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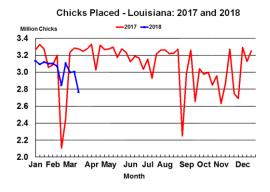
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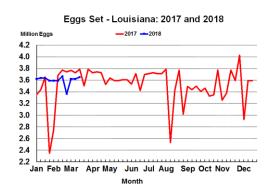
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Louisiana Chick Placements Down 16 Percent from Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Louisiana were 2.76 million during the week ending March 17, 2018. Placements were down 16 percent from the comparable week in 2017 and down 8 percent from the previous week.

Louisiana hatcheries set 3.65 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending March 17, 2018, down 4 percent from the same period last year but up 1 percent from the previous week.





Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed - 19 Major States by Week: February 17, 2018 - March 17, 2018

| State | Eggs Set | | | | | Chicks Placed | | | | |
|-----------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | Week Ending | | | | | Week Ending | | | | |
| | 17-Feb | 24-Feb | 3-Mar | 10-Mar | 17-Mar | 17-Feb | 24-Feb | 3-Mar | 10-Mar | 17-Mar |
| | (1,000 eggs) | (1,000 chicks) |
| Alabama | 29,668 | 29,839 | 29,885 | 29,359 | 29,410 | 21,344 | 21,700 | 21,964 | 22,678 | 22,429 |
| Arkansas | 24,243 | 24,172 | 24,513 | 24,468 | 24,375 | 22,005 | 21,640 | 22,550 | 21,872 | 21,847 |
| Delaware | 5,258 | 5,160 | 5,083 | 5,033 | 5,310 | 5,305 | 5,226 | 6,279 | 5,829 | 6,185 |
| Florida | 1,224 | 1,173 | 1,219 | 1,222 | 1,225 | 1,135 | 1,171 | 1,266 | 1,474 | 1,295 |
| Georgia | 34,836 | 35,338 | 35,165 | 35,062 | 35,113 | 27,624 | 26,926 | 27,707 | 26,629 | 27,856 |
| Kentucky | 7,939 | 7,797 | 7,602 | 7,714 | 7,593 | 5,796 | 6,385 | 6,327 | 6,409 | 5,853 |
| Louisiana | 3,667 | 3,364 | 3,621 | 3,621 | 3,651 | 2,845 | 3,103 | 2,999 | 3,003 | 2,764 |
| Maryland | 8,223 | 8,115 | 8,226 | 8,226 | 8,235 | 5,815 | 6,003 | 5,599 | 6,261 | 6,222 |
| Mississippi | 18,130 | 18,487 | 18,559 | 18,470 | 18,101 | 15,175 | 15,252 | 15,520 | 15,277 | 15,487 |
| Missouri | 7,930 | 8,060 | 8,027 | 8,071 | 8,138 | 5,278 | 6,077 | 5,707 | 5,791 | 5,917 |
| N. Carolina | 22,636 | 22,854 | 22,864 | 22,687 | 22,572 | 17,167 | 17,933 | 16,700 | 16,889 | 17,776 |
| Oklahoma | 7,849 | 7,885 | 7,480 | 7,561 | 7,498 | 3,930 | 3,943 | 3,304 | 3,871 | 3,987 |
| Pennsylvania | 5,509 | 5,659 | 5,282 | 5,229 | 5,448 | 4,042 | 3,706 | 3,896 | 4,152 | 4,022 |
| S. Carolina | 5,652 | 5,729 | 5,681 | 5,662 | 5,597 | 5,123 | 4,651 | 4,458 | 5,571 | 4,750 |
| Texas | 16,020 | 16,091 | 15,769 | 16,206 | 16,304 | 13,590 | 13,329 | 13,457 | 13,112 | 13,086 |
| Virginia | 6,629 | 6,664 | 6,537 | 6,668 | 6,620 | 5,161 | 5,935 | 5,085 | 5,833 | 5,016 |
| CA,TN & WV | 12,610 | 12,191 | 12,670 | 12,517 | 12,770 | 10,031 | 10,946 | 10,708 | 11,223 | 11,176 |
| | | | | | | | | | | |
| Other States | 9,480 | 9,038 | 9,317 | 9,690 | 9,586 | 7,329 | 7,301 | 6,909 | 7,235 | 7,332 |
| U.S. Total | 227,503 | 227,616 | 227,500 | 227,466 | 227,546 | 179,610 | 180,964 | 180,950 | 183,063 | 182,516 |
| % of Prev. Year | 102 | 102 | 102 | 102 | 102 | 100 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 |

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

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 228 million eggs in incubators during the week ending March 17, 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 17, 2018, up 1 percent from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 6, 2018 through March 17, 2018 for the United States were 1.99 billion. Cumulative placements were up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.



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