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Final majority prices were unchanged in the West and East, irregular in the Midwest. Trade sentiment was no better than steady in the East, steady elsewhere. Demand was slow to moderate with regular commitments enough to satisfy needs, and movement limited in the Midwest due to continuous cold weather. Supplies of all sizes were more than sufficient for trade needs. In the parts structure, trading was light with all items at least adequate or available. In production areas, live supplies were moderate; weights were desirable to heavy, mostly desirable.

Final 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 03/10/03-03/14/03 (cents per lb)

AREAS	US GRADE A (Includes branded product)		COMPOSITE	
	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS	WTD AVG
	Delivered to First Receivers			
Bos/New Eng	53.00-57.00	56.33	15	56.29
Chicago	53.00-56.00	55.39	38	57.84
Ohio Cities	TFEWR	—	—	60.48
Denver	68.50	68.44	17	67.89
Detroit	55.00-56.00	56.45	11	59.02
Los Angeles	69.00	67.60	60	66.61
New York	53.00-56.00	55.26	23	57.73
Philadelphia	54.50-57.00	55.23	11	55.73
Pittsburgh	55.00-57.00	55.30	10	60.64
St. Louis	54.50-55.00	54.71	21	55.99
San Francisco	69.50	68.60	29	68.79
	Composite Weighted Average			
Loads	03/10/03	Change/Last Wk	03/03/03	03/11/02
542	61.12	0.29	60.83	55.709

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	59.00-60.50	60.29	30
Central	56.00-62.00	60.30	61
West	60.00-66.00	63.66	45
	Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent		
Mississippi	60.00-63.75	63.66	83

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 63.75 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
1,161	50.00-66.04	62.47

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	169.00	1,397
BREASTS - B/S	154.50	5,081
BREASTS - WHOLE	84.50	1,220
THIGH MEAT - B/S	59.50	906
LEG QUARTERS	21.50	9,440
WINGS	70.00	3,413

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NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYER Trucklot buying activity was no better than fair with dealers cautious and selective as they assessed market conditions entering the week. Offerings were more than sufficient for most immediate needs. Retail and distributive movement was lackluster. The market tone ranged steady to weak. In the parts complex, breast items were balanced to at least adequate. Dark meat items were adequate to fully adequate. Wings were at least adequate to available.

SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trade sentiment was generally steady following the weekend. Demand into all areas was slow to fair, best for retail ads and fast food, but limited where Lent affected movement. Supplies were usually sufficient to handle trade needs. In the parts structure, trading was fair to moderate, and supplies of all items were at least adequate or available. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Final majority prices were unchanged from last week. Trading reported for this week's deliveries were at mainly unchanged prices on regular commitments and unchanged to higher on new negotiations. Offerings were adequate overall with small sized whole body product in the closest position. Buying activity was seasonal. Retailer demand was moderate overall. Dealers reported weekend carryovers as moderate. Trading reported on parts for delivery this week: drumstick high 20s, leg quarters 4/10s 24.5-25.5 and bulk 22-22.5, boneless leg meat 63-68, bone-in breast 96-103 and boneless 145-150. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average was up 1.80 to 62.16 and the volume was at 31 loads unchanged from last week.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER Majority prices in Chicago were unchanged from last Monday's finals. Whole fryer market tone was steady. Offerings were limited with a light trade interest. Retail and food service demand continued slow to moderate through the weekend. Floor stocks were adequate. Weights were mostly desirable, in some instances heavy. Trading on parts was limited as regular commitments satisfy most needs. The trade sentiment was barely steady to weak on wings, steady to fully steady on boneless skinless breast and steady on the balance.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was generally noted as slow to fair. Seller offerings were more than sufficient for immediate needs, particularly on the 3 pound and heavier sizes. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mostly desirable to heavy. Processor schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 56 to 66 cents. Trade sentiment was barely steady to weak. In the parts complex, bone-in breasts continued to clear satisfactorily. Boneless/skinless breasts were at least adequate and supplies were building. Wings were ample. Leg quarters were 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	50-69
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	58.83
NO. OF BOXES	8,253

*8 of 8 plants reporting.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Trucklot buying activity was mostly fair as dealers cautiously assessed market conditions following the weekend. Offerings of breast items were generally sufficient for trade needs. Dark meat cuts were at least adequate, with legs and thighs noted as in the best balance. Wings were at least adequate, but clearing satisfactorily. Retail and distributive movement was light. The market tone was mostly steady.

