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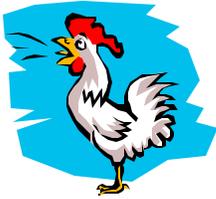
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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Preliminary majority prices were mostly unchanged to instances lower. Trade sentiment was no better than steady to barely steady. Demand was mixed in a full range, but was mostly fair to moderate entering the weekend, with retail features and fast food channels seeing fairly good movement. Supplies were adequate to ample with the larger sizes in the longest position. In the parts structure, breast items remained readily available and slow to clear. The balance of parts were at least adequate to fully adequate, however, wings were usually well balanced to instances tight. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at desirable to heavy, but mostly desirable weights.

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 06/12-06/17/00 (cents per lb)

AREAS	US GRADE A (Including branded product)		WTD	COMPOSITE
	MAJORITY	RANGE	AVG	LOADS
Chicago	44.00-49.00	33.00-61.50	48.25	26
Los Angeles	64.00	—		
New York	53.00-56.00	—		
Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent				
Mississippi	58.00-60.00	40.00-62.00	58.95	84

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 59.00 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

PRELIMINARY FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT

LOADS	RANGE	PRELIM. WTD. AVG.
601	55.27-61.25	58.72
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	150.00	3,920
BREASTS - WHOLE	75.00	1,740
THIGH MEAT - B/S	89.50	601
LEG QUARTERS	20.50	7,680
WINGS	50.00	2,647

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SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trade sentiment was generally steady. Demand was usually improved entering the weekend, but was mostly fair to no better than moderate. Supplies were at least adequate for current inquiry. In the parts structure, breast items remained available, and the balance of parts were more than sufficient. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were mostly desirable to heavy.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Preliminary majority prices were unchanged. The market tone was barely steady with trading for next week's deliveries at unchanged to lower prices. Offerings ample. Retail demand moderate to fairly good, best where features planned. Dealers anticipated moderate weekend carryovers. The market tone on parts remained weak on bone-in breasts and generally steady on balance of parts. Ads noted: S. CA - wholebody 49-79, leg quarters 39-48, thighs 59-99, wings 99, drumsticks 59-99, bone-in breasts 99-149, boneless breasts 188-398, boneless thigh meat 129-149, boneless leg meat 98 and cornish hens 98-139.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYERS Preliminary majority prices for next week's trading into Chicago were unchanged to 1 cent lower from last Monday's final. Trade sentiment on whole broiler/fryers steady to barely steady. Offerings of additional product adequate or available for the light trade needs, except spot shortages noted for small sized WOGs. In Chicago, retail features noted on boneless/skinless breasts at \$1.99, \$1.79 and \$1.49, and leg quarters at 29, 39 and 49 cents. Movement was ordinary Friday business into food service and retail accounts, mostly fair to instances fairly good into fast food, delicatessens and catering. Distributor inventories were adequate to occasionally ample, sizes desirable to heavy. Parts trading mostly inactive on breast items even at attractive price levels, balance of trading mixed. Supplies of all items adequate to ample, instances burdensome with livers short in the St. Louis area and jumbo wings tight. Trade sentiment steady on wings, barely steady to steady on leg quarters and cautiously steady to weak on all other items.

NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trucklot buying interest on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers improved slightly entering the weekend and was generally fair to about moderate. Offerings were more than sufficient for trade needs with the heavier sizes in the longest position. Retail and distributive movement was fair at best. The market tone was no better than steady. In the parts market, breast items were readily available and slow in clearing, wings were about adequate; other items were generally sufficient for current trade needs.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds increased slightly entering the weekend and was about moderate overall. Seller offerings remained fully sufficient, especially on the heavier weight sizes. Live supplies were at least moderate; weights varied and were mostly desirable to heavy. Processings schedules were moderately heavy and contained some operations planned for Saturday. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 56 to 68 cents. Trade sentiment was most steady. In the parts complex, supplies of all items were fully sufficient for the generally light to fair and cautious buying interest.

