed (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jun 27 1998	Jul 4 1998	Jul 11 1998	Jul 18 1998	Jul 25 1998	Aug 1 1998
AL	19,189	19,294	19,085	18,144	17,692	19,115
AR	24,367	23,708	23,066	22,469	*23,013	22,122
DE	6,076	5,532	5,176	5,743	*5,795	5,705
FL	2,434	2,428	2,381	2,274	*2,665	2,523
GA	24,472	24,394	24,443	24,893	*24,376	24,018
MD	5,447	6,243	6,217	5,929	*4,783	5,605
MS	14,910	14,871	14,630	14,400	14,243	14,319
NC	13,731	13,657	13,530	13,561	12,739	13,716
PA	2,728	2,761	2,883	2,813	*2,571	2,713
SC	3,994	4,721	3,703	4,260	3,269	3,659
TX	9,880	9,774	10,037	9,924	9,224	9,765
VA	5,201	5,585	5,614	5,364	5,319	5,112
CA, TN, & WV	10,540	10,242	*10,216	*10,061	9,896	9,097
15 State Total	142,969	143,210	*140,981	*139,835	*135,585	137,469
Previous Year	142,448	140,860	140,991	135,981	138,060	138,459
% of Prev. Year	100	102	100	103	98	99

* Revised.

FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,523,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending August 1, 1998. Placements were five percent below the previous week and one percent below the comparable week of the year before.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 137,469,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending August 1, 1998.

Placements were one percent above the previous week but one percent below the comparable week of the previous year.

Placements during the last six weeks were seven percent below the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 79,891,000 chicks, one percent below the corresponding period of last year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 840,049,000, slightly above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
JUN 27	2,723	2,434	89	142,448	142,969	100	AUG 15
JUL 4	2,729	2,428	89	140,860	143,210	102	22
11	2,481	2,381	96	140,991	* 140,981	100	29
18	2,640	2,274	86	135,981	* 139,835	103	SEP 05
25	2,614	* 2,665	102	138,060	* 135,585	98	12
AUG 01	2,558	2,523	99	138,459	137,469	99	19
TOTAL ^{2/}	15,745	14,705	93	836,799	840,049	100	
^{3/}	80,768	79,891	99	4,260,164	4,257,101	100	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

* Revised.



August 12, 1998

BROILERS

Broiler Eggs Set (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jul 4 1998	Jul 11 1998	Jul 18 1998	Jul 25 1998	Aug 1 1998	Aug 8 1998
AL	25,205	26,110	26,094	25,857	25,849	25,591
AR	28,955	27,744	*28,770	28,375	28,225	28,522
DE	4,439	4,500	4,432	4,554	4,460	4,299
FL	2,517	2,450	2,550	2,480	2,474	2,592
GA	30,824	30,664	31,283	31,059	*31,049	30,886
MD	8,056	8,574	8,538	8,720	8,826	8,837
MS	17,807	17,956	17,807	17,872	17,776	17,720
NC	16,314	*17,555	17,460	17,738	17,535	17,378
PA	3,636	3,819	*3,626	*3,681	*3,666	3,552
SC	4,468	4,216	4,272	4,378	4,277	4,354
TX	12,380	13,142	13,281	12,858	*12,792	12,730
VA	6,615	6,642	6,635	6,648	6,637	6,606
CA, TN, & WV	10,503	11,000	10,876	10,734	*10,208	11,147
15 State Total	171,719	*174,372	*175,624	*174,954	*173,774	174,214
Previous Year	171,374	172,616	174,221	172,509	171,930	172,474
% of Prev. Year	100	101	101	101	101	101

* Revised.

Broiler Chicks Placed (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jul 4 1998	Jul 11 1998	Jul 18 1998	Jul 25 1998	Aug 1 1998	Aug 8 1998
AL	19,294	19,085	18,144	17,692	19,115	18,571
AR	23,708	23,066	22,469	23,013	22,122	22,043
DE	5,532	5,176	5,743	5,795	*5,409	4,633
FL	2,428	2,381	2,274	2,665	2,523	2,451
GA	24,394	24,443	*24,886	24,376	*24,033	25,051
MD	6,243	6,217	*5,931	4,783	*5,679	6,180
MS	14,871	14,630	14,400	14,243	14,319	14,412
NC	13,657	13,530	13,561	12,739	13,716	13,561
PA	2,761	2,883	*2,831	*2,578	*2,745	2,566
SC	4,721	3,703	4,260	3,269	3,659	3,496
TX	9,774	10,037	9,924	9,224	*9,985	9,889
VA	5,585	5,614	5,364	5,319	*5,329	5,620
CA, TN, & WV	10,242	10,216	10,061	9,896	*9,098	9,517
15 State Total	143,210	140,981	*139,848	*135,592	*137,732	137,990
Previous Year	140,860	140,991	135,981	138,060	138,459	140,210
% of Prev. Year	102	100	103	98	99	98

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FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,451,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending August 8, 1998. Placements were three percent below the previous week and thirteen percent below the comparable week of the year before.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 137,990,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending August 8, 1998.

Placements were slightly above the previous week but two percent below the comparable week of the previous year.

Placements during the last six weeks were seven percent below the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 82,342,000 chicks, one percent below the corresponding period of last year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 835,353,000, slightly above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
JUL 4	2,729	2,428	89	140,860	143,210	102	AUG 22
11	2,481	2,381	96	140,991	140,981	100	29
18	2,640	2,274	86	135,981	*139,848	103	SEP 05
25	2,614	2,665	102	138,060	*135,592	98	12
AUG 01	2,558	2,523	99	138,459	*137,732	99	19
08	2,808	2,451	87	140,210	137,990	98	26
TOTAL ^{2/}	15,830	14,722	93	834,561	835,353	100	
^{3/}	83,576	82,342	99	4,400,374	4,395,374	100	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.
^{2/} Six week total.
^{3/} Year to date totals.
* Revised.



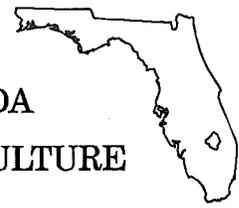
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August 19, 1998

BROILERS

Broiler Eggs Set (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jul 11 1998	Jul 18 1998	Jul 25 1998	Aug 1 1998	Aug 8 1998	Aug 15 1998
AL	26,110	26,094	25,857	25,849	*25,579	25,624
AR	27,744	28,770	28,375	28,225	28,522	28,585
DE	4,500	4,432	4,554	4,460	4,299	4,272
FL	2,450	2,550	2,480	2,474	2,592	2,612
GA	30,664	31,283	31,059	31,049	*30,879	31,037
MD	8,574	8,538	8,720	8,826	8,837	8,895
MS	17,956	17,807	17,872	17,776	17,720	17,450
NC	17,555	17,460	*17,728	17,535	*17,299	17,473
PA	3,819	3,626	3,681	3,666	*3,562	3,754
SC	4,216	4,272	4,378	4,277	4,354	4,405
TX	13,142	13,281	12,858	12,792	12,730	12,818
VA	6,642	6,635	6,648	6,637	6,606	6,597
CA, TN, & WV	11,000	10,876	10,734	*10,205	*11,175	11,000
15 State Total	174,372	175,624	*174,944	*173,771	*174,154	174,522
Previous Year	172,616	174,221	172,509	171,930	172,474	172,543
% of Prev. Year	101	101	101	101	101	101

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Broiler Chicks Placed (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jul 11 1998	Jul 18 1998	Jul 25 1998	Aug 1 1998	Aug 8 1998	Aug 15 1998
AL	19,085	18,144	17,692	19,115	*18,600	19,179
AR	23,066	22,469	23,013	22,122	22,043	23,315
DE	5,176	5,743	5,795	5,409	4,633	4,609
FL	2,381	2,274	2,665	*2,479	*2,520	2,451
GA	24,443	24,886	24,376	24,033	*25,010	24,684
MD	6,217	5,931	4,783	5,679	6,180	6,532
MS	14,630	14,400	14,243	14,319	14,412	14,361
NC	13,530	13,561	12,739	13,716	13,561	13,712
PA	2,883	2,831	2,578	2,745	*2,600	2,581
SC	3,703	4,260	3,269	3,659	3,496	3,465
TX	10,037	9,924	9,224	9,985	9,889	9,645
VA	5,614	5,364	5,319	5,329	5,620	5,394
CA, TN, & WV	10,216	10,061	*9,897	*9,099	*9,518	9,320
15 State Total	140,981	139,848	*135,593	*137,689	*138,082	139,248
Previous Year	140,991	135,981	138,060	138,459	140,210	137,718
% of Prev. Year	100	103	98	99	98	101

* Revised.

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FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,451,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending August 15, 1998. Placements were three percent below the previous week and two percent below the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were five percent below the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 84,818,000 chicks, one percent below the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 139,248,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending August 15, 1998.

