



Fast Food Fax

APR 25, 2005

Trade sentiment was mostly steady. Demand ranged fair to fairly good, best where feature activity was in progress. In the parts complex, bone-in breasts were adequate while boneless skinless breast were readily available. Dark meat cuts were clearing satisfactorily. 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: Apr. 09, 2005

	FOOD SERVICE/			
	<u>FAST FOOD</u>	<u>RETAIL</u>	<u>DEBONING</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Weight Range	4.20 & Down	4.21 - 5.25	5.26 & Up	----
Total (000)	28,728	20,718	49,838	99,284
Percentage	29%	21%	50%	100%

Fast Food and Food Service Sizes

<u>Live Weights</u>	<u>RTC WOG Weights</u>	<u>No. of Head (000)</u>	<u>Percentage of Total Slaughter</u>
3.60 lbs. & Lighter	Under 2 lbs., 8 oz.	6,615	6.66
3.61 - 3.80 lbs.	2 lbs., 8 oz. - 2 lbs., 10 oz.	4,054	4.08
3.81 - 4.00 lbs.	2 lbs., 10 oz., -2 lbs., 12 oz.	9,926	10.00
4.01 - 4.20 lbs.	2 lbs., 12 oz. - 2 lbs., 14 oz.	8,133	8.19
		28,728	28.93

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)	%**
Feb 19	213,355	102	175,506	105	209,798	101	172,356	102	156,653	101
Feb 26	213,200	101	175,684	104	211,111	103	173,466	104	156,421	100
Mar 05	215,017	102	177,025	105	209,901	102	173,733	104	160,095	102
Mar 12	213,063	101	176,613	103	210,241	102	172,679	104	157,630	98
Mar 19	212,827	101	176,015	102	210,232	102	171,340	102	157,335	100
Mar 26	213,499	101	175,940	102	209,544	101	172,928	102	151,161	96
Apr 02	212,188	100	176,899	102	212,630	104	175,504	105	155,010	103
Apr 09	214,772	101	175,572	102	212,630	104	175,869	105	157,429	102
Apr 16	213,756	100	176,618	102	213,234	103	176,799	105	158,035	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 04/25/05				
NEW YORK Grade A Ice-packed	71-73	71.59	71.52	76.36
CHICAGO Grade A Ice-packed	66-69	68.45	69.07	74.50
LOS ANGELES Grade A Ice-packed	80	79.40	79.43	79.63
12-CITY COMPOSITE Weighted Avg.		73.02	72.77	76.05
GEORGIA DOCK FOB Wtd. Avg. (Wed Dock 74.00)		73.00	72.96	73.75
SOUTHERN STATES FOB Whole Body 5 Day Avg.		55.49	55.59	71.36

Broiler/Fryer Parts (cents/lb.)	Northeast (Delivered)	Southern States (FOB)	Georgia (FOB)
Weekly Weighted Average	04/22/05	04/22/05	04/25/05
Breast - B/S	151.29	134.96	152.50
Tenderloins	158.85	166.37	183.50 (Line run)
Breast - Line Run	83.49	83.77	84.50 (Whole)
Leg Quarters	37.62	34.94	36.00
Wings	89.90	84.28	87.50