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	150-155	148.56	148.56	484,170
TENDERLOINS	110-115	115.54	115.54	112,400
BREAST - WITH RIBS	78-79	87.42	87.42	142,480
BREAST - LINE RUN	78	80.85	80.85	136,640
LEGS	32-33	33.26	33.26	352,000
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	20-21	21.51	21.51	441,354
DRUMSTICKS	23-24	26.01	26.01	124,390
THIGHS	22-23	34.47	34.47	31,360
B/S THIGHS	62-63	68.80	68.80	85,780
WINGS (WHOLE)	66-67	67.74	67.74	216,370
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	12.17	12.17	42,000
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35	29.61	29.61	14,240
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	45-50	48.24	48.24	24,440

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	676	128.00-168.00	140-145	141.89
TENDERLOINS	1,561	118.00-173.00	126-128	128.28
BREAST - WITH RIBS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
FRONT HALVES	501	65.00-82.00	-	75.61
LEGS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	1,212	18.00-20.00	18-19	18.68
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	2,714	20.00-22.00	21	21.03
WINGS (WHOLE)	324	45.00-78.00	63	61.06
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
THIGHS	1,360	19.00-22.00	19-20	19.56

*** Correction for last week's (3/03/2003), majority prices on 4/10 leg quarters should have been 21 instead of 121. ***

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	ACTUAL	AVG WTS
	03/10	03/06	03/06	03/03	02/27
ALA	3,925	3,719	5.07	3,821	5.10
ARK	5,251	4,924	5.01	5,212	5.04
DELMARVA	2,344	2,318	5.08	2,160	5.14
KY-LA-TN	1,907	1,946	4.77	1,922	5.02
MISS	2,854	2,955	5.21	2,883	5.27
NC	2,503	2,261	5.93	2,465	5.98
TEXAS	2,432	2,395	4.84	2,441	4.90
TOTAL	21,216	20,518	5.12	20,904	5.19
MON	21,216(A)			20,904(A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above. Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 10-Mar 2003 is estimated to be 31,742,000 up 1.19 percent from a week ago and up 3.58 percent from a year ago. (Last week 31,369,000 last year 30,644,000)

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	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	893	134.00-235.00	135-140	138.79
TENDERLOINS	145	120.00-172.00	120-125	134.39
BREAST - LINE RUN	77	88.00-89.00	-	88.13
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS 104	27.00-35.00	28-29	29.23	LEG
QUARTERS (BULK)	880	17.00-21.00	19-20	19.45
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,025	19.00-26.00	21-22	21.77
WINGS (WHOLE)	101	57.00-72.00	-	66.35
WINGS (CUT)	435	75.00-84.00	80-82	81.46
DRUMSTICKS	69	35.00-45.00	-	36.30
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			

 WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS
 TRADING FOR MAR 10, 2003 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
45.50 - 50.00	49.00	48.21

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 ICE-PACKED POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES DELIVERED TO: IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, AND WI WEEK OF MAR-10-14, 2002

CENTS PER POUND	Price Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	140.00 - 157.00	140.00 - 150.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	85.00 - 101.50	85.00 - 90.00
LEGS	29.00 - 40.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	18.00 - 24.50	19.00 - 20.00
DRUMSTICKS	22.00 - 47.50	-
THIGHS	21.00 - 41.50	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	51.00 - 78.00	69.00 - 71.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10.00 - 20.00	-
LIVERS	25.00 - 40.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	35.00 - 45.00	-

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

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	81
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	84-88
FROZEN HENS 5# & UP	
FROZEN DUCKS	
FROZEN SQUABS	589

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

FRESH FRYERS	91-93
ROASTERS 4# & UP	80-95
HENS UNDER 5#	
HENS OVER 5#	65-66
DUCKS	
RABBITS-WHOLE	
RABBITS-CUT UP	

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	DRY PACK 103-104
	ICE PACK 96-99
ROASTERS 4# & UP	DRY PACK 113
	ICE PACK 104-105
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK 91-98
	DRY PACK
DUCKS	155-166

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.

07-MAR-2003

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	15.00-17.00	15.80-16.00	867,000	634,000
WTD AVERAGE	15.99	15.88		
15-20%				
RANGE	13.50	10.00-15.00	1,794,800	-
WTD AVERAGE	13.50	12.63		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	13.00	120,000	-
WTD AVERAGE		13.00		

* INCLUDES THE STATES of CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

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.

07-MAR-2003

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	40,800	-
WTD AVERAGE		14.00		
15-20%				
RANGE	10.50-18.00	12.00-17.00	1,822,000	242,400
WTD AVERAGE	12.67	14.10		
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 fair to moderate for the fully sufficient offerings. Processing schedules were reported as normal to less than normal. The undertone was generally steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER

THE WEEK OF 10-MAR-03.	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	6-9.5	7-8.5	8.00
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Trading levels were near unchanged compared to the past week. Demand was fair for adequate offerings of spent hens. Finished sales were moderate. Schedules were reduced. Trade sentiment was about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *

FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 10-MAR-03

	RANGE CENTS/LB.	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	5.75-10	7.5-8.5	8.34

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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