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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE



Trade sentiment was generally steady with some caution as a feeling of melancholy swept the nation following yesterday's disaster in the Northeast. Demand was irregular covering the full range as the market assessed further developments. Availability was mixed with shipping channels in the Northeast either closed or altered causing major delivery difficulties. In the parts structure, trading was slow to unstable as retail refilling needs were secondary to shipping problems and determining future consumer needs. Wings were close to short, breast items were adequate to barely adequate, and dark meat was sufficient. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were mixed, but mostly desirable.

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 66.50 cents based on full truck load lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 62.00 cents last year on the 13th of September, 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	218.50
BREASTS - B/S	164.50
BREASTS - WHOLE	82.00
THIGH MEAT - B/S	94.50
LEG QUARTERS	35.50
WINGS	109.50

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SOUTHERN Trade sentiment was at least steady. Demand was light to moderate, best for retail features and into fast food. Supplies were in balance to well cleared. No reports of markets being affected by yesterday's tragedy in the Northeast and deliveries from the South into that area so far have not encountered any difficulties. In the parts structure, availability was mixed, but mostly tight for wings, sufficient to close for breast items, and available for dark meat. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

NORTHEAST Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was cautious and selective as dealers begin to assess the market following yesterday's national tragedy in the Northeast. Offerings of all sizes ranged adequate to balanced, however, shipping delays were the main concern today. Movement into retail and distributive channels was light to fair. The market tone was steady. In the parts complex, wings were in the closest position. The balance of parts were generally sufficient.

MIDWEST Trade sentiment on whole fryers was cautiously steady to occasionally fully steady. Offerings of additional product were mixed, with a few transportation disruptions affecting delivery systems in parts of Ohio and Michigan. Retail and food service demand was irregular, mostly light and subdued following yesterday's national tragedy. Floor stocks were well cleared to fully adequate with weights desirable. Trading on parts items was disruptive and erratic as buyers and sellers attempt to ascertain shopper's mood going forward. Most players satisfied through regular commitments. Supplies of wings were in close balance to short, tenderloins barely adequate and all other items were sufficient for buyer needs. The market tone was steady to firm on wings, cautiously steady to weak on boneless/skinless breasts and mostly steady on all other items.

WESTERN Trade sentiment was overall steady. Offerings generally adequate to cover current needs. Retail demand was moderate to good, best to cover features particularly on parts. Floor stocks adequate. The market tone was steady to fully steady on parts with wings in the strongest position.

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CHICK PLACEMENT AND EGG SET TOTAL

BROILER EGGS SET IN 15 SELECTED STATES

BROILER CHICKS PLACED

BASED ON THE PRELIMINARY CHICK PLACEMENTS REPORT

SEPTEMBER 11, 2001

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

SEPTEMBER 12, 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.

POUNDS				WTD	POUNDS				WTD
ITEM	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	AVG	ITEM	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	AVG
BREAST - B/S	889	145.00-215.00	150-155	161.71	BREAST - B/S	896	145.00-211.00	147-155	162.42
TENDERLOINS	300	140.00-245.00	145-150	166.10	TENDERLOINS	351	140.00-245.00	145-150	169.63
BREAST - LINE RUN	112	80.00-87.00	82-84	82.86	BREAST - LINE RUN	107	80.00-87.00	82-85	82.66
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT				FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	329	42.00-56.00	44-46	45.57	LEGS	329	42.00-56.00	45-47	45.57
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	427	31.00-33.00	31-32	31.97	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	507	29.50-33.00	31-32	31.30
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,239	33.00-36.00	33-35	34.18	LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,159	33.00-36.00	33-35	34.15
WINGS (WHOLE)	305	105.00-112.00	-	110.39	WINGS (WHOLE)	305	105.00-112.00	-	110.39
WINGS (CUT)	560	117.00-127.00	119-123	120.92	WINGS (CUT)	559	117.00-127.00	117-122	120.91
DRUMSTICKS	65	56.00-59.00	-	58.58	DRUMSTICKS	50	49.00-59.00	-	51.46
THIGHS	64	45.00-56.00	-	49.36	THIGHS	69	34.00-56.00	-	42.67
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
51.00 - 57.50	54.24	50.50 - 57.50	54.03	54.08

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 very light today as the chaotic effects of yesterday's national tragedy continue to linger. Most dealers report adequate floorstocks for most immediate needs, however, shipping difficulties into the Northeast area have become the focus. Distributive movement was light to no better than fair, in addition, refill into retail channels was not an issue as of today's trading. The market tone was cautiously steady.

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

SEPTEMBER 11, 2001				SEPTEMBER 12, 2001			
ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS	ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S		163.93	446,160	BREAST - B/S	155-160	165.11	399,990
TENDERLOINS		141.64	156,463	TENDERLOINS	140	140.78	83,830
BREAST - WITH RIBS		81.78	323,800	BREAST - WITH RIBS	75-76	82.37	328,040
BREAST - LINE RUN	NO	78.79	100,600	BREAST - LINE RUN	75	78.32	106,200
LEGS	NEGOTIATED	47.97	262,275	LEGS	44-45	48.45	236,600
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	TRADING	34.09	910,066	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	34-35	34.35	632,530
DRUMSTICKS	AVAILABLE	47.47	209,430	DRUMSTICKS	40-41	47.71	192,200
THIGHS		45.99	154,640	THIGHS	37-38	46.12	140,420
B/S THIGHS		93.85	89,850	B/S THIGHS	89-90	94.23	69,440
WINGS (WHOLE)		108.83	389,120	WINGS (WHOLE)	100-101	110.31	389,080
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)		12.08	102,000	BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	11.97	95,360
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)		39.67	130,575	LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35	39.54	131,521
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)		54.93	170,730	GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	45-50	54.67	170,660

