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## NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Majority prices were unchanged when compared to previous week. Trade sentiment was overall steady. Retail demand was light to fair, moderate where features were present. Food service was fair to good with fast food and catering best; however, interest was limited in parts of the Midwest affected by rain. Supplies were sufficient with smaller sizes better balanced. In the parts structure, breast items and wings were at least adequate or readily available and frequently discounted to aid in movement; dark meat was in good balance and clearing. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were desirable to heavy, but mostly desirable.

**Final report** of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook broiler/fryers delivered to first receivers at major market areas week of 06/16/03-06/20/03 (cents per lb)

AREAS	US GRADE A (Includes branded product)		COMPOSITE		
	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS	WTD AVG	LOADS
	<b>Delivered to First Receivers</b>				
Bos/New Eng	62.00-66.00	62.67	15	62.38	51
Chicago	52.00-55.00	55.42	40	57.43	79
Ohio Cities	TFEWR	—	—	56.97	26
Denver	70.50	70.50	16	70.20	19
Detroit	52.00-54.00	55.27	11	59.08	39
Los Angeles	71.00	68.83	71	64.90	168
New York	58.00-61.00	59.55	22	59.88	59
Philadelphia	57.50-60.00	58.45	11	58.56	24
Pittsburgh	58.00-61.00	59.09	11	59.22	50
St. Louis	54.75-55.00	54.55	24	54.86	49
San Francisco	71.50	70.48	30	71.66	57

### Composite Weighted Average

Loads	06/16/03	Change/Last Wk	06/09/03	06/17/02
621	61.38	-0.06	61.44	58.00

**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	59.00-61.00	60.35	38
Central	55.00-63.25	59.84	64
West	55.00-64.00	62.33	43

### Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent

Mississippi	64.00-66.00	65.39	83
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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 65.75 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
1,123	52.00-68.00	64.31

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	196.50	1,476
BREASTS - B/S	180.50	5,453
BREASTS - WHOLE	100.00	1,938
THIGH MEAT - B/S	74.50	982
LEG QUARTERS	26.00	9,296
WINGS	73.00	3,104

THIS INFORMATION IS SUPPLIED BY THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE'S POULTRY MARKET NEWS SERVICE.

**NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYER** Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole/fryers ranged fair to fairly good entering the week. Offerings of all sizes were generally sufficient to instances tight with 3.5 pound and lighter sizes in the better balance. Retail and distributive movement was mostly fair. The market tone was steady. In the parts complex, bone-in breasts were readily available and competitively priced in most instances. Boneless-skinless breasts were fully adequate. Wings were available. The balance of items were sufficient.

**SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS** Trade sentiment was generally steady. Demand following the weekend was light to moderate, best for retail ads and fast food promotions, with some taking a wait and see attitude. Supplies were usually sufficient to satisfy trade needs. In the parts structure, trading was fair. Dark meat was in balance to well cleared and continued to have good movement. Breast items and wings were at least adequate or available with light interest. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

**WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS** Final majority prices were unchanged. Trading reported for this week deliveries at unchanged prices on regular commitments and unchanged to slightly lower prices on new negotiations, with heavy WOGs in the weakest position. Offerings remained fully adequate for immediate needs with small sized product confidently held. Retailer demand was fairly good, best to cover planned features. Dealers reported satisfactory weekend clearances. The market tone was barely steady on breast and generally steady on balance of parts. Trading reported on parts: drumstick low 30s, boneless leg meat 69-73, wings mid 70s, leg quarters bulk 25-25.5 and 4/10 mainly 27.5, boneless thigh meat high 60s, breast bone-in 94-101 and boneless 150-167. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average was down .12 to 57.11 with the volume reported at 31 loads down 6 percent from last week levels.

**MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER** Final majority prices were TFEWR into Ohio cities, unchanged elsewhere from Monday's final. Whole broiler/fryer market tone was steady. Offers were adequate for the mixed buyer interest. Demand into all sectors was mostly fair, occasionally good if promoted; instances flat in areas lacking promotion and a rainy weekend. Clean up was decent over the weekend; a majority of receivers noted floor stocks in balance. Weights desirable. Interest on parts was good for drums, moderate inquiry on dark meat and cautions on breast items. Supplies were available to long on white meat cuts, drums tight and leg quarters adequate. Market tone was steady on leg quarters and about steady on remaining items.

**DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS** Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was fair to fairly good. Seller offerings were adequate to occasionally tight. Live supplies were moderate; weights were desirable to heavy. Processing schedules were moderate. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 59 to 67 cents. Trade sentiment was steady. In the parts complex, breasts items were irregularly balanced, but most often noted as readily available and slow to clear. Leg cuts were generally adequate and in fairly good balance. Wings 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	57-71
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	62.37
NO. OF BOXES	9,103

\*8 of 8 plants reporting.

**NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS** Trucklot buying activity was fair to moderate entering the week as dealers cautiously assessed market conditions. Offerings of bone-in breasts were readily available and competitively priced at most locations. Boneless-skinless breasts ranged adequate to available. Tenderloins were more than sufficient. Dark meat items were adequate. Wings were fully adequate to ample. Retail and distributive movement was no better than fair. The market tone was barely steady to weak on breast items and tenderloins; steady to about steady on the balance.

ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND

ITEM	CURRENT NEGOTIATED TRADING	WTD AVG	VOLUME /LBS
BREAST - B/S	160	163.10	437,760
TENDERLOINS	150	153.30	82,520
BREAST - WITH RIBS	81-82	89.84	156,680
BREAST - LINE RUN	81	81.23	145,000
LEGS	34-35	35.43	220,840
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	25-26	24.80	508,828
DRUMSTICKS	29-30	32.97	123,920
THIGHS	27-28	34.18	54,240
B/S THIGHS	68-69	71.26	86,080
WINGS (WHOLE)	66-67	75.11	139,400
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	12.25	32,160
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	25-30	27.31	6,160
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	35-40	40.70	21,280

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	1,213	140.00-195.00	150-155	153.70
TENDERLOINS	194	133.00-212.00	-	152.14
BREAST - WITH RIBS	237	76.00-108.00	83-85	86.00
FRONT HALVES	378	65.00-81.00	65-72	68.72
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	1,007	21.00-23.00	21	21.09
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	3,391	23.00-24.00	-	23.44
WINGS (WHOLE)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		

**ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)**

	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	ACTUAL	AVG WTS
	06/16	06/12	06/12	06/09	06/05
ALA	4,113	3,889	5.20	4,031	5.20
ARK	5,273	5,129	4.92	5,228	4.96
DELMARVA	2,352	2,416	5.17	2,352	5.16
KY-LA-TN	2,004	1,958	4.87	1,967	4.83
MISS	3,055	3,089	5.34	2,825	5.37
NC	2,614	2,637	6.06	2,440	6.15
TEXAS	2,503	2,457	4.82	2,457	4.84
TOTAL	21,914	21,575	5.18	21,300	5.21
MON	21,914(A)			21,300(A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 16-Jun 2003 is estimated to be 32,786,000 up 2.57 percent from a week ago and up 3.69 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 31,963,000 last year 31,619,000)

**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. **POUNDS**

ITEM	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	669	146.00-239.00	149-152	152.77
TENDERLOINS	221	120.00-211.00	149-151	154.90
BREAST - LINE RUN	143	88.00-104.00	90-92	94.38
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS	92	28.00-43.00	29-31	31.93
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	622	21.00-24.00	22	22.03
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,125	23.00-28.00	25-26	25.75
WINGS (WHOLE)	301	64.00-75.00	-	73.28
WINGS (CUT)	437	80.00-91.00	83-85	83.62
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
B/S THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		

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**WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS**

TRADING FOR JUNE 16, 2003 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
50.00 - 53.00	51.47	51.07

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 JUN 16-20, 2003

CENTS PER POUND	Price Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	155.00 - 172.00	155.00 - 165.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	88.00 - 108.00	88.00 - 97.00
LEGS	32.00 - 41.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	21.00 - 28.00	23.00 - 25.00
DRUMSTICKS	26.00 - 38.00	-
THIGHS	25.00 - 35.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	57.00 - 80.00	70.00 - 72.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10.00 - 17.00	-
LIVERS	30.00 - 40.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	38.00 - 45.00	-

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

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	83
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	86-90

FROZEN HENS 5# & UP  
 FROZEN DUCKS  
 FROZEN SQUABS 589  
**DELIVERED TO RETAILERS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA)**

FRESH FRYERS	89-95
ROASTERS 4# & UP	80-95
HENS UNDER 5#	
HENS OVER 5#	63

DUCKS  
 RABBITS-WHOLE  
 RABBITS-CUT UP

**SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	DRY PACK 105-106 ICE PACK 98-100
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.

**CHICKEN** 13-JUNE-2003  
 — 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	15.75-18.50	13.50-15.75	832,000	520,000
WTD AVERAGE	17.35	15.00		
15-20%				
RANGE	14.25-16.50	11.00-15.50	1,904,000	312,000
WTD AVERAGE	15.28	12.31		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	11.00	40,000	-
WTD AVERAGE		11.00		

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

**SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN** Majority prices were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was no better than fair for the at least adequate to fully adequate offerings. Movement of finished product was mostly moderate. Processing schedules for reported as normal. The undertone was generally steady.

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

THE WEEK OF 16-JUN-03.	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	6-8.75	8-8.5	8.10
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

\*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.

**CHICKEN** 13-JUNE-2003  
 — 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	15.00-17.00	96,800	-
WTD AVERAGE	14.00	16.44		
15-20%				
RANGE	14.50-18.00	10.00-16.00	1,813,600	203,200
WTD AVERAGE	16.30	12.08		
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

**SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN** Negotiations were too few to report. Demand was moderate for fully adequate offerings of spent hens. Sales of dressed product were fair. Schedules were normal. Trade sentiment was about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) \*  
 FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 16-JUN-03

	RANGE CENTS/LB.	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	6.25-11.75	8-8.5	8.50

\*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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