*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	
RANGE	49-69
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	58.74
NO. OF BOXES	9,045
CUMULATIVE	06/05/00-06/09/00 59.49
	06/07/99-06/11/99 59.90
NO. OF BOXES	06/05/00-06/09/00 41,382
	06/07/99-06/11/99 32,131

*6 of 8 plants reporting.

JUNE 08, 2000

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

JUNE 09, 2000

ITEM	POUNDS				POUNDS	POUNDS				WEEKLY	
	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG		(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	(000)	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	532	137.00-206.00	150-155	151.47	720	148.00-208.00	150-155	155.22	2,624	153.76	
TENDERLOINS	171	145.00-205.00	145-150	153.42	272	145.00-205.00	145-147	166.58	690	166.36	
BREAST - LINE RUN	123	74.00-79.00	74-76	74.33	163	75.00-79.00	75-78	75.93	575	77.85	
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				285	54.32	
LEGS	48	27.00-35.00	27-28	28.33	88	27.00-35.00	-	27.73	311	27.80	
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	589	16.00-19.00	17-18	17.64	689	17.00-19.00	17-18	17.69	2,913	17.67	
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,307	19.00-22.50	20-21	20.56	1,197	20.00-22.00	21-22	21.10	4,392	21.12	
WINGS (WHOLE)	92	48.00-54.00	49-50	51.80	127	41.00-53.00	44-46	45.99	430	45.31	
WINGS (CUT)	554	48.00-74.00	55-57	54.99	486	51.00-72.00	54-56	55.37	1,798	55.51	
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				26	35.00	
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				14	35.00	
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				237	67.24	

 WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS

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TRADING FOR JUNE 08, 2000 F.O.B. DOCK. **TODAY'S**

RANGE	AVERAGE
34.50 - 37.50	36.07

TRADING FOR JUNE 09, 2000 F.O.B. DOCK. **TODAY'S** **5-DAY**

RANGE	AVERAGE	AVERAGE
35.00 - 37.00	35.85	35.99

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 activity was mostly light with little enthusiasm noted for first of the month business. Some plants planned to process this weekend. Offerings of breast items, particularly boneless, skinless breasts, were becoming increasingly available. Dark meat items were usually sufficient for current needs. Retail and distributive movement was no better than moderate. The market tone was barely steady to weak on breast items and generally steady on dark meat.

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

ITEM	JUNE 08, 2000			JUNE 09, 2000		
	CURRENT NEG	WTD	VOL/LBS	CURRENT NEG	WTD	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	130-135	136.91	458,280	130-135	132.58	698,200
TENDERLOINS	145-150	149.77	87,760	145-150	149.57	197,200
BREAST - WITH RIBS	64-65	72.74	220,680	62-63	71.44	209,880
BREAST - LINE RUN	64	61.89	145,600	62	62.80	175,600
LEGS	34-35	39.47	165,240	34-35	35.99	312,520
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	24-25	26.41	296,537	24-25	25.05	533,719
DRUMSTICKS	37-38	41.34	79,120	37-38	40.76	109,200
THIGHS	28-29	35.55	78,770	28-29	37.05	69,360
B/S THIGHS	84-85	91.88	35,000	84-85	89.37	90,720
WINGS (WHOLE)	51-52	60.15	234,240	51-52	59.99	353,640
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	11.89	48,600	10-12	12.00	74,680
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35	34.04	32,320	30-35	34.40	48,400
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40-45	44.98	55,160	40-45	44.44	81,480

