

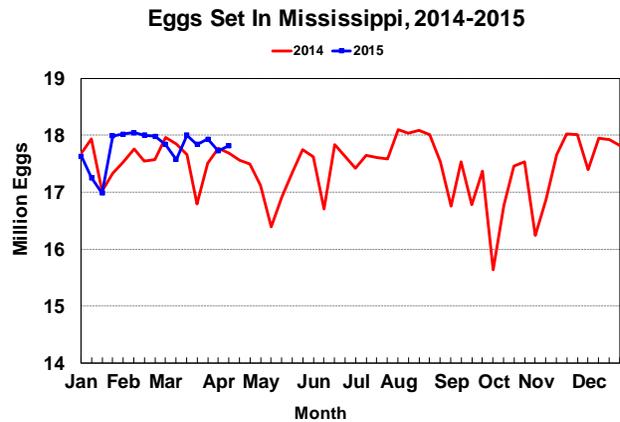
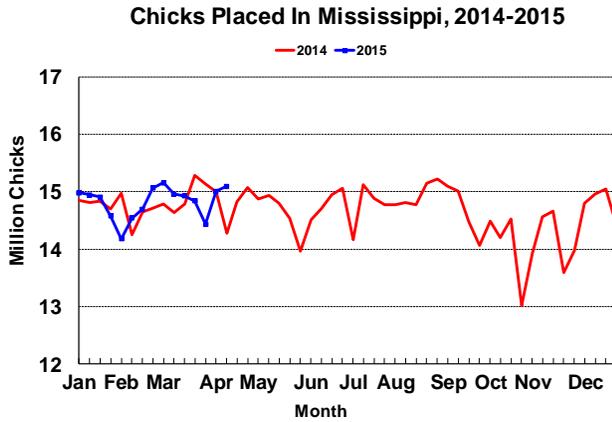


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Mississippi Chick Placements Up 6 Percent from Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Mississippi were 15.1 million during the week ending April 11, 2015. Placements were up 6 percent from the comparable week in 2014 and up 1 percent from the previous week.

Mississippi hatcheries set 17.8 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending April 11, 2015, up 1 percent from the same period last year and up 1 percent from the previous week.



Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, March 14, 2015 - April 11, 2015

State	Eggs Set					Chicks Placed				
	Week Ending					Week Ending				
	14-Mar	21-Mar	28-Mar	4-Apr	11-Apr	14-Mar	21-Mar	28-Mar	4-Apr	11-Apr
	1,000 eggs					1,000 chicks				
Alabama	28,928	29,294	28,730	29,684	29,024	21,971	22,172	21,925	21,682	22,008
Arkansas	21,865	21,083	21,991	22,057	21,924	19,428	18,639	19,102	17,728	17,952
Delaware	4,829	4,578	4,670	4,750	4,712	4,519	5,427	5,425	5,324	4,516
Florida	1,192	1,200	1,199	1,201	1,222	1,161	1,007	1,209	1,319	1,357
Georgia	32,469	32,871	34,553	34,046	33,855	26,013	25,499	25,969	26,106	26,352
Kentucky	7,766	7,651	7,718	7,684	7,690	6,327	6,392	5,588	6,247	6,421
Louisiana	3,817	3,833	3,833	3,833	3,833	3,354	3,355	3,606	3,315	3,362
Maryland	7,937	7,581	7,838	7,856	7,896	6,388	5,649	5,986	5,959	6,099
Mississippi	18,001	17,841	17,935	17,728	17,823	14,928	14,842	14,436	15,007	15,097
Missouri	7,904	8,310	8,229	8,212	8,415	5,879	6,298	5,474	5,739	6,296
N. Carolina	21,553	21,045	21,286	21,249	21,588	16,554	16,656	15,944	17,409	16,823
Oklahoma	6,348	6,568	6,737	6,726	6,610	4,643	4,635	3,954	5,079	4,915
Pennsylvania	4,487	4,487	4,302	4,559	4,494	4,015	4,065	4,006	3,656	3,892
S. Carolina	5,596	5,852	5,721	5,761	5,516	5,138	4,770	6,019	4,778	4,865
Texas	13,745	14,622	15,304	15,633	15,859	12,406	12,703	12,748	11,619	11,909
Virginia	6,586	6,536	6,534	6,534	6,534	5,628	5,637	5,568	6,037	5,314
CA, TN & WW	12,017	11,849	11,800	12,901	12,800	11,294	11,753	11,103	11,190	10,653
19 State Total	205,040	205,201	208,380	210,414	209,795	169,646	169,499	168,062	168,194	167,831
% of Prev. Year	101	102	103	103	102	103	102	101	101	102
Other States	8,364	8,166	8,032	7,676	8,343	6,141	6,249	6,190	6,129	6,555
U.S. Total	213,404	213,367	216,412	218,090	218,138	175,787	175,748	174,252	174,323	174,386

Revisions made to the previous four-week's data during the current week are published in this report.

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

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 218 million eggs in incubators during the week ending April 11, 2015, up 2 percent from a year ago. Hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 210 million eggs in incubators during the week ending April 11, 2015, up 2 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 in the United States Up 3 Percent

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 174 million chicks for meat production during the week ending April 11, 2015, up 3 percent from a year ago. Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 168 million chicks for meat production during the week ending April 11, 2015, up 2 percent from the year earlier. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 10, 2015 through April 11, 2015 for the United States were 2.45 billion. Cumulative placements were up 3 percent from the same period a year earlier.