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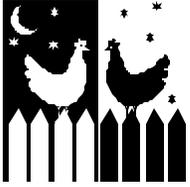
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## NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Majority prices for next week are trending unchanged to higher. Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady. Demand entering the weekend was fair to good, mostly better than moderate, best for retail ads in progress. Supplies were sufficient to close balanced with heavier weights at times fully adequate. In the parts structure, leg quarters and bone-in breasts were balanced to well cleared, wings were adequate to ample and slow to move. The remaining items were usually sufficient with mixed trading. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were mostly desirable, but instances heavy in the East, and light in the Midwest.

**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 07/09-07/13/01 (cents per lb)

### US GRADE A

(Including branded product)

AREAS	MAJORITY	RANGE	WTD AVG	LOADS
Delivered to First Receivers				
Chicago	50.00-55.00	50.00-66.50	53.73	26
Los Angeles	69.00			
New York	54.00-56.00			
Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent				
Mississippi	63.50-65.00	50.00-66.00	64.03	84

**GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES** Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 64.00 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.
679	57.85-65.50	63.51
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	206.00	1,248
BREASTS - B/S	142.00	4,023
BREASTS - WHOLE	72.50	1,061
THIGH MEAT - B/S	94.00	710
LEG QUARTERS	31.00	7,811
WINGS	97.50	2,705

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**MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYERS** The preliminary majority price for next week's delivery into Chicago was unchanged from Monday's final majority. Trade sentiment on whole fryers generally steady. Offers of whole fryers were adequate for buyer's current needs. Retail and food service demand moderate to good. Floor stocks were adequate to in close balance with some reports of late trucks. Sizes desirable to light. Supplies of leg quarters and bone in breast adequate to in close balance, boneless skinless breast adequate, wings adequate to ample. The trade sentiment was mixed on breast items, steady to barely steady on wings, mostly steady on balance of items.

**SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS** Trade sentiment was at least steady. Demand following the holiday was fair to good with retail ads and July 4th purchasing aiding movement. Supplies were balanced to well cleared for trade needs. In the parts structure, breast items were mixed, but available, and dark meat was adequate to closely cleared and moving. Wings continued to be more than adequate with light demand. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

**WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS** Preliminary majority prices unchanged from last Friday's levels. Trade sentiment generally steady. Trading reported on next week's deliveries were at mainly unchanged prices. Offerings adequate overall. Retailer demand moderate to good, best for parts particularly where featured. Dealer anticipated satisfactory weekend clearances. Ads noted: Southern California - whole body 69-89, whole cut-up 79-99, boneless breasts 189-499, boneless thigh meat 199, boneless leg meat 119, split breasts 99-119 (IQF 4# bag 599), whole legs 89, leg quarters 47 (10# bag 390), thighs 79-99 (IQF 4# bag 299), drumsticks 79-99 (IQF 4# bag 299); Northern California - boneless breasts 399, wings 119, whole 89, drumsticks 109, thighs 119, boneless thigh meat 249, cornish hens 169; Arizona - split breasts 99-169, boneless thigh meat 259, drumsticks IQF 4# bag 399-499, thighs IQF 4# bag 399-499.

**NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYERS** Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers increased entering the weekend and was noted as fairly good. Offerings were adequate to well cleared on the smaller sizes, at least adequate on the heavier birds. Movement into retail and distributive channels was fair to moderate, best where features were in progress. The market tone was steady to fully steady. In the parts complex, bone-in breast items were in good balance and well cleared. Boneless skinless breasts were fully adequate. Dark meat items were in good balance and clearing. Wings were available.

**DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS** Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was generally noted as good entering weekend. Offerings were adequate to well cleared on the 2.5 to 3.0 pound sizes; fully adequate on the heavier weights. Live supplies were at least moderate; weights were light to heavy, mostly desirable to heavy. Processing schedules were moderately heavy when combined with operations planned for Saturday. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 57 to 71 cents. Trade sentiment was fully steady. In the parts complex, bone-in breasts remained tight. Leg quarters were well cleared. Boneless skinless breasts, wings and in spots legs were slow 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	55-78
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	60.11
NO. OF BOXES	13,582
CUMULATIVE	07/02/01-07/06/01 59.81
	07/03/00-07/07/00 55.63
NO. OF BOXES	07/02/01-07/06/01 50,183
	07/03/00-07/07/00 34,552

\*7 of 8 plants reporting.

