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## NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Majority prices for next week are trending mostly unchanged. Trade sentiment was generally steady. Retail demand was light to moderate, best for features. Food service was fair to good, best into resort areas and catering businesses. Supplies were adequate to ample with heavier weights more balanced to at times tight in the East. In the parts structure, trading was light to moderate, best where features were in progress or planned. Breast items were better balanced and clearing well, wings were readily available and slowly moving, and dark meat was at least sufficient. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were light to heavy, mostly desirable.

**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 06/25-06/30/01 (cents per lb)

AREAS	US GRADE A		COMPOSITE	
	MAJORITY	RANGE	WTD AVG	LOADS
(Including branded product)				
Delivered to First Receivers				
Chicago	50.00-55.00	49.00-66.00	53.04	26
Los Angeles	69.00			
New York	54.00-56.00			
Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent				
Mississippi	63.50-64.50	47.00-66.00	63.88	81

**GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES** Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 63.50 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.
646	57.50-65.75	63.00

Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed preliminary weighted average price on ice packed parts:

ITEM	WTD. AVG. (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	207.00	1,231
BREASTS - B/S	134.50	3,868
BREASTS - WHOLE	70.00	1,073
THIGH MEAT - B/S	96.00	690
LEG QUARTERS	29.50	7,778
WINGS	98.00	2,718

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**MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYERS** Preliminary majority prices for next week's deliveries into the Chicago area were unchanged from last Monday's final. Whole broiler/fryer trade sentiment was steady. Offerings of additional whole birds and Wogs were mixed, generally light with buyers satisfied through regular commitments. Retail and food service movement was in a full range, slow to good and best into catering, features and resort areas. Floor stocks were adequate to ample with weights mostly desirable. Parts trading continued on the light side with dark meat items and boneless/skinless breasts receiving best interest. Supplies of boneless/skinless breasts were adequate, though more balanced for trade needs, dark meat items clearing and wings were adequate to ample. The market tone was steady to fully steady on leg quarters and boneless/skinless breasts, steady to barely steady on whole breasts and barely steady to weak on wings.

**SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS** Trade sentiment was steady. Demand entering the weekend showed improved interest with holiday needs being evaluated. Supplies were usually sufficient. In the parts structure, movement and inquiries for product increased due to preparations for July 4th, planned retail features, and further processing needs. Availability was adequate to well cleared for breast items and dark meat, and wings were mixed, but available. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

**WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS** Preliminary majority prices were unchanged with trading for next week's deliveries at generally unchanged prices. Offerings adequate. Demand by stores good to cover features otherwise moderate, sit-down restaurants fair and fast food fairly good. Dealers anticipated satisfactory weekend clearances. Leg quarters and breasts reported trading at slightly higher prices. Ads noted: Southern California - whole body 59-89, whole cut-up 79-149, boneless breasts 199-399 (IQF 3# 567), boneless thighs 178, boneless leg meat 98-129, split breasts 139-188, whole legs 139, leg quarters 79-88 (10# bag 590), wings 158, thighs 69-139 (IQF 4# 276), drumsticks 69-139 (IQF 4# 276), roasters 98; Northern California - whole cut-up 129, cornish 219, roasters 98, drumettes 199, leg quarters 88, wings 158, thighs 89-98 (IQF 4# 399), drumsticks 98 (IQF 4# 399), boneless thighs 178, split breasts 99-199, boneless breasts 258-399 (IQF 3# 698); Denver - whole body 49; Arizona - whole cut-up 119, boneless breasts 188-399, split breasts 99, leg quarters 69-97 (10# bag 490), wings 79-99, thighs 79-119, drumsticks 79-119, roasters 99.

**NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYERS** Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was fair to moderate entering the weekend. Offerings of heavier sizes were in better balance than earlier in the week with 3.5 to 4 pound sizes noted as adequate to tight. Other sizes were sufficient. Movement into retail and distributive channels was fair. The market tone was generally steady. In the parts complex, breast items were in good balance and clearing satisfactorily. Wings were readily available. Dark meat items were adequate fully adequate.

**DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS** Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was mostly fair to moderate entering the weekend. Offerings were generally noted as tight on the 3.5 to 4.0 sizes; fully adequate on the balance. Live supplies were at least moderate; weights varied in a range of light to heavy. Processing schedules were moderately heavy and included some plants curtailing production today and spot operations set for Saturday. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 56 to 70 cents. Trade sentiment was mostly steady. In the parts complex, supplies of boneless skinless breasts had tightened. Wings remained readily available and difficult to clear.

