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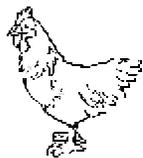
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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE



Trade sentiment was barely steady in the East, steady elsewhere. Pre-holiday demand was mixed with improvements noted. In retail, ads and first of the month business was best, while fast food/restaurant specials and resort areas held best interest for food services. Supplies of all sizes were at least adequate or readily available and discounted where ample. Due to increased July Fourth needs, trucking delays were reported in various areas. In the parts structure, breast items were in best balance and moving, whereas dark meat and wings remained more than sufficient and outweighed limited needs. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were in a full range, but mostly desirable.

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES The Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for next week's trading advanced .25 cent to 64.25 cents based on full truck load lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 64.00 cents last year on July 03, 2001.

Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted prices on ice-packed parts for next week's trading.

ITEM	DOCK PRICE (CENTS PER POUND)
LINE RUN TENDERS	176.00
BREASTS - B/S	154.00
BREASTS - WHOLE	85.00
THIGH MEAT - B/S	76.00
LEG QUARTERS	21.50
WINGS	54.00

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SOUTHERN Trade sentiment was steady at best. Pre-holiday demand was light to moderate and improved in some areas due to July Fourth needs. Supplies were at least sufficient for trade needs. Processing schedules were part time with plants either down tomorrow, or operating lighter schedules. In the parts structure, trading was mixed. Breast items were in balance and moving, best where retail ads were active. Dark meat was adequate to ample and slow to clear, and wings were readily available. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

NORTHEAST Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was no better than moderate with some increase in activity because of the upcoming holiday. Offerings of all sizes were generally sufficient to available. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair to moderate best where scattered feature was activity was planned. The market tone was barely steady. In the parts complex, breast items were mostly adequate to at least adequate. Dark meat cuts were fully adequate. Wings, thighs and thigh meat were available.

MIDWEST The trade sentiment on whole fryers was mostly steady. Offerings remained fully available on heavy weight product and adequate for lighter weight birds. Movement into all channels was mixed and erratic, slow to good. Retail features and first of the month orders were presenting light to moderate interest. Fast food, restaurant promotions and resort areas noted moderate to good orders. Floor stocks were at acceptable levels with the usual disruptions, trucking delays and increased quantities associated with holiday schedules. Weights were desirable. In the parts complex, offerings were available with split breasts in close balance and remaining items fully adequate for current trade needs. The market tone was steady on whole and split breasts with all other items about steady, undertone weak.

WESTERN The market tone was generally steady. Offerings were easily adequate to cover immediate needs. Demand was moderate by white table cloth restaurants, fast food good and stores very good; best overall for parts. Floor stocks in fairly good balance for current needs.

CHICK PLACEMENT AND EGG SET TOTAL

19 STATES WEEK ENDING 06/29/02	2002	2001	PERCENT CHANGE PREVIOUS YEAR
EGGS SET	205,276	202,627	+01
CHICKS PLACED	172,426	170,027	+01

BROILER EGGS SET IN 19 SELECTED STATES UP 1 PERCENT

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 205 million eggs in incubators during the week ending June 29, 2002. This was up 1 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED UP 1 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 172 million chicks for meat production during the week ending June 29, 2002. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week in 2001. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2001 through June 29, 2002 were 4.43 billion.

BASED ON THE PRELIMINARY CHICK PLACEMENTS, THE NUMBER OF FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING DURING THE WEEK ENDING 10-Aug-02 IS ESTIMATED AT 158.8 MILLION HEAD. THIS COMPARES TO 159.1 MILLION HEAD THE PREVIOUS WEEK AND TO 160.6 MILLION HEAD THE SAME WEEK A YEAR AGO, WHEN THE SLAUGHTER WAS 158.9 MILLION HEAD AND THE 12-CITY WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE WAS 61.00 CENTS PER POUND.

