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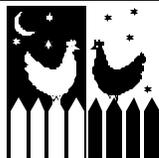
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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

Trade sentiment was generally steady. Demand overall was disappointing to fair, at times moderate to good into some resort locations, fast food channels, and for retail features. Supplies of lighter weight product was balanced, but larger sizes were adequate to abundant. In the parts structure, trading was mixed. Although some areas reported breast items slightly improved, availability was still more than sufficient and often discounted to clear. Wings were adequate to ample, but more stabile, and dark meat was in best balance. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were desirable to heavy.

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES The Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for next week's trading remains unchanged at 63.50 cents based on full truck load lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 59.00 cents last year on the 14th of June, 2000. Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted prices on ice-packed parts for next week's trading.

DOCK PRICE

(CENTS PER POUND)

ITEM	DOCK PRICE (CENTS PER POUND)
LINE RUN TENDERS	209.00
BREASTS - B/S	135.50
BREASTS - WHOLE	75.50
THIGH MEAT - B/S	98.00
LEG QUARTERS	29.50
WINGS	98.50

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SOUTHERN Trade sentiment was steady at best. Demand into all areas was slow to fair with limited trading with adverse weather still a factor. Supplies were sufficient to fully adequate for heavier weights. In the parts structure, breast items were at least adequate and continued to lack strength, but wings had stabilized with some increased inquiries reported. Dark meat items were in the better position aided by export interest. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were desirable to heavy.

NORTHEAST Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was light to moderate as dealers remained cautious. Offerings of 3 pound and lighter birds remain in the best balanced position, with heavier sizes usually adequate to available. Movement through retail and distributive channels was slow. The market tone was generally steady. In the parts complex, breast were ample and often discounted, b/s breast adequate to fully adequate. Dark meat items were at least adequate, with drum improving. Wings were adequate to fully adequate for trade needs.

MIDWEST Whole broiler/fryer trade sentiment was generally steady. Offerings of additional whole birds and Wogs were abundant on 3 pound and up sizes and sufficient on lighter weight birds. Buyer interest was very limited as regular commitments were fully sufficient for needs. Movement into retail and food service sectors was light and disappointing for the most part with a few resort areas, fast food and some retail accounts reporting fairly good demand. Floor stocks were adequate to fully adequate and distributors attempting to keep it in balance. Weights were in a desirable range. Parts movement was moderate on dark meat items, wings mixed and all other items slow to clear. Product offerings were in balance on leg quarter, mixed on wings and fully adequate to occasionally burdensome on breast items. The market tone was steady on dark meat items, wings were unsettled and breast items were cautiously steady to instances weak.

WESTERN The market tone was generally steady. Offerings of the smaller sized product ranged adequate to balanced with current needs. The larger birds were at least adequate to fully adequate. Buyers interest in other than regular commitments was limited but noted as typical of midweek trading. Retail demand mostly fair fairly good at times. Trade sentiment on bone-in breasts barely steady and generally steady on the balance of parts.

CHICK PLACEMENT AND EGG SET TOTAL

15 STATES	PERCENT CHANGE		
WEEK ENDING 06/09/01	2001	2000	PREVIOUS YEAR
EGGS SET	186,170	185,844	0
CHICKS PLACED	150,913	148,957	+01
*19 STATES			
EGGS SET	206,530	-	-
CHICKS PLACED	169,494	-	-

BROILER EGGS SET IN 15 SELECTED STATES UP SLIGHTLY

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-State weekly program set 186 million eggs in incubators during the week ending June 9, 2001. This was up slightly from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED UP 1 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 15-State weekly program placed 151 million chicks for meat production during the week ending June 9, 2001. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week in 2000. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2000 through June 9, 2001 were 3.38 billion, down slightly from the same period a year earlier.

*FOUR ADDITIONAL STATES IN WEEKLY PROGRAM

Beginning May 16, 2001 four additional States were being published for the first time in the weekly program for broiler eggs set in incubators and broiler chicks placed for meat production. The four additional States are Kentucky, Louisiana, Missouri, and Oklahoma. Data collection and weekly estimates began with the week ending April 7, 2001.

Commercial hatcheries for the 19 States set a total of 207 million eggs in incubators during the week ending June 9, 2001. Broiler growers in the 19 States placed 169 million chicks for meat production during the week ending June 9, 2001.

BASED ON THE PRELIMINARY CHICK PLACEMENTS, THE NUMBER OF FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING DURING THE WEEK ENDING 21-Jul-01 IS ESTIMATED AT 156.0 MILLION HEAD. THIS COMPARES TO 154.7 MILLION HEAD THE PREVIOUS WEEK AND TO 157.4 MILLION HEAD THE SAME WEEK A YEAR AGO, WHEN THE SLAUGHTER WAS 163.5 MILLION HEAD AND THE 12-CITY WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE WAS 56.61 CENTS PER POUND.

