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## Delmarva Agricultural Data

### Weekly Broiler Chicks Data

#### PLACEMENTS UP 8%

For the week ending May 17, 2014, growers placed 11.9 million broiler chicks in Delmarva growing houses, according to the Maryland Field Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. These placements were 8.4% above the comparable week a year earlier. Broiler-type chicks hatched (11.3 million) increased 10.5% from the comparable week in 2013. Eggs set in incubators during the week totaled 13.7 million, an increase of 9.7% from the same week a year earlier. Federally inspected slaughter on Delmarva was 11.4 million for the week ending May 10, 2014, compared to 10.4 million slaughtered during the same week in 2013.

#### BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET AND BROILER CHICKS PLACED ON DELMARVA

WEEK ENDING	EGGS SET 1/		CHICKS HATCHED 1/		CHICKS PLACED 2/	
	PREVIOUS YR	CURRENT YR	PREVIOUS YR	CURRENT YR	PREVIOUS YR	CURRENT YR
----- THOUSANDS -----						
03/22/2014	11,932	13,250	9,995	11,027	10,851	11,302
03/29/2014	12,278	13,672	10,108	11,232	10,640	11,494
04/05/2014	12,088	13,518	10,117	11,428	10,973	11,609
04/12/2014	12,264	13,630	9,977	10,946	10,825	10,913
04/19/2014	12,348	13,913	10,212	11,309	10,744	11,465
04/26/2014	12,201	13,650	10,123	11,211	11,087	11,476
05/03/2014	12,330	13,870	10,226	11,314	11,298	11,602
05/10/2014	12,333	13,487	10,327	11,520	11,075	11,525
05/17/2014	12,519	13,727	10,248	11,326	10,996	11,917

1/ For all broiler-type chicks, including those intended for hatchery flocks.

2/ The difference between chicks hatched and placed includes chicks withdrawn for hatchery flocks, inshipments and outshipments. None of those numbers are published to avoid disclosure of proprietary information.

Negotiated prices in trucklot and less-than-trucklot quantities of ready-to-cook whole body broiler/fryers delivered to first receivers;

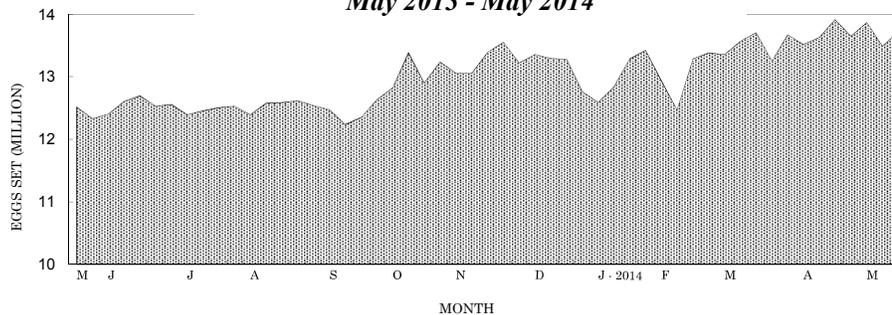
Prices in cents per pound 1/

	WEEK ENDING	PREV. WEEK	PREV. MONTH	PREV. YEAR
	05/17/2014			
New York Weighted Avg	119.30	113.95	112.56	112.82
National Composite Weighted Avg.	116.72	111.78	111.82	111.12

1/ Source: USDA AMS Poultry Market News & Analysis; [www.ams.usda.gov/pymnhomepage](http://www.ams.usda.gov/pymnhomepage)

\*\*The Weekly Final Broiler/Fryer report has been discontinued. The weighted average prices are now published on the Weekly National Whole Broiler/Fryer Report.

