



# Broiler Hatchery

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

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 251 million eggs in incubators during the week ending December 13, 2025, up 1 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 197 million chicks for meat production during the week ending December 13, 2025, up 1 percent from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 4, 2025 through December 13, 2025 for the United States were 9.60 billion. Cumulative placements were up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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

State	Week ending					
	November 8, 2025	November 15, 2025	November 22, 2025	November 29, 2025	December 6, 2025	December 13, 2025
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)
Alabama .....	33,024	35,063	34,437	33,640	34,928	34,947
Arkansas .....	25,859	26,085	26,570	25,780	25,753	26,062
Delaware .....	5,402	5,596	5,646	5,402	5,769	5,769
Georgia .....	34,479	34,801	35,470	35,433	35,000	35,359
Kentucky .....	7,854	7,926	7,939	7,828	7,740	7,970
Maryland .....	8,557	8,382	8,386	8,385	8,383	8,383
Mississippi .....	17,254	18,181	18,227	18,187	18,257	18,223
Missouri .....	9,150	9,150	9,113	9,202	9,203	9,218
North Carolina .....	25,668	26,199	26,312	26,305	25,331	25,737
Oklahoma .....	5,998	6,017	6,013	5,832	5,987	5,993
Pennsylvania .....	8,716	8,994	8,919	8,990	8,587	9,061
South Carolina .....	6,154	6,045	6,344	6,289	6,347	6,273
Texas .....	17,441	19,129	19,588	20,481	18,833	19,760
Virginia .....	5,816	5,804	5,742	6,180	5,363	5,755
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia .....	15,542	16,281	16,230	16,615	15,274	15,955
Other States .....	17,169	17,269	17,154	17,109	17,208	16,917
United States .....	244,083	250,922	252,090	251,658	247,963	251,382

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

State	Week ending					
	November 8, 2025	November 15, 2025	November 22, 2025	November 29, 2025	December 6, 2025	December 13, 2025
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)
Alabama .....	23,783	24,426	22,084	22,639	24,283	23,499
Arkansas .....	18,250	21,384	22,158	21,733	22,897	22,318
Delaware .....	5,354	5,321	5,190	5,418	5,428	5,927
Georgia .....	26,654	27,290	27,688	27,522	27,539	27,552
Kentucky .....	5,262	6,322	5,776	5,820	6,044	5,927
Maryland .....	6,864	6,868	6,769	6,640	6,770	5,998
Mississippi .....	13,621	14,057	12,742	13,647	14,463	14,398
Missouri .....	6,274	5,356	5,437	5,485	5,305	5,824
North Carolina .....	18,925	19,936	20,253	20,032	20,597	20,690
Oklahoma .....	4,185	3,235	3,971	4,513	3,636	3,987
Pennsylvania .....	5,292	4,936	5,089	4,988	5,399	5,232
South Carolina .....	4,713	4,860	5,321	5,479	5,295	5,757
Texas .....	14,763	14,914	15,134	13,701	14,987	15,597
Virginia .....	4,235	4,545	4,920	5,012	5,154	5,262
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia .....	13,503	14,003	14,418	13,603	13,751	14,519
Other States .....	13,723	14,014	14,262	14,150	14,059	14,129
United States .....	185,401	191,467	191,212	190,382	195,607	196,616

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.

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