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BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET AND BROILER-TYPE CHICKS PLACED

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 217 million eggs in incubators during the week ending March 28, 2015. This is up 3 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 83 percent. Broiler growers in the United States placed 174 million chicks for meat production, up 1 percent from the comparable week a year earlier.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set – States and United States: 2015

State	Week ending						
	February 21, 2015	February 28, 2015	March 7, 2015	March 14, 2015	March 21, 2015	March 28, 2015	Percent of previous year
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(percent)
Alabama	29,132	29,250	29,323	28,928	29,294	28,952	101
Florida	1,051	1,046	1,068	1,192	1,200	1,199	98
Georgia	33,545	33,186	32,574	32,469	32,871	34,191	101
South Carolina	5,479	5,521	5,590	5,596	5,852	5,626	113
19 State total	207,642	207,875	205,657	204,852	205,101	208,410	103
United States	215,619	215,939	213,662	213,154	213,232	216,507	103

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service, *Broiler Hatchery*, April 1, 2015.
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Broiler-Type Chicks Placed – States and United States: 2015

State	Week ending						
	February 21, 2015	February 28, 2015	March 7, 2015	March 14, 2015	March 21, 2015	March 28, 2015	Percent of previous year
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)
Alabama	21,761	21,644	21,513	21,971	22,405	21,640	99
Florida	1,020	1,303	1,364	1,163	1,003	1,210	91
Georgia	25,608	26,021	26,450	26,013	25,265	25,767	98
South Carolina	5,069	4,822	4,493	5,138	4,770	5,981	135
19 State total	167,805	168,651	170,205	169,670	169,491	167,901	101
United States	173,848	174,989	176,235	175,819	175,742	174,177	101

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Broiler-Type Eggs Set – 19 Selected States and United States: 2015

State	Week ending					
	February 21, 2015	February 28, 2015	March 7, 2015	March 14, 2015	March 21, 2015	March 28, 2015
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)
Alabama	**29,132**	**29,250**	**29,323**	**28,928**	**29,294**	**28,952**
Arkansas	22,200	22,058	21,702	21,865	21,083	21,991
Delaware	4,771	4,903	4,766	4,829	4,578	4,771
Florida	**1,051**	**1,046**	**1,068**	**1,192**	**1,200**	**1,199**
Georgia	**33,545**	**33,186**	**32,574**	**32,469**	**32,871**	**34,191**
Kentucky	7,684	7,821	7,375	7,766	7,651	7,752
Louisiana	3,833	3,833	3,833	3,817	3,833	3,833
Maryland	7,621	7,784	7,744	7,937	7,581	7,838
Mississippi	17,985	17,841	17,576	18,001	17,841	17,933
Missouri	8,180	8,229	7,810	7,904	8,310	8,229
North Carolina	21,079	21,157	20,963	21,386	21,045	21,312
Oklahoma	6,507	6,615	6,588	6,348	6,568	6,568
Pennsylvania	4,510	4,451	4,545	4,435	4,419	4,386
South Carolina	**5,479**	**5,521**	**5,590**	**5,596**	**5,852**	**5,626**
Texas	15,277	15,288	15,411	13,745	14,622	15,279
Virginia	6,604	6,587	6,845	6,615	6,536	6,534
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	12,184	12,305	11,944	12,019	11,817	12,016
19 State total	207,642	207,875	205,657	204,852	205,101	208,410
Percent of previous year	103	102	101	101	102	103
Other States	7,977	8,064	8,005	8,302	8,131	8,097
United States	215,619	215,939	213,662	213,154	213,232	216,507
Percent of previous year	103	102	101	101	102	103

Broiler-Type Chicks Placed – 19 Selected States and United States: 2015

State	Week ending					
	February 21, 2015	February 28, 2015	March 7, 2015	March 14, 2015	March 21, 2015	March 28, 2015
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)
Alabama	**21,761**	**21,644**	**21,513**	**21,971**	**22,405**	**21,640**
Arkansas	18,916	19,331	19,387	19,428	18,639	19,182
Delaware	4,864	5,479	5,200	4,519	5,427	5,460
Florida	**1,020**	**1,303**	**1,364**	**1,163**	**1,003**	**1,210**
Georgia	**25,608**	**26,021**	**26,450**	**26,013**	**25,265**	**25,767**
Kentucky	5,903	6,304	6,055	6,327	6,392	5,580
Louisiana	3,377	3,356	3,365	3,354	3,355	3,606
Maryland	6,291	5,864	5,840	6,387	5,647	5,952
Mississippi	15,065	15,155	14,959	14,928	14,842	14,551
Missouri	6,149	5,728	6,253	5,879	6,298	5,474
North Carolina	16,810	17,335	17,626	16,553	16,655	16,150
Oklahoma	4,668	4,301	4,079	4,643	4,635	3,954
Pennsylvania	3,744	3,866	3,949	4,049	4,048	3,995
South Carolina	**5,069**	**4,822**	**4,493**	**5,138**	**4,770**	**5,981**
Texas	12,300	12,366	12,236	12,406	12,703	12,741
Virginia	4,995	5,207	5,553	5,619	5,635	5,560
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	11,265	10,569	11,883	11,293	11,772	11,098
19 State total	167,805	168,651	170,205	169,670	169,491	167,901
Percent of previous year	103	104	104	104	103	101
Other States	6,043	6,338	6,030	6,149	6,251	6,276
United States	173,848	174,989	176,235	175,819	175,742	174,177
Percent of previous year	102	104	104	104	103	101

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