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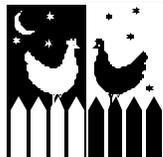
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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

Trade sentiment was mostly steady. Retail demand was mostly moderate at best with mixed opinions of holiday and first of the month movement. Food service was fair to good, best into fast food, resorts, and restaurants. Supplies were usually sufficient for trade needs. In the parts structure, breast items were balanced to tight and moving well, dark meat was at least adequate, but close to tight for leg quarters. Wings were readily available with light interest. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

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 63.75 cents based on full truck load lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 59.25 cents last year on the 28th of June, 2000. Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted prices on ice-packed parts for next week's trading.

ITEM	DOCK PRICE (CENTS PER POUND)
LINE RUN TENDERS	207.00
BREASTS - B/S	140.00
BREASTS - WHOLE	74.00
THIGH MEAT - B/S	98.50
LEG QUARTERS	31.50
WINGS	98.00

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SOUTHERN Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady. Demand was fair to good with interest expected to improve further as first of the month and July 4th approaches. Supplies were sufficient to close balanced for trade needs. In the parts structure, availability was limited on breast items, leg quarters, and drums with the remaining items available. Movement was moderate to good, best for breast cuts. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were desirable to heavy, mostly desirable.

NORTHEAST Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was mostly fair during midweek trading. Offerings of all sizes were at least adequate, however, the 3 pound and lighter birds had moved into a better balanced position. Movement into retail and distributive channels was fair. The market tone was about steady. In the parts complex, breast items remained balanced to well cleared. Legs and leg quarters were at least sufficient. Wings were readily available.

MIDWEST Whole broiler/fryer trade sentiment was steady. Offerings of additional whole birds and Wogs varied with trade interest mostly light. Retail movement was moderate at best and tapering. Player expectations failed to agree on demand for first of the month and upcoming holiday. Food service demand was in a full range, mostly fairly good with fast food promotions stimulating demand. Resort areas and restaurant accounts orders were fairly good as well. Floor stocks were adequate to ample with mixed sizes. Trading on parts items was slowing with dark meat items the best call. Supplies of leg quarters were adequate to tight, wings wide-ranging and breast items were balanced to occasionally long. The market tone was generally steady on breast items, steady to fully steady on dark meat items and steady to weak on wings.

WESTERN The market tone was steady with early trading for next week at mainly unchanged prices. Offerings about adequate for the good buying interest. Retailer demand good to cover Fourth of July needs. Floor stocks adequate. Breasts strong, balance of parts generally fully steady.

CHICK PLACEMENT AND EGG SET TOTAL

15 STATES			PERCENT CHANGE
WEEK ENDING 06/23/01	2001	2000	PREVIOUS YEAR
EGGS SET	182,596	180,334	+01
CHICKS PLACED	151,426	150,449	+01
*19 STATES			
EGGS SET	202,805	-	-
CHICKS PLACED	169,427	-	-

Broiler Eggs Set In 15 Selected States Up 1 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-State weekly program set 183 million eggs in incubators during the week ending June 23, 2001. This was up 1 percent 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 23, 2001. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week in 2000. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2000 through June 23, 2001 were 3.68 billion, down slightly from the same period a year earlier.

*FOUR ADDITIONAL STATES IN WEEKLY PROGRAM

Beginning May 16, 2001 four additional States were added to 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 203 million eggs in incubators during the week ending June 23, 2001. Broiler growers in the 19 States placed 169 million chicks for meat production during the week ending June 23, 2001.

BASED ON THE PRELIMINARY CHICK PLACEMENTS, THE NUMBER OF FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING DURING THE WEEK ENDING 04-Aug-01 IS ESTIMATED AT 157.5 MILLION HEAD. THIS COMPARES TO 157.3 MILLION HEAD THE PREVIOUS WEEK AND TO 157.6 MILLION HEAD THE SAME WEEK A YEAR AGO, WHEN THE SLAUGHTER WAS 161.2 MILLION HEAD AND THE 12-CITY WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE WAS 55.43 CENTS PER POUND.

