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Majority prices were trending unchanged to higher, mostly unchanged. Trade sentiment was generally steady overall to fully steady in the East. Demand was light to moderate as interest shifted towards holiday meat items. Supplies were mostly adequate or available; however, in the Northeast, heavy weights were tight and smaller sizes were often discounted. Processing schedules were normal to light with reports of some downtime and reduced schedules. In the parts structure, wings were sufficient to tight, and the remaining parts were at least adequate with fair movement. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were in a full range, mostly desirable.

Preliminary report of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook broiler/fryers fob and delivered to first receivers at major market areas week of 11/15-11/20/99 (cents per lb)

AREAS	US GRADE A		COMPOSITE	
	MAJORITY	RANGE	WTD AVG	LOADS
Bos/New Eng	TFEWR	—		
Chicago	51.00-53.00	48.50-63.00	53.48	23
Cincinnati	TFEWR	—		
Cleveland	TFEWR	—		
Denver	63.50	—		
Detroit	TFEWR	—		
Los Angeles	64.00	—		
New York	57.00-59.00	—		
Philadelphia	TFEWR	—		
Pittsburgh	TFEWR	—		
St. Louis	TFEWR	—		
San Francisco	64.50	—		
Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent				
Mississippi	58.00-59.50	45.00-59.50	58.04	81

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 58.50 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound fob.

PRELIMINARY FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT

LOADS	RANGE	FRIDAY PRELIM. WTD. AVG.
575	54.70-61.70	58.20
Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed preliminary weighted average price on ice packed parts:		
ITEM	WTD. AVG. (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
BREASTS - B/S	143.50	3,900
BREASTS - WHOLE	75.50	1,741
THIGH MEAT - B/S	63.00	557
LEG QUARTERS	20.00	7,680
WINGS	64.00	2,655

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SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trade sentiment was generally steady to instances fully steady. Demand was fair to fairly good, best where featured. Supplies were sufficient to well cleared for trade needs. In the parts structure, wings were in the closest position with strong movement. Breasts items and dark meat were irregular, best balance and interest for fronts and thighs. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were mostly desirable.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS The preliminary majority prices were unchanged. The market tone was generally steady on regular commitments. Offerings adequate overall. Sizes trended lighter than desired for full trade needs in some southern processing areas. Retail demand was light to moderate as interest shifted to holiday items, best to cover features; restaurants and fast foods fairly good overall. Dealers anticipated satisfactory weekend clearances.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYERS Preliminary majority prices for next weeks delivery were unchanged into Chicago and TFEWR elsewhere. Trade sentiment on whole fryers was generally steady. Additional offers of whole fryers were adequate or available for the limited buyers needs. Retail demand light to fair as traditional holiday items provide the best interest. Food service movement moderate to instances good. Floor stocks adequate. Sizes desirable. Supplies of wings barely adequate, balance of parts adequate. Trade sentiment fully steady for wings, balance of items steady.

NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trucklot buying interest on ready to-cook whole broiler/fryers was generally fair as the weekend approached. Offerings of smaller sizes were usually available and larger sizes remained tight to adequate. Movement into retail and distributive channels was mostly moderate. The market tone was steady at best on the smaller birds and steady to fully steady on the larger sizes. In the parts market, wings continued mostly tight, bone-in breasts were appearing more available, and the balance of items was at least adequate.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds ranged light to good, with over 3 pounds sizes in the best balance. Lighter weights were readily available. Live supplies were moderate with weights mostly desirable to light. Processing schedules were light in total and reflected some downtime and reduced schedules. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 59 to 71 cents. Trade sentiment was about steady to fully steady. In the parts complex, wings were in close balance to tight. Bone-in breast were fully adequate. Other items were adequate.

*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA.

BRANDED U.S. GRADE A

	11/12/99	11/11/99
RANGE	56-73	54-74
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	63.73	63.34
NO. OF BOXES	7,618	7,368
CUMULATIVE	11/08/99-11/12/99	62.26
	11/09/98-11/13/98	61.37
NO. OF BOXES	11/08/99-11/12/99	36,149
	11/09/98-11/13/98	38,284

*6 of 8 plants reporting.

