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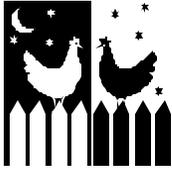
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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Majority prices for next week were mixed, but mostly trending unchanged to lower. Trade sentiment was steady at best. Demand was seasonally slow to fair, best into fast food and where some improvements were reported entering the weekend. Supplies of all sizes were at least adequate and discounted for clearance. In the parts structure, all items were more than sufficient even at lower levels. Interest was light and selective. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were mixed, but mostly desirable.

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 11/05-11/10/01 (cents per lb)

US GRADE A

AREAS	MAJORITY	RANGE	WTD AVG	LOADS
(Including branded product)				
Delivered to First Receivers				
Chicago	50.00-53.00	44.00-67.50	51.77	26
Los Angeles	70.00			
New York	50.00-52.00			
Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent				
Mississippi	62.00-65.00	49.00-66.00	64.49	82

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 65.00 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.
672	59.40-67.25	64.82
Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed preliminary weighted average price on ice packed parts:		
ITEM	(CENTS PER POUND)	(000 POUNDS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	197.00	1,261
BREASTS - B/S	126.50	3,984
BREASTS - WHOLE	64.00	1,103
THIGH MEAT - B/S	90.00	770
LEG QUARTERS	34.00	7,798
WINGS	97.00	2,856

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MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYERS The preliminary majority for next week deliveries was unchanged to lower from Monday's final. The market tone on whole fryers was barely steady to weak. Offerings of additional product varied. Buyer interest cautious and non-aggressive. Retail demand was slow to fair and generally sluggish for first of the month. Food service movement was mixed, fair to fairly good into fast food and slow to light into restaurant accounts. Floor stocks were adequate to ample with weights were desirable to heavy. Parts movement continued to struggle with all items discounted to help move. The trade sentiment was cautiously steady to weak on all items.

SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trade sentiment was steady at best. Demand entering the weekend was slow to fair with best interest and some improvements where retail ads and fast food promotions were successful. Supplies were more than sufficient for limited needs. In the parts structure, trading was fair. All items were at least adequate or readily available. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS The market tone was about steady. Trading reported, for next week's deliveries, at mainly unchanged prices on regular commitments with new negotiations at mixed levels. Offerings were ample to cover current needs. Buying interest cautious as some still feel negative repercussions of the East Coast tragedies. Retail demand was moderate. Dealers anticipate moderate weekend clearances. Ads noted: Southern California - whole body 59-89, whole cut-up 87-119, boneless breasts 167-499, boneless thighs 238 boneless leg meat 129, split breasts 249, whole leg 88-139, thighs 77-139 [IQF 4# bag 276], drumsticks 77-139 [IQF 4# bag 276]; Northern California - whole 69-139, split breasts 99-179, boneless breasts 329-499, boneless thigh meat 249, wings 109, drumsticks 99, thighs 99 whole legs 99; Arizona - whole cut-up 129, boneless breasts 169 [IQF 3# 699-899], split breasts 99-179, roasters 99-149, thighs 99-149 drumsticks 99-149.

NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers increased slightly entering the weekend, but remained limited overall as dealers continued cautious and selective. Offerings of all sizes were at least adequate and were often available at discounted levels. Movement through retail and distributive channels was sluggish. The market tone ranged barely steady to weak. In the parts complex, breast items were fully sufficient. Dark meat cuts were readily available. Wings were ample and discounted.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds and parts generally increased entering the weekend, but remained no better than fair and insufficient to clear the bulk of seller offerings satisfactorily. Live supplies were at least moderate; weights were mostly desirable. Processing schedules were mostly moderate. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 53 to 67 cents. Trade sentiment was steady at best. In the parts complex, all items remained at least adequate for the light and highly selective buying interest.

*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	47-70	
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	56.05	
NO. OF BOXES	10,127	
CUMULATIVE		
	10/29/01-11/02/01	56.10
	10/30/00-11/03/00	57.31
NO. OF BOXES	10/29/01-11/02/01	46,143
	10/30/00-11/03/00	66,244

*8 of 8 plants reporting.

NOV 01

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

NOV 02

ITEM	NOV 01				NOV 02				
	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	
BREAST - B/S	3,609	105.00-188.00	120-125	129.03	895	105.00-188.00	125-130	124.22	
TENDERLOINS	165	115.00-210.00	115-120	131.88	112	115.00-210.00	-	139.88	
BREAST - LINE RUN	108	61.00-68.00	62-65	65.59	108	62.00-68.00	63-66	65.92	
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				
LEGS	89	39.00-56.00	39-41	40.72	89	39.00-56.00	39-41	40.72	
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	356	27.00-33.00	27-28	27.94	476	27.50-33.00	27.5-28.5	28.00	
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,290	29.00-35.00	31-32	31.78	1,250	29.50-35.00	31-32	31.78	
WINGS (WHOLE)	273	80.00-100.00	97-99	97.02	273	80.00-100.00	96-98	97.02	
WINGS (CUT)	396	96.00-119.50	101-104	105.33	474	96.00-114.00	102-105	104.21	
DRUMSTICKS	104	39.00-56.00	-	41.48	129	39.00-56.00	-	45.07	
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				29	51.00-56.00	-	52.55	
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				55	88.00-95.00	-	90.55	
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WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS					WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS				
TRADING FOR NOV 01, 2001 F.O.B. DOCK. TODAY'S RANGE					TRADING FOR NOV 02, 2001 F.O.B. DOCK. TODAY'S RANGE				
42.00 - 48.00					42.25 - 48.00				
AVERAGE 43.97					AVERAGE 43.42				
					5-DAY AVERAGE 43.91				