\*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	52-77	
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	59.35	
NO. OF BOXES	13,293	
CUMULATIVE		
	06/18/01-06/22/01	59.32
	06/19/00-06/23/00	57.06
NO. OF BOXES		
	06/18/01-06/22/01	67,640
	06/19/00-06/23/00	50,453

\*7 of 8 plants reporting.

JUNE 21	SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS								JUN 22	
	POUNDS		WTD		POUNDS		WTD		WEEKLY	
ITEM	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	AVG	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	(000)	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	1,039	107.50-197.00	125-132	131.02	951	110.00-197.00	125-132	132.28	4,675	131.80
TENDERLOINS	283	140.00-235.00	-	172.19	348	132.00-235.00	138-142	165.10	1,427	167.63
BREAST - LINE RUN	75	75.00-80.00	75-79	75.71	78	75.00-81.00	75-79	75.89	365	77.09
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				388	62.88
LEGS	163	40.50-49.00	41-43	42.31	128	40.00-49.00	40-43	41.50	867	42.02
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	359	25.00-29.50	28	27.83	360	25.00-29.50	27-28	27.38	1,797	26.82
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,716	27.00-31.00	29-30	29.61	1,986	27.00-31.00	29-30	29.64	8,517	29.50
WINGS (WHOLE)	321	81.00-99.00	95-97	96.89	321	85.00-99.00	97-99	97.33	1,308	96.57
WINGS (CUT)	617	98.00-112.00	103-109	107.54	594	103.00-112.00	104-107	107.82	3,001	107.82
DRUMSTICKS	110	45.00-52.00	-	50.76	79	44.00-52.00	-	51.45	450	50.84
THIGHS	71	44.00-49.00	-	46.54	39	42.00-49.00	-	45.37	250	45.49
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				432	95.38
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WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS					WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS					
TRADING FOR JUNE 21, 2001 F.O.B. DOCK. TODAY'S					TRADING FOR JUN 22, 2001 F.O.B. DOCK. TODAY'S					5-DAY
RANGE		AVERAGE		RANGE		AVERAGE		AVERAGE		
42.75 - 47.75		45.54		42.50 - 48.25		45.44		44.47		

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 moderate entering the weekend. Offerings of boneless skinless breasts were in good balance and clearing satisfactorily. Bone-in breasts were generally adequate. Wings were readily available and slow in clearing. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair, best where features were in progress. The market tone was fully steady on boneless skinless breast, steady on bone-in breast. Dark meat items were no better than steady. Wings were weak.

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

JUNE 21	CURRENT NEG			WTD	CURRENT NEG			WTD	JUN 22	
	TRADING*	AVG**	VOL/LBS		TRADING*	AVG**	VOL/LBS		WTD AVG	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	115	127.83	601,980	120-125	134.06	402,540	129.69	2,401,160		
TENDERLOINS	135-140	141.44	140,280	135-140	139.96	148,166	142.72	685,467		
BREAST - WITH RIBS	58-59	64.97	276,520	58-59	65.21	297,760	64.86	1,479,320		
BREAST - LINE RUN	58	58.56	162,000	58	60.71	126,000	58.18	734,400		
LEGS	41-42	46.23	235,960	41-42	45.67	218,160	45.93	1,149,660		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	29-30	30.15	611,579	29-30	30.11	588,517	30.08	3,085,732		
DRUMSTICKS	37-38	45.85	181,650	37-38	45.03	185,260	45.65	883,520		
THIGHS	37-38	45.13	151,350	37-38	44.16	172,160	44.33	832,480		
B/S THIGHS	88-89	92.08	70,080	88-89	93.39	65,160	92.34	335,170		
WINGS (WHOLE)	91-92	101.27	323,240	88-89	98.20	359,080	99.46	1,912,860		
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	12.23	94,440	10-12	12.01	104,040	12.10	494,200		
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35	39.54	90,480	30-35	39.84	105,720	39.45	477,430		
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40-45	44.85	130,000	40-45	44.90	154,000	44.82	685,970		

