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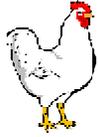
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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE



Trade sentiment was mixed, but overall no better than steady. Retail and food service demand was mostly slow to moderate, best for fast food and catering services. Supplies of all sizes were more than sufficient with heavier weights more available. In the parts structure, trading was light to moderate. Dark meat was close balanced to barely adequate and continued to move well. Breast items and wings were at least adequate, but not as plentiful and in a more manageable position. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at weights in a full range.

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES The Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for next week's trading remains unchanged at 74.50 cents based on full truck load lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 79.75 cents last year on June 16, 2004.

Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted prices on ice-packed parts for next week's trading.

ITEM	DOCK PRICE (CENTS PER POUND)
LINE RUN TENDERS	171.50
BREASTS - B/S	146.50
BREASTS - WHOLE	84.00
THIGH MEAT - B/S	107.00
LEG QUARTERS	40.50
WINGS	83.50

This information is supplied by the Georgia Department of Agriculture's Poultry Market News Service.

SOUTHERN REGION Trade sentiment was mostly steady at best. Demand into retail and food service was light to moderate with mixed trading. Supplies were usually sufficient to handle trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was light to fairly good. Dark meat was close balanced to tight and held with confidence. Breast items and wings were not as plentiful as before, but still available if needed. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mixed, but mostly desirable weights.

NORTHEAST REGION Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was light and unaggressive during midweek trading. Offerings of all sizes ranged adequate to ample with heavier sizes generally more available. Retail and distributive movement was about fair. The market tone was generally steady. In the parts complex, boneless skinless breasts and tenders were at least adequate; bone-in breasts were fully adequate to available. Most dark meat cuts were in close balance and clearing satisfactorily. Wings were at least adequate.

MIDWEST REGION The whole broiler/fryer market tone continued steady to barely steady. Offerings were sufficient for the very limited trade interest. Retail and food service movement was slow to moderate overall, occasionally fairly good demand into catering and fast food. Floor stocks were adequate to long. Weights mostly desirable. Parts trade was light as Father's Day weekend needs are meet and out front sales for up coming 4th of July holiday are for the most part finalized. Supplies of dark meat cuts are well cleared with all other parts fully available and discounted to help stimulate buyer interest. The trade sediment was steady to firm on leg items, and about steady on the balance.

WESTERN REGION The market tone was steady to barely steady. Offerings in fair balance on whole body product less than 3.5 pounds and ample on heavier weights. Retail demand was moderate to good best to cover feature activities. Floor stocks generally adequate.

CHICK PLACEMENT AND EGG SET TOTAL

19 STATES	WEEK ENDING 06/04/05		PERCENT CHANGE
	2005	2004	PREVIOUS YEAR
EGGS SET	215,865	214,186	+01
CHICKS PLACED	177,453	177,930	0

BROILER EGGS SET IN 19 SELECTED STATES UP 1 PERCENT

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 216 million eggs in incubators during the week ending June 11, 2005. This was up 1 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

CHICKS PLACED UP DOWN SLIGHTLY

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 177 million chicks for meat production during the week ending June 11, 2005. Placements were down slightly from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 2, 2005 through June 11, 2005 were 4.05 billion, up 2 percent from the same period a year earlier.

WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 23-Jul-05 is estimated at 163.0 million head. This compares to 162.7 million head the previous week and to 167.1 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 163.2 million head and the composite weighted average price was 80.16 cents per pound.

JUNE 14, 2005

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

JUNE 15, 2005

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.

JUNE 14, 2005				JUNE 15, 2005					
ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	750	120.00-189.00	122-126	128.15	BREAST - B/S	580	118.00-189.00	120-125	127.59
TENDERLOINS	235	115.00-182.00	117-122	120.32	TENDERLOINS	233	117.00-191.00	117-121	126.16
BREAST - LINE RUN	TOO FEW TO REPORT				BREAST - LINE RUN	97	80.00-88.00	81-84	84.07
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT				FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEG	TOO FEW TO REPORT				LEGS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	527	36.00-41.00	38-39	38.50	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	552	37.00-41.00	39	38.94
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,100	38.00-43.00	41	40.33	LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,070	39.00-44.00	40-42	40.62
WINGS (WHOLE)	300	70.00-85.00	80-82	80.58	WINGS (WHOLE)	300	68.00-85.00	80-83	80.68
WINGS (CUT)	372	87.00-99.00	95-97	95.61	WINGS (CUT)	295	87.00-97.00	94-95	95.00
DRUMSTICKS	68	56.00-62.00	-	56.71	DRUMSTICKS	83	49.00-62.00	-	55.31
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				B/S THIGHS	120	93.00-113.00	-	103.33

