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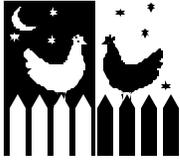
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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Majority prices were mostly unchanged to lower. Trade sentiment was cautiously steady to weak. Demand into all channels was mixed, but mostly no better than moderate with only much needed product being purchased. Supplies were at least adequate and often discounted to help clear excess product. In the parts structure, breast items were adequate to ample, dark meat and wings were generally balanced. Trading was light to moderate as foodservice in the Northeast struggled due to closings and cancellations. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were mostly desirable to heavy.

Final report of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook broiler/fryers delivered to first receivers at major market areas week of 09/24/01-09/29/01 (cents per lb)

AREAS	US GRADE A (Includes branded product)		COMPOSITE		
	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS	WTD AVG	LOADS
Bos/New Eng	58.50-60.00	59.53	16	67.27	40
Chicago	52.00-56.00	55.41	41	57.32	78
Cincinnati	TFEWR	—	—	60.07	21
Cleveland	TFEWR	—	—	66.00	13
Denver	71.50	71.44	17	70.88	20
Detroit	53.00-54.00	55.38	13	59.91	42
Los Angeles	72.00	70.31	72	67.05	165
New York	56.00-58.00	56.91	23	59.46	51
Philadelphia	55.00-57.00	55.70	10	56.63	23
Pittsburgh	54.50-56.00	55.40	10	60.74	55
St. Louis	55.00-55.25	54.76	17	56.45	34
San Francisco	72.50	71.65	30	70.57	72

Composite 12 City Weighted Average

Loads	09/24/01	Change/Last Wk	09/17/01	09/25/00
614	62.02	-0.061	62.08	57.72

WOG BROILERS (without giblets) - prices paid per lb delvd to first receivers in trucklot and less than trucklot quantities.

REGIONS	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS
East	59.00-65.00	64.63	55
Central	56.00-63.00	60.56	63
West	58.00-66.00	64.91	47

Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent

Mississippi	65.50-67.00	66.17	84
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GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 66.50 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

LOADS	RANGE	MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT
1,130	52.00-68.00	64.83

The Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed final weighted average prices on ice packed parts:

ITEM	WTD AVG (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	215.50	1,479
BREASTS - B/S	156.50	5,034
BREASTS - WHOLE	79.00	1,314
THIGH MEAT - B/S	93.50	811
LEG QUARTERS	35.50	9,763
WINGS	109.50	3,351

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SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trade sentiment was cautiously steady to at times unsettled. Retail and food service demand was slow to fair with few features and fewer consumers frequenting eating establishments due to the nation's disaster. Supplies were usually sufficient to handle trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was light to moderate with wings having best movement, but more available. The remaining items were at least adequate with mixed interest. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYER Trucklot buying activity ranged light to fair at best as dealers remained cautious and limited purchases to most immediate needs. Offerings of all sizes were adequate to fully adequate and usually available at discounted levels. Movement through retail and distributive channels was only fair at best. The market tone was barely steady to weak. In the parts complex, breast items were fully adequate to ample. Legs and leg quarters were balanced to adequate. Wings were sufficient.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS The market tone was about steady. Trading for this week's deliveries were at mainly unchanged prices on regular commitments but new negotiations ranged unchanged to lower. Offerings generally ample with heavy weights in the longest position and reported at sharply discounted levels. Buying interest remained fair overall. Demand for whole body improved by stores where features planned later in the week otherwise fair, fast food was fairly good. Dealers reported satisfactory weekend clearances. Trade sentiment barely steady on breasts with balance of parts generally steady. Reported trading on parts: leg quarters bulk 33.5-35.5 and 4/10s generally 37.5, breasts bone-in 82.5-88 and boneless generally 135, boneless leg meat generally 91. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average was 59.89 down 1.11 and the volume reported was unchanged from last week at 34 loads.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER Final majority prices for this week's deliveries were irregular with Ohio cities TFEWR. Whole fryer trade sentiment was cautiously steady. Offerings of additional product were fully adequate for the very light fill-in trading. Movement into all channels was mixed, slow to fairly good. Floor stocks in a full range with weights desirable to heavy. Parts supplies were available with wings and tenders the best call. The market tone was barely steady to weak on whole and boneless/skinless breasts, all other items steady.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was generally noted as sluggish as the majority of buyers limited purchases to bare necessities. Offerings were readily available and competitively priced in an effort to stimulate activity on all sizes. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mostly desirable to heavy. Processing schedules were moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 59 to 73 cents. Trade sentiment was weak. In the parts complex, all items were at least adequate. Breast cuts were readily available. Leg quarters were fully adequate. Wings were 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	55-76
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	61.53
NO. OF BOXES	14,191

*8 of 8 plants reporting.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Trucklot buying interest was mostly fair entering the week as dealers cautiously assessed the market and attempted to keep floorstocks closely balanced. Offerings of breast items were fully adequate. Legs and leg quarters ranged adequate to well cleared. Wings continued to clear satisfactorily, although, the more aggressive demand had tapered. Movement through retail and distributive channels was about fair, but the food-service sector continued to struggle as closings and cancellations remained a factor. The market tone was barely steady on breast items, no better than steady on the balance.

