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Majority prices were unchanged in the East and West with steady and steady to barely steady trade sentiments respectively; the Midwest was steady to weak with unchanged to lower prices. Demand into all channels covered the full range, mostly fair to moderate, best for retail ads and fast food specials. Supplies of light weight product was balanced to close, but heavier weights were more available. In the parts structure, movement was mixed. Breast items were adequate to fully adequate with discounts noted. Dark meat was adequate to available, best for leg quarters, and wings were sufficient. In production areas, live supplies were moderate to heavy. Weights were desirable to heavy, mostly desirable.

Final Report of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook ice-packed broiler/fryers (includes branded product) to be delivered to first receivers at major market centers week of 13-SEP-2004 (cents per lb)

AREAS	US GRADE A		COMPOSITE		LOADS
	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	WTD AVG	LOADS	
(Includes branded product)					
Delivered to First Receivers					
Boston/New Eng	58.00-64.00	62.21	19	65.41	38
Chicago	58.00-61.00	61.44	44	62.45	75
Ohio Cities	TFEWR			65.39	22
Denver	83.50	83.50	14	80.76	17
Detroit	60.00-61.00	61.06	17	66.93	58
Los Angeles	84.00	81.08	61	76.85	139
New York	60.00-63.00	62.64	25	64.41	48
Philadelphia	61.50-64.00	62.45	11	62.59	23
Pittsburgh	62.00-64.00	63.33	12	68.89	57
St. Louis	61.00-61.25	61.05	22	63.31	43
San Francisco	84.50	82.61	35	83.29	78

Composite Weighted Average

Loads	09/13/04	Change/Last Wk	09/06/04	09/15/03
598	69.59	-.55	70.14	64.27

WOG BROILERS (without giblets) - prices paid per lb delv'd to first receivers in trucklot and less than trucklot quantities.

REGIONS	MAJORITY	WTD AV	LOADS
East	65.00-68.00	65.61	32
Central	58.00-69.00	65.31	71
West	56.00-75.00	70.13	40
Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent			
Mississippi	74.00-77.00	76.85	81

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 78.50 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
1,129	58.00-80.50	77.10

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	229.00	1,534
BREASTS - B/S	185.50	5,788
BREASTS - WHOLE	104.50	1,719
THIGH MEAT - B/S	79.50	1,150
LEG QUARTERS	31.50	8,270
WINGS	111.50	3,067

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NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYER Trucklot buying interest on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was only fair entering the week. Offerings varied by location; the 3 pound birds ranged adequate to balanced and the remainder of weights were at least sufficient. Movement through retail and distributive channels was limited. The market tone was about steady. In the parts complex, breast items remained available at competitive prices. Dark meat cuts were at least

sufficient, although, leg quarters were noted as in the best balance. Wings were adequate.

SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trade sentiment was steady at best. Demand following the weekend was light to fair; however, movement into Florida is slightly higher due to hurricanes and adverse weather. Supplies of all sizes were at least adequate to satisfy trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was limited to fair. Wings were adequate and moving seasonally well, breast items were at least adequate, and dark meat was improved, but still available. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Final majority prices unchanged from last week. Reported trading on heavy weight product at unchanged to slightly lower prices and small sized product at unchanged to instances higher price. Offerings adequate to ample with light-weight product in the best position. Retailer demand was fair overall. Dealers reported moderate weekend carryovers. Trade sentiment remained weak on breasts and generally steady on parts. Parts trading reported for this weeks' delivery: leg quarters bulk 30-31.5 and 4/10s 31-32, wing 104-109, bone-in breast 79-103 and boneless 120-144. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average was 61.50 down .30 with the volume reported at 30 loads unchanged from last week.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER Final majority prices were generally unchanged from last Tuesday's final into all areas; Ohio cities TFEWR. Trade sentiment was steady on small birds, weak on heavy weights. Offerings varied; plentiful on heavy weights, balanced to short on lighter weights. Movement into all channels was light to fairly good, best into retail features and some fast food promotions. Floor stocks adequate. Weights were trending heavy. Parts offerings were sufficient with breast cuts ample and discounted. The market tone was steady on wings and leg quarters and weak on breast items.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was mostly fair to moderate entering the week. Offerings varied from plant to plant, with 3 pound size about adequate, fully adequate on the balance. Live supplies were moderate; weights were desirable to heavy. Processor schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 63 to 77 cents. Trade sentiment was mostly steady. In the parts complex, breast items were at least adequate to fully adequate; balance of items 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 RANGE	BRANDED U.S. GRADE A RANGE
58-78	58-78
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	67.00
NO. OF BOXES	8,829

*7 of 7 plants reporting.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Trucklot buying activity was cautious and unaggressive entering the week as dealers assessed the market and limited orders to most immediate needs. Offerings of breast items were adequate to fully adequate. Dark meat items were adequate to available, although, leg quarters were noted as the better balanced item. Wings were clearing satisfactorily. Movement into retail and distributive channels was limited. The market tone was about steady.