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

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
53.00 - 60.00	55.54	52.00-60.50	54.20	55.54

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.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS

Trucklot buying activity was light to fair during midweek trading. Offerings of bone-in breasts were readily available and slow to clear; boneless skinless breast were at least adequate. Legs, leg quarters, drums and thighs were in close balance to well cleared. Wings were fully sufficient. Retail and distributive movement was mostly fair. The market tone was fully steady on most dark meat cuts; about steady on boneless skinless breasts, barely steady on bone-in. Wings were generally steady.

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

JUNE 14, 2005				JUNE 15, 2005			
ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS	ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	140	134.31	678,850	BREAST - B/S	140	137.73	636,110
TENDERLOINS	125	123.39	247,413	TENDERLOINS	125	119.67	145,220
BREAST - WITH RIBS	81-82	92.09	80,080	BREAST - WITH RIBS	81-82	91.53	87,720
BREAST - LINE RUN	81	83.98	86,440	BREAST - LINE RUN	81	83.28	84,600
LEGS	54-55	57.43	90,360	LEGS	54-55	59.29	133,240
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	42-43	42.44	312,280	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	42-43	42.04	311,400
DRUMSTICKS	50-51	52.22	185,240	DRUMSTICKS	51-52	48.58	185,740
THIGHS	49-50	54.55	69,900	THIGHS	49-50	56.11	66,000
B/S THIGHS	104-105	99.28	102,920	B/S THIGHS	104-105	102.43	124,100
WINGS (WHOLE)	82-83	83.95	130,200	WINGS (WHOLE)	82-83	81.08	159,920
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	11.89	17,480	BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	11.26	22,040
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	35-40	35.17	15,000	LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	35-40	30.41	10,960
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	45-50	49.17	22,840	GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	45-50	49.76	12,520

 INCLUDES: NY CITY METRO. AREA, RI, NORTHERN NJ, MA, CT, PA (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.

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATED		ACTUAL		ACTUAL		AVG
	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	WTS
Alabama	4,016	4,096	4,047	4,463	5.29	5.17	3,942
Arkansas	5,447	5,601	5,392	5,013	5.15	5.16	5,455
Delmarva	2,293	2,311	2,274	1,875	5.58	5.55	1,980
KY-LA-TN	2,351	2,296	2,256	2,850	4.99	5.02	2,287
Mississippi	3,037	3,112	2,762	3,060	5.67	5.46	3,031
North Carolina	2,562	2,578	2,439	3,016	6.56	6.25	2,330
Texas	2,498	2,502	2,522	2,769	5.20	5.01	2,568
Total	22,204	22,496	21,692	23,046	5.43	5.34	21,593
Mon-Wed	66,897(A)						64,839(A)

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 15-Jun-05 is estimated to be 34,152,000 head up 2.52 percent from a week ago and up 18.83 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 33,312,000, last year 28,740,000)

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY

DELIVERED TO RETAILERS		RANGE
FRESH FRYERS		97-99
ROASTERS 4# & UP		99-107
HENS UNDER 5#		-
HENS OVER 5#		65-73
DUCKS		-
RABBITS-WHOLE		-
RABBITS-CUT UP		-

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY		
DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS		
FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK	105-107
	DRY PACK	108
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK	108-111
	DRY PACK	111
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK	89-93
	DRY PACK	95
DUCKS		180-192

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 18-Jun-05

CLASS	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	06/18/05 (1)	06/11/05
	THOUSAND HEAD	
Broiler/fryer	166,341 (2)	167,016
Light hens	1,591	1,653
Heavy hens	1,450	1,485
Total	169,382	170,154

(1)ESTIMATED (2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 18-Jun-05 is 168.3 million head compared to 157.7 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 166.7 million head or 1.6 million less than estimated available. For the week of 25-Jun-05 the estimated available is 167.6 million head.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS-SELECTED STGE CENTERS
(INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEY	PROCESSED POULTRY
	LBS	LBS
AM 06/13/05	113,927	48,341
AM 06/01/05	116,134	46,132
CHG	-2,207	2,209
PCT CHG	-2	5

