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Delmarva Agricultural Data Weekly Broiler Chicks Data

PLACEMENTS DOWN 1%

For the week ending July 12, 2014, growers placed 11.1 million broiler chicks in Delmarva growing houses, according to the Maryland Field Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. These placements were 1.4% below the comparable week a year earlier. Broiler-type chicks hatched (11.2 million) increased 7.7% from the comparable week in 2013. Eggs set in incubators during the week totaled 13.3 million, an increase of 7.1% from the same week a year earlier. Federally inspected slaughter on Delmarva was 11.2 million for the week ending July 5, 2014, compared to 10.2 million slaughtered during the same week in 2013.

| WEEK ENDING | EGGS SET 1/ PREVIOUS YR CURRENT YR | | CHICKS H | | CHICKS PLACED 2/ PREVIOUS YR CURRENT YR | | |
|----------------|---------------------------------------|--------|----------|--------|--|--------|--|
| | | | THOU | SANDS | | | |
| 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 | 13,681 | 10,258 | 11,049 | 11,446 | 11,558 | |
| 06/07/2014 | 12,606 | 13,403 | 10,427 | 11,311 | 11,562 | 11,724 | |
| 06/14/2014 | 12,696 | 13,299 | 10,278 | 10,988 | 11,026 | 11,562 | |
| 06/21/2014 | 12,532 | 13,544 | 10,318 | 11,292 | 10,984 | 11,711 | |
| 06/28/2014 | 12,559 | 13,350 | 10,505 | 11,013 | 11,141 | 11,215 | |
| 07/05/2014 | 12,394 | 13,573 | 10,531 | 10,950 | 11,152 | 11,255 | |
| 07/12/2014 | 12,458 | 13,338 | 10,358 | 11,155 | 11,243 | 11,086 | |

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

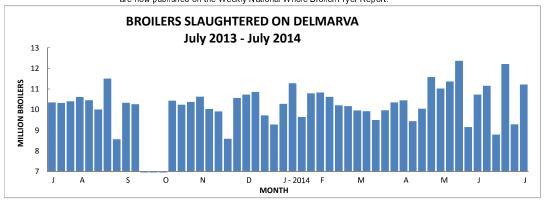
2/ The difference between chicks hatched and placed includes chicks withdrawn for hatchery flocks, inshipments and outshipments. None of those numbers are published to avoid disclosure of proprietary information.

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

| | WEEK ENDING | PREV. | PREV. | PREV. |
|-----------------------|-------------|--------|--------|--------|
| | 07/12/2014 | WEEK | MONTH | YEAR |
| New York Weighted Avg | 114.12 | 114.93 | 115.93 | 104.99 |
| National Composite | 111.95 | 112.10 | 113.08 | 101.63 |
| Weighted Avg. | | | | |

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.



| | Week ending | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| State | June 7, 2014 | June 14, 2014 | June 21, 2014 | June 28, 2014 | July 5, 2014 | July 12, 2014 |
| | (1,000 eggs) | (1,000 eggs) | (1,000 eggs) | (1,000 eggs) | (1,000 eggs) | (1,000 eggs) |
| Alabama | 28,789 | 28,684 | 28,801 | 28,288 | 28,137 | 28,842 |
| Arkansas | 21,460 | 20,794 | 21,165 | 20,838 | 20,327 | 21,324 |
| Delaware | 4,611 | 4,618 | 4,633 | 4,533 | 4,673 | 4,511 |
| Florida | 1,225 | 1,223 | 1,223 | 1,223 | 1,223 | 1,223 |
| Georgia | 34,489 | 33,919 | 34,319 | 33,957 | 33,536 | 34,787 |
| Kentucky | 7,787 | 7,786 | 7,616 | 7,747 | 7,854 | 7,762 |
| Louisiana | 3,802 | 3,772 | 3,802 | 3,772 | 3,802 | 3,802 |
| Maryland | 7,522 | 7,411 | 7,640 | 7,547 | 7,630 | 7,556 |
| Mississippi | 17,627 | 16,704 | 17,835 | 17,617 | 17,422 | 17,645 |
| Missouri | 8,162 | 8,488 | 8,408 | 8,312 | 8,306 | 8,017 |
| North Carolina | 21,065 | 21,088 | 20,506 | 21,120 | 21,484 | 21,453 |
| Oklahoma | 6,589 | 6,646 | 6,461 | 6,720 | 6,537 | 6,730 |
| Pennsylvania | 4,155 | 4,340 | 4,432 | 4,213 | 4,200 | 4,339 |
| South Carolina | 5,004 | 5,120 | 5,143 | 4,958 | 5,274 | 5,289 |
| Texas | 15,266 | 14,352 | 14,961 | 14,753 | 14,811 | 14,709 |
| Virginia California, Tennessee, | 6,679 | 6,678 | 6,679 | 6,680 | 6,678 | 6,606 |
| and West Virginia | 11,291 | 11,633 | 11,220 | 11,282 | 11,503 | 11,599 |
| 19 State total | 205,523 | 203,256 | 204,844 | 203,560 | 203,397 | 206,194 |
| Percent of previous year | 101 | 100 | 101 | 101 | 100 | 101 |
| Other States | 8,304 | 8,213 | 7,936 | 8,026 | 7,974 | 7,921 |
| United States | 213,827 | 211,469 | 212,780 | 211,586 | 211,371 | 214,115 |
| Percent of previous year | 101 | 100 | 101 | 101 | 100 | 101 |