 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) SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY

	ESTIMATED		ACTUAL		AVG WTS		AVG WTS	
	09/12	09/11	09/10	09/07	09/10	09/07	09/05	09/03
ALA	4,034	4,069	4,028	4,341	5.14	4.85	4,043	(A)
ARK	5,336	5,369	5,283	7,065	4.93	4.87	5,219	Holiday
DELMARVA	2,211	2,376	2,321	2,618	4.99	5.03	2,405	(A)
KY-LA-TN	2,017	1,973	2,000	2,220	4.63	4.42	2,036	(A)
MISS	2,875	2,846	2,865	3,994	4.99	4.75	2,853	(A)
NC	2,421	2,354	2,504	2,857	6.07	6.04	2,554	(A)
TEXAS	2,390	2,393	2,394	2,440	4.98	4.74	2,444	(A)
TOTAL	21,284	21,336	21,395	25,535	5.09	4.94	21,554	4.45
MON-WED	64,000 (B)						46,551 (B)	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations
 (B) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.
 Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 12-Sep 01 and is estimated to be 31,843,000 down 1.55 percent from a week ago and up 0.4 percent from a year ago.
 (Last week 32,344,000; last year 31,717,000)

DELIVERED TO RETAILERS	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	88-90
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

DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS	ICE PACK	DRY PACK	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK	DRY PACK	96-99
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK	DRY PACK	98-106
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK	DRY PACK	104-113
DUCKS	ICE PACK	DRY PACK	113-123
	ICE PACK	DRY PACK	98
	ICE PACK	DRY PACK	91
	ICE PACK	DRY PACK	152-166

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING SEPT 15-01

CLASS	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	09/15/01 (1)	09/08/01
	THOUSAND HEAD	
BRO-FRY	162,998 (2)	145,083
LT HENS	1,869	1,871
HVY HENS	1,585	1,303
CHECK TOTAL	166,452	148,257

(1)ESTIMATED

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 15-Sep-01 is 155.5 million head compared to 162.8 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 163.3 million head or 7.8 million more than estimated available. For week of 22-Sep-01 the estimated available is 157.2 million head.

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

	PROCESSED TURKEY		PROCESSED POULTRY	
	LBS		LBS	
AM 11-Sep-01	215,691		59,844	
AM 1-Aug-01	183,272		59,991	
CHG	32,419		-147	
PCT CHG	18		0	

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEYS			PROCESSED POULTRY		
	09/11/01	09/03/01	09/11/00	09/11/01	09/03/01	09/11/00
PACIFIC						
COAST	28,176	30,789	20,842	3,359	3,489	11,124
LOS ANGELES	1,046	3,866	233	2,123	2,174	4,042

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 SEPTEMBER 10, 2001

HENS	ICE PACKED (12 PER BOX)	RANGE
		52-57
	VACUUM PACKED (6-9 PER BOX)	56-65

HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES

	FOR 09/11/01		
	LOW	HIGH	AVG
HEAVY FOWL lb.	.50	1.10	.75
LIGHT FOWL lb.	-	-	-
MIXED FOWL lb.	-	-	-
BANTAMS lb.	-	-	-
BROILERS lb.	-	-	-
ROASTERS lb.	-	-	-
FRYERS lb.	-	-	-
CHICKS lb.	-	-	-
PULLETS lb.	-	-	-
BUNNIES lb.	-	-	-
ROOSTERS lb.	-	.80	-
GEESE lb.	-	-	-
TURKEYS lb.	-	-	-
DUCKS lb.	.90	1.45	1.18
RABBITS lb.	.75	1.35	1.09
PIGEONS lb.	-	-	-
GUINEA FOWL lb.	-	-	-
DUCKLINGS lb.	-	-	-
GUINEA KEETS ea.	-	-	-
SILKIES ea.	.25	3.00	-
GUINEA PIGS ea.	-	4.00	-

TOTAL COOPS 96

MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS - Mexico City

Cents per pound for the week ending September 7, 2001

	Whole Chickens	Breasts	Legs W/Thighs	Necks,Backs & Wings	Livers/Gizzards	Hens
RAYON						
Low	50.18	126.66	77.95	19.49	19.49	51.15
High	59.09	136.41	87.69	24.36	24.36	51.15
Mostly	54.56	136.41	87.69	19.49	19.49	51.15

SAN JUAN						
Low	53.59	131.54	73.08	29.23	14.62	46.77
High	58.46	136.41	77.95	38.97	17.05	46.77
Mostly	56.51	131.54	75.51	31.67	16.08	46.77

NEW SAN JUAN						
Low	49.69	126.66	77.95	14.62	19.49	49.69
High	59.92	136.41	87.69	24.36	24.36	49.69
Mostly	56.02	126.66	87.69	19.49	19.49	49.69

BECERRA						
Low	54.56	121.79	73.08	24.36	17.05	46.77
High	57.97	136.41	82.82	34.10	19.49	46.77
Mostly	57.97	126.66	77.95	31.67	17.05	46.77

DELMARVA

Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was disrupted into the Northeast terminal markets; however, demand was generally described as moderate to moderately good. Seller offerings varied, but were at least adequate. Live supplies were mostly moderate; weights were light to heavy, mostly desirable. Processing schedules were moderate. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 60 to 74 cents. Trade sentiment was mostly steady. In the parts complex, wings continued to clear well. Bone-in breasts were in generally good balance boneless/skinless were readily available. ACTUAL SLAUGHTER WEEK ENDING 09/08/2001 WAS 10,299,829 @ 5.01LBS

*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		58-77	56-76
WEIGHTED AVERAGE		62.71	62.89
NO. OF BOXES		12,559	14,454

*8 of 8 plants reporting.

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