



# USDA BROILER MARKET NEWS REPORT

MONDAY  
OCTOBER 22, 2001  
VOL. 48 NO. 127

ISSN 1522-0567

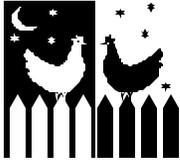
U.S. Department of Agriculture

Agricultural Marketing Service

Poultry Programs

Market News Branch

## NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Majority prices were unchanged to lower. Trade sentiment was cautiously steady to barely steady. Retail and food service demand was mixed with many content with regular commitments and purchased only much needed product. Supplies were at least adequate or available. In the parts structure, trading was slow to fair. All items were at least adequate with some discounting to aid in clearance. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were in a full range, but mostly desirable.

**Final report** of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook broiler/fryers delivered to first receivers at major market areas week of 10/22/01-10/27/01 (cents per lb)

AREAS	US GRADE A (Includes branded product)		COMPOSITE		
	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS	WTD AVG	LOADS
Bos/New Eng	53.50-55.00	54.53	16	65.20	38
Chicago	50.00-54.00	52.91	44	54.65	85
Cincinnati	TFEWR	—	—	58.45	19
Cleveland	TFEWR	—	—	64.08	12
Denver	70.50	70.44	17	68.68	20
Detroit	52.00	53.64	14	58.87	37
Los Angeles	71.00	69.22	74	64.06	174
New York	52.00-54.00	53.22	23	56.46	56
Philadelphia	51.00-52.00	51.70	10	52.45	21
Pittsburgh	51.00-52.50	52.10	10	59.30	56
St. Louis	52.00-52.25	51.73	16	53.78	32
San Francisco	71.50	70.48	30	67.11	86

### Composite 12 City Weighted Average

Loads	10/22/01	Change/Last Wk	10/15/01	10/23/00
636	59.39	-1.04	60.43	57.83

**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	57.00-64.00	63.25	53
Central	54.00-61.00	58.04	65
West	53.00-65.00	61.06	45

### Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent

Mississippi	63.500-65.50	65.06	83
-------------	--------------	-------	----

**GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES** Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 65.50 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
1,122	50.00-67.50	63.77

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	202.00	1,486
BREASTS - B/S	133.50	5,034
BREASTS - WHOLE	67.50	1,343
THIGH MEAT - B/S	92.00	810
LEG QUARTERS	35.00	9,638
WINGS	100.50	3,322

THIS INFORMATION IS SUPPLIED BY THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE'S POULTRY MARKET NEWS SERVICE.

**SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS** Trade sentiment was about steady with caution. Demand following the weekend was typically light with little optimism for the week. Supplies were at least adequate with current inventories usually sufficient. In the parts structure, trading was slow to fair with supplies of all items at least adequate or readily available. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mixed, but mostly desirable weights.

**NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYER** Trucklot buying activity was light and unaggressive entering the week as dealers cautiously assessed the market. Offerings of all sizes were at least adequate and often available at slight discounts. Movement through retail and distributive channels no better than fair. The market tone was cautiously steady. In the parts complex, breast items and were ample. Dark meat items were at least sufficient. Wings were readily available.

**WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS** Final majority prices were unchanged. Trading for this week's deliveries at mainly unchanged prices on regular commitments; however, new negotiations were mixed with heavy weights at unchanged to lower prices and small sizes at unchanged to somewhat higher prices. Offerings were fully adequate overall with heavy weights still in the longest position. Buying interest moderate with some increased activity noted for first-of-the-month needs. Retail demand was fairly good overall best to cover planned feature activities. Dealers reported moderate weekend carryovers. Trading reported on parts: leg quarters bulk 34.5-35.5 and 4/10s generally 36.5, breasts bone-in 69-78 and boneless 122-126. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average was down .42 to 55.30 with the volume reported up 10 percent to 32 loads when compared to last week.

**MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER** Final majority prices for this week's deliveries were unchanged to lower with Ohio cities TFEWR. The market tone on whole fryers was steady to barely steady. Offerings of additional product were sufficient. Retail and food service demand was slow to fairly good. Floor stocks were balanced to ample with sizes desirable. Parts trading was generally inactive as regular commitments satisfy most trade needs. Offerings were available with wings building and boneless/skinless breasts long to burdensome. The market tone was steady to barely steady on wings, dark meat and boneless/skinless breasts, steady on remaining items.

**DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS** Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was slow to fair at best, with the bulk of this morning's activity centered around scattered retail promotional activity and standing commitments. Seller offerings were fully adequate for current inquiry. Live supplies were seasonally moderate; weights were in a range of light to heavy. Processing schedules were moderate. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 54 to 68cents. Trade sentiment was barely steady. In the parts complex, all items were noted as at least 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	49-72
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	56.32
NO. OF BOXES	13,434

\*8 of 8 plants reporting.

**NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS** Trucklot buying activity was light entering the week as dealers cautiously assessed the market. Offerings of breast items were fully adequate and often discounted to stimulate interest. Dark meat cuts were at least sufficient. Wings were available. Movement through retail and distributive channels was slow with scattered promotional activity providing limited stimulus to buying interest. The market tone ranged cautiously steady to instances weak.

