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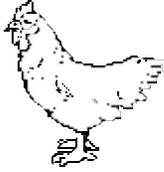
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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Majority prices were irregular, but mostly unchanged. Trade sentiment was no better than steady with some caution noted. Demand into all channels covered the full range, mostly slow to moderate, but stronger where retail ads and fast food promotions were active. Supplies of all sizes were at least adequate, at times longest for heavier weights. In the parts structure, trading was light with buying selective and cautious. Supplies of all items were usually more than sufficient or readily available with discounting reported. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

Final report of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook broiler/fryers delivered to first receivers at major market areas week of 02/11/02-02/16/02 (cents per lb)

AREAS	US GRADE A (Includes branded product)		COMPOSITE		
	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS	WTD AVG	LOADS
Bos/New Eng	51.50-53.00	52.15	17	53.66	23
Chicago	45.00-48.00	48.05	39	49.97	75
Cincinnati	TFEWR	—	—	52.95	20
Cleveland	TFEWR	—	—	60.13	10
Denver	67.50	67.47	17	65.91	23
Detroit	47.00-49.00	48.50	12	54.28	38
Los Angeles	68.00	65.95	67	63.92	120
New York	46.00-48.00	47.61	23	49.62	43
Philadelphia	48.00-49.50	48.90	10	49.25	22
Pittsburgh	47.50-49.00	48.25	10	55.16	56
St. Louis	47.25-47.50	47.04	16	49.07	34
San Francisco	68.50	67.63	30	69.60	55

Composite 12 City Weighted Average

Loads	02/11/02	Change/Last Wk	02/04/02	02/12/01
519	56.11	0.44	55.67	57.22

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	52.00-54.00	52.88	35
Central	50.00-55.00	53.95	62
West	50.00-58.00	57.98	49

Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent

Mississippi	60.00-63.00	61.98	79
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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 63.00 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG

LOADS	RANGE	FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT
1,000	45.00-65.25	60.78

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	179.00	1,389
BREASTS - B/S	124.00	4,958
BREASTS - WHOLE	60.00	1,119
THIGH MEAT - B/S	84.50	795
LEG QUARTERS	27.00	9,523
WINGS	86.50	3,287

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NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYER Trucklot buying activity was light and unaggressive entering the week as dealers cautiously assessed the market and limited orders to most immediate needs. Offering of all sizes were at least adequate. Movement through retail and distributive channels was seasonally light to fair. In the parts complex, breast items were at least sufficient. Legs and leg quarters were more than adequate. Wings were ample and available at discounted levels.

SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trade sentiment was steady at best. Demand following the weekend was slow to fair into retail, slightly better for food service, particularly fast food for promotions. Supplies of all sizes were more than sufficient for limited trade needs. In the parts structure, trading was light. All items were at least adequate or readily available. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mixed, but mostly desirable weights.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Majority prices were unchanged. Reported trading for this week's deliveries were at mainly unchanged prices with heavy product in the weakest position. Offerings were ample for current demand. Buying interest was fair. Demand by stores and restaurants moderate overall. Dealers reported satisfactory weekend clearances. Parts trading reported: leg quarters 27-28 bulk 28.5-29 4/10s, breast 66.5-70 bone-in 110-116 random boneless, wings generally 87, thigh meat 88 and drumstick 42 bulk 44 8/5s. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average was 53.26 down .40 and the volume at 31 loads down 9 percent.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER Final majority prices for this week's deliveries were unchanged to slightly higher with TFEWR into Ohio. Trade sentiment on whole fryers was cautiously steady. Offers were plentiful on heavy sized Wogs with lighter weight product in balance. Movement into retail channels was generally slow, instances fairly good. Food service demand was spotty, light to fairly good and best where fast food promotions active. Floor stocks were in close balance to adequate. Sizes were mostly desirable. Parts trading was limited for the fully available supplies. The market tone was steady to fully steady on whole breast and about steady on the balance.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was seasonally light to fair at best. Seller offerings were sometimes noted as light, but were fully sufficient in handling current inquiry. Live supplies were mostly moderate; weights were generally desirable. Processing schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 52 to 66 cents. Trade sentiment was barely steady. In the parts complex, all cuts were generally described as at least adequate to fully 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	46-68
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	53.98
NO. OF BOXES	9,497

