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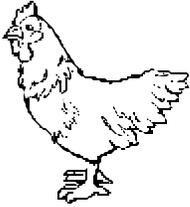
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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Majority prices for next week were trending cautiously lower in the East, mostly unchanged elsewhere. Trade sentiment was no better than steady. Retail demand was fair at best, and food service was light to moderate, best for fast food promotions. Supplies were at least adequate to available with discounting where excessive. Processing schedules for Monday's holiday was mixed, but mostly normal with a number of plants running tomorrow. In the parts structure, wings were more available, but still closer balanced to sufficient and moving. The remaining items were irregular, but usually at least adequate or obtainable. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mixed, but mostly desirable weights.

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 01/21/02-01/26/02 (cents per lb)

US GRADE A

AREAS	(Including branded product) MAJORITY	RANGE	WTD AVG	LOADS
Delivered to First Receivers				
Chicago	47.00-50.00	47.00-65.50	50.33	23
Los Angeles	68.00			
New York	50.00-52.00			
Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent				
Mississippi	62.00-63.50	50.00-64.00	62.62	82

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 63.00 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

PRELIMINARY FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT

LOADS	RANGE	FRIDAY PRELIM.	WTD. AVG.
692	57.45-65.25		62.80
Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed preliminary weighted average price on ice packed parts:			
ITEM	WTD. AVG. (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)	
LINE RUN TENDERS	181.50	1,214	
BREASTS - B/S	131.50	4,485	
BREASTS - WHOLE	59.50	1,091	
THIGH MEAT - B/S	86.50	701	
LEG QUARTERS	28.50	7,852	
WINGS	95.00	2,885	

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MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYERS The preliminary majority for next week's deliveries into the Chicago area was unchanged from last Monday's final. The market tone on whole broiler/fryers was about steady. Offerings of additional product were adequate for the cautious and light buyer interest. Movement into all channels was irregular, spotty and slow to light for the most part. In the St. Louis and Chicago areas, an occasional fair to moderate demand was noted into retail and food service outlets. Floor stocks were in a full range with sizes desirable. Trading on parts items was limited on light to moderate offerings. Supplies of all items were sufficient for trade needs with wings and leg quarters in the close balance. The market tone was steady on all items.

SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trade sentiment was steady. Demand entering the weekend was light to moderate, best for features. Supplies were usually in balance for light trade needs. In the parts structure, interest for wings was less active, but strong enough to keep supplies moving. Breast items were well balanced, and dark meat was sufficient. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS The market tone was generally steady. Early trading on regular commitments reported at mainly unchanged prices with new negotiations of lightweight generally unchanged and heavy weight unchanged to lower. Offerings were fully adequate. Demand was fair for whole body and fairly good for parts, best to cover features. Dealers anticipated fair weekend clearances. Ads noted: Southern California - whole body 79-109, boneless breasts 177-199 (IQF 3# 507, 4# 799), boneless thigh 199, boneless leg meat 138, split breasts 97-169, whole legs 98-129, leg quarters 10# bag 490, thigh 79-129, drumstick 79-129 (5# bag 295), roaster 129-139; Northern California - whole body 99, whole cut-up 119, boneless breast fillets 269, leg quarters 79, split breast 129, drumstick 99-129, thigh 99-129; Arizona - whole body 89-119, boneless breast 239-399, split breast 99, leg quarter 89-119; Colorado - boneless breast 198-199 (IQF 3# 537), split breast 98, leg quarter 38, thigh 58, drumstick 58.

NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYER Trucklot buying interest on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was mostly fair to no better than moderate as dealers continued with a cautious and selective posture entering the weekend. Offerings of all sizes remained at least adequate to available with discounting often noted to clear excess product. Movement through retail and distributive channels was about fair. The market tone was barely steady. In the parts complex, bone-in breasts were in good balance with most immediate needs. Boneless skinless breasts were at least adequate. Dark meat cuts and wings were sufficient.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was about moderate at most plants, good in spots. Offerings were in generally good balance on the under 3 pound sizes; adequate or available on the heavier sizes from most shippers. Live supplies were at least moderate; weights were mostly desirable to heavy. Processing schedules were very heavy when combined with operations slated for Saturday. Operations planned for the Holiday Monday are limited. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 56 to 70 cents. Trade sentiment was no better than steady. In the parts complex, all items were fully sufficient for current needs.

***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		58.49
NO. OF BOXES		9,517
CUMULATIVE	01/14/02-01/18/02	59.07
	01/15/01-01/19/01	52.82
NO. OF BOXES	01/14/02-01/18/02	47,490
	01/15/01-01/19/01	47,596

*8 of 8 plants reporting.

JAN 17

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

JAN 18

ITEM	POUNDS				POUNDS				WEEKLY	
	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	(000)	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	843	115.00-175.00	124-129	127.26	861	114.00-175.00	125-129	127.08	4,186	127.27
TENDERLOINS	139	105.00-190.00	-	129.03	184	105.00-190.00	110-115	154.40	863	132.80
BREAST - LINE RUN	117	58.00-63.00	59-60	59.58	115	58.00-63.00	59-60	59.61	516	59.16
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				672	61.90
LEGS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				275	37.40
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	396	24.00-26.00	24-25	24.28	396	23.00-26.00	24	24.08	1,980	24.18
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,350	26.00-30.00	26-27	26.82	1,580	26.00-29.50	26-28	26.78	6,750	26.71
WINGS (WHOLE)	116	93.00-101.00	93-95	95.67	295	93.00-100.00	94-96	94.85	1,299	94.84
WINGS (CUT)	439	104.00-121.00	104-107	110.01	367	105.00-120.00	105-108	108.97	1,975	110.55
DRUMSTICKS	66	47.00-49.00	-	47.18	66	47.00-49.00	-	47.18	330	47.51
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				140	47.86
B/S THIGHS	30	84.00-87.00	-	85.00	TOO FEW TO REPORT				190	83.95

 WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS

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TRADING FOR JAN 17, 2002 F.O.B. DOCK. **TODAY'S AVERAGE**

RANGE	AVERAGE
41.00 - 44.50	43.42

TRADING FOR JAN 18, 2002 F.O.B. DOCK. **TODAY'S AVERAGE** **5-DAY AVERAGE**

RANGE	AVERAGE	AVERAGE
40.00 - 44.00	42.82	42.81

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 entering the weekend, but was generally fair to no better than moderate as dealers remained cautious and selective. Offerings of bone-in breasts were in good balance with most immediate needs. Dark meat cuts and wings were at least adequate. Boneless-skinless breasts were sufficient. Movement through retail and distributive channels was about fair with best interest centering around the occasional feature. The market tone was mostly steady. ICE PACKED B/F PARTS, DLIVRD TO 1ST RCVRS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER LB.

ITEM	CURRENT NEG			CURRENT NEG			JAN 18 WEEKLY		
	TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS	TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS	WTD AVG	VOL/LBS	
BREAST - B/S	120	127.54	323,000	120121.63	290,990	125.64	1,782,580		
TENDERLOINS	100	101.78	65,080	100105.80	71,960	102.22	440,030		
BREAST - WITH RIBS	56-57	63.35	190,800	56-5762.44	186,080	62.53	996,600		
BREAST - LINE RUN	56	58.54	170,840	5660.20	26,440	58.78	765,200		
LEGS	39-40	41.67	155,480	39-4041.33	157,405	42.12	792,565		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	25-26	26.92	399,466	25-2626.03	356,712	26.58	1,839,742		
DRUMSTICKS	38-39	41.43	83,790	38-3940.63	124,660	41.25	522,820		
THIGHS	28-29	33.22	90,820	28-2937.70	83,840	33.89	529,100		
B/S THIGHS	85-86	84.92	40,800	85-8685.98	46,360	85.01	240,150		
WINGS (WHOLE)	95-96	105.05	259,760	95-96104.52	219,165	104.67	1,721,865		
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	13.13	35,920	10-1212.22	37,800	12.40	186,120		
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35	37.01	9,040	30-3536.35	10,240	36.45	60,630		
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	55-60	59.44	21,400	55-6056.88	27,640	58.79	152,260		

