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## NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Majority prices were irregular, but mostly unchanged from previous week. Trade sentiment was generally steady to at times about steady. Demand covered the full range, but was mostly moderate to good, best for retail ads and fast food. Supplies were at least sufficient to satisfy trade needs. In the parts structure, breast items were in the best balance, but becoming more available in some areas. Wings were more than sufficient and often discounted, and dark meat usually sufficient with light demand. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were desirable to heavy, mostly desirable.

**Final report** of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook broiler/fryers delivered to first receivers at major market areas week of 8/07-08/11/00 (cents per lb)

AREAS	US GRADE A (Includes branded product)			COMPOSITE	
	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS	WTD AVG	LOADS
Bos/New Eng	45.00-46.00	45.81	16	52.46	38
Chicago	43.00-48.00	46.89	46	49.46	84
Cincinnati	TFEWR	—	—	54.63	28
Cleveland	TFEWR	—	—	59.45	15
Denver	64.50	64.43	17	62.81	42
Detroit	44.00	46.76	19	52.75	51
Los Angeles	65.00	63.70	58	61.64	159
New York	43.00-46.00	44.32	31	53.82	103
Philadelphia	43.00-45.00	44.14	7	46.50	19
Pittsburgh	43.50-45.50	44.80	10	52.90	57
St. Louis	46.50	45.91	19	49.43	47
San Francisco	65.50	64.30	32	66.59	58

### Composite 12 City Weighted Average

Loads	08/07/00	Change/Last Wk	07/31/00	08/09/99
701	55.64	0.21	55.43	55.82

**WOG BROILERS** (without giblets) - prices paid per lb delvd to first receivers in trucklot and less than trucklot quantities.

REGIONS	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS
East	50.00-60.00	57.14	50
Central	51.00-55.00	52.73	58
West	48.00-67.25	59.86	60

### Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent

Mississippi	59.00-60.50	60.13	82
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### GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES

Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 60.00 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

LOADS	RANGE	MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT
1,157	43.00-62.25	58.54

The Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed final weighted average prices on ice pack parts:

ITEM	WTD AVG (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
BREASTS - B/S	147.50	4,460
BREASTS - WHOLE	67.00	1,675
THIGH MEAT - B/S	75.00	795
LEG QUARTERS	23.00	9,235
WINGS	56.50	3,031

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**NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYER** Trucklot buying interest on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was light to fair as the week began. Offerings of all sizes were at least adequate. Retail and distributive movement was about fair. The market tone was steady. In the parts complex, boneless-skinless breasts were adequate, and bone-in breasts were adequate to instances available. The balance of items were usually more than sufficient as most dealers limited purchases to most immediate needs and cautiously watched market developments.

**SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS** Trade sentiment was steady at best. Demand was slow to fair with light trading. Supplies were at least sufficient for trade needs. In the parts structure, breast items were in balance to well cleared with features strengthening interest. Wings and dark meat items were adequate to fully adequate and at times slow to clear. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at desirable to heavy, mostly desirable weights.

**WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS** Final majority prices were unchanged. The trade sentiment was steady. Supplies were sufficient to cover the light to fair buyer interest. Retail demand was fair, good on whole body where features were planned. Weekend clearances were satisfactory. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG average was down .66 to 49.76 and the volume reported was 23 loads, down 8 percent from the previous week.

**MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER** The final majority price into Chicago for this week's delivery was unchanged, Detroit and St. Louis were irregular and Cleveland and Cincinnati were too few to report from last Monday's final majority. Trade sentiment about steady. Offers of whole fryers and WOGs adequate for buyers needs. Retail demand mixed, slow to fairly good. Food service movement moderate to instances good, best into fast food outlets. Floor stocks adequate to fully adequate. Sizes desirable. Supplies of all parts items adequate. Trade sentiment steady to fully steady on breast items, steady to weak on wings and steady on the balance of parts items.

**DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS** Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was mostly fair to moderate for post weekend fill-in needs. Seller offerings varied by size, but were at least adequate overall. Live supplies were mostly moderate; weights were desirable to heavy. Processing schedules were moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 46 to 63 cents. Trade sentiment was steady. In the parts complex, boneless skinless breasts were generally noted as in best balance and were clearing satisfactorily. Bone-in breasts were available at some points. Leg items were tightening. Wings were at least 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	
RANGE	39-66
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	49.83
NO. OF BOXES	9,827

\*7 of 8 plants reporting.

**NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS** Trucklot buying interest was quiet entering the week, and most dealers were reserved in their buying activity as market developments were closely monitored. Boneless-skinless breasts were adequate, and bone-in breasts were usually adequate to instances available. The balance of items were at least adequate. Movement through retail and distributive channels was about fair. The market tone was steady. 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
BREAST - B/S	145-150	152.53	472,480
TENDERLOINS	180	194.59	135,760
BREAST - WITH RIBS	59-60	64.67	312,320
BREAST - LINE RUN	59	62.36	143,520
LEGS	33-34	33.62	253,720
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	20-21	21.79	452,965
DRUMSTICKS	33-34	34.00	145,430
THIGHS	21-22	26.21	228,400
B/S THIGHS	69-70	73.62	77,240
WINGS (WHOLE)	55-56	59.61	457,424
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	11.96	88,480
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35	33.10	64,400
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40-45	44.74	104,400

INCLUDES NEW YORK CITY METROPOLITAN AREA, NORTHERN NEW JERSEY, MASSACHUSETTS, CONNECTICUT, RHODE ISLAND, AND PENNSYLVANIA (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.