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

ITEM	POUNDS			WTD AVG	WEEKLY	
	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY		POUNDS (000)	WEEKLY WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	606	120.00-193.00	130-135	135.17	2,614	134.71
TENDERLOINS	97	130.00-167.00	130-135	150.13	549	154.35
BREAST - LINE RUN	105	72.00-78.00	72-75	72.46	408	72.47
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT				267	68.68
LEGS	48	23.50-34.00	24-25	25.25	230	24.61
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	361	15.00-19.50	15-16	16.12	1,504	16.27
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,517	17.00-22.00	19-21	20.40	5,101	20.17
WINGS (WHOLE)	129	55.00-62.00	55-59	58.19	486	60.72
WINGS (CUT)	413	72.00-84.00	72-75	75.68	1,721	73.72
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT					
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT					
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				182	57.91

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS TRADING FOR NOVEMBER 12, 1999 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
37.00 - 49.25	42.23	42.94

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Trucklot buying interest was very quiet as buyers continued to focus on seasonal items. Offerings of wings remained tight to adequate, bone-in breasts became more available, and the balance of items were at least adequate for current needs. Movement into retail and distributive outlets was slow, and limited features were noted for next week. The market tone was barely steady to weak on bone-in breasts, fully steady to firm on wings, and about steady on the remainder of items.

PRICES PAID PER POUND, ICE PACKED AND CO2 PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES.

ITEM	NOV 11, 1999			NOV 12, 1999			WEEKLY			
	CURRENT TRADING*	NEG	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS	CURRENT TRADING*	NEG	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS	WTD AVG	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	H		137.80	217,360	130-135		135.59	590,040	136.08	2,277,760
TENDERLOINS			135.00	22,120	135		136.82	71,400	136.39	244,403
BREAST - WITH RIBS	O		76.54	163,760	67-68		77.00	185,280	76.57	828,120
BREAST - LINE RUN			69.02	259,200	67		68.89	243,480	69.71	1,026,440
LEGS	L		29.22	124,560	26-27		29.30	150,480	29.35	832,400
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)			18.83	313,944	17-18		19.13	545,283	19.23	1,864,489
DRUMSTICKS	I		33.62	74,870	34-35		32.93	77,110	33.10	396,880
THIGHS			28.08	47,880	19-20		28.10	59,240	26.83	313,340
B/S THIGHS	D		74.13	21,760	70-71		74.06	25,760	73.32	143,690
WINGS (WHOLE)			75.54	130,560	66-67		75.50	193,280	73.50	860,040
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	A		12.04	28,320	10-12		12.24	34,280	12.04	158,680
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)			52.64	22,696	50-55		54.62	25,568	54.07	111,766
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	Y		54.63	23,360	40-45		54.85	33,640	52.44	130,470

INCLUDES: NY CITY METRO. AREA, RI, NORTHERN NJ, MA, CT, PA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG). * TODAY'S NEG. SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

** WTD AVG PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATED		ACTUAL		AVG WTS		AVG ACTUAL WTS	
	11/12	11/11	11/10	11/07	11/10	11/07	11/05	11/03
ALA	3,804	3,744	3,898	3,684	5.05	5.11	4,319	5.13
ARK	4,600	4,995	5,224	4,974	4.78	4.84	4,927	4.90
DELMARVA	1,998	2,385	2,473	2,251	4.97	5.04	2,249	4.97
KY-LA-TN	1,796	1,567	1,806	1,698	4.33	4.42	1,768	4.41
MISS	2,653	2,687	2,781	2,758	5.12	5.12	3,187	5.08
NC	2,783	2,612	2,542	2,542	5.86	5.78	2,748	5.72
TEXAS	2,131	2,188	2,096	2,186	4.76	4.71	2,368	4.76
TOTAL	19,765	20,178	19,789	20,093	4.99	5.02	21,566	5.03
MON-FRI	60,058(A)			62,407(A)				

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 12-Nov and 13-Nov-99 is estimated to be 29,571,000 down 8.62 percent from a week ago and down 8.6 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 32,362,000; last year 32,355,000)

Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the week ending 13-Nov-99 is estimated to be 152,200,000 head down 1.6 percent from a week ago, and up 0.6 percent from a year ago

(Last week 154,731,000 Last year 151,333,000)

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY,
DELIVERED TO RETAILERS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA)**

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	80-82
ROASTERS 4# & UP	82-90
HENS UNDER 5#	
HENS OVER 5#	83-88
DUCKS	125
RABBITS-WHOLE	309
RABBITS-CUT UP	326

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY**DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK	92-97
	DRY PACK	107
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK	104
	DRY PACK	112
HENS OVER 5#	DRY PACK	98
	ICE PACK	91
DUCKS		149-166

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED Under federal inspection, classified by live weight, week ending Oct. 30, 1999 (Preliminary),

