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Delmarva Agricultural Data

Weekly Broiler Chicks Data

PLACEMENTS UP 3%

For the week ending May 31, 2014, growers placed 11.7 million broiler chicks in Delmarva growing houses, according to the Maryland Field Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. These placements were 2.5% above the comparable week a year earlier. Broiler-type chicks hatched (11.1 million) increased 8.1% from the comparable week in 2013. Eggs set in incubators during the week totaled 13.7 million, an increase of 10.3% from the same week a year earlier. Federally inspected slaughter on Delmarva was 9.2 million for the week ending May 24, 2014, compared to 8.3 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 -----						
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	13,734	10,248	11,332	10,996	11,799
05/24/2014	12,332	13,380	10,384	11,463	11,853	11,823
05/31/2014	12,405	13,677	10,258	11,088	11,446	11,735

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2/ The difference between chicks hatched and placed includes chicks withdrawn for hatchery flocks, inshipments and outshipments.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.

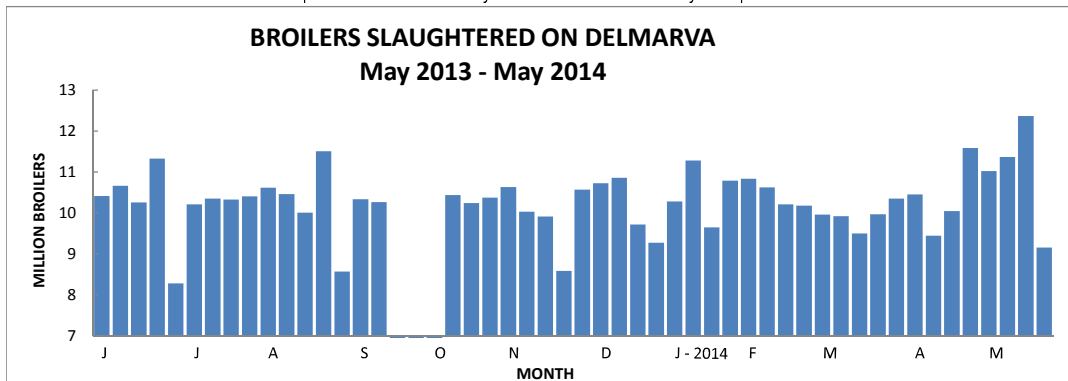
Negotiated prices in trucklot and less-than-trucklot quantities of ready-to-cook whole body broiler/fryers delivered to first receivers;

Prices in cents per pound 1/

	WEEK ENDING	PREV. WEEK	PREV. MONTH	PREV. YEAR
	05/31/2014	122.70	123.15	111.69
New York Weighted Avg		122.70	123.15	111.69
National Composite Weighted Avg.		121.09	120.62	110.99
				113.21

1/ Source: USDA AMS Poultry Market News & Analysis; 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 – 19 Selected States and United States: 2014

State	Week ending					
	April 26, 2014	May 3, 2014	May 10, 2014	May 17, 2014	May 24, 2014	May 31, 2014
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)
Alabama	28,643	28,896	28,638	28,521	28,484	28,779
Arkansas	20,618	21,070	21,281	21,415	21,358	21,527
Delaware	4,495	4,714	4,728	4,687	4,692	4,614
Florida	1,225	1,223	1,223	1,207	1,225	1,225
Georgia	33,984	34,048	34,337	34,434	34,569	34,500
Kentucky	7,514	7,985	7,966	7,745	7,876	7,866
Louisiana	3,394	3,727	3,802	3,802	3,772	3,772
Maryland	7,886	7,886	7,549	7,837	7,479	7,793
Mississippi	17,497	17,122	16,395	16,925	17,640	17,748
Missouri	8,344	8,300	8,040	8,406	8,152	8,296
North Carolina	20,792	20,873	20,613	21,134	21,514	21,134
Oklahoma	6,680	6,584	6,720	6,659	6,804	6,584
Pennsylvania	4,333	4,202	4,558	4,277	4,318	4,327
South Carolina	5,256	4,995	5,269	5,155	5,275	5,304
Texas	14,924	14,562	14,326	14,740	14,792	14,886
Virginia	6,620	6,897	6,582	6,547	6,619	6,679
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	11,354	10,699	11,145	11,251	11,432	11,372
19 State total	203,559	203,783	203,172	204,742	206,001	206,406
Percent of previous year	102	101	100	100	101	101
Other States	8,162	8,327	7,941	8,244	8,404	8,278
United States	211,721	212,110	211,113	212,986	214,405	214,684
Percent of previous year	102	101	100	100	101	101

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 215 million eggs in incubators during the week ending May 31, 2014, up 1 percent from a year ago. Hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 206 million eggs in incubators during the week ending May 31, 2014, up 1 percent 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 26, 2014	May 3, 2014	May 10, 2014	May 17, 2014	May 24, 2014	May 31, 2014
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)
Alabama	21,407	21,190	21,553	21,949	22,068	21,438
Arkansas	19,762	18,205	19,945	19,833	19,122	18,488
Delaware	4,598	4,307	5,326	4,779	4,711	4,976
Florida	1,226	1,271	1,574	1,152	1,251	1,269
Georgia	26,992	26,843	26,855	26,625	26,354	27,234
Kentucky	6,433	5,892	7,227	5,572	6,810	6,219
Louisiana	3,364	3,389	3,386	3,041	3,333	3,414
Maryland	6,016	6,798	5,287	6,748	6,355	5,811
Mississippi	15,075	14,874	14,941	14,802	14,535	13,964
Missouri	5,005	5,799	6,098	5,161	6,234	5,862
North Carolina	16,124	16,373	16,444	16,018	16,008	16,346
Oklahoma	4,055	4,683	3,306	4,186	4,000	4,968
Pennsylvania	3,691	3,639	3,689	3,581	3,515	3,702
South Carolina	4,784	4,840	4,731	5,068	5,406	4,275
Texas	11,901	12,159	11,988	11,941	11,544	11,515
Virginia	5,791	5,249	5,503	4,957	5,566	5,543
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	10,596	11,602	10,063	10,578	10,228	10,726
19 State total	166,820	167,113	167,916	165,991	167,040	165,750
Percent of previous year	101	100	101	100	100	99
Other States	6,050	5,959	5,904	6,143	5,809	5,940
United States	172,870	173,072	173,820	172,134	172,849	171,690
Percent of previous year	101	100	101	100	100	99

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 172 million chicks for meat production during the week ending May 31, 2014, down 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 31, 2014, down 1 percent from the year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 29, 2013 through May 31, 2014 for the United States were 3.76 billion. Cumulative placements were down slightly from the same period a year earlier.