JUNE 26, 2001

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

JUNE 27, 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				ITEM	POUNDS			
	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG		(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	958	115.00-195.00	130-141	134.31	BREAST - B/S	963	120.00-195.00	135-145	138.36
TENDERLOINS	260	140.00-235.00	140-145	173.94	TENDERLOINS	312	140.00-235.00	140-145	168.03
BREAST - LINE RUN	74	75.00-79.00	77-78	75.65	BREAST - LINE RUN	114	74.00-82.00	75-78	77.35
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT				FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	208	40.00-49.00	43-45	43.13	LEGS	248	40.00-49.00	43-46	43.11
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	402	26.00-30.50	28	28.20	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	519	26.00-30.50	28-29	28.03
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,746	28.00-32.00	29.5-31	30.20	LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,781	28.00-32.00	30-32	30.99
WINGS (WHOLE)	321	85.00-99.00	97-99	97.33	WINGS (WHOLE)	318	85.00-98.50	96-98	96.94
WINGS (CUT)	618	104.00-111.00	105-110	108.32	WINGS (CUT)	565	105.00-110.00	106-109	108.81
DRUMSTICKS	76	49.00-52.00	-	51.76	DRUMSTICKS	108	47.00-53.00	-	50.84
THIGHS	75	45.50-49.00	-	47.21	THIGHS	39	47.00-51.00	-	50.32
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			

 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
45.00 - 50.25	47.60	46.00 - 50.75	48.32	46.66

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 interest was mostly moderate and noted as typical of midweek activity, however, many dealers were working from fully sufficient floorstocks in anticipation of approaching holiday movement. Offerings of bone-in breasts were in good balance, and boneless-skinless breasts were clearing well. Legs and leg quarters were at least adequate. Wings remained readily available. Movement through retail and distributive channels was moderate, and was best where feature activity was a factor. The market tone was fully steady to instances firm on breast meat cuts, no better than steady on wings.

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

ITEM	JUNE 26, 2001			ITEM	JUNE 27, 2001		
	CURRENT TRADING*	NEG	WTD AVG**		CURRENT TRADING*	NEG	WTD AVG**
BREAST - B/S	130		131.51	BREAST - B/S	130-135		132.74
TENDERLOINS	135		138.75	TENDERLOINS	135		137.26
BREAST - WITH RIBS	60-61		67.01	BREAST - WITH RIBS	61-62		66.94
BREAST - LINE RUN	60		63.56	BREAST - LINE RUN	61		63.95
LEGS	41-42		46.11	LEGS	41-42		45.69
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	29-30		29.97	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	29-30		29.92
DRUMSTICKS	37-38		43.30	DRUMSTICKS	37-38		43.46
THIGHS	37-38		43.37	THIGHS	37-38		42.39
B/S THIGHS	88-89		89.53	B/S THIGHS	88-89		92.49
WINGS (WHOLE)	88-89		92.42	WINGS (WHOLE)	88-89		94.30
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12		12.07	BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12		11.99
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35		39.27	LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35		39.66
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40-45		44.95	GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40-45		44.44

 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	
	06/27	06/26	06/25	06/22	06/25	06/22	06/20	06/18
ALA	4,021	3,965	3,680	3,865	5.07	4.90	3,913	5.10
ARK	5,381	5,383	5,081	5,644	4.92	4.82	5,182	4.88
DELMARVA	2,357	2,300	2,342	2,481	5.14	5.18	2,355	5.13
KY-LA-TN	2,023	2,034	1,999	2,083	4.55	4.43	1,976	4.56
MISS	2,839	2,857	2,821	2,846	5.00	4.89	2,872	5.08
NC	2,631	2,645	2,620	2,949	5.94	5.63	2,622	5.98
TEXAS	2,358	2,373	2,369	2,864	4.79	4.66	2,339	4.75
TOTAL	21,610	21,557	20,912	22,732	5.06	4.93	21,259	5.06
MON-WED	64,375 (A)						63,107 (A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 27-Jun 01 and is estimated to be 32,331,000 up 1.35 percent from a week ago and up 2.0 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 31,901,000; last year 31,700,000)

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

	ICE PACK	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS		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 30-01

CLASS	THOUSAND HEAD	
	CURRENT WEEK 06/30/01 (1)	PREVIOUS WEEK 06/23/01
BRO-FRY	164,088 (2)	162,318
LT HENS	1,959	1,911
HVY HENS	1,437	1,577
CHECK TOTAL	167,484	165,806

(1)ESTIMATED

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 30-Jun-01 is 158.5 million head compared to 167.0 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 164.4 million head or 5.9 million more than estimated available. For week of 07-Jul-01 estimated available is 158.1 million head.