	(A) Fast food/ Food service	(B) Retail	(C) Deboning
	4.20 Lbs & down	4.21-5.25 Lbs	5.26 Lbs & Up
-----THOUSANDS-----			
Head	31,898	27,049	44,859
Avg Weight	3.84	4.87	6.12
% of total /1	31%	26%	43%
COMPARISONS			
Last week	32,611	26,489	43,033
Avg Weight	3.78	4.85	6.05
% of total /1	32%	26%	42%
Same week, yr ago /2	26,624	24,404	41,808
Avg Weight	3.86	4.70	6.07
% of total /1	29%	26%	45%
To date/1999	1,371,025	1,341,016	1,765,212
To date/1998	1,477,331	1,567,262	1,263,430
/1 May not total to 100% due to rounding.			
/2 Comparable week.			

(A) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the fast food and food service industries. May also include cornish hens.

(B) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the retail industry.

(C) This weight class generally denotes chickens used in further processing. May also include heavy roasters sold in retail channels.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 06-Nov-99 (PRELIMINARY)

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
	-----THOUSANDS-----				
HEAD	154,731 (A)	1,785	1,416	3,201	433
AVGWT	5.12	3.36	7.80	5.33	6.64
LAST WEEK	152,012	2,024	1,581	3,605	446
YR AGO	152,261	1,736	1,074	2,810	450
AVGWT	5.02	3.55	7.67	4.43	6.50
1999	6,683,638	91,337	62,399	153,736	19,429
1998	6,438,762	89,500	55,424	144,924	19,810

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 148.3 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 156.6 million head or 8.3 million head more than or 106 percent of estimated fryers available.

EAST PETERSBURG POULTRY-- DATE OF AUCTION NOV 09, 1999
PRICES PAID PER POUND, EXCEPT AS NOTED

	RANGE	RANGE
Banty Hens	1.50 - 3.50ea.	Pekin Ducks .40 - .54
Banty Roosters	2.00 - 5.50ea.	Pigeons 1.50 - 2.35ea.
Bunnies	1.00 - 3.00ea.	Pullets 4-6 .60 - .74
Chukars	1.75 - 2.50ea.	Rabbits 4-6 .80 - 1.10
Crossbred Fowl 5-9	.30 - .64	Rabbits 7-11 .80 - 1.04
Crossbred Roosters 4-6	.40 - 1.04	Red Fowl 4-4.5 .18 - .34
Crossbred Roosters 7-11	.50 - .72	Red Fowl 5-6 .40 - .62
Doves	1.50 - 3.00ea.	Silkie 2.00 - 3.00ea.
Geese 9-14	.24 - .38	White Pigeons 2.00 - 2.50ea.
Guinea Fowl	1.50 - 2.10	
Guinea Pigs	3.00 - 6.25ea.	
Kid Goats	25.00 - 30.00ea.	
Leghorn Hens	.16 - .24	
Leghorn Roosters	.20 - .32	
Muscovy Ducks - Drakes	.40 - .54	
Muscovy Ducks - Hens	.40 - .56	

Total Coops Sold 675

EASTERN REGION MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY

FOR CURRENT DELIVERY FED-STATE FOR WEEK OF 08-NOV-99
DUCKLINGS: PRICES NEGOTIATED BY FIRST RECEIVERS, US GRADE A, 4-5 POUNDS, DELIVERED IN TRUCKLOT AND POOL TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES

ORIGIN	FROZEN	FRESH
LONG ISLAND	137	143
MOSTLY		
MIDWEST	121-125	122-126
MOSTLY	121-123	122-124
ROASTERS: PRICES NEGOTIATED BY FIRST RECEIVERS, US GRADE A AND PLANT GRADE, 5 POUNDS AND UP, DELIVERED		
	RANGE	MOSTLY
ICE PACKED (12 PER BOX)	62-64	63-64
VACUUM PACKED (6-9 PER BOX)	65-83	69-75
SQUABS: NEW YORK AREA WHOLESALE PRICES, FROZEN, PLANT GRADE, DOLLARS PER DOZEN, 1 TO 10 BOXES		
12 OZ.	60.48-69.66	
14 OZ.	66.96-76.14	
16 OZ.	73.44-83.43	

THE EASTERN REGION INCLUDES:

CT,DE,FL,GA,MA,MD,ME,NC,NH,NJ,NY,PA,RI,SC,VA,VT,WV

CENTRAL REGION DUCKLINGS

Prices remained unchanged. Market tones was steady. Demand was fair to instances good. Slaughter schedules were slightly reduced due to lighter weight birds. Prices to first receivers for 10-18 oz boneless breast at \$4.65-5.25, legs at \$2.80-2.95, bone in legs at \$1.15-1.70, gizzards \$1.30-1.40, wings at \$0.40-.60, and leg quarters at \$1.08-1.15.