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 WTS	
	01/18	01/17	01/16	01/15	01/16	01/15	01/11	01/09
ALA	4,212	3,897	3,671	3,887	5.20	5.11	4,049	4.99
ARK	5,516	5,359	5,261	5,287	4.94	5.03	4,841	5.00
DELMARVA	2,957	2,371	2,371	2,285	5.25	5.24	2,556	5.16
KY-LA-TN	1,975	1,986	1,895	1,974	4.64	4.63	1,983	4.61
MISS	2,766	2,872	2,814	2,806	5.14	5.17	2,660	5.18
NC	3,134	2,613	2,638	2,579	6.11	6.10	2,984	6.24
TEXAS	2,421	2,410	2,393	2,397	4.84	4.99	2,564	5.01
TOTAL	22,981	21,508	21,043	21,215	5.16	5.17	21,637	5.16
MON-FRI	108,894(A)				41.44	107,602(A)		

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 18-Jan 02 and 19-Jan-02 is estimated to be 34,382,000 up 5.90 percent from a week ago and up 4.7 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 32,468,000; last year 32,837,000)

Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the week ending 19-Jan-02 is estimated to be 157,870,000 head down 1.1 percent from a week ago, and up 5.3 percent from a year ago (Last week 159,574,000 Last year 149,911,000)

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

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	84-86
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	DRY PACK 95-102
	ICE PACK 93-94
ROASTERS 4# & UP	DRY PACK 113
	ICE PACK 104-113
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK 98
	DRY PACK 91
DUCKS	152-166

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED Under federal inspection, classified by live wt., week ending January 05, 2001 (Preliminary),

	(A) Fast food/ Food service	(B) Retail	(C) Deboning
	4.20 Lbs & down	4.21-5.25 Lbs	5.26 Lbs & Up
-----THOUSANDS-----			
Head	25,261	14,782	37,806
Avg Weight	3.84	4.77	6.23
% of total /1	32%	19%	49%
COMPARISONS			
Last week	14,857	20,381	23,112
Avg Weight	3.75	4.76	6.39
% of total /1	25%	35%	40%
Same week, yr ago /2	27,204	26,407	46,255
Avg Weight	3.74	5.04	6.31
% of total /1	27%	26%	46%
To date/2002	25,261	14,782	37,806
To date/2001	27,204	26,407	46,255

/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 12-Jan-2002 (PRELIMINARY)

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
	-----THOUSANDS-----				
HEAD	159,574(A)	1,974	1,378	3,352	491
AVG WT	5.10	3.61	7.86	5.36	6.76
LAST WEEK	118,269	1,436	1,171	2,607	392
SAME WK YR AGO	157,211	1,971	1,245	3,216	437
AVG WT	5.09	3.46	7.58	5.05	6.54
TO-DATE/2002	277,843	3,410	2,549	5,959	883
TO-DATE/2001	284,023	3,332	2,017	5,349	924

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 150.6 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 161.5 million head or 10.9 million head more than or 107 percent of estimated fryers available.

