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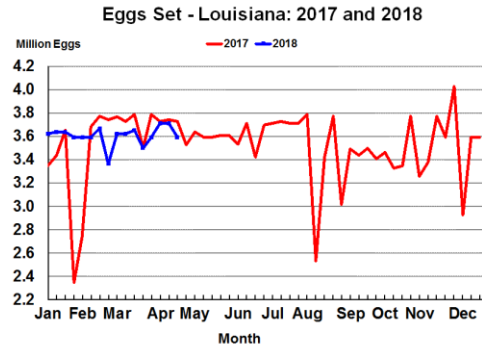
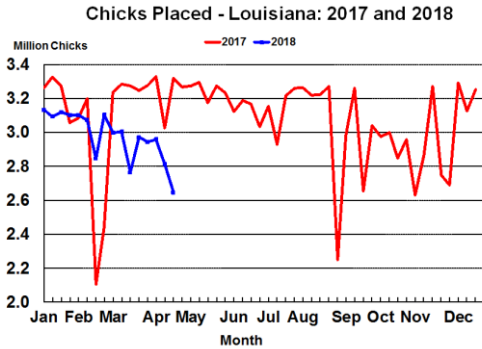


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Chick Placements Down 20 Percent from Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Louisiana were 2.65 million during the week ending April 21, 2018. Placements were down 20 percent from the comparable week in 2017 and down 6 percent from the previous week.

Louisiana hatcheries set 3.59 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending April 21, 2018, down 4 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 24, 2018 - April 21, 2018

State	Eggs Set					Chicks Placed				
	Week Ending					Week Ending				
	24-Mar	31-Mar	7-Apr	14-Apr	21-Apr	24-Mar	31-Mar	7-Apr	14-Apr	21-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	30,271	30,169	30,000	29,865	30,153	22,279	22,637	24,092	23,631	22,551
Arkansas	23,796	23,996	24,435	24,056	24,567	20,627	22,788	22,835	22,277	21,939
Delaware	5,215	5,296	5,276	5,233	5,278	5,488	4,577	5,548	4,765	5,379
Florida	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,361	1,326	1,268	1,319	1,275
Georgia	35,056	35,213	35,443	35,838	35,466	27,966	26,795	26,221	27,427	27,158
Kentucky	7,790	7,761	7,870	7,819	7,791	5,700	5,577	5,988	6,407	5,958
Louisiana	3,500	3,591	3,712	3,712	3,591	2,970	2,943	2,958	2,813	2,648
Maryland	8,242	8,245	8,255	8,224	8,251	5,826	6,670	5,318	6,464	5,985
Mississippi	18,577	18,457	18,489	18,324	18,325	15,248	15,230	14,939	15,202	15,225
Missouri	7,987	7,934	7,951	8,132	8,038	6,440	5,567	6,220	5,508	5,596
N. Carolina	22,746	22,742	22,738	22,898	22,859	18,258	18,182	18,605	18,441	18,024
Oklahoma	7,314	7,292	7,450	7,518	7,756	4,987	3,781	2,759	3,256	3,947
Pennsylvania	5,348	5,618	5,849	5,822	5,681	3,855	3,972	4,143	3,999	4,073
S. Carolina	5,846	5,485	5,613	5,702	5,691	4,896	4,965	4,820	4,421	4,943
Texas	15,986	16,192	16,115	16,111	16,148	13,110	13,129	13,396	13,332	13,525
Virginia	6,168	6,381	6,242	6,323	6,191	5,687	5,930	6,052	5,352	5,515
CA,TN & WV	12,455	12,709	12,311	12,895	12,718	10,031	10,946	10,708	11,223	11,176
Other States	9,397	9,618	9,552	9,490	9,730	7,310	7,395	7,484	6,852	7,733
U.S. Total	226,919	227,924	228,526	229,187	229,459	183,404	183,158	183,833	182,137	182,947
% of Prev. Year	103	102	103	103	103	101	101	101	101	101

Broiler-Type Eggs Set in the United States Up 3 Percent

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 229 million eggs in incubators during the week ending April 21, 2018, up 3 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 April 21, 2018, up 1 percent from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 6, 2018 through April 21, 2018 for the United States were 2.91 billion. Cumulative placements were up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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