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**Broiler Hatchery**



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This report contains the results from the **Weekly Broiler Hatchery Survey**. Thanks to all who responded.

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### Broiler-Type Eggs Set in the United States Down 1 Percent

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 232 million eggs in incubators during the week ending July 18, 2020, down 1 percent from a year ago. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 82.8 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Hatcheries in Alabama set 32.7 million eggs during the week ending July 18, 2020, up 3 percent from a year ago. Hatcheries in Georgia set 33.9 million eggs during the same week, down 3 percent from a year ago.

### Broiler-Type Chicks Placed in the United States Up 2 Percent

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 189 million chicks for meat production during the week ending July 18, 2020, up 2 percent from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 4, 2020 through July 18, 2020 for the United States were 5.40 billion. Cumulative placements were down slightly from the same period a year earlier.

Broiler growers in Alabama placed 24.1 million chicks for meat production during the week ending July 18, 2020, up 4 percent from a year ago. Placements in Georgia totaled 27.4 million chicks, up 3 percent from a year ago.

### Broiler-Type Eggs Set – Selected States and United States: 2020

State	Week ending						Percent of previous year
	June 13, 2020	June 20, 2020	June 27, 2020	July 4, 2020	July 11, 2020	July 18, 2020	
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(percent)
Alabama .....	33,050	33,092	32,498	32,217	32,748	32,670	103
Florida .....	1,194	1,198	1,069	1,069	1,162	1,163	99
Georgia .....	34,780	34,601	34,514	34,190	34,153	33,895	97
South Carolina....	5,709	5,831	5,656	5,766	5,835	5,550	98
United States.....	236,151	234,653	233,030	231,395	233,969	231,876	99

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service, [Broiler Hatchery](#), July 22, 2020

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	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)					
Alabama .....	24,387	24,592	24,442	24,336	24,984	24,078	104
Florida .....	1,325	1,229	1,339	1,319	1,352	1,251	97
Georgia .....	27,150	27,739	28,046	27,539	27,219	27,396	103
South Carolina....	5,075	4,834	4,844	4,831	5,427	5,557	95
United States.....	189,959	189,745	190,728	191,205	189,677	189,152	102

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Alabama .....	33,050	33,092	32,498	32,217	32,748	32,670
Arkansas .....	23,580	23,025	22,628	23,048	23,736	22,813
Delaware .....	5,030	4,948	5,026	5,031	5,029	5,031
Florida .....	1,194	1,198	1,069	1,069	1,162	1,163
Georgia .....	34,780	34,601	34,514	34,190	34,153	33,895
Kentucky .....	7,469	7,394	7,756	7,295	7,828	7,838
Louisiana .....	3,501	3,370	3,219	3,319	3,364	3,211
Maryland .....	8,359	8,465	8,235	8,041	8,209	8,155
Mississippi .....	17,380	17,720	17,659	17,463	17,159	17,098
Missouri .....	8,609	8,642	8,378	8,489	8,362	8,988
North Carolina .....	25,450	24,269	25,153	25,177	25,103	24,063
Oklahoma .....	6,934	6,437	6,479	6,444	7,290	6,874
Pennsylvania .....	6,088	6,524	6,389	6,284	6,510	6,399
South Carolina .....	5,709	5,831	5,656	5,766	5,835	5,550
Texas .....	17,909	18,065	17,891	17,370	17,197	17,335
Virginia .....	6,425	6,396	6,327	6,357	6,322	6,157
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia .....	13,285	13,073	12,559	12,462	12,566	12,315
Other States .....	11,399	11,603	11,594	11,373	11,396	12,321
United States .....	236,151	234,653	233,030	231,395	233,969	231,876
Percent of previous year .....	102	101	101	99	101	99

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Alabama .....	24,387	24,592	24,442	24,336	24,984	24,078
Arkansas .....	21,005	22,089	20,589	21,167	20,162	21,726
Delaware .....	3,657	4,700	4,544	5,176	4,962	4,978
Florida .....	1,325	1,229	1,339	1,319	1,352	1,251
Georgia .....	27,150	27,739	28,046	27,539	27,219	27,396
Kentucky .....	5,942	4,674	5,942	6,149	4,559	6,516
Louisiana .....	2,961	3,090	2,939	3,047	2,787	2,845
Maryland .....	6,862	5,728	5,744	5,634	5,459	5,048
Mississippi .....	14,681	14,608	14,830	15,003	15,235	15,161
Missouri .....	6,226	5,982	5,790	5,922	5,522	5,206
North Carolina .....	20,610	20,692	20,050	20,878	19,504	19,641
Oklahoma .....	4,394	3,450	5,061	4,497	5,261	3,347
Pennsylvania .....	4,826	5,066	5,049	4,483	5,006	4,934
South Carolina .....	5,075	4,834	4,844	4,831	5,427	5,557
Texas .....	14,636	14,766	14,949	14,846	15,848	14,822
Virginia .....	5,298	5,595	5,719	5,662	6,269	6,281
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia .....	11,696	11,678	11,725	11,529	10,721	11,041
Other States .....	9,228	9,233	9,126	9,187	9,400	9,324
United States .....	189,959	189,745	190,728	191,205	189,677	189,152
Percent of previous year .....	100	99	100	102	100	102

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