

Broiler Hatchery

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

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 248 million eggs in incubators during the week ending September 6, 2025, up 2 percent from a year ago. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 79.6 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 1 Percent

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 194 million chicks for meat production during the week ending September 6, 2025, up 1 percent from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 4, 2025 through September 6, 2025 for the United States were 6.94 billion. Cumulative placements were up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set – Selected States and United States: 2025

J. 00	Week ending							
State	August 2,	August 9,	August 16,	August 23,	August 30,	September 6,		
	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025		
	(1,000 eggs)							
Alabama Arkansas Delaware Georgia Kentucky Maryland Mississippi Missouri	34,818	34,549	34,605	34,194	34,809	34,455		
	26,444	25,943	25,815	25,880	25,929	25,962		
	5,742	5,589	5,460	5,460	5,589	5,402		
	35,458	35,139	35,238	35,284	35,336	35,041		
	8,028	7,919	7,926	7,954	8,030	7,962		
	8,420	8,416	8,417	8,417	8,417	8,412		
	18,029	18,328	18,423	18,393	18,393	18,118		
	9,167	9,241	9,420	9,139	9,188	9,187		
North Carolina Oklahoma Pennsylvania South Carolina Texas Virginia California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	25,723	25,985	25,877	26,043	26,126	25,881		
	5,192	5,608	5,868	5,745	5,742	5,426		
	8,673	9,009	8,922	8,840	9,000	8,776		
	6,362	6,268	6,244	6,151	6,103	5,988		
	18,920	19,098	19,273	19,204	19,038	18,987		
	5,622	5,654	5,814	5,608	5,607	5,637		
Other States	16,837	17,054	17,033	16,867	16,898	16,837		
	248,991	249,444	250,127	249,121	250,138	247,979		

Broiler-Type Chicks Placed – Selected States and United States: 2025

	Week ending							
State	August 2,	August 9,	August 16,	August 23,	August 30,	September 6,		
	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025		
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)						
Alabama Arkansas Delaware Georgia Kentucky Maryland Mississippi Missouri	23,528	23,716	24,236	24,010	24,459	24,175		
	21,252	22,057	21,861	21,563	21,484	21,264		
	5,907	5,562	5,358	5,002	4,607	6,471		
	26,877	27,106	27,176	27,017	27,277	26,522		
	5,977	5,479	6,013	6,138	6,100	6,064		
	5,461	6,138	6,333	6,880	6,971	5,368		
	14,809	14,646	14,383	14,329	14,357	14,697		
	6,281	5,493	5,621	5,666	6,463	5,949		
North Carolina	20,519 3,215 5,117 6,161 15,271 5,648	20,461 3,647 5,135 4,971 14,900 5,602	20,729 3,852 5,349 4,494 15,223 5,710	20,570 4,347 5,068 5,113 14,887 5,111	20,798 3,607 5,260 4,741 15,229 6,041 12,987	21,048 4,509 5,017 4,981 15,169 4,895		
Other States United States	13,712	14,184	14,021	14,031	13,883	13,814		
	193,345	193,118	193,521	193,619	194,264	194,076		

Statistical Methodology

Survey Procedures: Data for broiler hatchery estimates are collected weekly from all broiler-type hatcheries that hatch at least one million chicks a year. Individual NASS regional field offices maintain a list of all known hatcheries and update their lists on a continual basis. All hatcheries that meet the minimum size criteria are given adequate time to respond to the weekly survey. Those that do not respond are contacted by telephone. The weekly United States total for chicks placed includes states receiving greater than 500,000 chicks annually for grow-out.

Estimating Procedures: All data are analyzed for unusual values. Data from each operation are compared to their own past operating profile and to trends from similar operations. Data for missing operations are estimated based on similar operations or historical data. NASS regional field offices prepare these estimates by using a combination of survey indications and historic trends. Individual State estimates are reviewed by the Agricultural Statistics Board for reasonableness.

Revision Policy: Revisions are generally the result of late or corrected data. Revisions made to the previous five-week's data during the current week are published in this report. Final estimates are published in the annual *Hatchery Production Summary* released in April.

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