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEYS			PROCESSED POULTRY		
	06/13/05	06/06/05	06/14/04	06/13/05	06/06/05	06/14/04
PACIFIC COAST	4,045	4,110	9,121	6,149	6,072	4,490
LOS ANGELES	78	81	368	3,506	3,448	3,049

CENTRAL MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY RTC HENS

READY-TO-COOK PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR DELIVERY TO FIRST RECEIVERS, U.S. GRADE A AND PLANT GRADE, 5 LBS. AND UP, FOR WEEK OF JUNE 13, 2005

HENS	ICE PACKED (12 PER BOX)	VACUUM PACKED (6-9 PER BOX)	RANGE
			74-80
			80-84

HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES

AI PAPERS REQUIRED TO SELL ALL OUT OF STATE POULTRY

	FOR 06/14/05			FOR 06/14/05		
	LOW	HIGH	AVG	LOW	HIGH	AVG
HEAVY FOWL lb.	.50	.70	.53	HEAVY FOWL ea.	-	-
LIGHT FOWL lb.	-	-	-	LIGHT FOWL ea.	-	-
MIXED FOWL lb.	-	-	-	MIXED FOWL ea.	-	-
BANTAMS lb.	-	-	-	BANTAMS ea.	-	-
BROILERS lb.	-	.30	-	BROILERS ea.	-	-
ROASTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROASTERS ea.	-	-
FRYERS lb.	-	-	-	FRYERS ea.	-	-
CHICKS lb.	-	-	-	CHICKS ea.	.10	1.00
PULLETS lb.	-	-	-	PULLETS ea.	-	-
BUNNIES lb.	-	-	-	BUNNIES ea.	1.75	4.75
ROOSTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROOSTERS ea.	-	-
GEESE lb.	-	-	-	GEESE ea.	-	-
TURKEYS lb.	-	-	-	TURKEYS ea.	-	-
DUCKS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKS ea.	-	-
RABBITS lb.	.70	1.00	.84	RABBITS ea.	-	6.00
PIGEONS lb.	-	-	-	PIGEONS ea.	2.50	5.25
GUINEA FOWL lb.	-	-	-	GUINEA FOWL ea.	-	-
DUCKLINGS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKLINGS ea.	4.00	5.00
GUINEA KEETS ea.	-	-	-	CALL DUCKS ea.	-	-
SILKIES ea.	-	-	-	GOSLINGS ea.	-	-
GUINEA PIGS ea.	-	-	-	TURKEY POULTS ea.	-	-
CHUKARS ea.	-	-	-			
TOTAL COOPS	42					

MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS - Mexico City

Cents per pound for the week ending June 10, 2005

	Whole		Legs	Necks, Backs	Livers/
	Chickens	Breasts	W/ Thighs	& Wings	Gizzards
					Hens
RAYON					
Low	75.26	142.15	83.62	16.72	6.27 66.06
High	77.35	146.33	91.98	20.90	12.54 66.06
Mostly	77.35	142.15	87.80	18.81	8.36 66.06
SAN JUAN					
Low	75.26	142.15	83.62	16.72	6.27 65.64
High	77.35	146.33	91.98	20.90	12.54 65.64
Mostly	77.35	146.33	87.80	18.81	8.36 65.64
NEW SAN JUAN					
Low	75.26	142.15	83.62	16.72	6.27 65.22
High	77.35	146.33	91.98	20.90	12.54 65.22
Mostly	77.35	142.15	87.80	18.81	8.36 65.22
BECERRA					
Low	75.26	142.15	83.62	16.72	6.27 66.06
High	77.35	146.33	91.98	20.90	12.54 66.06
Mostly	77.35	146.33	87.80	18.81	8.36 66.06

DELMARVA

Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds remained generally light and unaggressive. Seller offerings were fully adequate to ample for current inquiry. Live supplies were mostly moderate; weights were light to heavy, mostly desirable to light. Processing schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 73 to 84 cents. Trade sentiment was no better than steady. In the parts complex, breast items were fully adequate and were moving into a closer, better balance with needs. Leg items continued to clear well. Wings were irregularly balanced, but at least 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	(A)
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	3,831

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