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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 235 million eggs in incubators during the week ending January 9, 2021, down 1 percent from a year ago. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 81.0 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Hatcheries in Alabama set 33.4 million eggs during the week ending January 9, 2021, down 2 percent from a year ago. Hatcheries in Georgia set 34.4 million eggs during the same week, down 2 percent from a year ago.

Broiler-Type Chicks Placed in the United States Down Slightly

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 189 million chicks for meat production during the week ending January 9, 2021, down slightly from a year ago.

Broiler growers in Alabama placed 23.8 million chicks for meat production during the week ending January 9, 2021, down 8 percent from a year ago. Placements in Georgia totaled 26.8 million chicks, up slightly from a year ago.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set – Selected States and United States: 2020-2021

State	Week ending						Percent of previous year
	December 5, 2020	December 12, 2020	December 19, 2020	December 26, 2020	January 2, 2021	January 9, 2021	
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(percent)
Alabama.....	32,647	32,748	33,476	33,393	33,380	33,386	98
Florida.....	1,209	1,209	1,209	1,209	1,209	1,209	103
Georgia.....	32,966	34,541	34,925	34,318	34,450	34,401	98
South Carolina....	5,580	5,530	5,848	5,879	5,675	5,776	107
United States.....	227,574	235,420	238,872	236,463	236,703	235,000	99

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service, [Broiler Hatchery](#), January 13, 2021

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Alabama.....	23,719	23,915	24,306	23,126	24,414	23,804	92
Florida.....	1,328	1,258	1,332	1,291	1,182	1,297	97
Georgia.....	26,236	26,899	27,391	25,288	26,993	26,751	100
South Carolina....	5,480	4,738	5,402	5,787	4,993	5,405	110
United States.....	187,857	188,515	190,976	183,037	188,326	188,938	100

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Alabama	32,647	32,748	33,476	33,393	33,380	33,386
Arkansas	23,853	23,479	24,041	24,355	24,364	24,423
Delaware	4,948	4,948	4,762	4,669	4,669	4,669
Florida	1,209	1,209	1,209	1,209	1,209	1,209
Georgia	32,966	34,541	34,925	34,318	34,450	34,401
Kentucky	6,827	7,684	7,838	7,889	7,589	7,534
Louisiana	3,122	3,485	3,500	3,532	3,532	2,987
Maryland	7,544	7,631	7,622	7,636	7,639	7,637
Mississippi	17,330	17,701	18,020	17,929	17,885	17,222
Missouri	9,094	9,163	9,183	9,198	9,227	9,165
North Carolina	23,727	24,391	24,511	23,771	23,949	24,000
Oklahoma	6,507	6,737	7,153	6,972	7,068	7,047
Pennsylvania	6,290	6,319	6,319	6,124	6,293	6,318
South Carolina	5,580	5,530	5,848	5,879	5,675	5,776
Texas	17,418	18,330	18,317	18,062	18,280	17,728
Virginia	6,136	6,491	6,383	6,415	6,522	6,432
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	11,041	13,085	13,681	13,162	13,152	13,187
Other States	11,335	11,948	12,084	11,950	11,820	11,879
United States	227,574	235,420	238,872	236,463	236,703	235,000
Percent of previous year	97	99	100	99	100	99

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Alabama	23,719	23,915	24,306	23,126	24,414	23,804
Arkansas	21,038	21,847	22,165	22,112	20,607	20,978
Delaware	5,056	4,506	4,527	4,047	5,160	4,616
Florida	1,328	1,258	1,332	1,291	1,182	1,297
Georgia	26,236	26,899	27,391	25,288	26,993	26,751
Kentucky	6,262	6,442	5,987	5,479	6,369	5,710
Louisiana	2,907	2,938	2,920	2,677	2,961	3,035
Maryland	5,443	4,878	5,830	6,463	4,704	5,269
Mississippi	14,829	14,798	14,583	14,762	15,203	15,149
Missouri	6,074	5,686	6,214	5,516	5,921	6,179
North Carolina	20,065	19,973	19,467	19,253	19,583	19,601
Oklahoma	4,402	4,299	3,299	4,096	4,880	4,273
Pennsylvania	4,768	4,768	4,767	4,760	4,771	4,685
South Carolina	5,480	4,738	5,402	5,787	4,993	5,405
Texas	14,313	14,715	15,358	14,083	14,687	14,896
Virginia	5,127	6,809	6,154	4,874	5,757	5,732
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	11,320	10,907	11,888	10,363	10,557	11,937
Other States	9,490	9,139	9,386	9,060	9,584	9,621
United States	187,857	188,515	190,976	183,037	188,326	188,938
Percent of previous year	99	100	100	97	99	100

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