



Fast Food Fax

OCT 18, 2004

Trade sentiment was mostly steady. Demand was light to fair best where feature activity was planned. In the parts complex, breast items were at least adequate to available. Dark meat items were fully sufficient. Wings were at least adequate. 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: Oct 02, 2004

	FOOD SERVICE/			
	FAST FOOD	RETAIL	DEBONING	TOTAL
Weight Range	4.20 & Down	4.21 - 5.25	5.26 & Up	----
Total (000)	21,323	20,623	51,158	93,104
Percentage	23%	22%	55%	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.	2,518	2.70
3.61 - 3.80 lbs.	2 lbs., 8 oz. - 2 lbs., 10 oz.	7,325	7.87
3.81 - 4.00 lbs.	2 lbs., 10 oz., -2 lbs., 12 oz.	7,227	7.76
4.01 - 4.20 lbs.	2 lbs., 12 oz. - 2 lbs., 14 oz.	4,253	4.57
		21,323	22.90

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)	%**
Aug 14	213,018	104	173,308	102	212,324	101	174,911	101	161,051	101
Aug 21	212,548	103	175,852	104	213,649	102	175,859	102	163,809	102
Aug 28	210,374	104	174,887	103	214,094	103	175,620	104	164,670	101
Sep 04	209,158	104	173,432	103	212,932	105	174,763	106	167,764	102
Sep 11	202,346	104	174,288	103	210,446	102	173,595	103	149,574	89
Sep 18	198,110	102	172,651	104	211,352	103	172,811	103	154,376	103
Sep 25	201,592	103	171,535	105	214,372	103	174,498	103	161,724	105
Oct 02	199,132	102	167,089	105	213,137	103	174,742	103	162,066	100
Oct 09	203,648	104	161,191	102	214,939	104	175,717	104	161,676	100

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 10/18/04				
NEW YORK Grade A Ice-packed	61-64	62.59	63.65	59.81
CHICAGO Grade A Ice-packed	58-61	61.13	61.35	56.45
LOS ANGELES Grade A Ice-packed	82	79.52	79.48	70.65
12-CITY COMPOSITE Weighted Avg.		67.90	69.72	63.82
GEORGIA DOCK FOB Wtd. Avg. (Wed Dock 76.00)		74.97	75.17	67.00
SOUTHERN STATES FOB Whole Body 5 Day Avg.		41.89	40.38	49.94

Broiler/Fryer Parts (cents/lb.)	Northeast (Delivered)	Southern States (FOB)	Georgia (FOB)
Weekly Weighted Average	10/15/04	10/15/04	10/18/04
Breast - B/S	132.17	122.65	161.50
Tenderloins	124.07	121.45	188.50 (Line run)
Breast - Line Run	78.78	84.67	85.00 (Whole)
Leg Quarters	30.40	25.58	31.50
Wings	112.38	94.78	107.00