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 increased slightly moving into the weekend, however, dealers remained very cautious and kept floor stocks closely balanced with most immediate needs. Offerings of breast items were available. Legs and leg quarters were fully sufficient. Wings were ample. Movement through retail channels ranged fair to moderate, and distributive draw was only fair at best. The market tone was weak on wings, cautiously steady on the balance.

ICE PACKED B/F PARTS, DLIVRD TO 1ST RCVRS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER LB.

ITEM	NOV 01			NOV 02		
	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	115-120	121.37	253,100	115-120	119.76	447,000
TENDERLOINS	105	110.08	43,680	105	107.51	117,127
BREAST - WITH RIBS	56-57	63.02	252,840	56-57	63.77	213,480
BREAST - LINE RUN	56	58.70	187,800	56	60.46	132,040
LEGS	41-42	45.23	119,360	41-42	46.43	139,400
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	30-31	31.36	427,601	30-31	31.71	310,522
DRUMSTICKS	39-40	44.55	108,870	39-40	42.24	106,980
THIGHS	37-38	44.31	85,140	37-38	44.08	70,330
B/S THIGHS	86-87	86.28	30,280	86-87	86.61	56,640
WINGS (WHOLE)	90-91	97.14	279,960	88-89	92.27	363,940
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	12.18	45,000	10-12	12.18	28,036
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35	36.32	8,960	30-35	35.07	25,280
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	45-50	54.21	30,360	45-50	52.87	28,320
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 WTS		AVG ACTUAL WTS	
	11/02	11/01	10/31	10/30	10/31	10/30	10/26	10/24
ALA	4,001	4,065	3,751	3,955	5.17	5.19	4,157	5.09
ARK	5,278	5,385	4,927	5,293	4.92	4.95	5,464	4.85
DELMARVA	2,272	2,267	2,238	2,233	4.96	5.03	2,177	5.04
KY-LA-TN	2,005	1,978	1,999	1,953	4.67	4.66	1,896	4.61
MISS	2,968	2,895	2,897	2,740	5.01	5.13	2,834	5.20
NC	2,502	2,607	2,562	2,580	5.92	5.92	2,713	5.90
TEXAS	2,331	2,392	2,438	2,400	4.90	4.91	2,506	4.87
TOTAL	21,357	21,589	20,812	21,154	5.08	5.11	21,747	5.07
MON-FRI107,103(A)					106,272(A)			

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.
 Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 02-Nov 01 and 03-Nov-01 is estimated to be 31,952,000 down 2.09 percent from a week ago and up 6.2 percent from a year ago.
 (Last week 32,634,000; last year 30,088,000) Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the week ending 03-Nov-01 is estimated to be 154,609,000 head down 1.3 percent from a week ago, and down 1.3 percent from a year ago (Last week 156,675,000 Last year 156,627,000)

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

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	86-88
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	ICE PACK 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

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED Under federal inspection, classified by live wt., week ending October 20, 2001 (Preliminary),

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

	-----THOUSANDS-----		
Head	28,042	25,684	43,427
Avg Weight	3.79	4.70	6.22
% of total /1	29%	26%	45%
COMPARISONS			
Last week	23,622	25,253	42,465
Avg Weight	3.73	4.70	6.14
% of total /1	26%	28%	46%
Same week, yr ago /2	33,328	32,262	40,955
Avg Weight	3.81	4.82	6.32
% of total /1	31%	30%	38%
To date/2001	1,317,818	1,153,074	1,822,702
To date/2000	1,389,499	1,405,549	1,693,045

/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 27-Oct-2001 (PRELIMINARY)

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
-----THOUSANDS-----					
HEAD	156,675(A)	1,855	1,313	3,168	445
AVG WT	5.04	3.48	7.87	5.30	6.59
LAST WEEK	156,885	1,697	1,519	3,216	503
SAME WK YR AGO	153,982	1,829	1,492	3,321	383
AVG WT	5.14	3.44	7.95	5.47	6.80
TO-DATE/2001	6,630,249	76,768	59,478	136,246	21,647
TO-DATE/2000	6,650,638	81,624	62,695	144,319	19,210

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 155.7 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 158.6 million head or 2.9 million head more than or 102 percent of estimated fryers available.