Placements were one percent above the previous week and one percent above the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 831,441,000, slightly above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
JUL 11	2,481	2,381	96	140,991	140,981	100	AUG 29
18	2,640	2,274	86	135,981	139,848	103	SEP 05
25	2,614	2,665	102	138,060	*135,593	98	12
AUG 01	2,558	*2,479	97	138,459	*137,689	99	19
08	2,808	*2,520	90	140,210	*138,082	98	26
15	2,495	2,451	98	137,718	139,248	101	OCT 03
TOTAL ^{2/}	15,596	14,770	95	831,419	831,441	100	
^{3/}	86,071	84,818	99	4,534,672	4,534,672	100	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

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August 26, 1998

Broiler Eggs Set (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jul 18 1998	Jul 25 1998	Aug 1 1998	Aug 8 1998	Aug 15 1998	Aug 22 1998
AL	26,094	25,857	25,849	25,579	25,624	25,575
AR	28,770	28,375	28,225	28,522	28,585	28,643
DE	4,432	4,554	4,460	4,299	*4,251	4,164
FL	2,550	2,480	2,474	2,592	2,612	2,565
GA	31,283	31,059	*30,941	30,879	*31,044	31,208
MD	8,538	8,720	8,826	8,837	8,895	8,866
MS	17,807	17,872	17,776	17,720	17,450	18,134
NC	17,460	17,728	17,535	17,299	17,473	17,537
PA	3,626	3,681	3,666	3,562	*3,748	3,610
SC	4,272	4,378	4,277	4,354	4,405	4,453
TX	13,281	12,858	12,792	12,730	12,818	13,038
VA	6,635	6,648	6,637	6,606	*6,632	6,583
CA, TN, & WV	10,876	10,734	*10,379	11,175	*11,007	10,631
15 State Total	175,624	174,944	*173,837	174,154	*174,544	175,007
Previous Year	174,221	172,509	171,930	172,474	172,543	173,390
% of Prev. Year	101	101	101	101	101	101

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Broiler Chicks Placed (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jul 18 1998	Jul 25 1998	Aug 1 1998	Aug 8 1998	Aug 15 1998	Aug 22 1998
AL	18,144	17,692	19,115	18,600	19,179	19,393
AR	22,469	23,013	22,122	22,043	23,315	22,394
DE	5,743	5,795	5,409	4,633	*4,642	4,724
FL	2,274	2,665	2,479	2,520	2,451	2,302
GA	24,886	24,376	24,033	25,010	*24,657	23,630
MD	5,931	4,783	5,679	6,180	*6,540	6,532
MS	14,400	14,243	14,319	14,412	14,361	14,543
NC	13,561	12,739	13,716	13,561	13,712	13,487
PA	2,831	2,578	2,745	2,600	*2,601	2,686
SC	4,260	3,269	3,659	3,496	3,465	4,180
TX	9,924	9,224	9,985	9,889	9,645	9,520
VA	5,364	5,319	5,329	5,620	*5,408	5,218
CA, TN, & WV	10,061	9,897	9,099	9,518	*9,480	8,748
15 State Total	139,848	135,593	137,689	138,082	*139,456	137,357
Previous Year	135,981	138,060	138,459	140,210	137,718	136,937
% of Prev. Year	103	98	99	98	101	100

* Revised.

FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,302,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending August 22, 1998. Placements were six percent below the previous week and twelve percent below the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were seven percent below the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 87,120,000 chicks, two percent below the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 137,357,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending August 22, 1998.

Placements were two percent below the previous week but slightly above the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 828,025,000, slightly above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
JUL 18	2,640	2,274	86	135,981	139,848	103	SEP 05
25	2,614	2,665	102	138,060	135,593	98	12
AUG 01	2,558	2,479	97	138,459	137,689	99	19
08	2,808	2,520	90	140,210	138,082	98	26
15	2,495	2,451	98	137,718	*139,456	101	OCT 03
22	2,614	2,302	88	136,937	137,357	100	10
TOTAL ^{2/}	15,729	14,691	93	827,365	828,025	100	
^{3/}	88,685	87,120	98	4,671,609	4,672,237	100	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

* Revised.



BROILERS

September 2, 1998

Broiler Eggs Set (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jul 25 1998	Aug 1 1998	Aug 8 1998	Aug 15 1998	Aug 22 1998	Aug 29 1998
AL	25,857	25,849	25,579	25,624	25,575	25,464
AR	28,375	28,225	28,522	28,585	28,643	28,827
DE	4,554	4,460	4,299	4,251	4,164	4,322
FL	2,480	2,474	2,592	2,612	2,565	2,530
GA	31,059	30,941	30,879	31,044	*31,251	31,243
MD	8,720	8,826	8,837	8,895	8,866	8,921
MS	17,872	17,776	17,720	17,450	*18,132	18,119
NC	17,728	17,535	*17,502	17,473	17,537	17,108
PA	3,681	3,666	3,562	3,748	*3,625	3,728
SC	4,378	4,277	4,354	4,405	4,453	4,324
TX	12,858	12,792	12,730	12,818	13,038	12,923
VA	6,648	6,637	6,606	6,632	6,583	6,537
CA, TN, & WV	10,734	10,379	11,175	11,007	10,631	11,136
15 State Total	174,944	173,837	*174,357	174,544	*175,063	175,182
Previous Year	172,509	171,930	172,474	172,543	173,390	171,838
% of Prev. Year	101	101	101	101	101	102

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Broiler Chicks Placed (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Jul 25 1998	Aug 1 1998	Aug 8 1998	Aug 15 1998	Aug 22 1998	Aug 29 1998
AL	17,692	19,115	18,600	19,179	19,393	18,452
AR	23,013	22,122	22,043	23,315	*22,373	22,642
DE	5,795	5,409	4,633	4,642	4,724	5,066
FL	2,665	2,479	2,520	2,451	2,302	2,593
GA	24,376	24,033	25,010	24,657	*23,577	23,997
MD	4,783	5,679	6,180	6,540	6,532	6,195
MS	14,243	14,319	14,412	14,361	*14,437	14,111
NC	12,739	13,716	13,561	13,712	13,487	13,111
PA	2,578	2,745	2,600	2,601	*2,613	2,626
SC	3,269	3,659	3,496	3,465	4,180	3,842
TX	9,224	9,985	9,889	9,645	*9,497	9,415
VA	5,319	5,329	5,620	5,408	*5,280	5,375
CA, TN, & WV	9,897	9,099	9,518	9,480	8,748	10,542
15 State Total	135,593	137,689	138,082	139,456	*137,143	137,967
Previous Year	138,060	138,459	140,210	137,718	136,937	137,157
% of Prev. Year	98	99	98	101	100	101

* Revised.

FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,593,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending August 29, 1998. Placements were thirteen percent above the previous week but one percent below the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were five percent below the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 89,713,000 chicks, two percent below the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 137,967,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending August 29, 1998.

Placements were one percent above the previous week and one percent above the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 825,930,000, slightly above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
JUL 25	2,614	2,665	102	138,060	135,593	98	SEP 12
AUG 01	2,558	2,479	97	138,459	137,689	99	19
08	2,808	2,520	90	140,210	138,082	98	26
15	2,495	2,451	98	137,718	139,456	101	OCT 03
22	2,614	2,302	88	136,937	*137,143	100	10
29	2,632	2,593	99	137,157	137,967	101	17
TOTAL ^{2/}	15,721	15,010	95	828,541	825,930	100	
^{3/}	91,317	89,713	98	4,808,766	4,809,990	100	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

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September 9, 1998

BROILERS

Broiler Eggs Set (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Aug 1 1998	Aug 8 1998	Aug 15 1998	Aug 22 1998	Aug 29 1998	Sep 5 1998
AL	25,849	25,579	25,624	25,575	25,464	25,973
AR	28,225	28,522	28,585	28,643	28,827	28,937
DE	4,460	4,299	*4,229	4,164	4,322	4,203
FL	2,474	2,592	2,612	2,565	2,530	2,373
GA	30,941	30,879	31,044	31,251	*31,242	30,997
MD	8,826	8,837	8,895	8,866	*8,901	8,668
MS	17,776	17,720	17,450	18,132	18,119	18,023
NC	17,535	17,502	*17,132	17,537	17,108	16,047
PA	3,666	3,562	3,748	3,625	*3,601	3,793
SC	4,277	4,354	4,405	4,453	4,324	4,452
TX	12,792	12,730	12,818	13,038	12,923	12,577
VA	6,637	6,606	6,632	6,583	6,537	6,321
CA, TN, & WV	10,379	11,175	11,007	10,631	11,136	11,053
15 State Total	173,837	174,357	*174,181	175,063	*175,034	173,417
Previous Year	171,930	172,474	172,543	173,390	171,838	170,673
% of Prev. Year	101	101	101	101	102	102

* Revised.

Broiler Chicks Placed (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Aug 1 1998	Aug 8 1998	Aug 15 1998	Aug 22 1998	Aug 29 1998	Sep 5 1998
AL	19,115	18,600	19,179	19,393	18,452	18,613
AR	22,122	22,043	23,315	22,373	22,642	22,523
DE	5,409	4,633	4,642	4,724	*5,249	5,198
FL	2,479	2,520	2,451	2,302	2,593	2,603
GA	24,033	25,010	24,657	23,577	*24,073	23,894
MD	5,679	6,180	6,540	6,532	*6,215	6,208
MS	14,319	14,412	14,361	14,437	14,111	14,175
NC	13,716	13,561	13,712	13,487	13,111	13,306
PA	2,745	2,600	2,601	2,613	*2,532	2,739
SC	3,659	3,496	3,465	4,180	3,842	4,170
TX	9,985	9,889	*9,646	9,497	9,415	9,602
VA	5,329	5,620	5,408	5,280	*5,134	5,297
CA, TN, & WV	9,099	9,518	9,480	8,748	10,542	9,386
15 State Total	137,689	138,082	*139,457	137,143	*137,911	137,714
Previous Year	138,459	140,210	137,718	136,937	137,157	137,974
% of Prev. Year	99	98	101	100	101	100

* Revised.

FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,603,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending September 5, 1998. Placements were slightly above the previous week and slightly above the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were five percent below the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 92,316,000 chicks, two percent below the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 137,714,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending September 5, 1998.