### **BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET ON DELMARVA** May 2013 - May 2014



## Broiler-Type Eggs Set – 19 Selected States and United States: 2014

State	Week ending					
	April 12, 2014	April 19, 2014	April 26, 2014	May 3, 2014	May 10, 2014	May 17, 2014
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)
Alabama .....	28,597	28,954	28,643	28,896	28,638	28,501
Arkansas .....	20,736	20,874	20,618	21,070	21,281	21,415
Delaware .....	4,585	4,727	4,495	4,714	4,728	4,681
Florida .....	1,222	1,225	1,225	1,223	1,223	1,207
Georgia .....	34,016	33,626	33,984	34,048	34,337	34,387
Kentucky .....	7,845	7,994	7,514	7,985	7,966	7,745
Louisiana .....	3,832	3,802	3,394	3,571	3,802	3,802
Maryland .....	7,776	7,916	7,886	7,886	7,549	7,837
Mississippi .....	17,689	17,559	17,497	17,122	16,395	16,925
Missouri .....	8,175	8,303	8,344	8,300	8,040	8,406
North Carolina .....	20,630	20,961	20,792	20,508	20,402	21,134
Oklahoma .....	6,661	6,649	6,680	6,584	6,720	6,659
Pennsylvania .....	4,423	4,375	4,333	4,202	4,558	4,391
South Carolina .....	5,129	5,137	5,256	4,995	5,269	5,155
Texas .....	14,717	15,029	14,924	14,562	14,326	14,740
Virginia .....	6,668	6,621	6,620	6,897	6,582	6,547
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia .....	11,828	11,555	11,354	10,694	11,155	11,041
19 State total .....	204,529	205,307	203,559	203,257	202,971	204,573
Percent of previous year .....	101	103	102	101	100	100
Other States .....	8,151	8,116	8,162	8,170	7,850	8,205
United States .....	212,680	213,423	211,721	211,427	210,821	212,778
Percent of previous year .....	101	103	102	101	100	100

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 213 million eggs in incubators during the week ending May 17, 2014, up slightly from a year ago. Hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 205 million eggs in incubators during the week ending May 17, 2014, down slightly from the year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

## Broiler-Type Chicks Placed – 19 Selected States and United States: 2014

State	Week ending					
	April 12, 2014	April 19, 2014	April 26, 2014	May 3, 2014	May 10, 2014	May 17, 2014
	(1,000 chicks)					
Alabama .....	21,290	21,705	21,407	21,190	21,553	21,954
Arkansas .....	20,844	18,882	19,762	18,205	19,945	19,817
Delaware .....	4,862	5,277	4,598	4,307	5,326	4,922
Florida .....	1,358	1,340	1,226	1,271	1,574	1,152
Georgia .....	27,039	26,660	26,992	26,843	26,855	26,601
Kentucky .....	6,029	6,095	6,433	5,892	7,227	5,572
Louisiana .....	3,359	3,376	3,364	3,389	3,386	3,041
Maryland .....	5,656	5,783	6,016	6,798	5,287	6,724
Mississippi .....	14,273	14,822	15,075	14,874	14,941	14,817
Missouri .....	5,231	6,528	5,005	5,799	6,098	5,160
North Carolina .....	16,391	16,444	16,124	16,373	16,444	16,018
Oklahoma .....	2,878	3,701	4,055	4,683	3,306	4,186
Pennsylvania .....	3,577	3,504	3,691	3,639	3,689	3,573
South Carolina .....	4,165	4,085	4,784	4,840	4,731	5,068
Texas .....	11,886	11,211	11,901	12,159	11,988	11,941
Virginia .....	5,169	4,946	5,785	5,258	5,450	5,050
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia .....	9,594	9,853	10,596	11,602	10,063	10,542
19 State total .....	163,601	164,212	166,814	167,122	167,863	166,138
Percent of previous year .....	99	99	101	100	101	100
Other States .....	5,857	6,199	6,050	5,959	5,905	6,138
United States .....	169,458	170,411	172,864	173,081	173,768	172,276
Percent of previous year .....	99	99	101	100	101	101

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 172 million chicks for meat production during the week ending May 17, 2014, up 1 percent from a year ago. Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 166 million chicks for meat production during the week ending May 17, 2014, up slightly from the year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 29, 2013 through May 17, 2014 for the United States were 3.42 billion. Cumulative placements were down slightly from the same period a year earlier.