EAST PETERSBURG POULTRY - DATE OF AUCTION: OCT 30, 2001

	RANGE		RANGE
Muscovy Ducks - Drakes	.80 - 1.20	Silkies	2.00 - 2.75ea.
Muscovy Ducks - Hens	.70 - .92	Geese	
Pekin Ducks	.10 - .24	9-14 LBS	.20 - .34
Red Fowl 4-4.5 LBS	.40 - .74	Pigeons	1.50 - 2.25ea.
Red Fowl 5-6 LBS	.70 - 1.34	White Pigeons	2.50 - 3.00ea.
Crossbred Fowl		Rabbits	
5-9 LBS	.70 - 1.22	4-6 LBS	.90 - 1.52
Crossbred Roasters		Rabbits	
4-6 LBS	.50 - 1.10	7-11 LBS	.80 - 1.10
Crossbred Roasters		Bunnies	1.50 - 7.50ea.
7-11 LBS	.50 - 1.54	Guinea Pigs	.10 - 2.00ea.
Guinea Fowl	1.50 - 2.25	Goats	30.00 - 57.00ea.
Banty Roasters	3.00 - 7.50ea.	Doves	4.50 - 6.00ea.
Banty Hens	2.00 - 3.50ea.	Pullets 4-6 LBS	.60 - .74
Leghorn Hens	.10 - .24		
		Total Coops Sold	752

EASTERN REGION MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY

FOR CURRENT DELIVERY FOR THE WEEK OF 29-OCT-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		

ROASTERS: PRICES NEGOTIATED BY FIRST RECEIVERS, US GRADE A AND PLANT GRADE, 5 POUNDS AND UP, DELIVERED

	RANGE	MOSTLY
ICE PACKED (12 PER BOX)	64-69	68-69
VACUUM PACKED (6-9 PER BOX)	65-85	68-75

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 remained unchanged. Trade

sentiment generally steady. Demand was moderate to instances good. Sizes were in the desirable range. Slaughter schedules were full-time to at times over-time in anticipation of increased demand for the upcoming holiday season. 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 29-OCT-2001

ORIGIN	FROZEN	FRESH
MIDWEST AND OTHERS	116-124	125
MOSTLY		

ESTIMATED U.S. SLAUGHTER COMPARED TO

ESTIMATED FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING.

WEEK ENDING	MILLION HEAD SLAUGHTERED	MILLION HEAD AVAILABLE	PCT	AVG WT
SEPTEMBER 22	162.8	157.2	104	5.16
29	162.6	155.7	104	5.01
OCTOBER 6	159.6	155.4	103	5.10
13	158.4	155.3	102	5.04
20	158.8	154.2	103	5.12
27	158.6	155.7	102	5.04
YEAR TO DATE	6711.0	6655.1	101	
NOVEMBER 3		155.4		
10		151.8		

BROILER/CATTLE/HOG WEEKLY ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER

	-----THOUSANDS-----				
W/E	11/03/01	10/27/01	% CHG	11/04/00	% CHG
Broilers	154,609	156,675*	-01	156,627*	-01
Cattle	669	685	-02*	689	-03
Hogs	2,027	2,051	-01	2,092*	-03
Under Federal Inspection					
* ACTUAL					

NATIONAL CANNER FOWL Majority prices were unchanged to slightly higher on canners when compared to a week earlier. Demand was moderate to good, mostly good on heavies. Supplies were in close balance to short. Undertone was at least steady on lights, fully steady on the heavies.

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, WITHOUT FREIGHT COST

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
25-27 MAJORITY	32-38.5 MAJORITY 32.5-35

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, FREIGHT COST INCLUDED

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
26.25-29.5 MAJORITY 26.25-27	33.5-41 MAJORITY 34.5-36

EASTERN REGION LIGHT LIVE HEN Prices were unchanged. Demand was generally light and unaggressive. Offerings were at least adequate for the mostly normal processing schedules. Canners movement was fair to moderate for the generally adequate offerings. The undertone was about steady.

SOUTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Prices were too few to report. Demand was no better than moderate for adequate offerings of leghorn fowl. Schedules were normal with supplies adequate for needs. Trade sentiment was generally steady.

NORTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Prices were unchanged. Offerings continue fully adequate for the somewhat improved demand. Slaughter schedules full-time. Trade sentiment steady.

WEST COAST LIGHT LIVE HEN Plants worked desired schedules. Offerings adequate.

LIVE HENS

Cents per pound, generally for slaughter the following week.

HEAVY	RANGE	MAJORITY
Southeast Heavy	TFEWR (1)	
Southeast Heavy f.o.b. plant	TFEWR (2)	
South Central Heavy	TFEWR (1)	
LIGHT	RANGE	MAJORITY
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. Offerings were mostly adequate. Processing schedules were reported as normal. Canner supplies were about adequate to short and clearing satisfactorily. The undertone was at least steady.

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Trading was too few to report. Interest for spent heavy fowl was moderate with offerings at least adequate for needs. Sales of finished product were fair with processing schedules normal. Trade sentiment was at least steady.

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