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## NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Trade sentiment was steady at best in the East, generally steady elsewhere. Demand following the holiday weekend was moderate at best with limited trading and mostly needs being assessed. Supplies were more than sufficient to handle trade requirements. In the parts structure, all parts were at least adequate or available with wings and tenders in the closest balance. Movement was slow and unaggressive to moderate. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were desirable to heavy, mostly desirable.

**GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES** The Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for next week's trading advanced .25 cent to 59.75 cents based on full truck load lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 61.50 cents last year on the 7th of July, 1999.

Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted prices on ice-packed parts for next week's trading.

ITEM	DOCK PRICE (CENTS PER POUND)
BREASTS - B/S	142.00
BREASTS - WHOLE	74.00
THIGH MEAT - B/S	87.50
LEG QUARTERS	22.50
WINGS	54.00

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**SOUTHERN** Trade sentiment was at best steady. Retail demand following the holiday weekend was slow to fair and was not up to expectations. Food service was reported as slightly improved, best into fast foods. Supplies were at least sufficient and continued to exceed interest. In the parts structure, tenders and wings were balanced to well cleared and moving, but the remaining parts were more than adequate with light movement. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

**MIDWEST** Whole broiler/fryer trade sentiment generally steady. Offerings of additional product available for the fair buyers current needs. Retail demand fair with distributive movement moderate to fairly good especially into vacations areas. Retail features noted in Chicago on whole birds at 49 cents and split breast at 69 and 99 cents. Floor stocks adequate. Sizes desirable to instances lighter than desired in St. Louis. Parts demand moderate, best on leg quarters. Supplies of all parts items available. Trade sentiment generally steady on all parts items.

**WESTERN** The market tone was generally steady. Offerings adequate. Buying activity was fair at best. Demand for whole body light, moderate for parts. Floor stocks adequate. Ads noted: N. CA - leg quarters 49, drumsticks 89-129, thighs 89-159, boneless breasts 299-399, whole legs 79-89.

**DELMARVA** Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was slow to fair at best. Seller offerings were fully adequate to ample for immediate deliveries. Live supplies were at least adequate; weights were mostly desirable to heavy. Processing schedules were moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 53 to 65 cents. Trade sentiment was barely steady. In the parts complex, wings and tenders were in best balance. Other items were at least adequate for the generally light and unaggressive 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	50-66
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	55.63
NO. OF BOXES	6,072

\*7 of 8 plants reporting.

**\*\*\*NOTICE\*\*\*  
THE FOLLOWING REPORTS WERE NOT AVAILABLE AT TIME OF PUBLICATION:**

**CHICK PLACEMENT AND EGG SET TOTAL**

**BROILER EGGS SET**

**BROILER CHICKS PLACED**

**BASED ON THE PRELIMINARY CHICK PLACEMENTS REPORT**

**NORTHEAST** Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was fair at best. Offerings were more than adequate for current limited trade needs. Movement into retail and distributive was mostly light. The market tone was steady at best. In the parts complex, offerings were adequate to available. Wings were receiving the best interest and thighs were in the longest position.

## SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

JULY 05, 2000

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	659	115.00-190.00	130-140	133.79
TENDERLOINS	274	152.00-210.00	155	172.12
BREAST - LINE RUN	103	61.50-74.50	-	68.49
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS	48	27.00-38.00	28-29	28.83
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	476	17.00-21.00	17-18	18.06
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,080	19.00-23.00	21-22	21.19
WINGS (WHOLE)	116	45.00-53.00	47-49	48.68
WINGS (CUT)	445	51.00-78.00	54-56	55.09
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
B/S THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		

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 WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS TRADING FOR JULY 05, 2000 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
34.00 - 38.50	35.65	35.48

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 very quiet following the fair holiday business. Offerings were generally adequate to ample with wings and tenders receiving the best interest. Breast items were usually more than adequate and most dealers found it unnecessary to purchase product. Retail and distributive movement was slow to no better than moderate. The market tone remained steady at best.

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

ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS JULY 05, 2000
BREAST - B/S	130	132.82	489,980
TENDERLOINS	150-155	160.40	68,400
BREAST - WITH RIBS	63-64	70.76	268,760
BREAST - LINE RUN	63	62.96	82,400
LEGS	35-36	36.82	229,000
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	24-25	24.92	682,476
DRUMSTICKS	37-38	39.28	140,280
THIGHS	23-24	34.34	86,320
B/S THIGHS	84-85	89.73	35,470
WINGS (WHOLE)	53-54	64.68	346,040
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	12.09	50,920
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35	32.34	33,400
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40-45	42.80	54,800

INCLUDES: NY CITY METRO. AREA, RI, NORTHERN NJ, MA, CT, PA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG).

\* TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

\*\* WEIGHTED AVERAGE 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	ACTUAL	AVG WTS
	07/05	07/04	07/03	06/29	06/28
ALA	3,628	(A) 3,933	4,753	4.97	4.74
ARK	3,268	Holiday 5,267	5,840	4.74	4.63
DELMARVA	2,404	(A) 2,427	3,565	5.22	5.14
KY-LA-TN	2,098	(A) 2,037	2,717	4.40	4.29
MISS	2,300	(A) 2,784	3,640	4.55	4.85
NC	2,523	1,354	2,030	3,366	5.50
TEXAS	2,288	2,109	2,337	2,508	4.75
TOTAL	18,509	5,017	20,815	26,389	4.86
MON-WED	42,931	(b)			63,692

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations

(B) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 05-Jul 00 is estimated to be 27,692,000 down 11.17 percent from a week ago and down 9.0 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 31,173,000; last year 30,425,000)

## SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY

DELIVERED TO RETAILERS	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	79-83
ROASTERS 4# & UP	65-90
HENS UNDER 5#	
HENS OVER 5#	68-74
DUCKS	125
RABBITS-WHOLE	294
RABBITS-CUT UP	299

## SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY

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

**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER**

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 08-Jul-00

CLASS	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	07/08/00(1)	07/01/00
	THOUSAND HEAD	
BRO-FRY	135,366(2)	167,936
LT HENS	1,496	1,925
HVY HENS	1,375	1,594
TOTAL	138,237	171,455

(1)ESTIMATED

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 08-Jul-00 is 157.7 million head compared to 137.9 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 135.6 million head or 22.1 million less than estimated available. For week of 15-Jul-00 the estimated available is 157.4 million head.

**COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT**

(IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEYS			PROCESSED POULTRY		
	07/04/00	06/26/00	07/05/99	07/04/00	06/26/00	07/05/99
PACIFIC COAST	20,121	20,849	24,793	13,898	13,808	19,955
LOS ANGELES	326	364	1,237	4,767	4,459	10,378

**\*\*\*NOTICE\*\*\*****HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES REPORT****NOT AVAILABLE AT TIME OF PUBLICATION****CENTRAL MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY RTC HENS**

READY-TO-COOK PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR DELIVERY TO FIRST RECEIVERS, U.S. GRADE A AND PLANT GRADE, 5 LBS. AND UP, FOR WEEK OF JULY 03, 2000

HENS		RANGE
	ICE PACKED (12 PER BOX)	55-56
	VACUUM PACKED (6-9 PER BOX)	58-64

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