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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 Up 1 Percent**

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 228 million eggs in incubators during the week ending September 5, 2020, up 1 percent from a year ago. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 82.6 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Hatcheries in Alabama set 32.6 million eggs during the week ending September 5, 2020, down 2 percent from a year ago. Hatcheries in Georgia set 33.7 million eggs during the same week, down 3 percent from a year ago.

**Broiler-Type Chicks Placed in the United States Down 2 Percent**

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 185 million chicks for meat production during the week ending September 5, 2020, down 2 percent from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 4, 2020 through September 5, 2020 for the United States were 6.69 billion. Cumulative placements were down 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

Broiler growers in Alabama placed 23.8 million chicks for meat production during the week ending September 5, 2020, down 3 percent from a year ago. Placements in Georgia totaled 27.0 million chicks, down 2 percent from a year ago.

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

State	Week ending						Percent of previous year
	August 1, 2020	August 8, 2020	August 15, 2020	August 22, 2020	August 29, 2020	September 5, 2020	
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(percent)
Alabama .....	32,771	32,813	32,911	33,136	32,842	32,628	98
Florida .....	1,163	1,162	1,163	1,163	1,163	1,163	101
Georgia .....	34,071	33,647	33,949	34,159	34,275	33,711	97
South Carolina....	5,583	5,726	5,791	5,791	5,725	5,825	102
United States .....	231,314	230,378	231,203	231,804	230,293	228,453	101

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Alabama .....	24,396	22,789	24,631	23,485	24,424	23,828	97
Florida .....	1,251	1,326	1,339	1,202	1,315	1,315	101
Georgia .....	26,748	27,167	26,208	27,126	26,512	26,977	98
South Carolina....	4,940	4,754	4,644	5,628	4,346	4,632	88
United States .....	186,901	182,985	183,854	185,683	186,048	185,321	98

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Alabama .....	32,771	32,813	32,911	33,136	32,842	32,628
Arkansas .....	23,431	23,326	23,489	23,251	23,075	23,197
Delaware .....	4,548	4,825	4,825	4,826	4,826	4,826
Florida .....	1,163	1,162	1,163	1,163	1,163	1,163
Georgia .....	34,071	33,647	33,949	34,159	34,275	33,711
Kentucky .....	7,657	6,726	7,504	7,725	6,838	7,521
Louisiana .....	3,319	3,319	3,185	3,272	3,319	3,319
Maryland .....	8,092	8,140	8,135	8,122	8,131	8,145
Mississippi .....	16,764	16,863	17,218	16,752	16,473	15,835
Missouri .....	8,937	8,857	8,853	8,857	8,888	8,851
North Carolina .....	24,549	24,614	24,667	24,058	23,996	23,770
Oklahoma .....	7,145	6,966	7,084	6,928	7,279	6,747
Pennsylvania .....	6,493	6,515	6,401	6,411	6,387	6,441
South Carolina .....	5,583	5,726	5,719	5,791	5,725	5,825
Texas .....	17,171	17,354	17,315	17,502	16,794	16,664
Virginia .....	6,206	6,082	6,216	6,218	6,161	6,132
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia .....	12,850	12,571	11,937	12,815	12,974	12,405
Other States .....	10,564	10,872	10,632	10,818	11,147	11,273
United States .....	231,314	230,378	231,203	231,804	230,293	228,453
Percent of previous year .....	99	99	99	100	100	101

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Alabama .....	24,396	22,789	24,631	23,485	24,424	23,828
Arkansas .....	22,846	20,569	21,635	21,267	21,150	21,337
Delaware .....	4,981	4,999	4,746	4,395	4,350	4,957
Florida .....	1,251	1,326	1,339	1,202	1,315	1,315
Georgia .....	26,748	27,167	26,208	27,126	26,512	26,977
Kentucky .....	6,863	6,696	6,321	5,801	5,376	6,013
Louisiana .....	2,922	2,717	2,791	2,920	2,744	2,729
Maryland .....	5,357	4,959	5,294	5,470	6,019	5,858
Mississippi .....	14,614	13,538	14,283	14,245	14,369	14,566
Missouri .....	5,321	7,442	6,675	6,019	6,433	5,826
North Carolina .....	19,249	19,603	19,419	19,851	20,346	20,016
Oklahoma .....	3,180	3,149	2,849	4,440	4,028	4,702
Pennsylvania .....	4,924	4,897	4,810	4,941	4,962	4,850
South Carolina .....	4,940	4,754	4,644	5,628	4,346	4,632
Texas .....	13,823	13,819	13,892	14,266	14,558	14,532
Virginia .....	5,816	6,002	5,283	5,590	6,083	5,814
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia .....	10,672	9,097	10,687	10,642	10,403	8,837
Other States .....	8,998	9,462	8,347	8,395	8,630	8,532
United States .....	186,901	182,985	183,854	185,683	186,048	185,321
Percent of previous year .....	99	97	97	98	99	98

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