PRICES NEGOTIATED BY FIRST RECEIVERS FOR US GRADE A DELIVERED IN TRUCKLOT AND POOL TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, 4-5 POUNDS, WEEK OF 08-NOV-99

ORIGIN	FROZEN	FRESH
MIDWEST AND OTHERS	117-119	118
MOSTLY		

ESTIMATED U.S. SLAUGHTER COMPARED TO ESTIMATED FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING.

WEEK ENDING	MILLION HEAD SLAUGHTERED	MILLION HEAD AVAILABLE	PCT	AVG WT	
OCTOBER	2	155.8	151.8	103	4.94
	9	154.9	149.7	103	5.06
	16	155.2	148.5	105	5.08
	23	155.9	148.3	105	5.06
	30	153.9	148.5	104	4.97
NOVEMBER	6	156.6	148.3	106	5.12
YEAR TO DATE	6766.4	6686.8	101		
NOVEMBER	13		144.2		
	20		140.5		

CALIFORNIA PLTRY SLTR UNDER FED. INSP W/E 30-Oct-99

IN THOUSANDS
Broilers 3,534 HD, 18,377 lbs., Light Hens 200 HD, 664 lbs., Heavy Hens 0 HD, 0 lbs.

BROILER/CATTLE/HOG WEEKLY ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER

W/E	11/13/99	11/06/99	%CHG	11/14/98	%CHG
Broilers	152,200	*154,731	-02	*151,333	+01
Cattle	674	690	-02	*651	+04
Hogs	2,045	2,113	-03	*2,088	-02

Under Federal Inspection

* ACTUAL

NATIONAL CANNER FOWL Prices were irregular, but usually trending unchanged to slightly higher. The undertone was steady to full steady. Demand was moderate to good for about adequate to adequate offerings. Retail interest was fair to good.

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, WITHOUT FREIGHT COST

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
22.5-27 MAJORITY 25.5-26.25	32.75-37 MAJORITY 34.25-35

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, FREIGHT COST INCLUDED

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
26.5-29 MAJORITY 26.5-27	31-39 MAJORITY 36.25-36.75

EASTERN LIGHT Prices were unchanged. Demand was unaggressive for fully adequate offerings. Processing schedules for next week were reported as normal. Market conditions were steady.

SOUTHEAST HEAVY HENS Sales were too few to report prices. Offerings were adequate to fully adequate for a moderate demand. Processing schedules were normal for next week. The undertone was steady.

NORTH CENTRAL LIVE LIGHT HEN Prices remained unchanged. Demand was light to about moderate for the fully adequate offerings. Schedules continued full time. Trade sentiment steady.

WEST COAST LIGHT Plant schedules light to moderate. Offerings adequate.

LIVE HENS

Cents per pound, generally for slaughter the following week.

HEAVY	RANGE	MAJORITY
Southeast Heavy	TFEWR	(1)
Southeast Heavy	TFEWR	(2)
f.o.b. plant	TFEWR	
South Central Heavy	TFEWR	(1)
LIGHT	RANGE	MAJORITY
Eastern Light	0	(1)
Eastern Light	0	(2)
So. Central Light	TFEWR	(2)
No. Central Light	TFEWR	(1)
No. Central Light	0-.5	(2)
(1) Buyer Loading	(2) Producer Loading	

(TFEWR) TOO FEW TO REPORT

NEW YORK SEASONAL HOLIDAY ITEMS. FOR DELIVERY THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 8, 1999.

CAPONS:

Prices were unchanged. Supplies of USDA Grade A capons were in close balance. Processors operated full schedules. Bookings for the upcoming holiday period were satisfactory. Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady. Weights were in a full range.

DOLLARS PER POUND DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS:
6-9 LBS. 1.56-1.65 MOSTLY 1.56

GEESE:

Supplies of frozen USDA grade A geese are in close balance. Prices were unchanged. Inquiries, bookings and deliveries were noted as satisfactory. Processors operated full schedules. Weights were in a full range. Trade sentiment was fully steady.

DOLLARS PER POUND DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS:

6-8 LBS.	TFEWR
8-10 LBS.	1.63-1.75
10-12 LBS.	1.63-1.75
12 LBS. AND UP	1.63-1.75

(TFEWR) TOO FEW TO REPORT