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

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 214 million eggs in incubators during the week ending July 12, 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 July 12, 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

| | Week ending | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|--|
| State | June 7, 2014 | June 14, 2014 | June 21, 2014 | June 28, 2014 | July 5, 2014 | July 12, 2014 | |
| | (1,000 chicks) | (1,000 chicks) | (1,000 chicks) | (1,000 chicks) | (1,000 chicks) | (1,000 chicks) | |
| Alabama | 21,531 | 21,183 | 22,286 | 20,897 | 21,685 | 21,702 | |
| Arkansas | 19,810 | 19,385 | 19,793 | 20,658 | 18,311 | 19,783 | |
| Delaware | 4,671 | 5,054 | 5,513 | 4,096 | 4,620 | 4,325 | |
| Florida | 1,237 | 1,298 | 1,285 | 1,519 | 1,375 | 1,343 | |
| Georgia | 27,318 | 27,746 | 26,711 | 27,968 | 26,871 | 27,248 | |
| Kentucky | 6,187 | 6,080 | 6,609 | 6,380 | 6,271 | 6,683 | |
| Louisiana | 3,397 | 3,398 | 3,398 | 3,412 | 3,387 | 3,402 | |
| Maryland | 5,987 | 6,046 | 5,699 | 6,652 | 6,252 | 5,662 | |
| Mississippi | 14,510 | 14,699 | 14,949 | 15,059 | 14,160 | 15,105 | |
| Missouri | 4,684 | 6,150 | 5,644 | 6,053 | 6,202 | 5,770 | |
| North Carolina | 16,340 | 16,439 | 16,458 | 15,976 | 16,275 | 16,399 | |
| Oklahoma | 5,403 | 3,916 | 4,426 | 3,027 | 4,677 | 4,003 | |
| Pennsylvania | 3,533 | 3,569 | 3,620 | 3,531 | 3,592 | 3,629 | |
| South Carolina | 4,582 | 4,582 | 4,840 | 4,786 | 4,861 | 4,420 | |
| Texas | 11,753 | 12,016 | 11,974 | 12,302 | 12,006 | 12,079 | |
| Virginia California, Tennessee, | 5,728 | 5,508 | 5,597 | 5,389 | 5,018 | 5,654 | |
| and West Virginia | 10,830 | 11,342 | 10,906 | 10,828 | 10,992 | 10,486 | |
| 19 State total | 167,501 | 168,411 | 169,708 | 168,533 | 166,555 | 167,693 | |
| Percent of previous year | 99 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 99 | 100 | |
| Other States | 6,059 | 6,464 | 5,948 | 6,039 | 6,387 | 5,858 | |
| United States | 173,560 | 174,875 | 175,656 | 174,572 | 172,942 | 173,551 | |
| Percent of previous year | 99 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 99 | 100 | |

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 174 million chicks for meat production during the week ending July 12, 2014, down slightly from a year ago. Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 168 million chicks for meat production during the week ending July 12, 2014, down slightly from the year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 29, 2013 through July 12, 2014 for the United States were 4.81 billion. Cumulative placements were down slightly from the same period a year earlier.