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 WTS	
	06/09	06/08	06/07	06/06	06/07	06/06	06/02	05/31
ALA	4,029	4,033	3,910	3,915	5.06	5.14	4,317	5.12
ARK	5,255	5,245	5,183	5,246	4.93	4.91	6,817	4.88
DELMARVA	2,540	2,452	2,486	2,400	5.15	5.21	2,577	5.25
KY-LA-TN	2,054	2,087	2,028	2,131	4.46	4.51	2,105	4.49
MISS	3,388	2,770	2,770	2,785	4.96	5.01	3,142	5.07
NC	2,768	2,619	2,579	2,567	5.86	6.01	3,358	5.96
TEXAS	2,337	2,333	2,327	2,332	4.76	4.80	2,365	4.81
TOTAL	22,371	21,539	21,283	21,376	5.03	5.08	24,681	5.08

MON-FRI108,470(A) 95,033(A)

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above. Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 09-Jun 00 & 10-Jun-00 is estimated to be 33,470,000 up 7.37 percent from a week ago and up 6.8 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 31,173,000; last year 31,345,000)

Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the week ending 10-Jun-00 is estimated to be 157,340,000 head up 9.6 percent from a week ago, and up 3.6 percent from a year ago (Last week 143,535,000 Last year 151,899,000)

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

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	78-82
ROASTERS 4# & UP	80-90
HENS UNDER 5#	
HENS OVER 5#	74
DUCKS	125
RABBITS-WHOLE	299
RABBITS-CUT UP	309

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	DRY PACK	ICE PACK	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS			102-104
			92-96
ROASTERS 4# & UP			106-111
			112-119
HENS OVER 5#			98
			94
DUCKS			148-160

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED Under federal inspection, classified by live weight, week ending May 27, 2000 (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	34,548	35,931	44,519
Avg Weight	3.71	4.77	6.00
% of total /1	30%	31%	39%

COMPARISONS			
Last week	40,158	31,342	44,109
Avg Weight	3.75	4.83	5.93
% of total /1	35%	27%	38%
Same week, yr ago /2	34,095	28,247	49,680
Avg Weight	3.83	4.78	6.08
% of total /1	30%	25%	44%
To date/2000	703,922	675,011	864,509
To date/1999	700,531	589,917	927,767

/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 03-Jun-2000 (PRELIMINARY)

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
-----THOUSANDS-----					
HEAD	143,535(A)	1,393	1,277	2,670	481
AVG WT	5.03	3.37	8.12	5.64	6.71
LAST WEEK	158,730	2,077	1,553	3,630	456
YR AGO	141,773	1,790	1,196	2,986	395
AVG WT	5.06	3.38	7.84	5.17	6.64
TO-DATE/2000	3,380,007	44,117	30,361	74,478	9,921
TO-DATE/1999	3,312,294	48,216	29,454	77,670	9,828

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 156.4 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 145.3 million head or 11.1 million head less than or 93 percent of estimated fryers available.

EAST PETERSBURG POULTRY - DATE OF AUCTION: JUNE 06, 2000

	RANGE		RANGE
Muscovy Ducks - Drakes	.92 - 1.14	Silkie	3.00 - 3.75ea.
Muscovy Ducks - Hens	.94 - 1.12	Geese 9-14	.30 - .42
Red Fowl 4-4.5	.40 - .62	Pigeons	2.00 - 2.75ea.
Red Fowl 5-6	.60 - .84	White Pigeons	3.00 - 3.50ea.
Crossbred Fowl 5-9	.50 - .92	Rabbits 4-6	.90 - 1.24
Crossbred Roosters 4-6	.60 - 1.04	Rabbits 7-11	.90 - 1.20
Guinea Fowl	1.00 - 1.25	Bunnies	.50 - 2.50ea.
Banty Roosters	2.00 - 6.00ea.	Guinea Pigs	.50 - 5.00ea.
Banty Hens	2.00 - 3.50ea.	Kid Goats	24.00 - 34.00ea.
Leghorn Hens	.08 - .12	Doves	3.50 - 6.50ea.
		Chukars	2.00 - 2.75ea.
		Pullets 4-6	.60 - .82

Total Coops Sold 920

EASTERN REGION MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY

FOR CURRENT DELIVERY for THE WEEK OF 05-JUN-2000

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)	57-58	
VACUUM PACKED (6-9 PER BOX)	73-83	75-81

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. The market tone was steady. Demand was moderate to instances good Sizes were in the desirable range. Slaughter schedules were full time Prices paid to first receivers for 10-18oz boneless breast at \$4.65-5.25 legs at 2.80-2.95, bone in leg at \$1.15-1.70, gizzards at \$1.30-1.40 wings at \$0.40- 0.65, and leg quarters at \$1.08-1.18.

