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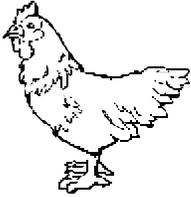
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## NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Trade sentiment remained no better than steady. Demand into retail was slow to fair, best for limited features, and food service fair to good, strongest for fast food promotions and delis. Supplies were at least adequate or available for trade needs. In the parts structure, availability easily exceeded demand resulting in a light and cautious buying interest. Breast items and wings were available, yet had increased in some instances. Dark meat was fully adequate to ample and continued slow to clear. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at weights in a full range, but mostly desirable. In parts of the West, live weights were affected due to extremely hot temperatures.

**GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES** The Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for next week's trading remains unchanged at 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 11, 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	176.50
BREASTS - B/S	154.50
BREASTS - WHOLE	85.00
THIGH MEAT - B/S	72.50
LEG QUARTERS	20.50
WINGS	53.00

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**SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS** Trade sentiment was steady at best. Demand was slow and unaggressive with trading limited to much needed product. Supplies were more than sufficient to satisfy light trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was minimal. All items were at least adequate, especially dark meat, and even at discounted levels, held little interest. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

**NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYERS** Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was light during midweek trading as dealers remained cautious and kept floorstocks in close balance. Offerings of all sizes were available. Movement through retail and distributive channels was slow. The market tone was no better than steady. In the parts complex, boneless-skinless breasts had increased in availability and bone-in breasts were more than sufficient. Leg quarters, thighs and thigh meat were ample. The balance of cuts were available.

**MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYERS** The trade sentiment on whole fryers was about steady. Offerings were adequate. Retail demand was light to moderate and best into scattered features. Feature noted in the Chicago area: split breasts at \$1.99 with drums and thighs at 99 cents. Food service demand was irregular with best demand into fast food and delis. Floor stocks adequate. Weights were mostly desirable. Offerings on part items were available with leg items in the longest position. Supplies were fully adequate with dark meat items ample. The market tone was steady on bone in breast and wings, steady to barely steady on boneless skinless breast and weak on dark meat.

**WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS** The market tone was about steady. Offerings were easily adequate to cover current needs; however triple digit temperatures started to affect live weights in some production areas. Buyers' interest was only fair with some optimism noted for possible improvement at the end of the week. Retailer demand was moderate for whole body and fairly good for parts, best to cover features. Floor stocks were generally adequate.

## CHICK PLACEMENT AND EGG SET TOTAL

19 STATES	PERCENT CHANGE	
WEEK ENDING 07/06/02	2002	2001
EGGS SET	207,500	202,616
CHICKS PLACED	172,212	169,801
		PREVIOUS YEAR
		+02
		+01

## BROILER EGGS SET IN 19 SELECTED STATES UP 2 PERCENT

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 208 million eggs in incubators during the week ending July 06, 2002. This was up 2 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 2 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 172 million chicks for meat production during the week ending July 6, 2002. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week in 2001. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2001 through July 6, 2002 were 4.60 billion.

BASED ON THE PRELIMINARY CHICK PLACEMENTS, THE NUMBER OF FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING DURING THE WEEK ENDING 17-Aug-02 IS ESTIMATED AT 158.5 MILLION HEAD. THIS COMPARES TO 158.8 MILLION HEAD THE PREVIOUS WEEK AND TO 159.2 MILLION HEAD THE SAME WEEK A YEAR AGO, WHEN THE SLAUGHTER WAS 159.5 MILLION HEAD AND THE 12-CITY WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE WAS 59.85 CENTS PER POUND.

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## SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

JULY 10, 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	852	128.00-220.00	137-142	139.62
TENDERLOINS	136	115.00-195.00	-	134.24
BREAST - LINE RUN	246	83.00-88.00	84-86	85.03
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	91	21.00-37.00	21-22	22.57
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	421	12.00-19.00	12-13	14.06
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,215	14.50-26.00	18-19	19.19
WINGS (WHOLE)	287	47.00-55.00	50-52	53.48
WINGS (CUT)	378	61.00-83.00	62-64	67.11
DRUMSTICKS	71	33.00-42.50	-	37.54
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	897	128.00-220.00	132-134	138.00
TENDERLOINS	183	110.00-195.00	-	155.27
BREAST - LINE RUN	86	84.00-88.00	84-85	84.70
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	89	21.00-37.00	21-22	22.62
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	461	10.00-18.00	10-13	11.75
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,247	12.50-26.00	17-19	18.70
WINGS (WHOLE)	287	47.00-55.00	52-53	53.48
WINGS (CUT)	295	61.00-65.00	61-63	62.37
DRUMSTICKS	94	33.00-42.50	-	35.80
THIGHS	64	29.00-46.00	-	-
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			

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 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
34.75 - 41.50	38.74	35.25 - 41.50	37.19	38.83

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 was very light during midweek trading as dealers continued to work hand-to-mouth and curtail orders to keep inventories to a minimum. Offerings of boneless-skinless breasts had increased in availability and bone-in breasts were at least sufficient. Thighs, boneless-skinless thigh meat and leg quarters were ample. Wings were more than adequate. Movement through retail and distributive channels was seasonally slow. Trade sentiment was unsettled. The market tone was weak on dark meat cuts, barely steady on boneless-skinless breasts and no better than steady on the balance.