JUNE 12, 2001

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

JUNE 13, 2001

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

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	968	104.00-199.00	120-125	127.95
TENDERLOINS	280	140.00-235.00	140-145	171.61
BREAST - LINE RUN	73	79.00-82.50	-	79.58
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	129	40.00-49.00	40-43	41.56
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	402	25.00-28.00	25-27	25.81
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,655	27.00-31.00	29-30	29.54
WINGS (WHOLE)	316	81.00-100.00	97-99	97.51
WINGS (CUT)	656	98.00-111.00	104-106	107.68
DRUMSTICKS	76	49.00-52.00	-	51.76
THIGHS	71	42.00-49.00	-	45.55
B/S THIGHS	411	92.00-99.00	-	98.40

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	958	110.00-199.00	120-127	130.82
TENDERLOINS	279	140.00-235.00	140-145	147.35
BREAST - LINE RUN	73	79.00-81.00	79-80	79.33
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	209	40.00-49.00	40-43	42.64
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	442	24.50-28.00	25-26	25.69
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,735	27.00-31.00	29-30	29.54
WINGS (WHOLE)	316	81.00-100.00	97-99	97.51
WINGS (CUT)	623	98.00-111.00	104-107	107.41
DRUMSTICKS	76	49.00-52.00	-	51.76
THIGHS	71	38.00-49.00	-	43.58
B/S THIGHS	416	88.00-99.00	-	97.94

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

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
42.50 - 46.00	43.91	41.75 - 50.50	43.35	45.45

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 slow and disappointing. However, b/s breast were improving but still discounted and available, breast continue to trade at lower levels to stimulate movement. Wings were adequate to fully adequate but steady. Drums were steady to fully steady, other dark meat items were steady but sufficient for needs. Movement through retail and distributive channels was reported as mostly light to occasionally good, best where features were in progress. The market tone was unsettled to barely steady on b/s breast, weak on breast and usually steady on balance.

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

ITEM	JUNE 12, 2001		
	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	115	125.62	490,620
TENDERLOINS	135-140	143.79	184,756
BREAST - WITH RIBS	59-60	69.64	333,000
BREAST - LINE RUN	59	55.85	245,680
LEGS	41-42	44.77	199,080
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	29-30	30.36	616,554
DRUMSTICKS	36-37	45.91	204,710
THIGHS	36-37	42.96	216,840
B/S THIGHS	88-89	92.27	77,910
WINGS (WHOLE)	94-95	99.35	399,760
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	12.05	94,640
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35	39.24	85,605
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40-45	44.89	121,020

ITEM	JUNE 13, 2001		
	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	115	126.60	678,030
TENDERLOINS	135-140	144.67	87,680
BREAST - WITH RIBS	56-57	68.85	265,720
BREAST - LINE RUN	56	58.09	201,600
LEGS	41-42	47.26	197,700
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	29-30	30.31	572,320
DRUMSTICKS	36-37	46.12	171,060
THIGHS	36-37	42.50	185,920
B/S THIGHS	88-89	92.53	71,480
WINGS (WHOLE)	94-95	101.76	424,300
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	11.99	97,120
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35	39.56	89,360
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40-45	44.82	121,240

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		AVG WTS	
	06/13	06/12	06/11	06/08	06/11	06/08	06/06	06/04
ALA	4,015	3,980	4,022	4,534	5.13	5.06	3,898	5.18
ARK	5,058	5,311	5,119	5,525	5.01	4.78	4,731	5.05
DELMARVA	2,369	2,369	2,345	2,324	5.08	5.13	2,361	5.18
KY-LA-TN	2,021	2,014	2,000	2,267	4.61	4.51	1,916	4.62
MISS	2,866	2,724	2,797	2,939	5.14	5.11	2,756	5.18
NC	2,608	2,580	2,574	2,816	6.01	5.75	2,590	6.10
TEXAS	2,340	2,305	2,289	2,613	4.87	4.68	2,362	4.83
TOTAL	21,277	21,283	21,146	23,018	5.13	4.99	20,614	5.17
MON-WED	64,111	(A)					62,962	(A)

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 13-Jun 01 and is estimated to be 31,833,000 up 2.12 percent from a week ago and up 1.5 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 31,173,000; last year 31,366,000)

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY

DELIVERED TO RETAILERS		RANGE
FRESH FRYERS		85-87
ROASTERS 4# & UP		71-90
HENS UNDER 5#		-
HENS OVER 5#		-
DUCKS		139
RABBITS-WHOLE		-
RABBITS-CUT UP		-
SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY		
DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS		
FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK	94-96
	DRY PACK	96-104
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK	104-113
	DRY PACK	113-123
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK	98
	DRY PACK	91
DUCKS		152-166