JULY 02, 2002

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

JULY 03, 2002

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	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	831	129.00-220.00	139-145	141.75
TENDERLOINS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
BREAST - LINE RUN	82	84.00-88.00	85-86	84.42
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS	89	22.00-37.00	22-23	23.52
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	439	14.50-19.00	16	16.04
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,408	17.00-22.00	20-21	20.16
WINGS (WHOLE)	295	47.00-56.00	54-55	54.63
WINGS (CUT)	402	61.00-74.00	62-63	64.03
DRUMSTICKS	67	37.00-43.00	-	37.71
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
B/S THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	954	129.00-220.00	139-144	141.93
TENDERLOINS	152	110.00-195.00	110-115	130.92
BREAST - LINE RUN	113	84.00-89.00	85-86	85.73
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS	91	22.00-37.00	22-23	23.50
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	399	15.00-19.00	16	16.19
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,448	17.00-26.00	19-21	20.54
WINGS (WHOLE)	295	47.00-55.00	53-55	53.95
WINGS (CUT)	359	61.00-65.00	62-63	62.13
DRUMSTICKS	70	37.00-43.50	-	37.72
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
B/S THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		

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

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
36.25 - 42.00	40.20	36.50 - 42.00	38.85	39.65

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 ranged light to no better than moderate as dealers were unaggressive and kept floorstocks in close balance with demand. Offerings of breast items were sufficient for trade needs. Dark meat cuts were at least adequate to available. Wings were at least adequate and competitively priced in some instances. Movement through retail and distributive channels ranged light to moderate with best interest centering on scattered feature activity. The market tone was generally steady on breast items; no better than steady on leg and leg quarters, barely steady to weak on thighs and thigh meat.

*PRICES PAID PER POUND, ICE PACKED AND CO2 PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES JULY 02, 2002

ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	140-145	145.76	527,470
TENDERLOINS	105-110	102.86	222,870
BREAST - WITH RIBS	78-79	85.12	176,880
BREAST - LINE RUN	78	79.24	121,320
LEGS	32-33	37.47	128,000
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	20-21	20.19	889,800
DRUMSTICKS	34-35	32.47	249,270
THIGHS	18-19	30.08	134,860
B/S THIGHS	69-70	72.84	90,080
WINGS (WHOLE)	53-54	60.85	167,480
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	12.10	26,720
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	15-20	15.78	17,800
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	30-35	39.06	30,290

ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	140-145	145.00	483,770
TENDERLOINS	105-110	105.56	175,560
BREAST - WITH RIBS	78-79	85.97	178,640
BREAST - LINE RUN	78	79.26	104,160
LEGS	32-33	35.98	130,200
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	20-21	21.22	401,080
DRUMSTICKS	34-35	33.38	142,950
THIGHS	18-19	26.22	85,940
B/S THIGHS	68-69	68.71	68,760
WINGS (WHOLE)	53-54	60.06	153,920
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	11.87	37,240
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	15-20	17.32	11,480
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	30-35	36.15	24,600

INCLUDES: NY CITY METRO. AREA, RI, NORTHERN NJ, MA, CT, PA (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.

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATED	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	ACTUAL	AVG WTS
	07/03	06/29	06/29	06/26	06/22
ALA	3,981	4,492	4.90	4021	4.96
ARK	5,428	5,349	4.68	5143	4.77
DELMARVA	2,378	3,118	5.15	2304	5.19
KY-LA-TN	2,068	2,181	4.40	2052	4.34
MISS	2,901	2,554	5.29	2842	5.28
NC	2,699	3,466	5.93	2669	5.94
TEXAS	2,429	3,096	4.86	2409	4.90
TOTAL	21,884	24,256	5.02	21440	5.04
MON-TUE	43,654 (A)			43104 (A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 03-Jul 2002 is estimated to be 32,741,000 up 1.77 percent from a week ago and up 3.98 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 32,173,000 last year 31,489,000)

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY

DELIVERED TO RETAILERS

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	91-93
ROASTERS 4# & UP	80-95
HENS UNDER 5#	-
HENS OVER 5#	-
DUCKS	-
RABBITS-WHOLE	-
RABBITS-CUT UP	-

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY

DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	ICE PACK	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS		94-95
	DRY PACK	96-103
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK	104-113
	DRY PACK	113
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK	94-98
	DRY PACK	-
DUCKS		152-166