EAST PETERSBURG POULTRY - DATE OF AUCTION: JAN 15, 2002

	RANGE		RANGE
Muscovy Ducks - Drakes	.90 - 1.10	Silkie	2.50 - 3.00ea.
Muscovy Ducks - Hens	.84 - 1.06	Geese 9-14	.30 - .44
Pekin Ducks	.30 - .42	Pigeons	2.10 - 2.50ea.
Red Fowl 4-4.5	.34 - .52	White Pigeons	3.25 - 5.00ea.
Red Fowl 5-6	.70 - 1.10	Rabbits 4-6	1.10 - 1.34
Crossbred Fowl 5-9	.70 - 1.08	Rabbits 7-11	1.10 - 1.32
Crossbred Roosters 4-6	.60 - 1.28	Bunnies	1.50 - 4.50ea.
Crossbred Roosters 7-11	.70 - 1.38	Guinea Pigs	1.00 - 3.00ea.
Guinea Fowl	1.00 - 1.55	Doves	5.00 - 7.00ea.
Banty Roosters	3.50 - 6.50 ea.	Pullets 4-6	.60 - .72
Banty Hens	2.50 - 4.00 ea.		
Leghorn Hens	.20 - .32	Total Coops Sold	704
Leghorn Roosters	.30 - .62		

"BEGINNING JANUARY 8, 2002, ALL POULTRY WILL BE AI TESTED".

EASTERN REGION MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY

FOR CURRENT DELIVERY FOR THE WEEK OF 14-JAN-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)	61-65	63-65
VACUUM PACKED (6-9 PER BOX)	65-85	68-73

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 unchanged. Trade sentiment generally steady to fully steady. Demand was moderate to very good. Slaughter schedules were full-time to at times reduced this week due to some lighter weight ducks. 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 14-JAN-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
DECEMBER 8	158.8	154.1	103	5.26
15	156.6	152.0	103	5.08
22	161.4	145.7	111	4.95
29	116.7	141.6	82	5.23
JANUARY 5	119.7	144.2	83	5.20
12	161.5	150.6	107	5.10
YEAR TO DATE	281.2	294.8	95	
JANUARY 19		155.0		
26		155.7		

BROILER/CATTLE/HOG WEEKLY ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER

W/E	01/19/02	01/12/02	% CHG	01/20/01	% CHG
Broilers	157,870	159,574*	-01	149,911*	+05
Cattle	686	671	+02	669*	+03
Hogs	1,971	1,983	-01	1,924*	+02
Under Federal Inspection					
* ACTUAL					

NATIONAL CANNER FOWL Majority prices were unchanged on both light and heavy cannery when compared to a week earlier. Demand was light to moderate. Offerings were mostly adequate on both lights and heavies. The undertone was steady.

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, WITHOUT FREIGHT COST

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
24.5-26 MAJORITY	31-38 MAJORITY 31.75-35

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, FREIGHT COST INCLUDED

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
25.5-28 MAJORITY 26-27.5	33-38.5 MAJORITY 35-35.5

EASTERN REGION LIGHT LIVE HEN Prices were unchanged. Demand was no better than fair for the mostly adequate offerings. Processing schedules ranged from normal to reduced for next week operating schedules. Cannery movement was fair to moderate and clearing. The undertone was about steady.

SOUTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Trading was too few to report. Demand was light to only moderate for fully adequate supplies of leghorn fowl. Finished sales were fair with reduced schedules adequate for needs. Trade sentiment was only steady.

NORTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Prices unchanged. Offerings ample with demand moderate. Rendering facilities continue to absorb overflow from slaughter facilities that ran full schedules. Trade sentiment steady.

WEST COAST LIGHT LIVE HEN Plants schedules heavy. Offerings ample.

LIVE HENS

Cents per pound, generally for slaughter the following week.

HEAVY	RANGE	MAJORITY
Southeast Heavy	TFEWR	(1)
Southeast Heavy	TFEWR	(2)
f.o.b. plant	TFEWR	
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 for the mostly adequate offerings. Processing schedules were irregular for next weeks schedules. The undertone was generally steady.

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Negotiations were too few to report. Demand was moderate for at least adequate offerings of spent hens from production areas. Kill schedules were reduced for next week. Finished sales were fair. Trade sentiment was generally steady.

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