

Broiler Hatchery

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Broiler-Type Eggs Set in the United States Up 4 Percent

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 246 million eggs in incubators during the week ending September 13, 2025, up 4 percent from a year ago. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 79.8 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 13, 2025, up 1 percent from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 4, 2025 through September 13, 2025 for the United States were 7.13 billion. Cumulative placements were up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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

	Week ending							
State	August 9,	August 16,	August 23,	August 30,	September 6,	September 13,		
	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025		
	(1,000 eggs)							
Alabama Arkansas Delaware Georgia Kentucky Maryland Mississippi Missouri	34,549	34,605	34,194	34,809	34,455	34,452		
	25,943	25,815	26,043	25,929	25,962	25,191		
	5,589	5,460	5,460	5,589	5,402	5,496		
	35,139	35,238	35,167	35,336	34,997	34,828		
	7,919	7,926	7,954	8,030	7,962	8,004		
	8,416	8,417	8,417	8,417	8,412	8,417		
	18,328	18,423	18,393	18,393	18,118	17,307		
	9,241	9,420	9,135	9,188	9,187	8,915		
North Carolina	25,985	25,877	25,995	26,126	25,881	25,830		
	5,608	5,868	5,745	5,742	5,426	5,426		
	9,009	8,922	8,876	9,000	8,776	8,869		
	6,268	6,244	6,151	6,103	5,988	5,933		
	19,098	19,273	19,290	19,038	18,987	19,077		
	5,654	5,814	5,342	5,515	5,637	5,435		
Other States	17,054	17,033	16,867	16,898	16,837	16,880		
	249,444	250,127	248,995	250,046	247,931	245,990		

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

	Week ending							
State	August 9, 2025	August 16, 2025	August 23, 2025	August 30, 2025	September 6, 2025	September 13, 2025		
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)		
Alabama Arkansas Delaware Georgia Kentucky Maryland Mississippi Missouri	5,562 27,106 5,479 6,138	24,236 21,861 5,358 27,176 6,013 6,333 14,383 5,621	24,010 21,563 5,002 27,017 6,138 6,912 14,329 5,666	24,459 21,484 4,607 27,277 6,100 6,971 14,357 6,463	24,175 21,307 6,471 26,522 6,064 5,368 14,697 5,949	23,520 21,498 5,736 27,017 5,985 6,141 14,738 5,392		
North Carolina Oklahoma Pennsylvania South Carolina Texas Virginia California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	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	21,048 4,509 5,017 4,981 15,169 4,895	20,825 4,898 5,153 5,333 15,217 4,433		
Other States	14,184 193,118	14,021 193,521	14,031 193,651	13,883 194,264	13,814 194,083	14,064 193,907		

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.

Reliability: Estimates are subject to errors such as omission, duplication, and mistakes in reporting, recording, and processing the data. While these errors cannot be measured directly, they are minimized through strict quality controls in the data collection process and a careful review of all reported data for consistency and reasonableness.

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