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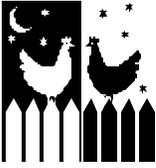
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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Majority prices were unchanged when compared to previous week. Trade sentiment was no better than steady. Post holiday demand was light to moderate, best into fast food outlets, as trade refilled pipelines, and assessed needs and market conditions. Supplies of all sizes were at least adequate. In the parts structure, trading was mixed, mostly fair. Availability was at least sufficient with some reports of wings being in better balance and sought. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights ranged light to heavy, 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 11/26/01-12/01/01 (cents per lb)

AREAS	US GRADE A (Includes branded product)		COMPOSITE		
	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS	WTD AVG	LOADS
Bos/New Eng	52.50-54.00	53.53	16	54.58	20
Chicago	50.00-53.00	52.38	43	54.63	79
Cincinnati	TFEWR	—	—	57.41	17
Cleveland	TFEWR	—	—	64.00	12
Denver	68.50	68.47	17	66.31	21
Detroit	52.00-54.00	53.82	11	58.01	37
Los Angeles	69.00	67.30	66	63.64	142
New York	49.00-51.00	50.78	23	53.73	49
Philadelphia	50.50-52.00	51.10	10	52.17	21
Pittsburgh	50.50-52.50	51.70	10	59.00	54
St. Louis	52.25-52.50	51.79	20	53.49	36
San Francisco	69.50	68.65	30	70.19	52

Composite 12 City Weighted Average

Loads	11/26/01	Change/Last Wk	11/19/01	11/27/00
5106	58.82	0.56	58.26	58.12

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

REGIONS	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS
East	57.00-59.00	58.64	35
Central	54.00-60.00	58.50	60
West	52.00-61.75	59.56	45
Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent			
Mississippi	61.00-64.00	63.47	79

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.

LOADS	RANGE	MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT
1,039	50.00-66.25	62.57

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	187.00	1,185
BREASTS - B/S	125.00	3,979
BREASTS - WHOLE	58.50	1,211
THIGH MEAT - B/S	86.50	688
LEG QUARTERS	29.50	7,988
WINGS	86.50	2,693

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NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYER Trucklot buying activity was light and unaggressive as dealers cautiously assessed the market entering the week. Offerings of all sizes were at least adequate to available. The market tone was about steady. In the parts complex, breast items were available. Dark meat cuts were at least adequate. Wings were at least sufficient.

SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trade sentiment was generally steady. Demand following the holiday weekend was light to moderate as trade refilled and assessed needs; however, interest had improved, best into food service channels. Supplies were better balanced than previous week, but still available. In the parts structure, trading was fair to moderate. Wings were sufficient to closer balanced, and the remaining items were adequate. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Final majority prices were unchanged from last Monday's levels. Reported trading, for this week's deliveries, at generally unchanged prices on regular commitments, new negotiations of heavy weights at mainly unchanged prices and lighter weights at unchanged to higher prices. Offerings of lighter weights in fair balance and heavy weights ample, due to holiday down time. Buying interest increased in some areas to cover first-of-the-month needs. Retail demand was moderate overall for whole body best by stores to cover planned feature activities, fairly good for parts best by fast food. Dealers reported satisfactory weekend clearances. The market tone was generally steady on parts. Reported trading on parts: leg quarters 28-29.5 bulk and 29.5-31 4/10s, breasts 63-69 bone-in and mainly 120 boneless. The Los Angeles weighted average on negotiated WOGs was 54.22 up 1.19 from last week with the volume reported unchanged at 30 loads.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER Final majority prices for this week's deliveries unchanged into all areas with Ohio cities TFEWR from last Monday's final. Whole fryer trade sentiment steady to barely steady. Additional product offerings varied from plant to plant with buyers assessing needs following Thanksgiving. Retail and food service demand was light to fair at best, instances good into fast food. Floor stocks were adequate for needs with sizes desirable. Parts trading was mixed and supplies varied. Leg quarters were abundant, breast items sufficient, wings adequate and wanted. Trade sentiment was barely steady to weak on leg quarters and breast items, steady on wings.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds remained seasonally light and spotty. Most sellers projected little if any improvement over the short term. Offerings varied, but were at least adequate for the current call. Live supplies were mostly moderate; weights were in a full range of light to heavy. Processing schedules were light to moderate. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 53 to 67 cents. Trade sentiment was about steady. In the parts complex, volumes varied from plant to plant, but all items were at least adequate. Leg quarters and tenders were readily available while boneless/skinless breasts were in fairly decent balance. *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	49-71
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	55.75
NO. OF BOXES	8,626
*8 of 8 plants reporting.	

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Trucklot buying activity was light and unaggressive entering the week as dealers cautiously assessed the market. Offerings of breast items were adequate to available. Leg quarters were more than sufficient. Wings were at least adequate. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair. The market tone was about steady.

