



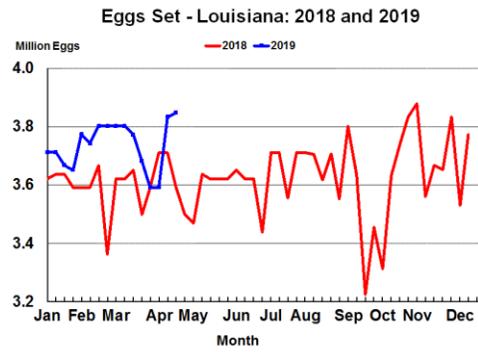
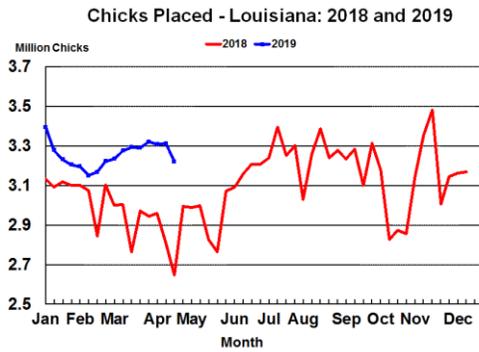
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This report contains the results from the **Weekly Broiler Hatchery Report**. These data are also posted on our web site at <https://www.nass.usda.gov/la> and in a more detailed report at <https://www.nass.usda.gov>. Thanks to all who responded to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

### Chick Placements Up 22 Percent from Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Louisiana were 3.22 million during the week ending April 20, 2019. Placements were up 22 percent from the comparable week in 2018 but down 3 percent from the previous week.

Louisiana hatcheries set 3.85 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending April 20 2019, up 7 percent from the same period last year and up slightly from the previous week.



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

State	Eggs Set					Chicks Placed				
	Week Ending					Week Ending				
	23-Mar	30-Mar	6-Apr	13-Apr	20-Apr	23-Mar	30-Mar	6-Apr	13-Apr	20-Apr
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 chicks)								
Alabama	30,327	30,352	30,247	30,146	30,543	21,313	22,651	23,076	22,164	22,700
Arkansas	24,621	24,875	25,122	25,034	24,822	23,015	23,871	21,877	22,754	22,645
Delaware	4,961	5,490	5,368	5,433	5,489	5,831	5,101	4,919	4,785	5,730
Florida	1,194	1,194	1,194	1,178	1,178	1,325	1,321	1,323	1,300	1,332
Georgia	34,100	35,116	35,239	35,146	35,380	27,771	27,040	27,255	27,337	27,582
Kentucky	7,783	7,912	7,787	7,850	7,951	6,042	6,160	5,370	6,552	6,022
Louisiana	3,682	3,592	3,592	3,834	3,848	3,290	3,320	3,307	3,312	3,220
Maryland	7,590	8,107	7,960	8,349	8,307	4,900	5,896	6,508	6,030	5,875
Mississippi	18,880	18,896	19,183	19,111	19,334	13,800	14,359	15,214	16,040	16,018
Missouri	8,549	8,151	8,431	8,490	8,585	5,522	5,472	5,631	5,784	6,676
N. Carolina	24,292	23,890	22,944	23,718	24,030	19,248	19,298	19,048	19,409	18,632
Oklahoma	7,659	7,790	7,346	7,791	7,730	4,721	3,978	4,719	4,083	3,481
Pennsylvania	5,325	4,940	4,825	5,418	5,529	4,118	4,034	4,034	3,969	3,466
S. Carolina	6,036	5,774	5,840	5,980	5,594	4,909	5,174	5,333	5,304	5,111
Texas	17,267	17,430	17,374	17,373	17,322	13,862	13,780	14,215	13,867	14,082
Virginia	6,459	6,318	6,467	6,467	6,469	5,819	5,866	6,165	5,424	5,705
CA, TN & WV	12,116	12,378	12,398	12,246	12,061	10,882	10,762	11,326	10,454	10,637
Other States	9,747	9,926	9,506	9,853	9,973	7,515	7,763	8,024	7,302	7,613
<b>U.S. Total</b>	<b>230,588</b>	<b>232,131</b>	<b>230,823</b>	<b>233,417</b>	<b>234,145</b>	<b>183,883</b>	<b>185,846</b>	<b>187,344</b>	<b>185,870</b>	<b>186,527</b>
<b>% of Prev. Year</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>102</b>

### Broiler-Type Eggs Set in the United States Up 2 Percent

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 234 million eggs in incubators during the week ending April 20, 2019, up 2 percent from a year ago. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 82.1 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

### Broiler-Type Chicks Placed in the United States Up 2 Percent

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 187 million chicks for meat production during the week ending April 20, 2019, up 2 percent from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 5, 2019 through April 20, 2019 for the United States were 2.95 billion. Cumulative placements were up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.