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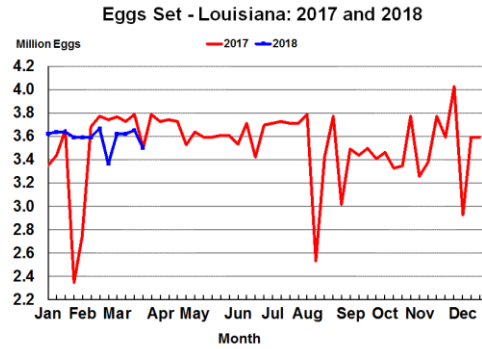
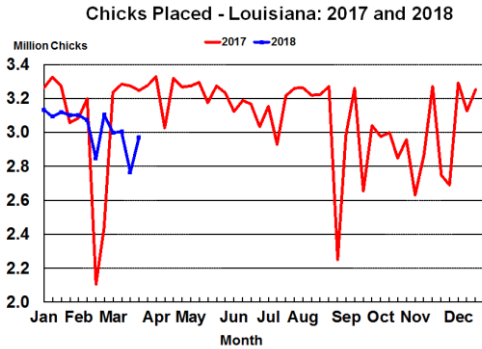


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**Chick Placements Down 9 Percent from Last Year**

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Louisiana were 2.97 million during the week ending March 24, 2018. Placements were down 9 percent from the comparable week in 2017 but up 7 percent from the previous week.

Louisiana hatcheries set 3.50 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending March 24, 2018, down slightly from the same period last year and down 4 percent from the previous week.



**Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed - 19 Major States by Week: February 24, 2018 - March 24, 2018**

State	Eggs Set					Chicks Placed				
	Week Ending					Week Ending				
	24-Feb	3-Mar	10-Mar	17-Mar	24-Mar	24-Feb	3-Mar	10-Mar	17-Mar	24-Mar
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)
Alabama	29,839	29,943	29,359	29,381	29,895	21,700	21,964	22,678	22,440	22,003
Arkansas	24,172	24,513	24,468	24,375	23,796	21,640	22,550	21,872	21,850	20,618
Delaware	5,160	5,083	5,033	5,310	5,215	5,226	6,279	5,829	6,185	5,207
Florida	1,173	1,219	1,222	1,225	1,225	1,171	1,266	1,474	1,295	1,360
Georgia	35,338	35,165	35,062	35,035	35,056	26,926	27,707	26,626	27,774	27,983
Kentucky	7,797	7,602	7,714	7,593	7,790	6,385	6,327	6,409	5,853	5,700
Louisiana	3,364	3,621	3,621	3,651	3,500	3,103	2,999	3,003	2,764	2,970
Maryland	8,115	8,226	8,226	8,235	8,242	6,003	5,599	6,261	6,222	6,103
Mississippi	18,487	18,559	18,470	18,101	18,577	15,252	15,520	15,277	15,187	15,220
Missouri	8,060	8,027	8,071	8,138	7,987	6,077	5,707	5,791	5,917	6,440
N. Carolina	22,854	22,864	22,687	22,573	22,761	17,933	16,700	16,889	17,756	18,235
Oklahoma	7,885	7,480	7,561	7,498	7,314	3,943	3,304	3,871	3,987	4,987
Pennsylvania	5,659	5,263	5,392	5,487	5,411	3,706	3,909	4,081	3,951	3,943
S. Carolina	5,729	5,681	5,662	5,597	5,846	4,651	4,458	5,571	4,750	4,896
Texas	16,091	16,192	16,206	16,304	15,986	13,329	13,457	13,112	13,112	13,056
Virginia	6,664	6,537	6,668	6,620	6,168	5,935	5,074	5,783	5,008	5,679
CA,TN & WV	12,191	12,670	12,517	12,770	12,455	10,031	10,946	10,708	11,223	11,176
Other States	9,038	9,282	9,690	9,586	9,397	7,301	6,883	7,256	7,342	7,274
<b>U.S. Total</b>	<b>227,616</b>	<b>227,927</b>	<b>227,629</b>	<b>227,479</b>	<b>226,621</b>	<b>180,964</b>	<b>180,912</b>	<b>182,940</b>	<b>182,336</b>	<b>183,035</b>
% of Prev. Year	102	102	102	102	102	101	101	101	101	101

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

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 227 million eggs in incubators during the week ending March 24, 2018, up 2 percent from a year ago. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 82 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 183 million chicks for meat production during the week ending March 24, 2018, up 1 percent from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 6, 2018 through March 24, 2018 for the United States were 2.18 billion. Cumulative placements were up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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