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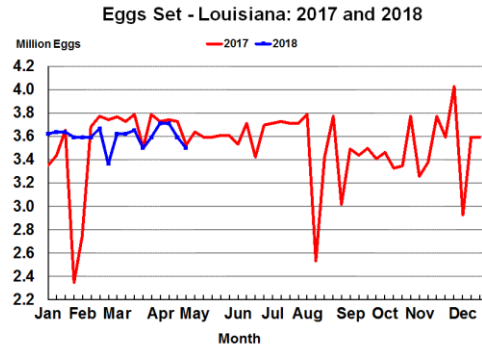
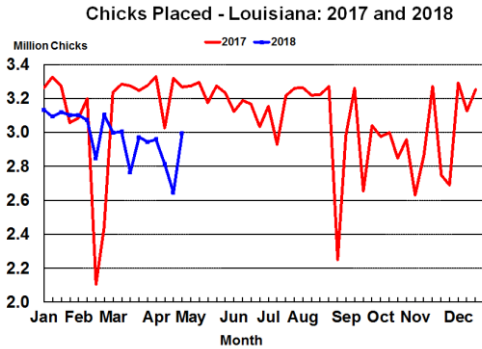


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**Chick Placements Down 8 Percent from Last Year**

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Louisiana were 3.00 million during the week ending April 28, 2018. Placements were down 8 percent from the comparable week in 2017 but up 13 percent from the previous week.

Louisiana hatcheries set 3.50 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending April 28, 2018, down 1 percent from the same period last year and down 3 percent from the previous week.



**Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed - 19 Major States by Week: March 31, 2018 - April 28, 2018**

State	Eggs Set					Chicks Placed				
	Week Ending					Week Ending				
	31-Mar	7-Apr	14-Apr	21-Apr	28-Apr	31-Mar	7-Apr	14-Apr	21-Apr	28-Apr
	(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	30,169	29,939	29,865	30,261	30,419	22,637	24,038	23,631	22,554	22,627
Arkansas	23,996	24,523	24,056	24,668	24,467	22,788	22,794	22,277	21,991	24,093
Delaware	5,296	5,276	5,233	5,278	5,260	4,577	5,680	4,719	5,531	5,493
Florida	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,326	1,268	1,319	1,275	1,378
Georgia	35,213	35,443	35,838	35,466	35,321	26,795	26,221	27,427	27,176	26,591
Kentucky	7,761	7,870	7,819	7,791	7,929	5,577	5,988	6,407	5,959	5,973
Louisiana	3,591	3,712	3,712	3,591	3,500	2,943	2,958	2,813	2,647	2,995
Maryland	8,245	8,255	8,224	8,251	8,167	6,670	5,204	6,104	5,848	6,223
Mississippi	18,457	18,579	18,414	18,579	18,546	15,230	14,939	15,202	15,194	15,206
Missouri	7,934	7,951	8,132	8,038	8,327	5,567	6,162	5,508	5,597	5,328
N. Carolina	22,742	22,738	22,898	22,859	22,565	18,182	18,605	18,441	17,994	18,767
Oklahoma	7,292	7,450	7,518	7,756	7,786	3,781	2,837	3,256	3,946	2,303
Pennsylvania	5,689	6,113	5,822	5,727	5,690	3,934	4,192	3,999	4,014	4,285
S. Carolina	5,485	5,613	5,702	5,691	5,754	4,965	4,820	4,421	4,942	5,115
Texas	16,192	16,115	16,111	16,148	16,226	13,129	13,396	13,332	13,576	13,383
Virginia	6,381	6,242	6,323	6,191	6,224	5,935	6,135	5,759	5,480	5,314
CA, TN & WV	12,709	12,311	12,895	12,718	13,130	11,396	11,703	11,287	10,672	11,472
Other States	9,618	9,552	9,490	9,719	9,614	7,422	7,458	6,852	7,675	7,547
<b>U.S. Total</b>	<b>227,995</b>	<b>228,907</b>	<b>229,277</b>	<b>229,957</b>	<b>230,150</b>	<b>183,161</b>	<b>183,982</b>	<b>182,139</b>	<b>182,871</b>	<b>183,847</b>
% of Prev. Year	102	103	103	103	104	101	101	101	101	101

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

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 230 million eggs in incubators during the week ending April 28, 2018, up 4 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 184 million chicks for meat production during the week ending April 28, 2018, up 1 percent from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 6, 2018 through April 28, 2018 for the United States were 3.09 billion. Cumulative placements were up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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