Placements were slightly below the previous week and slightly below the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 827,996,000, slightly below the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
AUG 01	2,558	2,479	97	138,459	137,689	99	SEP 19
08	2,808	2,520	90	140,210	138,082	98	26
15	2,495	2,451	98	137,718	*139,457	101	OCT 03
22	2,614	2,302	88	136,937	137,143	100	10
29	2,632	2,593	99	137,157	*137,911	101	17
SEP 05	2,595	2,603	100	137,974	137,714	100	24
TOTAL ^{2/}	15,702	14,948	95	828,455	827,996	100	
^{3/}	93,912	92,316	98	4,946,740	4,947,649	100	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

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BROILERS

September 16, 1998

Broiler Eggs Set (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Aug 8 1998	Aug 15 1998	Aug 22 1998	Aug 29 1998	Sep 5 1998	Sep 12 1998
AL	25,579	*25,695	*25,375	25,464	25,973	23,861
AR	28,522	28,585	28,643	28,827	28,937	28,556
DE	4,299	4,229	4,164	4,322	4,203	4,009
FL	2,592	2,612	2,565	2,530	2,373	2,502
GA	30,879	31,044	*31,603	31,242	*30,983	30,263
MD	8,837	8,895	8,866	8,901	8,668	8,624
MS	17,720	17,450	18,132	18,119	18,023	17,634
NC	17,502	17,132	*17,268	17,108	16,047	15,772
PA	3,562	3,748	3,625	*3,605	*3,929	3,479
SC	4,354	4,405	4,453	4,324	4,452	4,409
TX	12,730	12,818	13,038	12,923	12,577	12,547
VA	6,606	6,632	6,583	6,537	*6,237	6,248
CA, TN, & WV	11,175	11,007	10,631	11,136	*11,168	10,617
15 State Total	174,357	*174,252	*174,946	*175,038	*173,570	168,521
Previous Year	172,474	172,543	173,390	171,838	170,673	162,806
% of Prev. Year	101	101	101	102	102	104

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Broiler Chicks Placed (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Aug 8 1998	Aug 15 1998	Aug 22 1998	Aug 29 1998	Sep 5 1998	Sep 12 1998
AL	18,600	19,179	19,393	18,452	18,613	18,504
AR	22,043	23,315	22,373	22,642	22,523	22,718
DE	4,633	4,642	4,724	5,249	5,198	5,082
FL	2,520	2,451	2,302	2,593	*2,715	2,352
GA	25,010	24,657	23,577	24,073	*23,898	24,760
MD	6,180	6,540	6,532	*6,218	*6,209	5,997
MS	14,412	14,361	14,437	14,111	14,175	14,244
NC	13,561	13,712	13,487	13,111	13,306	13,376
PA	2,600	2,601	2,613	*2,496	*2,729	2,613
SC	3,496	3,465	4,180	3,842	4,170	4,169
TX	9,889	9,646	9,497	9,415	9,602	9,925
VA	5,620	5,408	5,280	5,134	*5,274	5,395
CA, TN, & WV	9,518	9,480	8,748	10,542	*9,358	9,786
15 State Total	138,082	139,457	137,143	*137,878	*137,770	138,921
Previous Year	140,210	137,718	136,937	137,157	137,974	137,890
% of Prev. Year	98	101	100	101	100	101

* Revised.

FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,352,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending September 12, 1998. Placements were thirteen percent below the previous week and eleven percent below the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were five percent below the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 94,780,000 chicks, two percent below the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 138,921,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending September 12, 1998.

Placements were one percent above the previous week and one percent above the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 829,251,000, slightly above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
AUG 08	2,808	2,520	90	140,210	138,082	98	SEP 26
15	2,495	2,451	98	137,718	139,457	101	OCT 03
22	2,614	2,302	88	136,937	137,143	100	10
29	2,632	2,593	99	137,157	*137,878	101	17
SEP 05	2,595	*2,715	105	137,974	*137,770	100	24
12	2,639	2,352	89	137,890	138,921	101	31
TOTAL ^{2/}	15,783	14,933	95	827,886	829,251	100	
^{3/}	96,551	94,780	98	5,084,630	5,086,593	100	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

* Revised.



BROILERS

September 23, 1998

Broiler Eggs Set (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Aug 15 1998	Aug 22 1998	Aug 29 1998	Sep 5 1998	Sep 12 1998	Sep 19 1998
AL	25,695	25,375	*25,489	25,973	23,861	25,634
AR	28,585	28,643	*29,126	*28,822	28,556	28,816
DE	4,229	4,164	4,322	4,203	4,009	3,837
FL	2,612	2,565	2,530	2,373	2,502	2,546
GA	31,044	31,603	31,242	30,983	*30,196	30,240
MD	8,895	8,866	8,901	8,668	8,624	8,515
MS	17,450	18,132	18,119	18,023	17,634	16,055
NC	17,132	17,268	17,108	16,047	15,772	15,803
PA	3,748	3,625	3,605	3,929	3,479	3,557
SC	4,405	4,453	4,324	4,452	4,409	4,470
TX	12,818	13,038	12,923	12,577	12,547	12,609
VA	6,632	6,583	6,537	6,237	6,248	5,997
CA, TN, & WV	11,007	*11,104	*11,148	*11,214	*10,208	9,160
15 State Total	174,252	*175,419	*175,374	*173,501	*168,045	167,239
Previous Year	172,543	173,390	171,838	170,673	162,806	164,036
% of Prev. Year	101	101	102	102	103	102

*Revised.

Broiler Chicks Placed (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Aug 15 1998	Aug 22 1998	Aug 29 1998	Sep 5 1998	Sep 12 1998	Sep 19 1998
AL	19,179	19,393	18,452	18,613	18,504	18,443
AR	23,315	22,373	22,642	*22,514	22,718	22,419
DE	4,642	4,724	5,249	5,198	5,082	5,146
FL	2,451	2,302	2,593	2,715	2,352	2,588
GA	24,657	23,577	24,073	23,898	*24,803	24,879
MD	6,540	6,532	6,218	6,209	5,997	6,373
MS	14,361	14,437	14,111	14,175	14,244	14,537
NC	13,712	13,487	13,111	13,306	13,376	13,051
PA	2,601	2,613	2,496	2,729	2,613	2,629
SC	3,465	4,180	3,842	4,170	4,169	3,271
TX	9,646	9,497	9,415	9,602	9,925	9,884
VA	5,408	5,280	5,134	5,274	5,395	5,291
CA, TN, & WV	9,480	*8,768	*10,564	*9,388	*9,802	9,686
15 State Total	139,457	*137,163	*137,900	*137,791	*138,980	138,197
Previous Year	137,718	136,937	137,157	137,974	137,890	137,962
% of Prev. Year	101	100	101	100	101	100

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FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,588,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending September 19, 1998. Placements were ten percent above the previous week and slightly above the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were four percent below the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 97,368,000 chicks, two percent below the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 138,197,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending September 19, 1998.

Placements were one percent below the previous week but slightly above the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 829,488,000, slightly above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
AUG 15	2,495	2,451	98	137,718	139,457	101	OCT 03
22	2,614	2,302	88	136,937	*137,163	100	10
29	2,632	2,593	99	137,157	*137,900	101	17
SEP 05	2,595	2,715	105	137,974	*137,791	100	24
12	2,639	2,352	89	137,890	*138,980	101	31
19	2,584	2,588	100	137,962	138,197	100	NOV 07
TOTAL ^{2/}	15,559	15,001	96	825,638	829,488	100	
^{3/}	99,135	97,368	98	5,222,592	5,348,912	102	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

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September 30, 1998

Broiler Eggs Set (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Aug 22 1998	Aug 29 1998	Sep 5 1998	Sep 12 1998	Sep 19 1998	Sep 26 1998
AL	25,375	25,489	*25,738	23,861	25,634	25,561
AR	28,643	29,126	28,822	*28,119	*28,468	27,763
DE	4,164	4,322	4,203	4,009	3,837	4,344
FL	2,565	2,530	2,373	2,502	2,546	2,792
GA	31,603	31,242	*30,914	30,196	*30,386	29,570
MD	8,866	8,901	8,668	8,624	8,515	8,714
MS	18,132	18,119	18,023	17,634	16,055	16,360
NC	17,268	17,108	*16,010	15,772	15,803	15,702
PA	3,625	3,605	3,929	3,479	*3,491	3,773
SC	4,453	4,324	4,452	4,409	4,470	4,444
TX	13,038	12,923	12,577	12,547	12,609	13,988
VA	6,583	6,537	6,237	6,248	*5,989	6,012
CA, TN, & WV	11,104	11,148	*10,836	10,208	*9,119	10,222
15 State Total	175,419	175,374	*172,782	*167,608	*166,922	169,245
Previous Year	173,390	171,838	170,673	162,806	164,036	162,951
% of Prev. Year	101	102	101	103	102	104

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Broiler Chicks Placed (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Aug 22 1998	Aug 29 1998	Sep 5 1998	Sep 12 1998	Sep 19 1998	Sep 26 1998
AL	19,393	18,452	18,613	18,504	18,443	19,482
AR	22,373	22,642	22,514	*22,848	*22,447	22,558
DE	4,724	5,249	5,198	5,082	*5,194	5,546
FL	2,302	*2,495	*2,568	2,352	2,588	2,036
GA	23,577	24,073	23,898	24,803	*24,650	24,494
MD	6,532	6,218	6,209	5,997	*6,326	5,224
MS	14,437	14,111	14,175	14,244	14,537	14,728
NC	13,487	*13,186	*13,428	*13,489	13,051	12,557
PA	2,613	2,496	2,729	2,613	*2,724	2,841
SC	4,180	3,842	4,170	4,169	3,271	3,163
TX	9,497	9,415	*9,600	*9,924	*9,882	9,652
VA	5,280	5,134	5,274	5,395	*5,285	5,009
CA, TN, & WV	8,768	10,564	9,388	9,802	*9,677	8,729
15 State Total	137,163	*137,877	*137,764	*139,222	*138,075	136,019
Previous Year	136,937	137,157	137,974	137,890	137,962	136,917
% of Prev. Year	100	101	100	101	100	99

* Revised.

FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,036,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending September 26, 1998. Placements were 21 percent below the previous week and 21 percent below the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were eight percent below the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 99,159,000 chicks, three percent below the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 136,019,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending September 26, 1998.

Placements were one percent below the previous week and one percent below the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 826,120,000, slightly above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
AUG 22	2,614	2,302	88	136,937	137,163	100	OCT 10
29	2,632	*2,495	95	137,157	*137,877	101	17
SEP 05	2,595	*2,568	105	137,974	*137,764	100	24
12	2,639	2,352	89	137,890	*139,222	101	31
19	2,584	2,588	100	137,962	*138,075	100	NOV 07
26	2,579	2,036	79	136,917	136,019	99	14
TOTAL ^{2/}	15,643	14,341	92	824,837	826,120	100	
^{3/}	101,714	99,159	97	5,359,509	5,485,001	102	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

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October 7, 1998

BROILERS

Broiler Eggs Set (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Aug 29 1998	Sep 5 1998	Sep 12 1998	Sep 19 1998	Sep 26 1998	Oct 3 1998
AL	25,489	25,738	*23,711	25,634	25,561	25,471
AR	29,126	28,822	28,119	28,468	27,763	29,221
DE	4,322	4,203	4,009	3,837	4,344	4,378
FL	2,530	2,373	2,502	2,546	2,792	2,736
GA	31,242	30,914	30,196	30,386	*29,566	31,373
MD	8,901	8,668	8,624	8,515	8,714	8,587
MS	18,119	18,023	17,634	16,055	16,360	17,436
NC	17,108	16,010	*15,817	*15,691	15,702	15,853
PA	3,605	3,929	3,479	3,491	*3,778	3,665
SC	4,324	4,452	4,409	4,470	4,444	4,582
TX	12,923	12,577	12,547	12,609	13,988	13,278
VA	6,537	6,237	6,248	5,989	6,012	6,588
CA, TN, & WV	11,148	10,836	10,208	9,119	10,222	10,421
15 State Total	175,374	172,782	*167,503	*166,810	*169,246	173,589
Previous Year	171,838	170,673	162,806	164,036	162,951	170,663
% of Prev. Year	102	101	103	102	104	102

*Revised.

Broiler Chicks Placed (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Aug 29 1998	Sep 5 1998	Sep 12 1998	Sep 19 1998	Sep 26 1998	Oct 3 1998
AL	18,452	18,613	18,504	18,443	19,482	18,058
AR	22,642	22,514	22,848	22,447	22,558	21,689
DE	5,249	5,198	5,082	5,194	5,546	5,756
FL	2,495	2,568	2,352	2,588	2,036	1,918
GA	24,073	23,898	24,803	24,650	*24,484	23,837
MD	6,218	6,209	5,997	6,326	5,224	4,834
MS	14,111	14,175	14,244	14,537	14,728	14,137
NC	13,186	13,428	13,489	13,051	12,557	12,557
PA	2,496	2,729	2,613	2,724	*2,683	2,424
SC	3,842	4,170	4,169	3,271	3,163	3,849
TX	9,415	9,600	9,924	9,882	9,652	9,682
VA	5,134	5,274	5,395	5,285	5,009	4,883
CA, TN, & WV	10,564	9,388	9,802	9,677	8,729	8,190
15 State Total	137,877	137,764	139,222	138,075	*135,851	131,814
Previous Year	137,157	137,974	137,890	137,962	136,917	129,607
% of Prev. Year	101	100	101	100	99	102

* Revised.

FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 1,918,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending October 3, 1998. Placements were six percent below the previous week and thirty percent below the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were eleven percent below the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 101,077,000 chicks, three percent below the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 131,814,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending October 3, 1998.

Placements were three percent below the previous week but two percent above the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 820,603,000, slightly above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
AUG 29	2,632	2,495	95	137,157	137,877	101	OCT 17
SEP 05	2,595	2,568	105	137,974	137,764	100	24
12	2,639	2,352	89	137,890	139,222	101	31
19	2,584	2,588	100	137,962	138,075	100	NOV 07
26	2,579	2,036	79	136,917	*135,851	99	14
OCT 03	2,723	1,918	70	129,607	131,814	102	21
TOTAL ^{2/}	15,752	13,957	89	817,507	820,603	100	
^{3/}	104,437	101,077	97	5,489,116	5,616,647	102	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

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October 14, 1998

BROILERS

Broiler Eggs Set (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Sep 5 1998	Sep 12 1998	Sep 19 1998	Sep 26 1998	Oct 3 1998	Oct 10 1998
AL	25,738	23,711	25,634	25,561	25,471	23,968
AR	28,822	28,119	28,468	27,763	29,221	28,662
DE	4,203	4,009	3,837	4,344	4,378	4,096
FL	2,373	2,502	2,546	2,792	2,736	2,510
GA	30,914	30,196	30,386	29,566	31,373	31,156
MD	8,668	8,624	8,515	8,714	8,587	8,669
MS	18,023	17,634	16,055	16,360	*16,744	17,624
NC	16,010	15,817	*15,215	15,702	15,853	15,988
PA	3,929	3,479	3,491	*3,788	*3,556	3,437
SC	4,452	4,409	4,470	4,444	*4,585	4,498
TX	12,577	12,547	12,609	*11,988	13,278	12,776
VA	6,237	6,248	5,989	6,012	6,588	6,117
CA, TN, & WV	*10,833	*10,205	*9,116	*10,196	*10,455	10,712
15 State Total	*172,779	*167,500	*166,331	*167,230	*172,825	170,213
Previous Year	170,673	162,806	164,036	162,951	170,663	165,123
% of Prev. Year	101	103	101	103	101	103

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Broiler Chicks Placed (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Sep 5 1998	Sep 12 1998	Sep 19 1998	Sep 26 1998	Oct 3 1998	Oct 10 1998
AL	18,613	18,504	18,443	19,482	18,058	18,729
AR	22,514	22,848	22,447	22,558	*21,391	22,704
DE	5,198	5,082	5,194	5,546	5,756	4,777
FL	2,568	2,352	2,588	2,036	1,918	2,307
GA	23,898	24,803	24,650	24,484	*23,820	23,613
MD	6,209	5,997	6,326	*5,227	4,834	5,938
MS	14,175	14,244	14,537	14,728	*14,114	13,191
NC	13,428	13,489	13,051	12,557	12,557	11,621
PA	2,729	2,613	2,724	*2,692	*2,438	2,439
SC	4,170	4,169	3,271	3,163	*3,815	3,899
TX	9,600	9,924	9,882	9,652	9,682	9,340
VA	5,274	5,395	5,285	5,009	4,883	4,428
CA, TN, & WV	*9,387	*9,803	9,677	*8,726	*8,496	8,020
15 State Total	*137,763	*139,223	138,075	*135,860	*131,762	131,006
Previous Year	137,974	137,890	137,962	136,917	129,607	131,158
% of Prev. Year	100	101	100	99	102	100

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FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,307,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending October 10, 1998. Placements were twenty percent above the previous week but nineteen percent below the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were fourteen percent below the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 103,384,000 chicks, four percent below the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 131,006,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending October 10, 1998.

Placements were one percent below the previous week and slightly below the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 813,689,000, slightly above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
SEP 05	2,595	2,568	105	137,974	*137,763	100	OCT 24
12	2,639	2,352	89	137,890	*139,223	101	31
19	2,584	2,588	100	137,962	138,075	100	NOV 07
26	2,579	2,036	79	136,917	*135,860	99	14
OCT 03	2,723	1,918	70	129,607	*131,762	102	21
10	2,863	2,307	81	131,158	131,006	100	28
TOTAL ^{2/}	15,983	13,769	86	811,508	813,689	100	
^{3/}	107,300	103,384	96	5,620,274	5,747,610	102	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

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Broiler Eggs Set (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Sep 12 1998	Sep 19 1998	Sep 26 1998	Oct 3 1998	Oct 10 1998	Oct 17 1998
AL	23,711	25,634	25,561	25,471	23,968	24,355
AR	28,119	28,468	27,763	29,221	28,662	28,113
DE	4,009	3,837	4,344	4,378	*4,095	4,098
FL	2,502	2,546	2,792	2,736	2,510	2,461
GA	30,196	30,386	29,566	*31,368	*31,151	30,266
MD	8,624	8,515	8,714	8,587	*8,725	7,697
MS	17,634	16,055	16,360	16,744	17,624	16,423
NC	15,817	15,215	15,702	15,853	15,988	15,659
PA	3,479	3,491	3,788	3,556	*3,607	3,247
SC	4,409	4,470	4,444	4,585	4,498	4,548
TX	12,547	12,609	11,988	13,278	12,776	12,737
VA	6,248	5,989	6,012	6,588	*6,104	6,369
CA, TN, & WV	10,205	9,116	10,196	10,455	*10,725	11,387
15 State Total	167,500	166,331	167,230	*172,820	*170,433	167,360
Previous Year	162,806	164,036	162,951	170,663	165,123	158,883
% of Prev. Year	103	101	103	101	103	105

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Broiler Chicks Placed (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Sep 12 1998	Sep 19 1998	Sep 26 1998	Oct 3 1998	Oct 10 1998	Oct 17 1998
AL	18,504	18,443	*19,480	18,058	18,729	18,247
AR	22,848	22,447	22,558	21,391	22,704	21,943
DE	5,082	5,194	5,546	5,756	*4,535	4,517
FL	2,352	2,588	2,036	1,918	2,307	2,629
GA	*24,926	*24,797	*24,685	*23,971	*23,612	23,363
MD	5,997	6,326	5,227	4,834	*5,361	6,334
MS	14,244	14,537	14,728	14,114	13,191	13,530
NC	13,489	13,051	12,557	12,557	11,621	12,162
PA	2,613	2,724	2,692	2,438	*2,346	2,640
SC	4,169	3,271	3,163	3,815	3,899	3,193
TX	9,924	9,882	9,652	9,682	9,340	9,344
VA	5,395	5,285	5,009	4,883	*4,914	4,623
CA, TN, & WV	9,803	9,677	8,726	8,496	*7,997	8,872
15 State Total	*139,346	*138,222	*136,059	*131,913	*130,556	131,397
Previous Year	137,890	137,962	136,917	129,607	131,158	130,236
% of Prev. Year	101	100	99	102	100	101

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FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,629,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending October 17, 1998. Placements were fourteen percent above the previous week and five percent above the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were thirteen percent below the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 106,013,000 chicks, three percent below the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 131,397,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending October 17, 1998.