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

ITEM	NEGOTIATED TRADING	CURRENT	WTD AVG	VOLUME /LBS
BREAST - B/S		140-145	149.97	570,850
TENDERLOINS		145	149.93	132,600
BREAST - WITH RIBS		70-71	76.85	322,280
BREAST - LINE RUN		70	71.77	126,000
LEGS		44-45	47.79	239,440
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)		34-35	34.11	604,650
DRUMSTICKS		41-42	47.99	160,520
THIGHS		37-38	46.43	147,320
B/S THIGHS		89-90	93.02	70,440
WINGS (WHOLE)		102-103	111.50	437,760
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)		10-12	12.14	92,800
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)		30-35	39.77	132,560
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)		45-50	54.56	174,080

INCLUDES NEW YORK CITY METROPOLITAN AREA, NORTHERN NEW JERSEY, MASSACHUSETTS, CONNECTICUT, RHODE ISLAND, AND PENNSYLVANIA (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.

ARKANSAS BROILER/FRYER PARTS 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	LBS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WT. AVG
BREAST - B/S	987	122.00-158.00	125-135	131.82
TENDERLOINS	122	140.00-242.00	140-150	165.77
BREAST - WITH RIBS		NO TRADING REPORTED		
FRONT HALVES	1,280	65.00-76.00	68-71	70.22
LEGS		NO TRADING REPORTED		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	250	29.50-32.00	29.5-30	30.16
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,520	33.00	33	33.00
WINGS (WHOLE)	58	85.00-104.00	-	101.47
DRUMSTICKS		NO TRADING REPORTED		
THIGHS	1,810	31.00-40.00	33-35	33.98

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	ACTUAL	AVG WTS
	09/24	09/20	09/20	09/17	09/13
ALA	4,083	4,035	5.01	4,101	4.95
ARK	5,361	4,965	4.86	5,224	4.91
DELMARVA	2,329	2,321	4.90	2,329	4.93
KY-LA-TN	2,019	1,959	4.55	1,944	4.39
MISS	2,984	2,834	5.08	2,758	4.97
NC	2,567	2,603	5.85	2,536	5.85
TEXAS	2,429	2,446	4.88	2,420	4.90
TOTAL	21,772	21,163	5.02	21,312	4.99
MON	21,772(A)			21,312(A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 24-Sep 2001 is estimated to be 32,573,000 up 1.85 percent from a week ago and up 6.89 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 31,981,000, last year 30,472,000)

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS 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**

ITEM	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	912	120.00-206.00	140-145	147.00
TENDERLOINS	180	150.00-250.00	150-155	168.72
BREAST - LINE RUN	103	79.00-84.00	79-82	80.50
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS	128	42.00-57.00	42-44	43.56
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	351	30.00-33.00	30-31	30.26
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,370	32.00-37.00	33-35	34.04
WINGS (WHOLE)	291	108.00-112.50	-	111.46
WINGS (CUT)	457	115.00-128.00	117-121	119.20
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
B/S THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS TRADING FOR SEP 24, 2001 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
50.75 - 57.50	53.51	53.86

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.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER ICE-PACKED POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES DELIVERED TO: IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, AND WI WEEK OF 24-SEP-2001 TO 28-SEP-2001, CENTS PER POUND

	Price Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	125.00 - 150.00	140.00 - 145.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	69.00 - 91.00	72.00 - 75.00
LEGS	44.00 - 53.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	26.00 - 38.00	32.00
DRUMSTICKS	42.00 - 51.00	-
THIGHS	35.00 - 46.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	98.00 - 111.00	102.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10.00 - 17.00	-
LIVERS	30.00 - 46.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40.00 - 45.00	-

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY, DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	84-103
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	87-109
FROZEN HENS 5# & UP	93-99
FROZEN DUCKS	139-154
FROZEN SQUABS	589

DELIVERED TO RETAILERS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA)

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

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

EASTERN REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN
 F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE EASTERN REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

CHICKEN 21-SEP-2001
 PRICES VOLUME
 (Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	20.00	-	200,000	-
WTD AVERAGE	20.00			

CHICKEN, WITH SKIN ADDED
 PRICES VOLUME
 (Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	16.50-20.00	16.00-20.00	896,000	208,000
WTD AVERAGE	16.81	18.33		
15-20%				
RANGE	12.75-18.50	12.00-17.00	1,621,120	768,000
WTD AVERAGE	14.91	14.96		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

* INCLUDES THE STATES of CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Prices were slightly lower compared to the past week. Demand was moderate for fully adequate offerings of spent heavy hens. Finished sales were fair with schedules sufficient for needs. Trade sentiment was generally steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *
 FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 24-SEP-01

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
	CENTS/LB.		
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	4.25-11	7-8.25	7.45

* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

CENTRAL REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN
 F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE CENTRAL REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

CHICKEN 21-SEP-2001
 PRICES VOLUME
 (Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

CHICKEN, WITH SKIN ADDED
 PRICES VOLUME
 (Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	17.75-18.00	18.00	183,600	40,800
WTD AVERAGE	17.88	18.00		
15-20%				
RANGE	15.00-19.00	11.00-19.00	1,735,600	612,000
WTD AVERAGE	16.12	15.02		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

* INCLUDES THE STATES of AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI

SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN Majority prices were unchanged to slightly lower when compared to a week earlier. Demand was light to fair for the mostly fully adequate offerings. Processing schedules were reported as normal. Canner supplies were generally adequate for trade needs. The undertone was about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *
 FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 24-SEP-01

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
	CENTS/LB.		
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	3.75-10.5	7-9	7.75
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING		TOO FEW TO REPORT	
FOB PLANT		TOO FEW TO REPORT	

* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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