

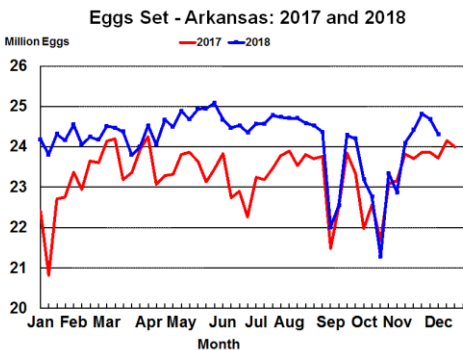
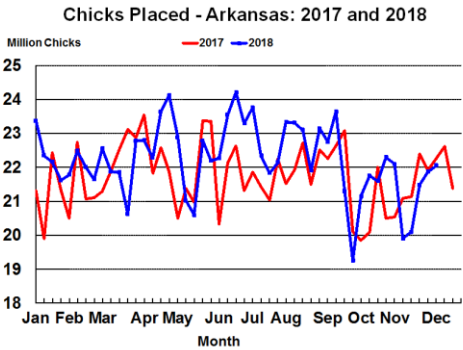


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Chick Placements Down 1 Percent from Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 22.1 million during the week ending December 8, 2018. Placements were down 1 percent from the comparable week in 2017 but up 1 percent from the previous week.

Arkansas hatcheries set 24.3 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending December 8, 2018, up 2 percent from the same period last year but down 2 percent from the previous week.



Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed - 19 Major States by Week: November 10, 2018 - December 8, 2018

State	Eggs Set					Chicks Placed				
	Week Ending					Week Ending				
	10-Nov	17-Nov	24-Nov	1-Dec	8-Dec	10-Nov	17-Nov	24-Nov	1-Dec	8-Dec
	(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	30,051	30,481	30,622	31,136	30,568	21,519	22,735	21,661	22,485	23,014
Arkansas	24,091	24,415	24,815	24,683	24,309	19,908	20,111	21,483	21,870	22,059
Delaware	4,696	4,722	4,696	5,045	4,674	5,043	3,892	5,472	5,432	4,759
Florida	1,194	1,194	1,194	1,194	1,194	739	1,301	1,327	1,358	1,358
Georgia	33,497	34,631	34,965	34,371	35,564	25,632	25,614	25,169	26,323	26,758
Kentucky	7,829	7,740	7,873	8,027	7,221	4,772	4,489	5,389	6,114	5,802
Louisiana	3,562	3,668	3,653	3,834	3,532	3,353	3,480	3,006	3,144	3,163
Maryland	7,863	7,939	7,986	7,993	7,744	4,707	7,194	5,784	5,039	5,409
Mississippi	17,659	18,367	18,569	18,585	18,569	15,232	15,423	14,228	14,666	15,212
Missouri	7,711	8,567	8,375	8,460	7,733	5,425	5,637	4,729	5,417	5,798
N. Carolina	22,083	22,459	22,423	23,064	21,251	17,273	17,679	17,137	17,734	17,395
Oklahoma	7,837	7,725	7,500	7,645	6,669	4,564	4,390	4,349	4,399	4,759
Pennsylvania	5,080	5,528	5,272	5,394	5,226	3,941	3,824	3,936	4,034	4,059
S. Carolina	5,616	5,939	5,562	5,881	5,560	4,484	4,134	4,804	4,325	4,855
Texas	15,994	16,007	16,343	16,710	15,325	12,936	12,943	11,904	12,973	12,953
Virginia	5,632	6,380	6,406	6,771	6,074	5,309	5,418	4,892	5,161	6,107
CA,TN & WV	11,875	12,341	12,182	12,614	11,448	10,180	9,937	10,580	10,373	11,038
Other States	9,362	9,704	9,727	10,023	8,845	7,215	6,950	7,188	7,252	7,790
U.S. Total	221,632	227,807	228,163	231,430	221,506	172,232	175,151	173,038	178,099	182,288
% of Prev. Year	100	100	101	100	100	98	98	99	100	99

Broiler-Type Eggs Set in the United States Up Slightly

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 222 million eggs in incubators during the week ending December 8, 2018, up slightly from a year ago. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 81.9 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 Down 1 Percent

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 182 million chicks for meat production during the week ending December 8, 2018, down 1 percent from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 6, 2018 through December 8, 2018 for the United States were 8.91 billion. Cumulative placements were up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.