Placements were one percent above the previous week and one percent above the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 807,493,000, slightly above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
SEP 12	2,639	2,352	89	137,890	*139,346	101	OCT 31
19	2,584	2,588	100	137,962	*138,222	100	NOV 07
26	2,579	2,036	79	136,917	*136,059	99	14
OCT 03	2,723	1,918	70	129,607	*131,913	102	21
10	2,863	2,307	81	131,158	*130,556	100	28
17	2,502	2,629	105	130,236	131,397	101	DEC 05
TOTAL ^{2/}	15,890	13,830	87	803,770	807,493	100	
^{3/}	109,802	106,013	97	5,750,510	5,879,177	102	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

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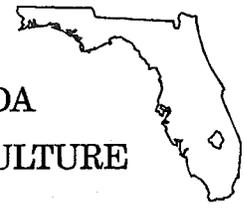
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BROILERS

Broiler Eggs Set (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Sep 19 1998	Sep 26 1998	Oct 3 1998	Oct 10 1998	Oct 17 1998	Oct 24 1998
AL	25,634	25,561	25,471	23,968	24,355	24,756
AR	28,468	*27,963	*29,312	28,662	28,113	27,796
DE	3,837	4,344	4,378	4,095	4,098	4,068
FL	2,546	2,792	2,736	2,510	2,461	2,826
GA	30,386	29,566	31,368	31,151	*30,243	28,933
MD	8,515	8,714	8,587	8,725	7,697	7,806
MS	16,055	16,360	*16,831	17,624	16,423	15,907
NC	15,215	15,702	*16,081	15,988	15,659	15,663
PA	3,491	3,788	3,556	3,607	*3,274	3,322
SC	4,470	4,444	4,585	4,498	4,548	4,276
TX	12,609	11,988	13,278	12,776	12,737	11,932
VA	5,989	6,012	6,588	6,104	*6,172	6,039
CA, TN, & WV	9,116	10,196	10,455	10,725	*11,389	10,517
15 State Total	166,331	*167,430	*173,226	170,433	*167,169	163,841
Previous Year	164,036	162,951	170,663	165,123	158,883	157,305
% of Prev. Year	101	103	102	103	105	104

*Revised.

Broiler Chicks Placed (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Sep 19 1998	Sep 26 1998	Oct 3 1998	Oct 10 1998	Oct 17 1998	Oct 24 1998
AL	18,443	19,480	18,058	18,729	18,247	17,836
AR	22,447	22,558	21,391	22,704	21,943	23,382
DE	5,194	5,546	5,756	4,535	4,517	4,980
FL	2,588	2,036	1,918	2,307	2,629	2,574
GA	24,797	24,685	23,971	23,612	*23,366	24,924
MD	6,326	5,227	4,834	5,361	6,334	6,108
MS	14,537	14,728	14,114	13,191	13,530	13,898
NC	13,051	12,557	12,557	*11,901	12,162	12,733
PA	2,724	2,692	2,438	2,346	*2,576	2,630
SC	*3,114	*3,033	*3,670	*3,798	*3,051	3,565
TX	9,882	9,652	9,682	9,340	9,344	10,217
VA	5,285	5,009	4,883	4,914	*4,608	5,042
CA, TN, & WV	9,677	8,726	8,496	7,997	8,872	9,567
15 State Total	*138,065	*135,929	*131,768	*130,735	*131,179	137,456
Previous Year	137,962	136,917	129,607	131,158	130,236	139,492
% of Prev. Year	100	99	102	100	101	99

* Revised.

FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,574,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending October 24, 1998. Placements were two percent below the previous week but five percent above the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were eleven percent below the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 108,587,000 chicks, three percent below the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 137,456,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending October 24, 1998.

Placements were five percent above the previous week but one percent below the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 805,132,000, slightly below the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
SEP 19	2,584	2,588	100	137,962	*138,065	100	NOV 07
26	2,579	2,036	79	136,917	*135,929	99	14
OCT 03	2,723	1,918	70	129,607	*131,768	102	21
10	2,863	2,307	81	131,158	*130,735	100	28
17	2,502	2,629	105	130,236	*131,179	101	DEC 05
24	2,461	2,574	105	139,492	137,456	99	12
TOTAL ^{2/}	15,712	14,052	89	805,372	805,132	100	
^{3/}	112,263	108,587	97	5,890,002	6,016,162	102	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

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Broiler Eggs Set (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Sep 26 1998	Oct 3 1998	Oct 10 1998	Oct 17 1998	Oct 24 1998	Oct 31 1998
AL	25,561	25,471	23,968	24,355	*24,560	25,383
AR	27,963	29,312	28,662	28,113	27,796	28,319
DE	4,344	4,378	4,095	4,098	4,068	4,610
FL	2,792	2,736	2,510	2,461	2,826	2,749
GA	29,566	31,368	31,151	30,243	*28,924	30,633
MD	8,714	8,587	8,725	7,697	7,806	8,442
MS	16,360	16,831	17,624	16,423	15,907	18,035
NC	15,702	16,081	*15,992	15,659	15,663	17,084
PA	3,788	3,556	3,607	3,274	*3,200	3,660
SC	4,444	4,585	4,498	4,548	4,276	4,553
TX	11,988	13,278	*12,850	12,737	11,932	11,744
VA	6,012	6,588	6,104	6,172	6,039	6,518
CA, TN, & WV	10,196	10,455	*10,288	11,389	10,517	10,618
15 State Total	167,430	173,226	*170,074	167,169	*163,514	172,348
Previous Year	162,951	170,663	165,123	158,883	157,305	162,661
% of Prev. Year	103	102	103	105	104	106

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Broiler Chicks Placed (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Sep 26 1998	Oct 3 1998	Oct 10 1998	Oct 17 1998	Oct 24 1998	Oct 31 1998
AL	19,480	18,058	18,729	18,247	*17,828	17,125
AR	22,558	21,391	22,704	21,943	23,382	23,193
DE	5,546	5,756	4,535	4,517	4,980	4,633
FL	2,036	1,918	2,307	2,629	2,574	2,173
GA	24,685	23,971	23,612	*23,464	*24,569	24,388
MD	5,227	4,834	5,361	6,334	*6,110	6,070
MS	14,728	14,114	13,191	13,530	13,898	14,421
NC	12,557	12,557	11,901	12,162	12,733	12,433
PA	2,692	2,438	2,346	2,576	*2,629	2,539
SC	3,033	3,670	3,798	3,051	*3,871	3,773
TX	9,652	*9,681	*9,332	9,344	10,217	9,841
VA	5,009	4,883	4,914	4,608	5,042	4,781
CA, TN, & WV	8,726	8,496	7,997	8,872	9,567	9,296
15 State Total	135,929	*131,767	*130,727	*131,277	*137,400	134,666
Previous Year	136,917	129,607	131,158	130,236	139,492	132,375
% of Prev. Year	99	102	100	101	99	102

* Revised.

FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,173,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending October 31, 1998. Placements were 16 percent below the previous week and 18 percent below the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were 14 percent below the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 110,760,000 chicks, four percent below the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 134,666,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending October 31, 1998.