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	
	06/22	06/21	06/20	06/19	06/20	06/19	06/15	06/13
ALA	3,926	3,962	3,913	3,979	5.01	5.05	4,202	5.16
ARK	5,607	5,343	5,182	5,116	4.92	4.88	5,897	4.90
DELMARVA	2,454	2,286	2,355	2,341	5.06	5.10	2,181	5.06
KY-LA-TN	2,180	2,055	1,976	2,003	4.52	4.40	2,351	4.49
MISS	2,840	2,810	2,872	2,751	5.08	4.98	2,962	5.22
NC	2,942	2,627	2,622	2,547	5.82	5.96	2,761	5.86
TEXAS	2,735	2,353	2,339	2,332	4.70	4.82	2,093	4.69
TOTAL	22,684	21,436	21,259	21,069	5.02	5.03	22,447	5.06
MON-FRI108,158(A)					105,891(A)			

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.  
 Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 22 and 23-Jun-01 is estimated to be 33,938,000 down 0.85 percent from a week ago and down 4.1 percent from a year ago.  
 (Last week 34,230,000; last year 35,404,000)  
 Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the week ending 23-Jun-01 is estimated to be 156,962,000 head down 3.2 percent from a week ago, and down 1.7 percent from a year ago  
 (Last week 162,193,000 Last year 159,663,000)

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

	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**

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	DRY PACK 96-104
	ICE PACK 94-96
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK 104-113
	DRY PACK 113-123
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK 98
	DRY PACK 91
DUCKS	152-166

**YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED** Under federal inspection, classified by live weight, week ending June 09, 2001 (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	35,146	23,677	54,236
Avg Weight	3.74	4.68	6.08
% of total /1	31%	21%	48%

**COMPARISONS**

Last week	27,117	27,191	41,457
Avg Weight	3.46	4.72	6.18
% of total /1	28%	28%	43%
Same week, yr ago /2	35,953	31,957	49,323
Avg Weight	3.81	4.72	6.00
% of total /1	31%	27%	42%
To date/2001	745,000	599,247	1,051,847
To date/2000	773,169	738,971	952,800

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 16-Jun-2001 (PRELIMINARY)

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
-----THOUSANDS-----					

HEAD	162,193(A)	1,803	1,260	3,063	546
AVG WT	5.01	3.49	7.93	5.32	6.67
LAST WEEK	159,629	1,740	1,295	3,035	493
YR AGO	159,718	1,884	1,632	3,516	467
AVG WT	4.90	3.50	8.01	5.59	6.93
TO-DATE/2001	3,651,263	43,035	32,043	75,078	12,068
TO-DATE/2000	3,699,017	47,971	33,547	81,518	10,845

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 158.1 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 164.2 million head or 6.1 million head more than or 104 percent of estimated fryers available.

**EAST PETERSBURG POULTRY - DATE OF AUCTION: JUNE 19, 2001**

	RANGE	RANGE
Muscovy Ducks - Drakes	1.30 - 1.42	Silkie 2.75 - 3.50ea.
Muscovy Ducks - Hens	1.30 - 1.36	Geese 9-14 LBS .20 - .32
Pekin Ducks	.40 - .64	Pigeons 2.25 - 4.00ea.
Red Fowl 4-4.5 LBS	.40 - .62	White Pigeons 4.00 - 4.85ea.
Red Fowl 5-6 LBS	.60 - 1.02	Rabbits 4-6 LBS .90 - 1.36
Crossbred Fowl 5-9 LBS	.60 - .94	Rabbits 7-11 LBS .80 - 1.10
Crossbred Roosters		Bunnies .50 - 2.50ea.
4-6 LBS	.50 - 1.20	Guinea Pigs .10 - 1.00ea.
Crossbred Roosters		Goats 50.00 - 82.00ea.
7-11 LBS	.40 - 1.12	Kid Goats 17.00 - 50.00ea.
Guinea Fowl	2.00 - 2.15	Doves 3.00 - 6.00ea.
Banty Roosters	4.00 - 9.50ea.	Pullets 4-6 LBS .60 - .74
Banty Hens	3.00 - 4.50ea.	
Leghorn Hens	.18 - .24	Total Coops Sold 734
Leghorn Roosters	.20 - .34	

**EASTERN REGION MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY**

FOR CURRENT DELIVERY FOR THE WEEK OF 18-JUNE-2001

**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	122-126	123-127
MOSTLY	122-124	123-125

**ROASTERS:** PRICES NEGOTIATED BY FIRST RECEIVERS, US GRADE A AND PLANT GRADE, 5 POUNDS AND UP, DELIVERED

RANGE	MOSTLY
ICE PACKED (12 PER BOX)	68-69
VACUUM PACKED (6-9 PER BOX)	62-85 64-71

**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 unchanged. Trade

sentiment steady. Demand was fair to instances good. Sizes were desirable. Slaughter schedules were full-time. Prices paid to first receivers for 10-18oz boneless breast at \$5.00-5.25, bone in legs at \$1.35-1.38, gizzards at \$1.35-1.40, wings at \$.50-.75, livers at \$.50-1.50, and feet at \$.90-1.15.