\*PRICES PAID PER POUND, ICE PACKED AND CO2 PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES JULY 09, 2002

ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	140-145	146.76	434,370
TENDERLOINS	105-110	106.28	112,560
BREAST - WITH RIBS	78-79	86.08	133,320
BREAST - LINE RUN	78	78.57	136,000
LEGS	32-33	37.00	143,120
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	20-21	21.09	590,040
DRUMSTICKS	34-35	35.16	121,700
THIGHS	18-19	29.63	88,080
B/S THIGHS	68-69	69.45	73,210
WINGS (WHOLE)	53-54	59.99	106,920
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	12.57	28,080
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	15-20	15.46	17,405
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	30-35	39.82	20,580

ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	140-145	146.40	348,290
TENDERLOINS	105-110	103.67	107,080
BREAST - WITH RIBS	78-79	86.02	158,840
BREAST - LINE RUN	78	79.81	144,000
LEGS	32-33	37.85	132,640
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	19-20	20.66	514,080
DRUMSTICKS	34-35	35.04	117,710
THIGHS	18-19	23.91	160,380
B/S THIGHS	66-68	68.38	97,280
WINGS (WHOLE)	53-54	61.70	129,960
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	11.79	51,000
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	15-20	15.18	15,200
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	30-35	39.55	21,600

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		AVG WTS	
	07/10	07/09	07/08	07/05	07/08	07/05	07/03	07/01
ALA	4,080	4,077	4,051	3,575	5.08	4.83	3,963	5.03
ARK	5,475	5,393	5,416	4,133	5.05	4.80	4,990	4.94
DELMARVA	2,378	2,378	2,379	2,333	5.29	5.07	2,349	5.15
KY-LA-TN	1,988	2,016	1,976	2,130	4.56	4.48	2,056	4.57
MISS	2,950	2,920	2,868	3,141	5.35	5.43	2,825	5.45
NC	2,682	2,693	2,622	2,659	5.96	5.70	2,684	5.99
TEXAS	2,489	2,459	2,200	2,099	5.02	4.85	1,908	4.94
TOTAL	22,042	21,936	21,512	20,602	5.19	5.04	20,775	5.14
MON-WED64,944 (A)					63,918 (A)			

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 10-Jul 02 and is estimated to be 32,977,000 up 5.78 percent from a week ago and up 5.7 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 31,175,000; last year 31,191,000)

## SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY

DELIVERED TO RETAILERS		RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK	91-93
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK	80-95
HENS UNDER 5#		-
HENS OVER 5#		-
DUCKS		-
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
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK	94-98
	DRY PACK	-
DUCKS		152-166

**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER**

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 13-Jul-02

CLASS	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	07/13/02 (1)	07/06/02
	THOUSAND HEAD	
BRO-FRY	169,833(2)	145,449
LT HENS	1,960	1,287
HVY HENS	1,667	1,045
CHECK TOTAL	173,460	147,781

(1)ESTIMATED

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 13-Jul-02 is 161.6 million head compared to 160.0 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 170.2 million head or 8.6 million more than estimated available. For week of 20-Jul-02 the estimated available is 162.0 million head.

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

		PROCESSED TURKEY	PROCESSED POULTRY
		LBS	LBS
AM	8-Jul-02	216,433	76,177
AM	1-Jul-02	208,058	76,269
CHG		8375	-92
PCT CHG		4	0

**COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT (IN THOUSANDS)**

	PROCESSED TURKEYS			PROCESSED POULTRY		
	07/08/02	07/01/02	07/09/01	07/08/02	07/01/02	07/09/01
<b>PACIFIC COAST</b>	26,466	18,458	28,350	5,162	5,102	4,369
<b>LOS ANGELES</b>	395	363	3,758	3,550	3,431	2,462

**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 08, 2002

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

**HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES**

	FOR 07/09/02		
	LOW	HIGH	AVG
HEAVY FOWL lb.	.40	.90	.64
LIGHT FOWL lb.	-	-	-
MIXED FOWL lb.	-	-	-
BANTAMS lb.	-	-	-
BROILERS lb.	.30	.65	.51
ROASTERS lb.	-	-	-
FRYERS lb.	-	-	-
CHICKS lb.	-	-	-
PULLETS lb.	-	-	-
BUNNIES lb.	-	-	-
ROOSTERS lb.	.90	1.80	1.05
GEESE lb.	-	-	-
TURKEYS lb.	.70	.95	.81
DUCKS lb.	-	.75	-
RABBITS lb.	.40	.75	.55
PIGEONS lb.	-	-	-
GUINEA FOWL lb.	-	-	-
DUCKLINGS lb.	-	-	-
GUINEA KEETS	.75	2.25	-
SILKIES lb.	-	-	-
GOSLINGS ea.	-	-	-
TOTAL COOPS	143		

**MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS - Mexico City**

Cents per pound for the week ending July 5, 2002

**\*\*\*WILL BE RELEASED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE\*\*\***

Whole	Legs	Necks, Backs	Livers/
Chickens	Breasts	W/ Thighs & Wings	Gizzards
Hens			
<b>RAYON</b>			
Low			
High			
Mostly			

**SAN JUAN**

Low  
High  
Mostly

**NEW SAN JUAN**

Low  
High  
Mostly

**BECERRA**

Low  
High  
Mostly

**DELMARVA**

Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds remained disappointingly light and unaggressive. Seller offerings were fully adequate to ample. Live supplies were seasonally moderate; weights varied in a full range of light to heavy, mostly desirable. Processor schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 52 to 64 cents. Trade sentiment was barely steady. In the parts complex, inquiry was mostly light and selective for the fully adequate to ample supplies.

\*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	47-64	
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	54.44	
NO. OF BOXES	8,099	

\*8 of 8 plants reporting.

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