Placements were two percent below the previous week but two percent above the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 801,766,000, slightly above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
SEP 26	2,579	2,036	79	136,917	135,929	99	NOV 14
OCT 03	2,723	1,918	70	129,607	*131,767	102	21
10	2,863	2,307	81	131,158	*130,727	100	28
17	2,502	2,629	105	130,236	*131,277	101	DEC 05
24	2,461	2,574	105	139,492	*137,400	99	12
31	2,643	2,173	82	132,375	134,666	102	19
TOTAL ^{2/}	15,771	13,637	86	799,785	801,766	100	
^{3/}	114,906	110,760	96	6,022,377	6,150,861	102	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

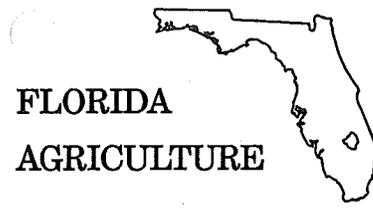
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November 12, 1998

Broiler Eggs Set (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Oct 3 1998	Oct 10 1998	Oct 17 1998	Oct 24 1998	Oct 31 1998	Nov 7 1998
AL	25,471	23,968	*24,568	*25,182	*25,939	25,521
AR	29,312	*28,466	*28,087	*27,567	28,319	28,507
DE	4,378	4,095	4,098	4,068	4,610	4,167
FL	2,736	2,510	2,461	2,826	2,749	2,696
GA	31,368	31,151	*30,865	28,924	*30,675	31,008
MD	8,587	8,725	7,697	7,806	8,442	8,893
MS	16,831	17,624	16,423	*16,654	*17,714	16,984
NC	16,081	15,992	15,659	15,663	17,084	17,617
PA	3,556	3,607	3,274	3,200	*3,502	3,361
SC	4,585	4,498	4,548	4,276	4,553	4,653
TX	13,278	12,850	*12,314	11,932	11,744	12,390
VA	6,588	6,104	6,172	6,039	*6,053	6,233
CA, TN, & WV	10,455	10,288	*11,131	10,517	10,618	11,115
15 State Total	173,226	*169,878	*167,297	*164,654	*172,002	173,145
Previous Year	170,663	165,123	158,883	157,305	162,661	169,341
% of Prev. Year	102	103	105	105	106	102

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Broiler Chicks Placed (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Oct 3 1998	Oct 10 1998	Oct 17 1998	Oct 24 1998	Oct 31 1998	Nov 7 1998
AL	18,058	18,729	18,247	*18,310	*17,637	17,627
AR	21,391	*22,862	*21,941	*23,443	23,193	22,279
DE	5,756	4,535	4,517	4,980	4,633	4,268
FL	1,918	2,307	2,629	2,574	*2,273	2,085
GA	23,971	23,612	23,464	24,569	*24,405	23,371
MD	4,834	5,361	6,334	6,110	6,070	5,645
MS	14,114	13,191	13,530	*13,871	*14,372	13,215
NC	*12,466	*11,825	*12,074	*12,635	12,433	12,496
PA	2,438	2,346	2,576	2,629	*2,570	2,266
SC	3,670	3,798	3,051	3,871	3,773	5,304
TX	9,681	9,332	9,344	10,217	9,841	9,457
VA	4,883	4,914	4,608	5,042	*5,070	4,570
CA, TN, & WV	8,496	7,997	8,872	9,567	*9,234	9,845
15 State Total	131,676	*130,809	*131,187	*137,818	*135,504	132,428
Previous Year	129,607	131,158	130,236	139,492	132,375	126,248
% of Prev. Year	102	100	101	99	102	105

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FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,085,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending November 7, 1998. Placements were nine percent below the previous week and 24 percent below the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were 14 percent below the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 112,945,000 chicks, four percent below the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 132,428,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending November 7, 1998.

Placements were two percent below the previous week but five percent above the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 799,422,000, slightly above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
OCT 03	2,723	1,918	70	129,607	131,676	102	21
10	2,863	2,307	81	131,158	*130,809	100	28
17	2,502	2,629	105	130,236	*131,187	101	DEC 05
24	2,461	2,574	105	139,492	*137,818	99	12
31	2,643	*2,273	86	132,375	*135,504	102	19
NOV 07	2,757	2,085	76	126,248	132,428	105	26
TOTAL ^{2/}	15,949	13,786	86	789,116	799,422	101	
^{3/}	117,663	112,945	96	6,148,625	6,284,446	102	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

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November 18, 1998

Broiler Eggs Set (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Oct 10 1998	Oct 17 1998	Oct 24 1998	Oct 31 1998	Nov 7 1998	Nov 14 1998
AL	23,968	24,568	*25,032	25,939	25,521	27,216
AR	28,466	28,087	27,567	28,319	*28,220	29,524
DE	4,095	4,098	4,068	4,610	4,167	4,182
FL	2,510	2,461	2,826	2,749	2,696	2,861
GA	31,151	30,865	28,924	*30,720	*31,126	31,815
MD	8,725	7,697	7,806	8,442	8,893	8,621
MS	17,624	16,423	*16,593	17,714	16,984	17,933
NC	15,992	15,659	*15,887	17,084	17,617	17,277
PA	3,607	3,274	3,200	3,502	3,361	3,808
SC	4,498	4,548	4,276	4,553	4,653	4,790
TX	12,850	12,314	11,932	11,744	12,390	13,062
VA	6,104	6,172	6,039	6,053	6,233	6,660
CA, TN, & WV	10,288	11,131	10,517	10,618	11,115	11,352
15 State Total	169,878	167,297	*164,667	*172,047	*172,976	179,101
Previous Year	165,123	158,883	157,305	162,661	169,341	171,956
% of Pre. Year	103	105	105	106	102	104

*Revised.

Broiler Chicks Placed (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Oct 10 1998	Oct 17 1998	Oct 24 1998	Oct 31 1998	Nov 7 1998	Nov 14 1998
AL	18,729	18,247	18,310	17,637	17,627	18,219
AR	22,862	21,941	23,443	23,193	*22,292	21,562
DE	4,535	4,517	4,980	4,633	*4,388	4,976
FL	2,307	2,629	2,574	2,273	2,085	2,412
GA	23,612	23,464	24,569	*24,417	*23,411	22,559
MD	5,361	6,334	6,110	6,070	*5,525	5,204
MS	13,191	13,530	13,871	14,372	13,215	13,750
NC	11,825	12,074	12,635	12,433	12,496	12,503
PA	2,346	2,576	2,629	2,570	2,266	2,420
SC	3,798	3,051	3,871	3,773	5,304	3,752
TX	9,332	9,344	10,217	9,841	9,457	8,869
VA	4,914	4,608	5,042	5,070	4,570	4,683
CA, TN, & WV	7,997	8,872	9,567	9,234	9,845	8,585
15 State Total	130,809	131,187	137,818	*135,516	*132,481	129,494
Previous Year	131,158	130,236	139,492	132,375	126,248	125,414
% of Prev. Year	100	101	99	102	105	103

* Revised.

FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,412,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending November 14, 1998. Placements were 16 percent above the previous week but 11 percent below the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were 10 percent below the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 115,357,000 chicks, four percent below the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 129,494,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending November 14, 1998.

Placements were two percent below the previous week but three percent above the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 797,305,000, two percent above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
OCT 10	2,863	2,307	81	131,158	130,809	100	NOV 28
17	2,502	2,629	105	130,236	131,187	101	DEC 05
24	2,461	2,574	105	139,492	137,818	99	12
31	2,643	2,273	86	132,375	*135,516	102	19
NOV 07	2,757	2,085	76	126,248	*132,481	105	26
14	2,701	2,412	89	125,414	129,494	103	JAN 02
TOTAL ^{2/}	15,927	14,280	90	784,923	797,305	102	
^{3/}	120,364	115,357	96	6,274,039	6,414,005	102	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

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November 25, 1998

Broiler Eggs Set (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Oct 17 1998	Oct 24 1998	Oct 31 1998	Nov 7 1998	Nov 14 1998	Nov 21 1998
AL	24,568	25,032	*25,750	25,521	27,216	26,941
AR	28,087	27,567	28,319	28,220	29,524	30,053
DE	4,098	4,068	4,610	4,167	4,182	4,571
FL	2,461	2,826	2,749	2,696	2,861	2,858
GA	30,865	28,924	*30,746	31,126	*31,914	31,718
MD	7,697	7,806	8,442	8,893	8,621	8,686
MS	16,423	16,593	17,714	16,984	17,933	17,765
NC	15,659	15,887	*17,257	17,617	17,277	17,668
PA	3,274	3,200	3,502	3,361	*3,854	3,668
SC	4,548	4,276	4,553	4,653	4,790	4,794
TX	12,314	11,932	11,744	12,390	13,062	12,834
VA	6,172	6,039	6,053	6,233	6,660	6,631
CA, TN, & WV	11,131	10,517	10,618	11,115	*11,361	11,307
15 State Total	167,297	164,667	*172,057	172,976	*179,255	179,494
Previous Year	158,883	157,305	162,661	169,341	171,956	171,807
% of Prev. Year	105	105	106	102	104	104

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Broiler Chicks Placed (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Oct 17 1998	Oct 24 1998	Oct 31 1998	Nov 7 1998	Nov 14 1998	Nov 21 1998
AL	18,247	18,310	17,637	17,627	18,219	19,354
AR	21,941	23,443	23,193	22,292	21,562	21,958
DE	4,517	4,980	4,633	4,388	4,976	4,656
FL	2,629	2,574	2,273	2,085	*2,446	2,956
GA	23,464	24,569	24,417	23,411	*22,562	23,884
MD	6,334	6,110	6,070	5,525	5,204	6,295
MS	13,530	13,871	14,372	13,215	13,750	14,489
NC	12,074	12,635	12,433	12,496	*12,554	13,462
PA	2,576	2,629	2,570	2,266	*2,380	2,693
SC	3,051	3,871	3,773	5,304	3,752	3,114
TX	9,344	10,217	9,841	9,457	8,869	9,107
VA	4,608	5,042	5,070	4,570	4,683	5,062
CA, TN, & WV	8,872	9,567	9,234	9,845	*8,583	8,628
15 State Total	131,187	137,818	135,516	132,481	*129,540	135,658
Previous Year	130,236	139,492	132,375	126,248	125,414	130,005
% of Prev. Year	101	99	102	105	103	104

* Revised.

FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,956,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending November 21, 1998. Placements were 21 percent above the previous week and 40 percent above the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were one percent below the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 118,347,000 chicks, three percent below the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 135,658,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending November 14, 1998.

