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Delmarva Agricultural Data

Weekly Broiler Chicks Data

PLACEMENTS UP 1%

For the week ending February 1, 2014, growers placed 11.0 million broiler chicks in Delmarva growing houses, according to the Maryland Field Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. These placements were 0.6% above the comparable week a year earlier. Broiler-type chicks hatched (10.7 million) increased 7.6% from the comparable week in 2013. Eggs set in incubators during the week totaled 13.0 million, an increase of 9.7% from the same week a year earlier. Federally inspected slaughter on Delmarva was 10.8 million for the week ending January 25, 2014, compared to 9.7 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 -----						
12/07/2013	11,770	13,359	9,953	11,090	11,340	11,621
12/14/2013	11,871	13,294	9,929	11,182	11,053	11,717
12/21/2013	11,837	13,283	9,892	10,920	10,992	11,793
12/28/2013	11,643	12,765	9,903	10,961	10,654	11,442
01/04/2014	11,836	12,591	10,030	10,978	11,201	11,332
01/11/2014	11,839	12,841	9,988	10,910	11,130	11,336
01/18/2014	11,795	13,286	9,840	10,647	11,052	11,187
01/25/2014	11,858	13,335	9,954	10,551	11,128	11,089
02/01/2014	11,844	12,993	9,945	10,704	10,908	10,970

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2/ The difference between chicks hatched and placed includes chicks withdrawn for hatchery flocks, inshipments and outshipments.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

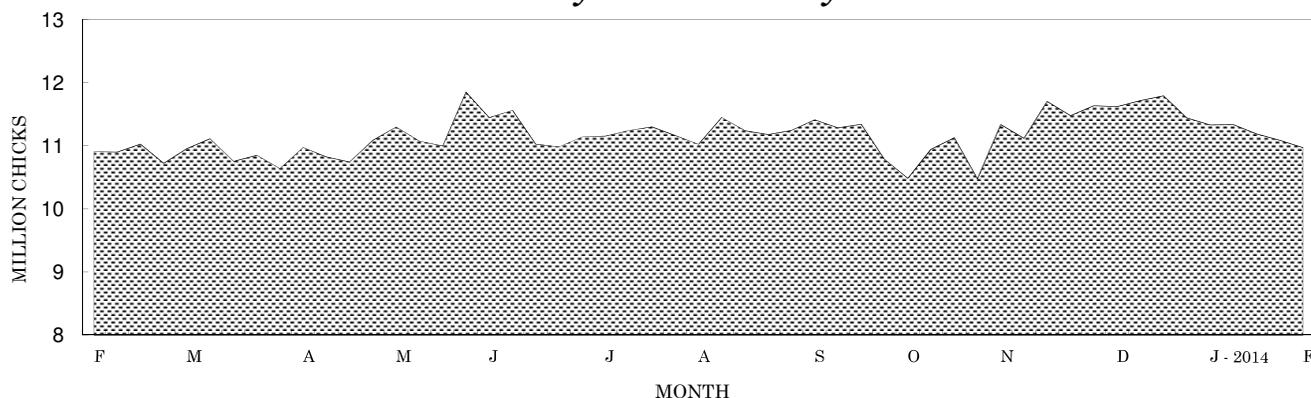
Prices in cents per pound 1/

	WEEK ENDING 02/01/2014	PREV. WEEK	PREV. MONTH	PREV. YEAR
New York Weighted Avg	96.99	96.71	97.59	101.83
National Composite Weighted Avg.	95.07	95.82	95.83	99.43

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.

BROILERS PLACED IN DELMARVA ***February 2013- February 2014***



Broiler-Type Eggs Set – 19 Selected States and United States: 2013 and 2014

State	Week ending					
	December 28, 2013	January 4, 2014	January 11, 2014	January 18, 2014	January 25, 2014	February 1, 2014
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)
Alabama	27,857	28,038	28,188	28,196	28,140	28,298
Arkansas	21,055	21,029	20,787	20,601	20,807	20,152
Delaware	4,396	4,380	4,405	4,398	4,394	4,396
Florida	1,220	1,224	1,224	1,223	1,223	1,222
Georgia	33,957	33,948	33,711	33,359	33,434	33,662
Kentucky	7,952	7,906	7,748	7,301	7,828	7,671
Louisiana	3,788	3,834	3,864	3,864	3,894	3,909
Maryland	7,160	7,001	7,226	7,679	7,732	7,690
Mississippi	17,504	17,687	17,931	17,173	17,466	17,538
Missouri	8,261	8,452	8,476	8,431	8,415	8,442
North Carolina	20,305	20,214	20,048	20,001	20,511	20,242
Oklahoma	6,931	6,896	7,270	6,897	7,161	6,942
Pennsylvania	3,828	3,851	3,825	3,796	3,734	3,861
South Carolina	5,255	5,249	5,169	5,362	5,210	5,249
Texas	13,983	14,554	14,788	14,531	14,609	14,524
Virginia	6,571	6,163	6,448	6,405	6,332	6,168
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	10,470	8,870	10,408	10,270	9,824	10,114
19 State total	200,493	199,296	201,516	199,487	200,714	200,080
Percent of previous year	103	102	103	102	102	101
Other States	7,958	7,878	7,797	7,838	7,886	7,814
United States	208,451	207,174	209,313	207,325	208,600	207,894

Commercial hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 200 million eggs in incubators during the week ending February 1, 2014. This was up 1 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week 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: 2013 and 2014

State	Week ending					
	December 28, 2013	January 4, 2014	January 11, 2014	January 18, 2014	January 25, 2014	February 1, 2014
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)
Alabama	22,289	21,323	20,952	21,019	20,621	22,085
Arkansas	20,344	19,126	19,450	19,213	19,426	19,618
Delaware	5,223	5,263	5,059	5,402	4,791	4,788
Florida	1,278	1,349	1,210	1,350	1,439	1,262
Georgia	25,435	27,201	27,899	26,335	27,372	25,896
Kentucky	6,408	6,330	5,539	6,445	6,377	5,914
Louisiana	3,317	3,324	3,241	3,292	3,364	3,370
Maryland	6,119	5,970	5,288	4,805	5,803	5,724
Mississippi	14,678	14,846	14,813	14,842	14,691	14,971
Missouri	5,895	5,164	5,896	5,717	5,785	6,228
North Carolina	15,769	15,362	15,836	16,091	16,089	15,399
Oklahoma	3,593	5,498	4,572	4,922	4,877	4,022
Pennsylvania	3,033	3,109	3,106	3,151	3,156	2,984
South Carolina	4,538	5,041	4,468	5,134	4,506	4,902
Texas	11,771	11,912	11,349	11,388	11,775	11,775
Virginia	4,895	4,814	5,548	5,685	5,293	4,843
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	9,333	9,007	9,998	9,795	8,098	9,551
19 State total	163,918	164,639	164,224	164,586	163,463	163,332
Percent of previous year	103	101	100	102	100	100
Other States	6,065	6,169	6,043	5,790	5,859	5,941
United States	169,983	170,808	170,267	170,376	169,322	169,273

Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 163 million chicks for meat production during the week ending February 1, 2014. Placements were up slightly from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 29, 2013 through February 1, 2014 for the 19 State total were 820 million, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.