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

ITEM	CURRENT NEGOTIATED TRADING	WTD AVG	VOLUME /LBS
BREAST - B/S	125-130	129.44	336,000
TENDERLOINS	125	122.31	108,960
BREAST - WITH RIBS	60-61	66.98	212,240
BREAST - LINE RUN	60	59.88	115,200
LEGS	43-44	47.87	126,920
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	33-34	34.02	432,707
DRUMSTICKS	40-41	46.69	65,700
THIGHS	37-38	45.87	49,890
B/S THIGHS	89-90	90.32	68,280
WINGS (WHOLE)	97-98	104.36	288,720
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	12.39	38,560
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35	39.11	23,520
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	45-50	54.27	34,100

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	2,126	105.00-131.00	110-115	114.73
TENDERLOINS	142	110.00-252.00	-	128.55
BREAST - WITH RIBS	249	61.00-84.00	61-63	66.23
FRONT HALVES	280	56.00-66.00	58-61	59.43
LEGS		NO TRADING REPORTED		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	288	30.00-33.00	30-32	31.33
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,391	32.00-34.00	32-33	32.62
WINGS (WHOLE)	252	78.00-110.00	79-83	86.16
DRUMSTICKS		NO TRADING REPORTED		
THIGHS	1,723	32.00-39.00	32-34	32.99

**ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)**

	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	ACTUAL	AVG WTS
	10/22	10/18	10/18	10/15	10/11
ALA	4,143	4,075	5.02	3,990	5.05
ARK	5,326	4,899	4.92	5,085	5.07
DELMARVA	2,251	2,230	4.95	2,315	4.88
KY-LA-TN	1,766	1,995	4.51	1,982	4.62
MISS	2,843	2,638	4.98	2,858	5.08
NC	2,475	2,419	5.92	2,475	5.92
TEXAS	2,383	2,419	4.87	2,354	4.90
TOTAL	21,187	20,675	5.02	21,059	5.10
MON	21,187(A)			21,059(A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 22-Oct 2001 is estimated to be 31,698,000 up 0.31 percent from a week ago and up 7.38 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 31,601,000, last year 29,519,000)

**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.

ITEM	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	945	110.00-189.00	120-130	128.48
TENDERLOINS	151	125.00-225.00	125-130	143.65
BREAST - LINE RUN	74	68.00-71.00	-	68.41
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS	89	39.00-57.00	39-41	40.82
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	426	30.00-35.00	30-31	30.75
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,200	32.00-37.00	32-34	34.15
WINGS (WHOLE)	355	92.00-118.00	103-105	103.44
WINGS (CUT)	291	107.00-116.00	108-109	110.44
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
THIGHS	28	52.00-57.00	-	53.43
B/S THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		

\*\*\*\*\*  
WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS TRADING FOR OCT 22, 2001 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
44.25 - 48.00	45.25	45.82

**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 22- 26 OCT-2001 CENTS PER POUND

	Price Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	115.00 - 132.00	125.00 - 130.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	63.00 - 79.00	63.00 - 69.00
LEGS	42.00 - 52.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	30.00 - 38.00	32.00
DRUMSTICKS	38.00 - 51.00	-
THIGHS	35.00 - 51.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	80.00 - 103.00	94.00 - 95.00
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	83-102
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	87-89
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	ICE PACK	95-97
	DRY PACK	97-105
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.

19-OCT-2001				
CHICKEN				
PRICES (Cents per Pound)				
FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	18.00	-	200,000	-
WTD AVERAGE	18.00			
CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED (Cents per Pound)				
FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	15.75-20.25	15.50-17.00	949,000	266,000
WTD AVERAGE	16.25	16.24		
15-20%				
RANGE	12.75-17.50	12.50-15.00	1,421,120	660,000
WTD AVERAGE	14.33	13.93		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	12.00	40,800	-
WTD AVERAGE		12.00		

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

**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.

19-OCTP-2001				
CHICKEN				
PRICES (Cents per Pound)				
FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				
CHICKEN, WITH SKIN ADDED (Cents per Pound)				
FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	15.00	11.00-15.00	224,000	81,600
WTD AVERAGE	15.00	12.13		
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

**SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN** Majority prices were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was seasonal and reported as moderate for about adequate to adequate offerings of spent hens. Processing schedules were normal. Finished product sales were usually good and clearing. Trade sentiment was generally steady to fully steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *			
FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 22-OCT-01			
	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
	CENTS/LB.		
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	8-11.5	8.5-9	8.78

\* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

**SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN** Sales were too few to report prices. Demand was moderate for offerings that were generally adequate for current trade needs. Processing schedules were reported as normal. Canner supplies were clearing satisfactorily. The undertone was at least steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *			
FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 22-OCT-01			
	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
	CENTS/LB.		
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	5.75-10.5	8-9	8.33
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

\* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

**USDA, AMS, POULTRY PROGRAMS,  
POULTRY MARKET NEWS OFFICES**

Washington, DC	Voice	(202)720-6911	Grover T. Hunter
	Fax	(202)720-2403	(Chief)
Atlanta, GA	Voice	(404)562-5850	Johnny Freeman
	Fax	(404)562-5875	(Officer-In-Charge)
	Recorded	(404)562-5856	
Jackson, MS	Voice	(601)965-4662	Gary Brown
	Fax	(601)965-4661	(Southern States Area Supervisor)
Des Moines, IA	Voice	(515)284-4471	Mary L. Adkins
	Fax	(515)284-4468	(Officer-In-Charge)
	Recorded	(515)284-4545	
Bell, CA	Voice	(323)269-4154	Jim Derby
	Fax	(323)269-5926	(Officer-In-Charge)
	Recorded	(323)260-4676	