Placements were five percent above the previous week and four percent above the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 802,200,000, two percent above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
OCT 17	2,502	2,629	105	130,236	131,187	101	DEC 05
24	2,461	2,574	105	139,492	137,818	99	12
31	2,643	2,273	86	132,375	135,516	102	19
NOV 07	2,757	2,085	76	126,248	132,481	105	26
14	2,701	*2,446	91	125,414	*129,540	103	JAN 02
21	2,115	2,956	140	130,005	135,658	104	09
TOTAL ^{2/}	15,179	14,963	99	783,770	802,200	102	
^{3/}	122,479	118,347	97	6,404,044	6,549,709	102	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

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December 2, 1998

Broiler Eggs Set (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Oct 24 1998	Oct 31 1998	Nov 7 1998	Nov 14 1998	Nov 21 1998	Nov 28 1998
AL	25,032	25,750	*25,378	27,216	26,941	27,323
AR	27,567	28,319	*28,764	*30,068	30,053	29,687
DE	4,068	4,610	4,167	4,182	4,571	4,426
FL	2,826	2,749	*2,866	2,861	2,858	2,873
GA	28,924	30,746	*31,156	31,914	*31,817	31,846
MD	7,806	8,442	8,893	8,621	*8,687	8,903
MS	16,593	17,714	16,984	17,933	17,765	17,575
NC	15,887	17,257	*17,940	17,277	17,668	17,311
PA	3,200	3,502	3,361	3,854	*3,755	3,683
SC	4,276	4,553	4,653	4,790	4,794	4,860
TX	11,932	11,744	12,390	13,062	12,834	13,379
VA	6,039	6,053	6,233	6,660	*6,623	6,609
CA, TN, & WV	10,517	10,618	11,115	11,361	11,307	11,501
15 State Total	164,667	172,057	*173,900	*179,799	*179,673	179,976
Previous Year	157,305	162,661	169,341	171,956	171,807	174,205
% of Prev. Year	105	106	103	105	105	103

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Broiler Chicks Placed (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Oct 24 1998	Oct 31 1998	Nov 7 1998	Nov 14 1998	Nov 21 1998	Nov 28 1998
AL	18,310	17,637	17,627	18,219	19,354	18,824
AR	23,443	23,193	22,292	*21,563	21,958	22,253
DE	4,980	4,633	4,388	4,976	*4,780	5,145
FL	2,574	2,273	2,085	2,446	2,956	2,279
GA	24,569	24,417	23,411	22,562	*23,873	25,606
MD	6,110	6,070	5,525	5,204	*6,174	5,970
MS	13,871	14,372	13,215	13,750	14,489	13,800
NC	12,635	12,433	12,496	12,554	13,462	13,478
PA	2,629	2,570	2,266	2,380	*2,741	2,547
SC	3,871	3,773	5,304	3,752	3,114	3,326
TX	10,217	9,841	9,457	8,869	9,107	9,628
VA	5,042	5,070	4,570	4,683	*5,016	4,891
CA, TN, & WV	9,567	9,234	9,845	8,583	*8,638	9,052
15 State Total	137,818	135,516	132,481	*129,541	*135,662	136,799
Previous Year	139,492	132,375	126,248	125,414	130,005	135,719
% of Prev. Year	99	102	105	103	104	101

* Revised.

FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,279,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending November 28, 1998. Placements were 23 percent below the previous week but slightly above the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were two percent above the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 120,626,000 chicks, three percent below the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 136,799,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending November 28, 1998.

Placements were one percent above the previous week and one percent above the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 807,817,000, two percent above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
OCT 24	2,461	2,574	105	139,492	137,818	99	DEC 12
31	2,643	2,273	86	132,375	135,516	102	19
NOV 07	2,757	2,085	76	126,248	132,481	105	26
14	2,701	2,446	91	125,414	*129,541	103	JAN 02
21	2,115	2,956	140	130,005	*135,662	104	09
28	2,277	2,279	100	135,719	136,799	101	16
TOTAL ^{2/}	14,954	14,613	98	789,253	807,817	102	
^{3/}	124,756	120,626	97	6,539,763	6,686,513	102	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

* Revised.



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Broiler Eggs Set (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Oct 31 1998	Nov 7 1998	Nov 14 1998	Nov 21 1998	Nov 28 1998	Dec 5 1998
AL	25,750	25,378	*27,400	26,941	27,323	25,941
AR	28,319	28,764	30,068	30,053	29,687	29,914
DE	4,610	4,167	4,182	4,571	*4,601	4,002
FL	2,749	2,866	2,861	2,858	2,873	2,850
GA	30,746	31,156	31,914	31,817	*31,810	31,255
MD	8,442	8,893	8,621	8,687	8,903	8,254
MS	17,714	16,984	17,933	17,765	17,575	17,751
NC	17,257	17,940	17,277	17,668	17,311	16,599
PA	3,502	3,361	3,854	*3,778	*3,664	3,469
SC	4,553	4,653	4,790	4,794	4,860	4,352
TX	11,744	*12,750	*13,452	*12,831	*13,376	13,419
VA	6,053	6,233	6,660	6,623	6,609	6,407
CA, TN, & WV	10,618	11,115	11,361	11,307	*11,561	10,124
15 State Total	172,057	*174,260	*180,373	*179,693	*180,153	174,337
Previous Year	162,661	169,341	171,956	171,807	174,205	171,397
% of Prev. Year	106	103	105	105	103	102

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Broiler Chicks Placed (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Oct 31 1998	Nov 7 1998	Nov 14 1998	Nov 21 1998	Nov 28 1998	Dec 5 1998
AL	17,637	17,627	18,219	19,354	18,824	20,659
AR	23,193	22,292	21,563	21,958	22,253	24,047
DE	4,633	4,388	4,976	4,780	*4,793	5,650
FL	2,273	2,085	2,446	2,956	2,279	2,249
GA	24,417	23,411	22,562	23,873	*25,504	24,780
MD	6,070	5,525	5,204	*6,176	*6,338	5,051
MS	14,372	13,215	13,750	14,489	13,800	14,692
NC	12,433	12,496	12,554	13,462	13,478	12,871
PA	2,570	2,266	2,380	*2,748	*2,506	2,820
SC	3,773	5,304	3,752	3,114	3,326	4,035
TX	9,841	9,457	*8,868	9,107	9,628	10,341
VA	5,070	4,570	4,683	5,016	4,891	5,461
CA, TN, & WV	9,234	9,845	8,583	8,638	*9,054	9,634
15 State Total	135,516	132,481	*129,540	*135,671	*136,674	142,290
Previous Year	132,375	126,248	125,414	130,005	135,719	136,952
% of Prev. Year	102	105	103	104	101	104

* Revised.

FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,249,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending December 5, 1998. Placements were one percent below the previous week and sixteen below the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were six percent below the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 122,875,000 chicks, four percent below the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 142,290,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending December 5, 1998.

Placements were four percent above the previous week and four percent above the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 812,172,000, three percent above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

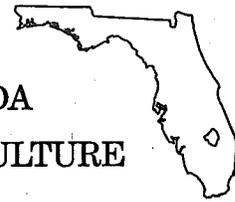
CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
OCT 31	2,643	2,273	86	132,375	135,516	102	DEC 19
NOV 07	2,757	2,085	76	126,248	132,481	105	26
14	2,701	2,446	91	125,414	*129,540	103	JAN 02
21	2,115	2,956	140	130,005	*135,671	104	09
28	2,277	2,279	100	135,719	*136,674	101	16
DEC 05	2,690	2,249	84	136,952	142,290	104	23
TOTAL ^{2/}	15,183	14,288	94	786,713	812,172	103	
^{3/}	127,446	122,875	96	6,676,715	6,828,686	102	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

* Revised.



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December 16, 1998

Broiler Eggs Set (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Nov 7 1998	Nov 14 1998	Nov 21 1998	Nov 28 1998	Dec 5 1998	Dec 12 1998
AL	25,378	27,400	*27,467	27,323	25,941	27,233
AR	28,764	30,068	30,053	29,687	29,914	30,429
DE	4,167	4,182	4,571	4,601	4,002	4,146
FL	2,866	2,861	2,858	2,873	2,850	2,748
GA	31,156	31,914	31,817	31,810	*31,280	31,868
MD	8,893	8,621	8,687	8,903	8,254	8,809
MS	16,984	17,933	17,765	17,575	17,751	17,781
NC	17,940	17,277	*17,473	17,311	16,599	17,708
PA	3,361	3,854	3,778	3,664	*3,443	3,512
SC	4,653	4,790	4,794	4,860	4,352	4,845
TX	12,750	13,452	12,831	13,376	13,419	13,425
VA	6,233	6,660	6,623	6,609	6,407	6,598
CA, TN, & WV	11,115	11,361	11,307	11,561	*10,146	11,207
15 State Total	174,260	180,373	*180,024	180,153	*174,358	180,309
Previous Year	169,341	171,956	171,807	174,205	171,397	170,812
% of Prev. Year	103	105	105	103	102	106

*Revised.

Broiler Chicks Placed (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Nov 7 1998	Nov 14 1998	Nov 21 1998	Nov 28 1998	Dec 5 1998	Dec 12 1998
AL	17,627	18,219	*19,333	18,824	*20,483	19,941
AR	22,292	21,563	21,958	22,253	*24,008	24,442
DE	4,388	4,976	4,780	4,793	5,650	5,195
FL	2,085	2,446	2,956	2,279	2,249	2,527
GA	23,411	22,562	23,873	25,504	*24,743	24,853
MD	5,525	5,204	6,176	6,338	5,051	6,186
MS	13,215	13,750	14,489	13,800	14,692	14,709
NC	12,496	12,554	13,462	13,478	12,871	13,405
PA	2,266	2,380	2,748	2,506	*2,755	2,723
SC	5,304	3,752	3,114	3,326	4,035	3,636
TX	9,457	8,868	9,107	9,628	10,341	9,893
VA	4,570	4,683	5,016	4,891	5,461	5,248
CA, TN, & WV	9,845	8,583	8,638	9,054	*9,805	9,347
15 State Total	132,481	129,540	*135,650	136,674	*142,144	142,105
Previous Year	126,248	125,414	130,005	135,719	136,952	136,620
% of Prev. Year	105	103	104	101	104	104

* Revised.

FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,527,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending December 12, 1998. Placements were twelve percent above the previous week and twelve above the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were two percent below the comparable period of the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 125,402,000 chicks, three percent below the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 142,105,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending December 12, 1998.

Placements were slightly above the previous week and four percent above the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 818,594,000, three percent above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

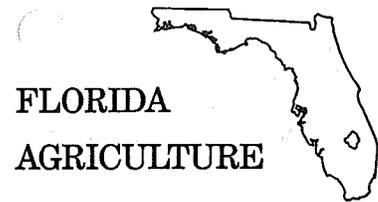
CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
NOV 07	2,757	2,085	76	126,248	132,481	105	DEC 26
14	2,701	2,446	91	125,414	129,540	103	JAN 02
21	2,115	2,956	140	130,005	*135,650	104	09
28	2,277	2,279	100	135,719	136,674	101	16
DEC 05	2,690	2,249	84	136,952	*142,144	104	23
12	2,249	2,527	112	136,620	142,105	104	30
TOTAL ^{2/}	14,789	14,542	98	790,958	818,594	103	
^{3/}	129,695	125,302	97	6,813,335	6,969,455	102	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

* Revised.



BROILER

December 23, 1998

Broiler Eggs Set (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Nov 14 1998	Nov 21 1998	Nov 28 1998	Dec 5 1998	Dec 12 1998	Dec 19 1998
AL	27,400	27,467	27,323	25,941	*27,230	27,428
AR	30,068	30,053	29,687	29,914	30,429	30,740
DE	4,182	4,571	4,601	4,002	*4,160	4,555
FL	2,861	2,858	2,873	2,850	2,748	2,860
GA	31,914	31,817	31,810	31,280	31,868	31,968
MD	8,621	8,687	8,903	8,254	*8,929	8,252
MS	17,933	17,765	17,575	17,751	*17,892	18,303
NC	17,277	17,473	17,311	16,599	17,708	17,322
PA	3,854	3,778	3,664	3,443	*3,640	3,897
SC	4,790	4,794	4,860	4,352	4,845	4,819
TX	13,452	12,831	13,376	13,419	13,425	13,408
VA	6,660	6,623	6,609	6,407	6,598	6,579
CA, TN, & WV	11,361	11,307	11,561	10,146	*11,368	11,533
15 State Total	180,373	180,024	180,153	174,358	*180,840	181,664
Previous Year	171,956	171,807	174,205	171,397	170,812	171,668
% of Prev. Year	105	105	103	102	106	106

Revised.

Broiler Chicks Placed (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Nov 14 1998	Nov 21 1998	Nov 28 1998	Dec 5 1998	Dec 12 1998	Dec 19 1998
AL	18,219	19,333	18,824	*20,477	*19,946	20,224
AR	21,563	21,958	22,253	24,008	24,442	24,501
DE	4,976	4,780	4,793	5,650	*5,022	5,495
FL	2,446	2,956	2,279	2,249	2,527	2,062
GA	22,562	23,873	25,504	24,743	24,853	25,085
MD	5,204	6,176	6,338	5,051	*6,268	5,178
MS	13,750	14,489	13,800	14,692	*14,719	14,582
NC	12,554	13,462	13,478	12,871	13,405	13,663
PA	2,380	2,748	2,506	2,755	*2,804	2,760
SC	3,752	3,114	3,326	4,035	3,636	3,612
TX	8,868	9,107	9,628	10,341	9,893	10,313
VA	4,683	5,016	4,891	5,461	5,248	6,122
CA, TN, & WV	8,583	8,638	9,054	9,805	9,347	10,352
15 State Total	129,540	135,650	136,674	*142,138	*142,110	143,949
Previous Year	125,414	130,005	135,719	136,952	136,620	142,045
% of Prev. Year	103	104	101	104	104	101

* Revised.

FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,062,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending December 19, 1998. Placements were eighteen percent below the previous week and twenty-five below the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were two percent below the comparable period of the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 127,364,000 chicks, four percent below the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 143,949,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending December 19, 1998.

Placements were one percent above the previous week and one percent above the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 830,061,000, three percent above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
NOV 14	2,701	2,446	91	125,414	129,540	103	JAN 02
21	2,115	2,956	140	130,005	135,650	104	09
28	2,277	2,279	100	135,719	136,674	101	16
DEC 05	2,690	2,249	84	136,952	*142,138	104	23
12	2,249	2,527	112	136,620	*142,110	104	30
19	2,746	2,062	75	142,045	143,949	101	FEB 6
TOTAL ^{2/}	14,778	14,519	98	806,755	830,061	103	
^{3/}	132,441	127,364	96	6,955,380	7,113,403	102	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

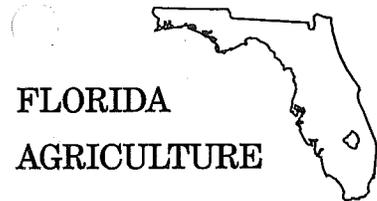
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December 30, 1998

Broiler Eggs Set (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Nov 21 1998	Nov 28 1998	Dec 5 1998	Dec 12 1998	Dec 19 1998	Dec 26 1998
AL	27,467	27,323	*26,952	27,230	*27,422	26,983
AR	30,053	29,687	29,914	30,429	*30,357	29,951
DE	4,571	4,601	4,002	4,160	4,555	4,421
FL	2,858	2,873	2,850	2,748	2,860	2,773
GA	*31,758	31,810	31,280	31,868	*31,902	32,259
MD	8,687	8,903	8,254	8,929	8,252	8,613
MS	17,765	17,575	17,751	17,892	18,303	18,413
NC	17,473	17,311	16,599	17,708	17,322	17,519
PA	3,778	3,664	3,443	3,640	3,897	3,673
SC	4,794	4,860	4,352	4,845	4,819	4,660
TX	12,831	13,376	13,419	13,425	13,408	13,514
VA	6,623	6,609	6,407	6,598	6,579	6,578
CA, TN, & WV	11,307	11,561	10,146	11,368	*11,507	11,395
15 State Total	179,965	180,153	*175,369	180,840	*181,183	180,752
Previous Year	171,807	174,205	171,397	170,812	171,668	170,459
% of Prev. Year	105	103	102	106	106	106

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Broiler Chicks Placed (000), 15 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Nov 21 1998	Nov 28 1998	Dec 5 1998	Dec 12 1998	Dec 19 1998	Dec 26 1998
AL	19,333	18,824	20,477	19,946	*19,821	19,279
AR	21,958	22,253	24,008	24,442	*24,346	23,604
DE	4,780	4,793	5,650	5,022	5,495	4,720
FL	2,956	2,279	2,249	2,527	2,062	2,705
GA	*23,843	25,504	24,743	24,853	*25,048	25,203
MD	6,176	6,338	5,051	6,268	5,178	6,198
MS	14,489	13,800	14,692	14,719	14,582	14,269
NC	13,462	13,478	12,871	13,405	13,663	12,710
PA	2,748	2,506	2,755	2,804	2,760	2,530
SC	3,114	3,326	4,035	3,636	3,612	3,301
TX	9,107	9,628	10,341	9,893	10,313	10,475
VA	5,016	4,891	5,461	5,248	6,122	4,971
CA, TN, & WV	8,638	9,054	9,805	9,347	*10,457	9,045
15 State Total	135,620	136,674	142,138	142,110	*143,459	139,010
Previous Year	130,005	135,719	136,952	136,620	142,045	137,523
% of Prev. Year	104	101	104	104	101	101

* Revised.

FLORIDA: Hatcheries placed 2,705,000 broiler chicks with producers during the week ending December 26, 1998. Placements were thirty-one percent above the previous week but six percent below the comparable week of the year before.

Placements during the last six weeks were one percent below the comparable period of the previous year. Florida's placements since January 1, 1998 were 130,069,000 chicks, four percent below the corresponding period of last year.

UNITED STATES: Commercial hatcheries placed 139,010,000 chicks with producers in the 15 major broiler States during the week ending December 26, 1998.

Placements were three percent below the previous week and one percent above the comparable week of the previous year.

During the 6-week period, total chicks placed were 839,011,000, two percent above the previous year.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES, BY WEEKS

CHICKS PLACED WEEK ENDING	FLORIDA			UNITED STATES (15 STATES)			PROJECTED MARKETING WEEK ENDING ^{1/}
	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	1997	1998	PERCENT OF PREVIOUS YEAR	
	- Thousands -			- Thousands -			
NOV 21	2,115	2,956	140	130,005	135,620	104	JAN 09
28	2,277	2,279	100	135,719	136,674	101	16
DEC 05	2,690	2,249	84	136,952	142,138	104	23
12	2,249	2,527	112	136,620	142,110	104	30
19	2,746	2,062	75	142,045	*143,459	101	FEB 6
26	2,863	2,705	94	137,523	139,010	101	13
TOTAL ^{2/}	14,940	14,778	99	818,864	839,011	101	
^{3/}	135,304	130,069	96	7,092,903	7,107,945	100	

^{1/} Based on an average of 7 weeks to reach market weight.

^{2/} Six week total.

^{3/} Year to date totals.

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