JULY 05		SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS								JUL 06	
ITEM	POUNDS		WTD		POUNDS		WTD		WEEKLY		
	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	AVG	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	(000)	WTD AVG	
BREAST - B/S	951	120.00-200.00	140-145	141.77	966	120.00-200.00	135-145	141.31	3,980	140.75	
TENDERLOINS	252	140.00-230.00	145	171.94	442	140.00-230.00	140-145	194.35	1,419	172.23	
BREAST - LINE RUN	119	73.00-78.00	73-75	74.67	119	73.00-79.00	73-75	74.97	426	73.56	
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				280	70.31	
LEGS	169	40.00-51.00	42-45	42.66	169	40.00-51.00	42-44	42.66	802	43.32	
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	389	27.00-30.00	27-29	27.43	429	27.00-30.00	28	28.14	1,636	27.57	
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,350	29.00-34.75	31-32	31.42	1,430	29.00-33.00	30-32	31.18	6,169	31.24	
WINGS (WHOLE)	314	85.00-98.00	97-98	96.42	314	85.00-98.00	96-97	96.42	1,264	96.96	
WINGS (CUT)	446	105.00-110.00	106-109	108.89	448	105.00-110.00	107-109	108.82	2,006	108.52	
DRUMSTICKS	76	46.00-53.00	-	52.54	72	51.00-53.00	-	52.83	334	52.36	
THIGHS	38	47.00-51.00	-	50.63	70	48.00-51.00	-	49.49	266	49.35	
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				133	98.02	

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 WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS

TRADING FOR JULY 05, 2001 F.O.B. DOCK. **TODAY'S**

RANGE	AVERAGE
47.25 - 52.50	49.34

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 WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS

TRADING FOR JUL 06, 2001 F.O.B. DOCK. **TODAY'S** **5-DAY**

RANGE	AVERAGE	AVERAGE
47.00 - 52.50	49.57	48.94

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 fair entering the weekend with dealers cautious and watching further market developments. Offerings of boneless skinless breasts ranged at least adequate to available. Bone-in breast were adequate and clearing. Wings were available. Movement through retail channels was fair. The market tone was steady to fully steady on bone-in breast, boneless skinless breasts were no better than steady. Dark meat items were at least steady. Wings were barely steady. ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND.

JULY 05		CURRENT NEG			WTD			JUL 06	
ITEM	TRADING*	WTD	AVG**	VOL/LBS	CURRENT NEG	WTD	VOL/LBS	WEEKLY	
								TRADING*	AVG**
BREAST - B/S	130-135	141.85	455,140	130-135	141.51	513,380	140.56	2,037,700	
TENDERLOINS	135	138.96	103,520	135	139.58	145,691	139.38	507,463	
BREAST - WITH RIBS	65-66	72.28	301,320	66-67	72.54	347,680	71.55	1,337,880	
BREAST - LINE RUN	65	69.69	117,000	66	71.14	126,000	69.30	451,880	
LEGS	41-42	46.82	236,700	41-42	46.40	278,280	45.32	1,064,540	
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	29-30	30.14	720,889	29-30	30.53	772,825	30.35	2,856,210	
DRUMSTICKS	37-38	46.23	156,270	38-39	46.15	160,880	45.47	702,480	
THIGHS	37-38	44.50	156,980	37-38	44.75	160,200	44.07	659,590	
B/S THIGHS	88-89	91.48	67,140	88-89	87.39	130,040	89.32	407,450	
WINGS (WHOLE)	87-88	92.54	365,120	87-88	94.20	381,720	90.98	1,615,580	
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	11.98	96,800	10-12	12.16	117,600	12.08	399,640	
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35	39.66	126,840	30-35	39.75	138,760	39.70	524,040	
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40-45	44.90	127,520	40-45	45.00	143,920	44.85	530,700	

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		AVG	
	07/06	07/05	07/04	07/03	WTS	ACTUAL	WTS	WTS
ALA	4,192	3,483	(A)	3,880	(A)	5.07	4,869	5.12
ARK	6,217	5,240	(A)	5,257	(A)	4.88	6,347	4.92
DELMARVA	2,549	2,320	(A)	2,330	(A)	5.00	3,044	5.09
KY-LA-TN	2,239	2,043	(A)	2,043	(A)	4.43	2,292	4.47
MISS	3,629	2,339	(A)	2,806	(A)	4.91	3,817	5.06
NC	2,851	2,418	(A)	2,628	(A)	5.79	3,721	5.87
TEXAS	2,630	2,399	(A)	2,395	(A)	4.76	2,786	4.70
TOTAL	24,307	20,242	5,044	21,339	4.71	4.99	26,876	5.05
MON-FRI	88,012(B)						111,323(B)	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 06-&07-Jul-01 is estimated to be 36,366,000 down 9.83 percent from a week ago and up 3.2 percent from a year ago. (Last week 40,330,000; last year 35,226,000) Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the week ending 07-Jul-01 is estimated to be 134,304,000 head down 18.4 percent from a week ago, and down 1.0 percent from a year ago (Last week 164,632,000 Last year 135,659,000)

**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 23, 2001 (Preliminary),

(A) Fast food/  
Food service  
4.20 Lbs & down (B) Retail 4.21-5.25 Lbs (C) Deboning 5.26 Lbs & Up