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING JUNE 16-01

CLASS	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	06/16/01 (1)	06/09/01
	THOUSAND HEAD	
BRO-FRY	163,196 (2)	160,572
LT HENS	1,825	1,552
HVY HENS	1,541	1,463
CHECK TOTAL	166,562	163,587

(1)ESTIMATED

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 16-Jun-01 is 158.1 million head compared to 161.7 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 163.5 million head or 5.4 million more than estimated available. For week of 23-Jun-01 the estimated available is 158.3 million head.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS - SELECTED STGE CENTERS (INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEY		PROCESSED POULTRY	
	LBS		LBS	
AM 11-Jun-01	163,750		60,911	
AM 1-Jun-01	154,870		63,232	
CHG	8,880		-2,321	
PCT CHG	6		-4	

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEYS			PROCESSED POULTRY		
	06/11/01	06/04/01	06/12/00	06/11/01	06/04/01	06/12/00
PACIFIC COAST	25,964	23,155	21,416	4,281	4,744	13,191
LOS ANGELES	2,227	1,839	406	2,343	2,452	4,364

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 JUNE 11, 2001

	RANGE
HENS ICE PACKED (12 PER BOX)	54-58
VACUUM PACKED (6-9 PER BOX)	59-65

HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES

	FOR 06/12/01				FOR 06/12/01		
	LOW	HIGH	AVG		LOW	HIGH	AVG
HEAVY FOWL lb.	.30	.70	.47	HEAVY FOWL ea.	.55	4.00	-
LIGHT FOWL lb.	-	-	-	LIGHT FOWL ea.	-	-	-
MIXED FOWL lb.	.20	1.05	.55	MIXED FOWL ea.	1.75	4.75	-
BANTAMS lb.	-	-	-	BANTAMS ea.	1.50	2.00	-
BROILERS lb.	.35	.60	.42	BROILERS ea.	-	-	-
ROASTERS lb.	.50	.95	.71	ROASTERS ea.	-	-	-
FRYERS lb.	-	-	-	FRYERS ea.	-	-	-
CHICKS lb.	-	-	-	CHICKS ea.	.10	.90	-
PULLETS lb.	-	-	-	PULLETS ea.	2.00	7.00	-
BUNNIES lb.	-	-	-	BUNNIES ea.	.75	2.00	-
ROOSTERS lb.	.80	1.00	.90	ROOSTERS ea.	1.25	4.00	-
GEESE lb.	-	.20	-	GEESE ea.	-	-	-
TURKEYS lb.	.10	.30	.27	TURKEYS ea.	2.00	3.75	-
DUCKS lb.	.80	1.05	.91	DUCKS ea.	.60	3.00	-
RABBITS lb.	.50	1.25	1.03	RABBITS ea.	1.00	1.75	-
PIGEONS lb.	-	-	-	PIGEONS ea.	1.00	4.00	-
GUINEA FOWL lb.	-	-	-	GUINEA FOWL ea.	4.00	8.00	-
DUCKLINGS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKLINGS ea.	.50	1.00	-
GUINEA KEETS ea	1.75	2.25	-	CALL DUCKS ea.	-	8.00	-
SILKIES ea.	1.25	2.25	-	GOSLINGS ea.	-	-	-
GUINEA PIGS ea.	.40	.80	-				

TOTAL COOPS 220

MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS-Mexico City

Cents per pound for the week ending June 08, 2001

	Whole		Legs w/	Necks,Backs	Livers/	
	Chickens	Breasts	Thighs	& Wings	Gizzards	
RAYON						
Low	76.62	160.26	105.17	20.03	4.01	42.57
High	78.13	165.27	110.18	25.04	4.51	42.57
Mostly	77.12	165.27	110.18	25.04	4.01	42.57
SAN JUAN						
Low	80.13	170.27	135.22	35.06	7.51	49.58
High	83.13	180.29	140.23	42.57	9.01	49.58
Mostly	82.63	172.78	140.23	37.56	7.51	49.58
NEW SAN JUAN						
Low	76.62	150.24	100.16	20.03	3.51	40.06
High	78.13	160.26	110.18	25.04	4.51	40.06
Mostly	77.12	160.26	105.17	20.03	3.51	40.06
BECERRA						
Low	81.13	175.28	135.22	40.06	5.01	50.08
High	84.14	185.30	145.23	42.57	6.01	50.08
Mostly	82.63	180.29	135.22	42.57	5.01	50.08

DELMARVA

Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was light to fair and about as expected for mid-week trading. Offerings of lighter weight birds were in good balance and well cleared. Heavier sizes were adequate. Live supplies were at least moderate; weights were desirable to heavy. Processing schedules were moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 56 to 70 cents. Trade sentiment was generally steady. Bone-in breast were readily available and competitively priced to stimulate interest. Boneless skinless breast adequate to fully adequate. Leg items were in good balance and clearing. Wings were fully 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	53-76
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	59.30
NO. OF BOXES	13,514

*7 of 8 plants reporting.

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