*8 of 8 plants reporting.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Trucklot buying activity was noted as fair to moderate over the weekend, however, business was mostly light and unaggressive entering the week as dealers cautiously assessed the market. Offerings of breast items were at least adequate. Legs and leg quarters were sufficient. Wings remained readily available at discounted levels. Retail and distributive sectors saw fairly good weekend clearances, however, movement was lackluster today with little optimism noted for the remainder of the week. The market tone was barely steady to weak on wings, cautiously steady on breast items, and 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	CURRENT TRADING	WTD AVG	VOLUME /LBS
BREAST - B/S		110-115	114.06	444,880
TENDERLOINS		100	110.41	82,840
BREAST - WITH RIBS		55-56	59.70	283,320
BREAST - LINE RUN		55	56.24	157,320
LEGS		38-39	41.18	139,280
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)		24-25	25.67	405,692
DRUMSTICKS		38-39	40.19	112,500
THIGHS		28-29	36.05	51,320
B/S THIGHS		85-86	85.17	55,760
WINGS (WHOLE)		75-76	78.85	273,665
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)		10-12	12.42	33,920
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)		25-30	21.08	6,880
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)		40-45	39.80	29,800

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	1,909	100.00-125.00	100-105	105.83
TENDERLOINS	404	103.00-190.00	-	120.09
BREAST - WITH RIBS	378	55.00-85.00	56-57	60.08
FRONT HALVES	280	57.00-58.00	-	57.14
LEGS		NO TRADING REPORTED		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	1,761	21.00-25.00	21-22	22.07
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	2,508	24.00-27.00	24-25	24.93
WINGS (WHOLE)	612	56.00-91.00	65	64.66
DRUMSTICKS	107	30.00-46.00	-	34.04
THIGHS	2,605	27.00-39.00	27-29	28.30

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	ACTUAL	AVG WTS
	02/11	02/07	02/07	02/04	01/31
ALA	4,092	4,040	4.97	4,073	4.95
ARK	5,370	4,943	4.89	5,211	4.86
DELMARVA	2,302	2,299	5.08	2,316	5.04
KY-LA-TN	1,910	1,945	4.58	1,983	4.52
MISS	2,853	2,714	5.17	2,758	5.20
NC	2,614	2,585	5.94	2,524	5.92
TEXAS	2,384	2,359	4.87	2,183	4.80
TOTAL	21,525	20,885	5.06	21,048	5.03
MON	21,525(A)			21,048(A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.
 Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 11-Feb 2002 is estimated to be 32,204,000 up 1.96 percent from a week ago and up 8.78 percent from a year ago.
 (Last week 31,585,000, last year 29,605,000)

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	842	102.00-175.00	105-115	116.56
TENDERLOINS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS	89	36.00-46.00	36-38	37.01
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	361	23.00-27.00	23-24	23.45
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,336	25.00-29.00	26-27	26.81
WINGS (WHOLE)	296	70.00-90.00	84-87	86.40
WINGS (CUT)	463	88.00-101.00	90-94	92.29
DRUMSTICKS	66	46.00-49.50	-	46.32
THIGHS	27	46.00-50.50	-	47.17
B/S THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS TRADING FOR FEBRUARY 11, 2002 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
40.75 - 45.00	42.10	41.86

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 11-15 FEB-2002 CENTS PER POUND

	Price Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	105.00 - 122.00	112.00 - 115.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	56.00 - 76.00	56.00 - 61.00
LEGS	38.00 - 45.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	24.00 - 29.00	25.00 -
DRUMSTICKS	34.00 - 45.00	-
THIGHS	29.00 - 42.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	62.00 - 88.00	74.00 - 75.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10.00 - 20.00	-
LIVERS	25.00 - 40.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	35.00 - 48.00	-

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

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	80-93
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	83-97
FROZEN HENS 5# & UP	93
FROZEN DUCKS	139
FROZEN SQUABS	589

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

FRESH FRYERS	86-88
ROASTERS 4# & UP	85-90
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	93-94
	DRY PACK	95-102
ROASTERS 4# & UP	DRY PACK	113
	ICE PACK	104-113
HENS OVER 5#	DRY PACK	
	ICE PACK	94-98
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.

08-FEB-2002
CHICKEN — 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	15.75-16.50	12.75-13.50	826,000	266,000
WTD AVERAGE	16.07	13.03		
15-20%				
RANGE	15.00	10.00-13.50	1,550,000	160,000
WTD AVERAGE	15.00	12.19		
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 Majority prices were unchanged to slightly higher when compared to a week earlier. Offerings were adequate to at least adequate for immediate needs. Demand was mostly fair. Processing schedules were about normal. The undertone was steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *
FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 11-FEB-02.

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	6-10.5	8.5-10	8.79

* 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.

08-FEB-2001
CHICKEN — 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	-	14.00	81,600	-
WTD AVERAGE		14.00		
15-20%				
RANGE	12.50	11.00-13.00	877,200	-
WTD AVERAGE	12.50	11.38		
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

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AT FARM BUYER LOADING	6-10.5	8.5-10	8.79
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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