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Barn Fires Resulting in the Death of More Than 1,000 Meat Chickens (2017 – 2019)

- June 11, 2017: 134,000 chickens at Baer Poultry Co. in Lake Park, MN; cause unknown
- December 8, 2017: 2,000 chickens (including an unreported number of meat chickens) at Poultry Hollow Hatchery in Bush Creek, TN [number not included in total below]; cause reported as a faulty heat lamp
- February 26, 2018: 14,000 chickens at Draper Valley Farms in Mount Vernon, WA; cause unknown
- June 18, 2018: 25,000 chickens at Draper Valley Farms in Tenino, WA; cause unknown
- April 5, 2019: 22,000 chickens at a Tyson Foods contract farm in Tecumseh, NE; cause reported as arson
- June 7, 2019: 25,000 chickens at a Wayne Farms contract farm in Goshen, AL; cause reported as arson
- November 2, 2019: 12,500 chickens at Claude Shew Jr. Farm, a contract producer for Wayne Farms in Roaring River, NC; cause believed to be electrical
- November 26, 2019: 19,000 chickens at Watts Auman Farm, a contract producer for Perdue Farms in Moore County, NC; cause believed to be electrical

Total: 251,500 chickens