PRICES NEGOTIATED BY FIRST RECEIVERS FOR US GRADE A DELIVERED IN TRUCKLOT AND POOL TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, 4-5 POUNDS, WEEK OF 05-JUN-2000

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	
APRIL	29	154.0	153.5	100	5.04
MAY	6	158.1	156.1	101	5.10
	13	159.1	157.2	101	5.06
	20	160.8	157.2	102	5.08
	27	160.7	156.0	103	4.94
JUNE	3	145.3	156.4	93	5.03
YEAR TO DATE	3421.2	3357.7	102		
JUNE	10	157.3			
	17	158.5			

CALIFORNIA PLTRY SLTR UNDER FED. INSP W/E 04-Jun-00 IN THOUSANDS

Broilers 4,413 HD, 22,506 lbs., Light Hens 200 HD, 668 lbs., Heavy Hens 0 HD, 0 lbs.

BROILER/CATTLE/HOG WEEKLY ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER

W/E	06/10/00	06/03/00	% CHG	06/12/99	% CHG
Broilers	157,340	*143,535	+10	*151,899	+04
Cattle	719	620	+16	*724	-01
Hogs	1,798	1,476	+22	*1,836	-02

Under Federal Inspection

* ACTUAL

NATIONAL CANNER FOWL MARKET Prices were unchanged to occasionally lower on lights canners. Market conditions were still weak with overall values generally trending lower on heavy canners. However, majority prices were higher and lower on heavy canners when compared to a week earlier. Demand was unaggressive as offerings were generally reported as fully adequate or available. The undertone was usually steady on lights, but unsettled and in a range of barely steady to weak on heavy canners.

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, WITHOUT FREIGHT COST

LIGHT CANNER HENS **HEAVY CANNER HENS**
(LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS) (WITHOUT NECKS)

22-26 MAJORITY 23-26 29-32.75 MAJORITY 30.5-32

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, FREIGHT COST INCLUDED

LIGHT CANNER HENS **HEAVY CANNER HENS**
(LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS) (WITHOUT NECKS)

25-26 MAJORITY 25 30-36 MAJORITY 33-33.5

EASTERN LIGHT Prices were unchanged. Offerings were more than sufficient for the light and unaggressive demand. Processing schedules for next week were reported as normal. Finished product was adequate for trade needs. The undertone was generally steady.

SOUTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Trading was too few to report. Demand was light for fully adequate offerings of light hens. Dressed sales were slow with production levels easily covering needs. Trade sentiment was barely steady.

NORTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Prices unchanged. Offerings were ample for the light to instances moderate demand. Schedules full-time or better. Trade sentiment barely steady.

WEST COAST LIGHT LIVE HEN Plants worked full schedules. Offerings exceeded available line time.

LIVE TYPE HENS

CENTS PER LB., DAY OF NEGOTIATION, GENERALLY FOR
SLAUGHTER WITHIN THE NEXT 10 DAYS

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

0

(1) Buyer Loading (2) Producer Loading
(TFEWR) TOO FEW TO REPORT

SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HENS Sales were too few to report prices. Demand was light as offerings were fully adequate to ample and slow to clear. Processing schedules were generally normal to heavy as most locations were booked for several weeks. Canners were reported as adequate to available. The market tone remain barely steady to weak.

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Trading was too few to report. Demand was light for fully adequate to instances ample offerings of spent heavy hens. Plant's schedules are booked well into the future with finished sales slow and no better than steady at current pricing levels. Trade sentiment was weak.

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