



## INDUSTRY STATISTICS

### YTD Hatchability

83.6 %

### Average Lay Cycle End

57-58 weeks

### Average Breeder Price

Female: \$10.99

Male: \$15.43

### 2021 Audit Stats

Total Premises to Audit: 58

Premises Completed: 36 / 58

### Hatching Egg Tip

Click the link below to find an informative article on preventing footpad Dermatitis:

[https://www.cobb-vantress.com/en\\_US/articles/dry-litter-vital-to-prevent-footpad-dermatitis/](https://www.cobb-vantress.com/en_US/articles/dry-litter-vital-to-prevent-footpad-dermatitis/)

### PRODUCER ONLY MEETING

A Producer Meeting will be held on September 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:00pm via Zoom. Please register with Sandra at [association@bcbhec.com](mailto:association@bcbhec.com).

### FLOCK FERTILITY – SPIKING REMINDER

Hatcheries managers noted at our last Hatchery Meeting that hatch rates of some flocks have been dropping fast near the end of the lay cycle. Producers are reminded to keep up flock fertility and spike accordingly.

### PLACEMENT NUMBER CHANGES

Production staff want to note that increasing placeable hens or changing placement dates remains challenging at this time; most placement changes as a result of quota transactions have to be done at least six months out (currently into March 2022).

### BREAKER QUALITY EGGS PROGRAM

Please take note that there is a replacement for Barry during his holidays at this time.

### CHEP REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE

Attached is a request to participate in a CHEP ammonia research project.

### CANADIAN AGRICULTURAL PARTNERSHIP NOTICE

Please see attached an important notice for the Canadian Agricultural Partnership.

### FOOD WASTE REDUCTION CHALLENGE

Please see the attached link for a survey from AgSafe seeking input from their membership to address your needs the best way possible.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ZXVWBGM>

### COVID-19 – STEP 3 OF BC RESTART PLAN

Staff have been working predominately at the office since July 5.

On-Farm staff require a minimum of 24 hours notice if you would like to reschedule your appointment.

Pricing Orders

Period	Live Chicken	Hatching Eggs	Saleable Chicks	Day-Old Broiler Chicks
A-166	1.690 \$/kg	617.98 ¢/doz	64.31 ¢/chick	83.25 ¢/chick
A-167	1.757 \$/kg	637.62 ¢/doz	66.33 ¢/chick	85.27 ¢/chick
A-168	1.812 \$/kg	658.11 ¢/doz	68.45 ¢/chick	87.39 ¢/chick
A-169	1.950 \$/kg	685.49 ¢/doz	71.27 ¢/chick	90.21 ¢/chick
A-170	1.951 \$/kg	681.84 ¢/doz	70.90 ¢/chick	89.84 ¢/chick
A-171	1.996 \$/kg	664.91 ¢/doz	69.15 ¢/chick	88.09 ¢/chick

Production Cycles

Period	Start Date	End Date
A-166	Oct 25, 2020	Dec 19, 2020
A-167	Dec 20, 2020	Feb 13, 2021
A-168	Feb 14, 2021	Apr 10, 2021
A-169	Apr 11, 2021	Jun 05, 2021
A-170	Jun 06, 2021	Jul 31, 2021
A-171	Aug 01, 2021	Sep 25, 2021

# Calling all broiler hatching egg producers!

*Join your fellow producers to improve on-farm ammonia requirements.*

## **What's the issue?**

Ammonia is a top research priority for CHEP as it is an important factor in the barn environment that affects human health and flock health. In the current [Code of Practice for the Care and Handling of Hatching Eggs, Breeders, Chickens and Turkeys](#), measures must be taken if ammonia concentrations reach between 20 and 25 ppm. This requirement was based on scientific evidence available at the time, even though these concentrations may be easily exceeded during cold outdoor temperatures, and it is not always possible for producers to reduce ammonia concentrations below 25 ppm without negatively affecting bird welfare.

The *Code* is up for review in 2021. The *Code* is also expected to be incorporated by reference into the revised federal [Hatchery Regulations](#), which includes broiler breeders. **We need more science to be prepared.**

*More Canadian, broiler breeder-specific information is needed to ensure on-farm welfare requirements such as those in the Code are appropriate and reasonable.*

## **What is CHEP doing?**

CHEP is funding a research project with Université Laval and the Université de Montréal entitled *Impact of ammonia and dust concentrations on worker and animal health and well-being in Canadian hatching egg production*, which is designed to look at ammonia and dust concentrations as air quality indicators, and the effects on human and bird health. This work is being led by field experts Dr. Caroline Duchaine, Dr. Marie-Lou Gaucher, and Dr. Geneviève Dion.

## **What am I being asked to do?**

Broiler hatching egg producers across Canada are being asked to complete a confidential, online questionnaire on producers' respiratory health and the health of their flocks. The responses will be used to create a current picture of air quality in broiler breeder barns and resulting producer and bird health. The more responses, the better.

## **How will my personal information be protected?**

The project uses the secure REDCap (Research Electronic Data Capture) system, which numerically codes participant information. The research team has no way of linking your identity and your responses. **This ensures your personal information always remains confidential.**

Participation is voluntary. You can withdraw at any time, no questions asked.

Project updates will be available regularly. For more information, please visit this project [link](#), or contact your provincial board, or CHEP.

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## **What's in it for me?**

*Your responses will help improve on-farm ammonia requirements to better reflect Canadian production practices and the measures producers take to maintain a high standard of bird welfare.*

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**Confidential. Producer-focused. Research-based.**

**IMPORTANT FORMS SUBMISSION DEADLINE**

We would like to remind you that the September 30th, 2021 deadline to submit the following 2020 AgriStability forms is approaching:

- T1273 Statement A-Harmonized AgriStability/AgriInvest Programs Information and Statement of Farming Activities for Individuals,
- or
- Statement A-Corporations/Co-operatives and Special Individuals.

Forms are available at [www.gov.bc.ca/AgriStability](http://www.gov.bc.ca/AgriStability)

<b>Individual's forms must be mailed to:</b>	<b>Corporations, Co-operatives and Special Individuals must send forms to:</b>
Canada Revenue Agency Tax Centre PO Box 14001, Station Main Winnipeg MB R3C 3M3	AgriStability Administration PO Box 3200 Station Main Winnipeg MB R3C 5R7 or Toll-free fax 1-877-949-4885 or EFILE through Canada Revenue Agency website

Late forms can be submitted until December 31, 2021; there is however a penalty of \$500.00 per overdue month to a maximum of \$1500.00.

Producers who miss the late submission deadline of December 31, 2021 will **not** be eligible for 2020 program year benefits.

You must file your 2020 farm taxes to CRA to be eligible for AgriStability Program benefits.

If you need more information or assistance filling in your forms please call the British Columbia AgriStability administration toll-free: 1-877-343-2767.