NEGOTIATED BY FIRST RECEIVERS FOR US GRADE A DELIVERED IN TRUCKLOT AND POOL TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, 4-5 POUNDS, WEEK OF 18-JUNE-2001

ORIGIN	FROZEN	FRESH
MIDWEST AND OTHERS	120-123	124
MOSTLY		

**ESTIMATED U.S. SLAUGHTER COMPARED TO ESTIMATED FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING.**

WEEK ENDING	MILLION HEAD SLAUGHTERED	MILLION HEAD AVAILABLE	PCT	AVG WT
MAY	12 159.9	159.1	101	5.20
	19 162.3	157.9	103	5.16
	26 162.8	157.4	103	5.02
JUNE	2 144.2	156.7	92	5.16
	9 161.6	156.9	103	5.04
	16 164.2	158.1	104	5.01
YEAR TO DATE	3,695.7	3,667.8	101	
JUNE	23	158.3		
	30	158.5		

**BROILER/CATTLE/HOG WEEKLY ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER**

W/E	-----THOUSANDS-----				
	06/23/01	06/16/01	% CHG	06/24/00	% CHG
Broilers	156,962	162,193	-03	159,663	-02
Cattle	716	700	+02	737	-03
Hogs	1,744	1,755	-01	1,771	-02

Under Federal Inspection

\* ACTUAL

**NATIONAL CANNER FOWL MARKET** Majority prices were unchanged to lower on heavy canners and unchanged to slightly irregular on light canners when compared to a week earlier. Offerings were in a full range of about adequate to sufficient for trade needs. Demand was fair to good. The undertone was generally steady.

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, WITHOUT FREIGHT COST INCLUDED

<b>LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)</b>	<b>HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)</b>
24-25.25 MAJORITY 24-25	30-38 MAJORITY 31-33

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, FREIGHT COST INCLUDED

<b>LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)</b>	<b>HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)</b>
24.5-28.25 MAJORITY 24.5-25	32-40 MAJORITY 32-33

**EASTERN LIGHT** Prices were unchanged. Demand remained light for fully adequate to ample offerings. Processing schedules for next week were reported as normal. Canners movement was moderate with offerings adequate for needs. The market tone was steady.

**SOUTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN** Prices were too few to report. Demand was light to moderate for fully adequate offerings of spent leg-horns. Finished sales were slow. Schedules were reduced but at desired levels. Trade sentiment was weak.

**NORTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN** Prices continued unchanged. Demand was light to moderate with offerings continuing at least ample. Alternative slaughter operations were working full schedules and still accepting a large number of spent fowl. Trade sentiment about steady.

### **LIVE HENS**

Cents per pound, generally for slaughter the following week.

<b><u>HEAVY</u></b>	<b><u>RANGE</u></b>	<b><u>MAJORITY</u></b>
Southeast Heavy	TFEWR	(1)
Southeast Heavy	TFEWR	(2)
f.o.b. plant	TFEWR	
South Central Heavy	TFEWR	(1)
<b><u>LIGHT</u></b>	<b><u>RANGE</u></b>	<b><u>MAJORITY</u></b>
Eastern Light	0-0	(1)
Eastern Light	0-0	(2)
So. Central Light	TFEWR	(2)
No. Central Light	TFEWR	(1)
No. Central Light	0	(2)
(1) Buyer Loading	(2) Producer Loading	

(TFEWR) TOO FEW TO REPORT

**SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN** Sales were too few to report prices. Demand was moderate for fully adequate offerings. Processing schedules were reported as normal to heavy. Finished product supplies were about adequate to adequate for trade needs. The undertone was generally steady.

**SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN** Trading was too few to report. Demand was light to moderate for fully adequate offerings of heavy hens. Schedules were normal. Finished sales were fair. Trade sentiment was only steady.

**WEST COAST LIGHT LIVE HEN** Plants worked full schedules. Offerings ample.

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