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## NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Majority prices were unchanged in the West, irregular, but mostly unchanged elsewhere. Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady in the Northeast depending on size, steady elsewhere. Retail demand was light to moderate. Food service was moderate to good, best into fast food. Supplies were usually sufficient with 3 to 3.5 sizes in the Northeast well cleared. In some areas, processing schedules have been reduced to accommodate the light pre-holiday interest. In the parts structure, breast items were at least adequate, longest for boneless skinless breasts, with mixed interest. Wings were balanced and moving, and dark meat was adequate to fully sufficient with light demand. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at desirable to heavy, mostly desirable weights.

**Final report** of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook broiler/fryers delivered to first receivers at major market areas week of 11/06-11/10/00 (cents per lb)

AREAS	US GRADE A (Includes branded product)		COMPOSITE		LOADS
	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS	WTD AVG	
Bos/New Eng	54.00-55.00	54.97	16	58.23	37
Chicago	47.00-51.00	51.78	49	54.15	84
Cincinnati	TFEWR	—	—	59.02	27
Cleveland	TFEWR	—	—	60.84	14
Denver	65.50	65.44	17	64.97	26
Detroit	48.00-50.50	50.60	15	56.01	46
Los Angeles	66.00	64.51	64	63.21	115
New York	52.00-55.00	53.17	29	56.33	53
Philadelphia	49.00-52.00	50.00	9	50.76	21
Pittsburgh	50.00-53.00	51.35	10	56.70	58
St. Louis	50.50-50.75	49.96	17	54.15	47
San Francisco	66.50	65.41	29	66.41	59

### Composite 12 City Weighted Average

Loads	11/06/00	Change/Last Wk	10/30/00	11/08/99
587	58.44	0.21	58.23	59.46

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

REGIONS	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS
East	54.00-61.00	59.98	43
Central	54.00-59.00	56.89	55
West	55.00-61.00	60.90	50

### Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent

Mississippi	60.00-62.00	61.36	85
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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 61.50 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
1,123	47.00-62.15	60.13

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

ITEM	WTD AVG (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
BREASTS - B/S	132.00	4,465
BREASTS - WHOLE	72.50	1,675
THIGH MEAT - B/S	82.50	795
LEG QUARTERS	29.00	9,440
WINGS	73.00	3,091

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**NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYER** Trucklot buying activity mostly fair to no better than moderate. Offerings of the 3 to 3.5 pound birds were in good balance, however, the 4 pound sizes were usually available and often slow to clear. Movement into retail and distributive channels was generally fair at best. The market tone was fully steady on the 3.5 pound and lighter birds, no better than steady on the heavier sizes. In the parts complex, boneless-skinless breasts were fully adequate, and bone-in breasts were more than sufficient. The balance of items were at least adequate for the light and selective buyer interest.

**SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS** Trade sentiment was steady. Retail demand was slow to fair even though more features were noted. Food service was better, particularly for fast food. Supplies were usually sufficient for trade needs. In the parts structure, breast items were irregular, but were at least available with tenders in a more manageable position. Wings were adequate to close balanced and moving, and dark meat items were sufficient with light interest. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were mostly desirable.

**WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS** Final majority prices were unchanged from last week. Trade sentiment about steady with trading for this week's deliveries at mainly unchanged prices. Offerings were adequate. Buyer's interest was just moderate. Demand by stores fair at best and fast food fairly good. Dealers reported moderate to heavier than desired weekend carryovers. Reported trading on parts: leg quarters bulk 28-29, 4/10s 29-30.25, bone-in breasts 77-79 and boneless breasts 117-122. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG average was down .11 to 56.57 with the volume reported unchanged.

**MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER** Final majority prices for deliveries this week into Chicago and Detroit were unchanged, St. Louis decreased slightly and Ohio too few to report from last Monday's final majority. Whole broiler/fryer trade sentiment steady. Retail demand light to moderate. Food service movement moderate to good, best into fast foods channels. Floor stocks adequate with sizes desirable. Supplies of boneless/skinless breasts adequate to ample, leg quarters available, with the balance of items sufficient for trade needs. Trade sentiment steady to barely steady on boneless/skinless breasts and steady on balance of parts items.

**DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS** Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was light to fair at best. Seller offerings were in fairly good balance on the 3.0 and 3.5 pound sizes, readily available on the larger sizes. Live supplies were at seasonally moderate levels; weights were desirable to heavy. Processing schedules were light to moderate as some plants started curtailing operations in line with traditionally lighter needs preceding the upcoming thanksgiving holiday. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 55 to 69 cents. Trade sentiment was mostly steady. In the parts complex, all items were at least adequate and buyers generally limited receipts.

\*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	39-68
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	56.66
NO. OF BOXES	12,944

\*7 of 8 plants reporting.

**NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS** Weekend clearances ranged fair to instances fairly good, however, entering the week trucklot buying interest was only light to fair and highly selective as dealers maintained minimal floorstocks and the seasonal items entered the market. Offerings of boneless-skinless breasts remained fully adequate to ample, and bone-in breasts were at least adequate. Wings were generally adequate and the balance of items were more than sufficient. Movement into retail and distributive channels was no better than fair. The market tone was about steady.  
 ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND

ITEM	CURRENT NEGOTIATED TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOLUME /LBS
BREAST - B/S	120-125	123.50	770,120
TENDERLOINS	185-190	192.60	158,120
BREAST - WITH RIBS	62-63	69.86	295,360
BREAST - LINE RUN	62	66.61	134,080
LEGS	35-36	38.76	321,960
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	26-27	27.53	539,510
DRUMSTICKS	29-30	37.58	210,740
THIGHS	30-31	37.28	152,040
B/S THIGHS	76-77	79.34	51,520
WINGS (WHOLE)	70-71	79.64	361,520
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	12.02	100,760
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	35-40	37.64	102,320
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	50-55	54.66	132,240

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

**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	1,366	105.00-140.00	110-120	113.26
TENDERLOINS	110	180.00-218.00	-	197.42
BREAST - WITH RIBS	NO TRADING REPORTED			
FRONT HALVES	294	67.00-75.00	71-75	71.60
LEGS	NO TRADING REPORTED			
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	888	24.00-28.00	24-25	24.58
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,402	26.25-29.00	26.25	26.33
WINGS (WHOLE)	46	68.00-76.00	-	68.99
DRUMSTICKS	163	35.00-45.00	35	35.16
THIGHS	1,120	23.00	-	23.00

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

	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	ACTUAL	AVG WTS
	11/06	11/02	11/02	10/30	10/26
ALA	3,946	3,914	4.91	3,948	4.97
ARK	5,188	5,055	4.82	5,124	4.87
DELMARVA	2,047	2,377	5.07	2,265	5.10
KY-LA-TN	1,983	1,992	4.40	1,953	4.43
MISS	2,814	2,840	4.99	2,843	5.04
NC	2,350	2,613	5.84	2,427	5.82
TEXAS	2,346	2,303	4.62	2,322	4.71
TOTAL	20,674	21,094	4.95	20,882	5.00
MON	20,674(A)		20,882(A)		

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 06-Nov 2000 is estimated to be 30,931,000 down 1.29 percent from a week ago and up 5.43 percent from a year ago.  
 (Last week 31,336,000, last year 29,337,000)

**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	708	105.00-200.00	145-150	154.72
TENDERLOINS	317	190.00-250.00	190-195	194.22
BREAST - LINE RUN	102	69.00-72.00	-	70.82
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	60	33.00-48.00	33-35	38.00
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	396	24.00-28.00	24-25	24.83
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,160	26.00-31.00	27-28	27.55
WINGS (WHOLE)	95	69.00-75.00	69-72	70.71
WINGS (CUT)	531	82.00-102.00	85-87	86.83
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 NOVEMBER 06, 2000 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
48.50 - 53.50	50.61	50.69

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** ICE-PACKED POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES DELIVERED TO:

IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, AND WI  
 WEEK OF 06-NOV-2000 TO 10-NOV-2000, CENTS PER POUND

	Price Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	110.00 - 130.00	117.00 - 125.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	66.00 - 80.00	67.00 - 70.00
LEGS	29.00 - 42.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	22.00 - 31.00	26.00
DRUMSTICKS	31.00 - 50.00	-
THIGHS	29.00 - 45.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	60.00 - 78.00	70.00 - 72.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	12.00 - 21.00	-
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	79-85
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	82-87
FROZEN HENS 5# & UP	79-79
FROZEN DUCKS	135
FROZEN SQUABS	589

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

FRESH FRYERS	81-84
ROASTERS 4# & UP	65-90
HENS UNDER 5#	
HENS OVER 5#	74
DUCKS	129
RABBITS-WHOLE	284
RABBITS-CUT UP	289

**SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY**

**DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

FRESH FRYERS	DRY PACK	102-103
	ICE PACK	92-94
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK	106-112
	DRY PACK	112-119
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK	94
	DRY PACK	94
DUCKS		149-165

**EASTERN REGION** PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND FOR DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS. 03-NOV-00

**CHICKEN PRICES**

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

240,000 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment.

**CHICKEN PRICES, WITH ADDED SKIN**

15% OR LESS  
RANGE 16.00-19.00 18.00 - 17.00-18.00  
WTD AVERAGE 16.55 18.00 17.31  
813,000 pounds, this includes 248,000 pounds for export shipment.

15-20%  
RANGE 16.00-18.50 18.00 13.00 14.00  
WTD AVERAGE 17.72 18.00 13.00 14.00  
1,745,000 pounds, this includes 1,385,000 pounds for export shipment.

20% OR MORE  
RANGE - - - 13.00  
WTD AVERAGE 13.00  
400,000 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** Prices were slightly higher compared to the past week. Demand was moderate for adequate offerings of spent hens. Finished sales were adequate for schedules kills. Trade sentiment was at least steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) \*  
FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR  
SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 06-NOV-00

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	3-9	4-6	5.88

\* 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. 03-NOV-00

**CHICKEN PRICES**

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

0 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment.

**CHICKEN PRICES, WITH ADDED SKIN**

15% OR LESS  
RANGE - - 14.00 16.50  
WTD AVERAGE 14.00 16.50  
81,600 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment.

15-20%  
RANGE 15.50-18.00 15.00-22.00 10.75-14.00 13.00-14.00  
WTD AVERAGE 17.47 20.36 11.40 13.54  
3,359,200 pounds, this includes 2,604,400 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 when compared to a week earlier. Demand was moderate. Offerings were irregular and ranged from adequate to ample for processing schedules which were reported as normal. Supplies of finished product were occasionally short to about adequate and clearing easily. The market tone was steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) \*  
FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR  
SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 06-NOV-00

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	2.25-8.5	3.25-6	4.98
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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