



Fast Food Fax

FEB 02, 2004

Trade sentiment was fully steady to firm. Demand was fair to mostly moderate, best where features were planned. Breast items and wings were in good balance and clearing. Dark meat items were about adequate to tight. Weights were mixed but mostly desirable.

The "SOURCE" of Poultry and Egg Market Information

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Young Chickens Slaughtered under Federal Inspection Classified by Weight, WEEKENDING: Jan. 17, 2004

	FOOD SERVICE/			
	FAST FOOD	RETAIL	DEBONING	TOTAL
Weight Range	4.20 & Down	4.21 - 5.25	5.26 & Up	----
Total (000)	20,621	18,011	36,688	75,320
Percentage	27%	24%	49%	100%

Fast Food and Food Service Sizes

Live Weights	RTC WOG Weights	No. of Head (000)	Percentage of Total Slaughter
3.60 lbs. & Lighter	Under 2 lbs., 8 oz.	3,269	4.34
3.61 - 3.80 lbs.	2 lbs., 8 oz. - 2 lbs., 10 oz.	6,778	9.00
3.81 - 4.00 lbs.	2 lbs., 10 oz., -2 lbs., 12 oz.	3,439	4.57
4.01 - 4.20 lbs.	2 lbs., 12 oz. - 2 lbs., 14 oz.	<u>7,135</u>	<u>9.47</u>
		20,621	27.38

BROILER EGG SET CHICKS PLACED IN 19 STATES COMPARED WITH U.S. BROILER SLAUGHTER

Slaughter Week	Egg Sets		Chicks Placed		Eggs Set 10 Weeks Previous		Chicks Placed 7 Weeks Previous		Prelim. Fed. Insp. Million head Slaughtered	
	(000)	%*	(000)	%*	(000)	%*	(000)	%*	(000)	%**
Nov 29	207,122	102	164,879	102	193,272	102	157,538	102	118,334	78
Dec 06	202,883	101	167,042	103	195,796	102	160,277	103	154,912	131
Dec 13	206,418	102	166,780	102	194,961	101	158,893	101	153,501	99
Dec 20	206,340	103	170,156	103	196,586	102	160,248	103	154,431	101
Dec 27	205,370	102	167,849	103	187,654	101	153,838	101	113,075	73
Jan 03	206,254	101	167,988	102	190,111	105	155,730	105	134,816	119
Jan 10	206,536	101	166,997	103	192,300	101	156,694	101	158,835	118
Jan 17	207,059	102	166,475	102	201,007	102	164,411	102	157,478	99
Jan 24	205,000	100	165,359	100	205,388	103	167,623	104	147,528	94

Data in bold are subject to revision *Percent of previous year **Percent change from previous week

Whole Broiler/Fryers (cents/lb.)	Majority	Current Week	Previous Week	Year Ago
Week of 02/02/04				
NEW YORK Grade A Ice-packed	76-79	77.17	73.58	55.48
CHICAGO Grade A Ice-packed	69-72	72.59	69.54	55.24
LOS ANGELES Grade A Ice-packed	76	76.21	74.84	67.02
12-CITY COMPOSITE Weighted Avg.			72.54	60.49
GEORGIA DOCK FOB Wtd. Avg. (Wed Dock 70.00)		70.07	69.64	61.45
SOUTHERN STATES FOB Whole Body 5 Day Avg.		60.94	60.94	44.97

Broiler/Fryer Parts (cents/lb.)	Northeast (Delivered)	Southern States (FOB)	Georgia (FOB)
Weekly Weighted Average	01/30/04	01/30/04	02/02/04
Breast - B/S	168.86	180.99	185.50
Tenderloins	162.56	176.16	210.00 (Line run)
Breast - Line Run	97.83	95.13	98.00 (Whole)
Leg Quarters	32.76	31.70	33.50
Wings	121.54	117.09	117.50