#### ARKANSAS BROILER/FRYER PARTS

F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED OR CO2 PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	LBS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	980	131.00-150.00	135-145	136.10
TENDERLOINS	132	135.00-197.00	194	189.59
BREAST - WITH RIBS	-			
FRONT HALVES	640	55.00-61.00	59-61	59.44
LEGS		NO TRADING REPORTED		
LEG QUARTERS(BULK)	1,086	18.00-21.00	18-19	18.39
LEG QUARTERS(4/10)	1,968	20.50-22.00	21	20.59
WINGS (WHOLE)	42	46.00-54.00	46	46.30
DRUMSTICKS		NO TRADING REPORTED		
THIGHS	1,173	20.00-23.00	20	20.14

#### ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	ACTUAL	AVG WTS
	08/07	08/03	08/03	07/31	07/27
ALA	3,953	3,928	4.93	3,847	4.93
ARK	5,387	5,024	4.80	5,027	4.85
DELMARVA	2,391	2,399	5.00	2,387	5.07
KY-LA-TN	2,114	2,017	4.39	2,035	4.27
MISS	2,908	2,807	4.98	2,543	4.97
NC	2,637	2,617	5.73	2,601	5.86
TEXAS	2,332	2,383	4.62	2,331	4.64
TOTAL	21,722	21,175	4.93	20,771	4.95
MON	21,722(A)			20,771(A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 07-Aug 2000 is estimated to be 32,499,000 up 4.27 percent from a week ago and up 4.56 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 31,169,000,last year 31,081,000)

**SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS** F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED OR CO2 PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND. POUNDS

ITEM	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	610	140.00-185.00	145-149	145.95
TENDERLOINS	254	190.00-240.00	190-195	197.68
BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS	86	27.00-40.00	28-29	27.91
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	476	18.00-21.00	18-19	18.71
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,278	21.00-23.00	22-23	22.12
(WHOLE)	102	53.00-58.00	54-56	55.13
WINGS (CUT)	582	62.00-88.00	65-67	71.82
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
B/S THIGHS	36	59.00-64.00	-	60.67

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WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS TRADING FOR AUGUST 07, 2000 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
37.50 - 41.50	39.11	39.49

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.

**MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER PARTS** ICE-PACKED POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES DELIVERED TO IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, AND WI

WEEK OF 07-AUG-2000 TO 11-AUG-2000, CENTS PER POUND

	PRICE PER LB.	MOSTLY
BREAST - B/S	137.00 - 160.00	140.00 - 145.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	59.00 - 71.00	62.00 - 68.00
LEGS	29.00 - 42.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	18.00 - 24.00	20.00 - 22.00
DRUMSTICKS	22.00 - 36.00	-
THIGHS	20.00 - 28.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	44.00 - 59.00	50.00 - 52.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	15.00 - 20.00	-
LIVERS	25.00 - 39.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	35.00 - 48.00	-

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY, DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	77-89
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	80-87
FROZEN HENS 5# & UP	73
FROZEN DUCKS	135
FROZEN SQUABS	589

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

FRESH FRYERS	80-83
ROASTERS 4# & UP	65-90
HENS UNDER 5#	
HENS OVER 5#	68
DUCKS	125
RABBITS-WHOLE	284-294
RABBITS-CUT UP	289-299

**SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY**

**DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

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

**EASTERN REGION** PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND FOR DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS. 04-AUG-00

**CHICKEN PRICES**

FAT CONTENT	-----FROZEN		-----FRESH-----	
	FOB DOCK	DELIVERED	FOB DOCK	DELIVERED
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	16.00	-	17.00	17.00-18.00
WTD AVERAGE	16.00		17.00	17.29

680,000 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment

**CHICKEN PRICES, WITH ADDED SKIN**

15% OR LESS				
RANGE	13.00-16.00	16.50	-	16.00
WTD AVERAGE	15.50	16.50		16.00

600,000 pounds, this includes 240,000 pounds for export shipment. 15-20%

RANGE	12.00-15.00	-	12.00-12.50	12.00-15.00
WTD AVERAGE	13.75		12.32	13.88

1,732,000 pounds, this includes 552,000 pounds for export shipment.

20% OR MORE

RANGE	-	-	-	12.75
WTD AVERAGE				12.75

160,000 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment.

\* INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING STATES: CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

**SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN** Trading levels were generally unchanged from the past week. Demand was light to moderate for adequate supplies of spent hens. Line times were at desired levels with current production at least adequate for needs. Trade sentiment was about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) \*

FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 07-AUG-00

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	4-10	5-7	6.50

\* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

**CENTRAL REGION** PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND FOR DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS. 04-AUG-00

**CHICKEN PRICES**

FAT CONTENT	-----FROZEN-----		-----FRESH-----	
	FOB DOCK	DELIVERED	FOB DOCK	DELIVERED
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

0 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment.

**CHICKEN PRICES, WITH ADDED SKIN**

15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	-	12.75-15.00	-
WTD AVERAGE			13.94	

163,200 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment. 15-20%

RANGE	14.00-16.00	16.00-18.00	11.00-13.25	14.00-14.75
WTD AVERAGE	15.33	17.00	12.10	14.16

1,943,200 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment.

20% OR MORE

RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

0 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment.

\* INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING STATES: AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI

**SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN** Majority prices were unchanged to lower when compared to a week earlier. Demand was light for adequate to ample offerings. Processing schedules for current week are about normal to heavy. The market tone was barely steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) \*

FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 07-AUG-00

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	2.75-9.75	2.75-6	4.84

AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING TOO FEW TO REPORT  
FOB PLANT TOO FEW TO REPORT

\* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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