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

ITEM	CURRENT	WTD	VOLUME
NEGOTIATED	TRADING	AVG	/LBS
BREAST - B/S	145-150	149.73	387,711
TENDERLOINS	185-190	191.01	45,440
BREAST - WITH RIBS	85-86	93.76	83,840
BREAST - LINE RUN	85	86.10	117,080
LEGS	45-46	41.06	275,161
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	30-31	33.29	461,154
DRUMSTICKS	31-32	38.50	124,340
THIGHS	24-25	35.09	91,640
B/S THIGHS	69-70	67.36	71,600
WINGS (WHOLE)	100-101	105.50	94,590
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	11.65	21,520
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35	24.34	31,940
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	55-60	58.98	16,720

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	1,783	118.00-221.00	140-145	143.69
TENDERLOINS	451	181.00-242.00	184-195	188.85
BREAST - WITH RIBS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	1,122	19.00-30.00	26-27	26.73
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,583	27.00-30.00	-	27.57
WINGS (WHOLE)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
THIGHS	880	20.00-21.00	-	20.05

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	ACTUAL	AVG WTS
	(1,000)	(1,000)		(1,000)	
	09/13	09/09	09/09	09/06	09/02
Alabama	4,087	4,067	5.23	1,750	5.16
Arkansas	5,355	5,410	5.19	(A)	5.08
Delmarva	2,330	2,255	5.60	(A)	5.62
KY-LA-TN	2,109	2,050	5.01	(A)	4.95
Mississippi	3,060	2,843	5.36	1,481	5.45
North Carolina	2,271	2,429	6.38	1,123	6.34
Texas	2,470	2,534	5.14	2,229	5.07
Total	21,682	21,588	5.37	8,405	5.33
Mon	21,682 (B)			8,405 (B)	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations

(B) Weekly cumulative for states listed above. Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 13-Sep 2004 is estimated to be 32,439,000 up 157.19 percent from a week ago, and up 2.3 percent from a year ago. (last week 12,613,000 last year 31,706,000)

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	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD
	(000)			AVG
BREAST - B/S		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
TENDERLOINS	285	174.00-245.00	175-178	197.30
BREAST - LINE RUN	97	89.00-120.00	90-92	91.47
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS	49	30.00-51.00	34-36	35.59
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	508	23.00-30.00	25-26	25.59
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	820	26.00-31.00	27-28	27.33
WINGS (WHOLE)	296	90.00-110.00	93-95	93.11
WINGS (CUT)	350	110.00-119.00	114-118	115.54
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
B/S THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS
TRADING FOR SEPTEMBER 13, 2004 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
39.00 - 46.00	41.85	42.78

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 13-SEP-2004 TO 17-SEP-2004

CENTS PER POUND	Price Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	117.00 - 163.00	140.00 - 153.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	84.00 - 110.00	86.00 - 91.00
LEGS	39.00 - 44.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	24.50 - 39.00	27.00 - 30.00
DRUMSTICKS	26.50 - 40.00	-
THIGHS	23.00 -	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	83.00 - 115.00	102.00 - 105.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	12.00 - 23.00	-
LIVERS	25.00 - 35.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	35.00 - 45.00	-

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

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	101.5-103
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	102.5-106.5
FROZEN HENS 5# & UP	
FROZEN DUCKS	
FROZEN SQUABS	600
DELIVERED TO RETAILERS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA)	
FRESH FRYERS	97-99
ROASTERS 4# & UP	107
HENS UNDER 5#	
HENS OVER 5#	73-79
DUCKS	
RABBITS-WHOLE	
RABBITS-CUT UP	

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY

DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	DRY PACK 116
	ICE PACK 107-108
ROASTERS 4# & UP	DRY PACK 110
	ICE PACK 108-109
HENS OVER 5#	DRY PACK 93-95
ICE PACK	93
DUCKS	170-185

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.

SEPTEMBER 10, 2004				
CHICKEN				
PRICES (Cents per Pound)				
FAT	PRICES		VOLUME	
CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

CHICKEN, WITH SKIN ADDED

SEPTEMBER 10, 2004				
CHICKEN				
PRICES (Cents per Pound)				
FAT	PRICES		VOLUME	
CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	17.50-18.50	22.00	1,168,000	728,000
WTD AVERAGE	17.86	22.00		
15-20%				
RANGE	17.00-23.00	16.00-22.00	2,064,000	1,304,000
WTD AVERAGE	19.42	18.81		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	17.50	120,000	-
WTD AVERAGE		17.50		

* 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 generally unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was mostly moderate for generally adequate to at least adequate offerings. Processing schedules were noted as normal to less than normal. Sales of finished product were well cleared. The undertone was mostly steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *

FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 13-SEP-04

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	6-15	9.25-11.25	9.96
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.

SEPTEMBER 10, 2004				
CHICKEN				
PRICES (Cents per Pound)				
FAT	PRICES		VOLUME	
CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

CHICKEN, WITH SKIN ADDED

SEPTEMBER 10, 2004				
CHICKEN				
PRICES (Cents per Pound)				
FAT	PRICES		VOLUME	
CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	18.00	16.00-19.00	182,000	80,000
WTD AVERAGE	18.00	17.80		
15-20%				
RANGE	13.75-15.00	12.00-17.00	1,497,600	763,200
WTD AVERAGE	14.33	14.14		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	14.50-17.50	204,000	-
WTD AVERAGE		16.90		

* 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 Trading levels were generally unchanged. Demand was light for fully adequate supplies of spent hens. Finished sales were slow. Schedules were normal. Trade sentiment was about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *

PRELIMINARY PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 13-SEP-04

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	6.25-13	9.5-10.25	10.29

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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