-----THOUSANDS-----

	4.20 Lbs & down	4.21-5.25 Lbs	5.26 Lbs & Up
Head	28,769	25,380	34,895
Avg Weight	3.71	4.77	5.98
% of total /1	32%	29%	39%
<b>COMPARISONS</b>			
Last week	34,064	29,680	42,821
Avg Weight	3.83	4.77	6.15
% of total /1	32%	28%	40%
Same week, yr ago /2	32,923	30,953	44,128
Avg Weight	3.77	4.86	5.97
% of total /1	30%	29%	41%
To date/2001	807,833	654,307	1,129,563
To date/2000	836,864	798,398	1,040,908

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 30-Jun-2001 (PRELIMINARY)

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

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
HEAD	164,632(A)	1,931	1,418	3,349	484
AVG WT	4.91	3.41	8.43	5.53	6.42
LAST WEEK	157,901	1,822	1,553	3,375	487
YR AGO	164,971	1,956	1,301	3,257	477
AVG WT	5.01	3.41	8.00	5.25	6.60
TO-DATE/2001	3,973,796	46,788	35,014	81,802	13,039
TO-DATE/2000	4,023,651	51,881	36,512	88,393	11,768

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 158.5 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 166.6 million head or 8.1 million head more than or 105 percent of estimated fryers available.

**EAST PETERSBURG POULTRY - DATE OF AUCTION: JULY 03, 2001**

	RANGE		RANGE
Muscovy Ducks - Drakes	1.10 - 1.62	Silkie	2.50 - 3.00ea.
Muscovy Ducks - Hens	1.20 - 1.48	Pigeons	2.00 - 2.75ea.
Pekin Ducks	.20 - .42	White Pigeons	3.25 - 3.50ea.
Red Fowl 4-4.5 LBS	.30 - .48	Rabbits	
Red Fowl 5-6 LBS	.50 - .74	4-6 LBS	1.00 - 1.56
Crossbred Fowl 5-9 LBS	.50 - .72	Rabbits	
Crossbred Roosters		7-11 LBS	.90 - 1.20
4-6 LBS	.30 - 1.28	Bunnies	.50 - 1.50ea.
Crossbred Fowl		Guinea Pigs	.10 - 1.50ea.
7-11 LBS	.30 - 1.14	Goats	50.00 - 86.00ea.
Guinea Fowl	.75 - 1.75	Kid Goats	25.00 - 35.00ea.
Banty Roosters	3.00 - 7.50ea.	Doves	3.50 - 6.00ea.
Banty Hens	2.50 - 5.00ea.	Pullets 4-6 LBS	.60 - .72
Leghorn Hens	.10 - .22		
		Total Coops Sold	782

**EASTERN REGION MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY**

FOR CURRENT DELIVERY FOR THE WEEK OF 02-JULY-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 was steady. Demand was moderate to fairly good. Sizes were desirable. Slaughter schedules were reduced this week due to the 4th of July holiday. 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 02-JULY-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	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
	23 159.8	158.3	101	5.11
	30 166.6	158.5	105	4.91
YEAR TO DATE	4,022.1	3,984.6	101	
JULY	7	158.1		
	14	158.6		

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

W/E	07/07/01	06/30/01	% CHG	07/08/00	% CHG
Broilers	134,304	164,632	-18	135,659	-01
Cattle	601	720	-17	604	0
Hogs	1,441	1,695	-15	1,445	0

Under Federal Inspection

\* ACTUAL

**NATIONAL CANNER FOWL** Majority values were unchanged on heavy cannery and irregular, but about unchanged on light cannery when compared to a week earlier. Offerings were clearing but adequate to fully adequate for trade needs. Demand was moderate but not active. The undertone was usually steady.

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, WITHOUT FREIGHT COST

<b>LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)</b>	<b>HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)</b>
17-25.5 MAJORITY 23-25	31-38 MAJORITY 31-32

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 REGION LIGHT LIVE HEN** Prices were unchanged. Buyers were unaggressive for fully adequate offerings. Processing schedules for next week were reported as normal. Cannery movement was moderate with offerings fully adequate for needs. The undertone was steady.

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

**NORTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN** Prices unchanged. Offerings in excess of the current light demand. Spent fowl without slaughter line time scheduled were going into rendering facilities at the cost of the producer. Slaughter schedules generally full-time for next week. Trade sentiment about steady.

**WEST COAST LIGHT LIVE HEN** Plants worked full schedules. Demand moderate. Offering easily adequate for current needs.

### **LIVE HENS**

Cents per pound, generally for slaughter the following week.

<b>HEAVY</b>	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>MAJORITY</b>
Southeast Heavy	TFEWR (1)	
Southeast Heavy	TFEWR (2)	
f.o.b. plant	TFEWR	
South Central Heavy	TFEWR (1)	
<b>LIGHT</b>	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>MAJORITY</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 but not active. Offerings were fully adequate. Processing schedules were reported as normal for next week. Cannery supplies were irregular but generally sufficient for trade needs. The undertone was steady.

**SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN** Trading was too few to report. Demand was moderate for adequate offerings of spent hens. Sales of finished product was moderate. Schedules were normal. Trade sentiment was about steady.

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