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 06-JUL-02

CLASS	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	07/06/02 (1)	06/29/02
	THOUSAND HEAD	
BRO-FRY	145,449(2)	166,992
LT HENS	1,287	1,717
HVY HENS	1,045	1,636
CHECK TOTAL	147,781	170,345

(1)ESTIMATED

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 06-Jul-02 is 161.2 million head compared to 138.4 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 145.7 million head or 15.5 million less than estimated available. For week of 13-Jul-02 the estimated available is 161.6 million head.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS-SELECTED STGE CENTERS (INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEY	PROCESSED POULTRY
	LBS	LBS
AM 1-JUL-02	208,058	76,269
AM 1-JUn-02	199,226	73,633
CHG	8,832	2,636
PCT CHG	4	4

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEYS			PROCESSED POULTRY		
	07/01/02	06/24/02	07/02/01	07/01/02	06/24/02	07/02/01
PACIFIC COAST	18,458	27,638	21,019	5,102	5,065	4,260
LOS ANGELES	363	341	3,457	3,431	3,380	2,475

CENTRAL MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY RTC HENS

READY-TO-COOK PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR DELIVERY TO FIRST RECEIVERS,U.S. GRADE A AND PLANT GRADE, 5 LBS. AND UP, FOR WEEK OF JULY 01, 2002

	RANGE
HENS ICE PACKED (12 PER BOX)	58-59
VACUUM PACKED (6-9 PER BOX)	59-69

HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES

	FOR 7/02/02		
	LOW	HIGH	AVG
HEAVY FOWL lb.	.70	1.35	.92
LIGHT FOWL lb.	-	-	-
MIXED FOWL lb.	.40	.95	.65
BANTAMS lb.	-	-	-
BROILERS lb.	.40	2.50	-
ROASTERS lb.	-	-	-
FRYERS lb.	-	-	-
CHICKS lb.	-	-	-
PULLETS lb.	-	-	-
BUNNIES lb.	-	-	-
ROOSTERS lb.	.50	1.60	1.08
GEESE lb.	-	-	-
TURKEYS lb.	-	-	-
DUCKS lb.	.40	.85	.62
RABBITS lb.	.35	1.10	.56
PIGEONS lb.	-	-	-
GUINEA FOWL lb.	-	-	-
DUCKLINGS lb.	-	-	-
GUINEA KEETS ea.	-	4.25	-
SILKIES lb.	-	-	-
GOSLINGS ea.	-	-	-

TOTAL COOPS 117

MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS - Mexico City

Cents per pound for the week ending June 28, 2002

	Whole		Legs		Necks, Backs		Livers/	
	Chickens	Breasts	W/ Thighs	& Wings	Gizzards	Hens		
RAYON								
Low	63.75	136.61	91.07	27.32	22.77	29.60		
High	71.95	150.27	100.18	31.88	27.32	29.60		
Mostly	63.75	150.27	100.18	31.88	27.32	29.60		
SAN JUAN								
Low	61.47	127.50	86.52	34.15	15.94	53.73		
High	66.03	141.16	100.18	36.43	20.49	53.73		
Mostly	63.75	136.61	91.07	34.15	18.21	53.73		
NEW SAN JUAN								
Low	63.75	136.61	91.07	22.77	22.77	29.60		
High	71.95	145.71	100.18	31.88	27.32	29.60		
Mostly	63.75	145.71	91.07	27.32	27.32	29.60		
BECERRA								
Low	63.75	132.05	81.96	31.88	13.66	55.55		
High	68.30	145.71	95.63	36.43	18.21	55.55		
Mostly	63.75	136.61	86.52	34.15	15.94	55.55		

DELMARVA

Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds remained generally no better than fair. However, some increase in activity was attributed mainly to changes in shipping dates because of the Holiday. Seller offerings varied from plant to plant, but were fully sufficient, particularly on the heavier sizes. Live supplies were seasonally moderate; weights varied in a full range of light to heavy. Processor schedules were moderately heavy today, but were very heavy when combined with operations planned for tomorrow. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 52 to 67cents. Trade sentiment was barely steady. Parts were 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	45-68
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	52.77
NO. OF BOXES	9,274

*8 of 8 plants reporting.

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