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

	PROCESSED TURKEY		PROCESSED POULTRY	
	LBS		LBS	
AM 25-Jun-01	169,651		70,308	
AM 1-Jun-01	154,870		63,232	
CHG	14,781		7,076	
PCT CHG	10		11	

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEYS			PROCESSED POULTRY		
	06/25/01	06/18/01	06/26/00	06/25/01	06/18/01	06/26/00
PACIFIC						
COAST	26,866	26,507	20,849	4,274	4,474	13,808
LOS ANGELES	3,143	2,632	364	2,480	2,536	4,459

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 25, 2001

HENS	ICE PACKED (12 PER BOX)	VACUUM PACKED (6-9 PER BOX)	RANGE
			50-56
			56-65

HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES

	LOW HIGH AVG			FOR 06/26/01		
	LOW	HIGH	AVG	LOW	HIGH	AVG
HEAVY FOWL lb.	.30	.90	.64	HEAVY FOWL ea.	.70	4.50
LIGHT FOWL lb.	-	-	-	LIGHT FOWL ea.	-	-
MIXED FOWL lb.	.60	1.45	1.24	MIXED FOWL ea.	-	-
BANTAMS lb.	-	.95	-	BANTAMS ea.	.40	4.75
BROILERS lb.	-	-	-	BROILERS ea.	-	-
ROASTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROASTERS ea.	-	-
FRYERS lb.	-	-	-	FRYERS ea.	-	-
CHICKS lb.	-	-	-	CHICKS ea.	.20	3.80
PULLETS lb.	-	-	-	PULLETS ea.	5.75	7.00
BUNNIES lb.	-	-	-	BUNNIES ea.	-	-
ROOSTERS lb.	1.00	2.00	1.53	ROOSTERS ea.	3.25	6.50
GEESE lb.	-	-	-	GEESE ea.	-	-
TURKEYS lb.	-	-	-	TURKEYS ea.	-	-
DUCKS lb.	.70	.80	.77	DUCKS ea.	1.50	4.25
RABBITS lb.	.45	1.40	1.04	RABBITS ea.	1.25	2.00
PIGEONS lb.	-	-	-	PIGEONS ea.	1.50	6.25
GUINEA FOWL lb.	-	-	-	GUINEA FOWL ea.	9.00	10.00
DUCKLINGS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKLINGS ea.	1.00	2.75
GUINEA KEETS ea.	2.753	2.5	-	CALL DUCKS ea.	4.50	8.50
SILKIES ea.	1.50	2.00	-	GOSLINGS ea.	-	-
GUINEA PIGS ea.	.70	1.00	-			

TOTAL COOPS 107

MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS-Mexico City

Cents per pound for the week ending June 22, 2001

	Whole Chickens	Breasts	Legs w/ Thighs	Necks,Backs & Wings	Livers/ Gizzards	Hens
RAYON						
Low	73.12	150.24	100.16	15.02	2.50	55.09
High	75.12	160.26	110.18	25.04	3.51	55.09
Mostly	74.12	150.24	100.16	20.03	3.00	55.09
SAN JUAN						
Low	77.62	165.27	130.21	35.06	5.01	50.58
High	80.13	175.28	135.22	40.06	7.51	50.58
Mostly	77.62	170.27	130.21	37.56	6.01	50.58
NEW SAN JUAN						
Low	72.12	150.24	95.15	15.02	2.50	55.09
High	74.12	160.26	105.17	25.04	3.00	55.09
Mostly	73.12	150.24	100.16	20.03	2.50	55.09
BECERRA						
Low	75.12	175.28	120.19	40.06	5.01	49.08
High	80.13	182.79	130.21	45.07	6.01	49.08
Mostly	77.62	175.28	125.20	42.57	5.01	49.08

DELMARVA

Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds remained sufficient in keeping offerings in generally good balance. Buyers were noted as cautiously optimistic, but additional interest was usually limited to standing commitments. Live supplies were at least moderate; weights were light to heavy, mostly desirable to heavy. Processing schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 56 to 70 cents. Trade sentiment was mostly steady. In the parts complex, breast cuts were adequate to tight and in the closer balance on supplies of bone-in. Leg items were adequate. Wings were readily available.

*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WINGTAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA

	BRANDED U.S. GRADE A
RANGE	51-77
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	59.30
NO. OF BOXES	13,601

*7 of 8 plants reporting.

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