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

ITEM	NEGOTIATED	CURRENT	WTD	VOLUME
ITEM	TRADING		AVG	/LBS
BREAST - B/S		115	121.68	361,200
TENDERLOINS		100	105.21	44,520
BREAST - WITH RIBS	50-51		57.22	235,720
BREAST - LINE RUN	50		52.72	173,720
LEGS	39-40		42.92	150,320
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	24-25		27.45	406,451
DRUMSTICKS	39-40		41.80	94,940
THIGHS	37-38		42.82	71,340
B/S THIGHS	86-87		87.54	51,200
WINGS (WHOLE)	83-84		89.24	272,320
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12		12.46	33,200
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35		36.78	13,680
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	55-60		61.55	34,640

NEW JERSEY, MASSACHUSETTS, CONNECTICUT, RHODE ISLAND, AND PENNSYLVANIA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG).

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	1,026	98.00-123.00	100-110	105.77
TENDERLOINS	57	105.00-186.00	105-108	120.44
BREAST - WITH RIBS		NO TRADING REPORTED		
FRONT HALVES		NO TRADING REPORTED		
LEGS		NO TRADING REPORTED		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	161	19.00-28.00	19-21	22.29
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,824	25.00-29.00	25	25.38
WINGS (WHOLE)	65	75.00-82.00	82	79.83
DRUMSTICKS		NO TRADING REPORTED		
THIGHS	1,408	34.00-39.00	34-35	34.98

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	ACTUAL	AVG WTS
	11/26	11/22	11/22	11/19	11/15
ALA	4,124	(A)	4.02	3,941	5.10
ARK	5,339	(A)	2.08	5,204	4.85
DELMARVA	2,190	(A)	5.64	2,147	5.01
KY-LA-TN	2,039	Holiday	0.00	2,036	4.58
MISS	2,844	Holiday	0.00	2,764	5.03
NC	2,558	(A)	6.97	2,418	5.93
TEXAS	2,053	Holiday	0.00	2,400	4.82
TOTAL	21,147	686	4.73	20,910	5.04
MON	21,147(B)			20,910(B)	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations

(B) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 26-Nov 2001 is estimated to be 31,638,000 up 0.83 percent from a week ago and up 8.22 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 31,378,000, last year 29,234,000)

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
ITEM				AVG
BREAST - B/S	777	105.00-168.00	120-125	126.61
TENDERLOINS	95	105.00-201.00	105-110	134.61
BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS	88	37.00-55.00	38-40	38.64
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	398	22.00-26.00	22-24	22.38
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	850	24.00-31.50	26-27	27.51
WINGS (WHOLE)	300	75.00-93.00	88-90	88.23
WINGS (CUT)	397	94.00-117.00	94-97	99.93
DRUMSTICKS	68	49.00-55.00	-	49.71
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
B/S THIGHS	30	84.00-90.00	-	88.00

 WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS
 TRADING FOR NOVEMBER 26, 2001 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
39.75 - 44.00	40.01	41.16

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 PARTS ICE-PACKED POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES DELIVERED TO: IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, AND WI WEEK OF 26-NOV-2001 TO 30-NOV-2001, CENTS PER POUND

	Price Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	100.00 - 127.00	117.00 - 120.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	45.00 - 76.00	52.00 - 66.00
LEGS	40.00 - 47.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	23.00 - 33.00	25.00 - 27.00
DRUMSTICKS	38.00 - 47.00	-
THIGHS	37.00 - 45.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	75.00 - 89.00	79.00 - 81.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10.00 - 20.00	-
LIVERS	25.00 - 42.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40.00 - 52.00	-

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

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	81-100
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	85-107
FROZEN HENS 5# & UP	93-99
FROZEN DUCKS	139-154
FROZEN SQUABS	589

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

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

FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK	94-95
	DRY PACK	96-103
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.

23-NOV-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	15.75-17.00	13.50-14.00	887,000	262,000
WTD AVERAGE	16.29	13.95		
15-20%				
RANGE	15.00-15.50	11.00-13.00	1,169,600	380,000
WTD AVERAGE	15.21	12.24		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	12.00	81,600	-
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

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Prices were higher when compared to a week earlier. Demand was moderate for adequate supplies of spent hens. Finished sales were fair to instances good. Processing schedules returned to normal following the holiday. Trade sentiment was usually steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *			
FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 26-NOV-01			
	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
	CENTS/LB.		
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	6-12	8-9	8.77

* 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.

23-NOV-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	14.00-15.00	13.00-14.00	204,000	-
WTD AVERAGE	14.50	13.75		
15-20%				
RANGE	11.00-12.00	9.00-12.50	1,020,000	408,000
WTD AVERAGE	11.50	9.97		
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 moderate. Offering were generally sufficient for trade needs. Canner supplies were about adequate and clearing satisfactorily. The undertone was steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 26-NOV-01			
	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	6.5-10.5	7.5-9	8.45
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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