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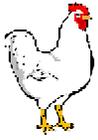
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## NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Majority prices were higher in the major terminal markets when compared to a week earlier. Trade sentiment ranged steady to fully steady. Retail and food service demand for early week business was moderate to good, but not as active as last week. Offerings were adequate to close balance. In the parts structure, trading was moderate to good. Boneless-breast items were adequate to available. However, wings were tight and moving seasonally well. Other items were usually balanced to clearing well. In production areas, processing schedules were getting back to normal operations. Live supplies were mostly moderate; weights were irregular.

**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 12-SEP-2005.

AREAS	US GRADE A		COMPOSITE		
	MAJORITY	WTD LOADS	WTD LOADS	LOADS	
		AVG	AVG		
Boston/New England	TFEWR	:	66.87	19	
Chicago	68.00-71.00	71.18	40 :	72.33	76
Ohio Cities	TFEWR	:	70.46	21	
Denver	81.50	81.33	15 :	82.06	16
Detroit	70.00-71.00	71.45	11 :	72.98	54
Los Angeles	82.00	81.09	53 :	75.94	141
New York	73.00-76.00	74.29	24 :	73.62	44
Philadelphia	72.50-74.00	73.42	12 :	71.77	24
Pittsburgh	72.00-75.00	74.08	12 :	74.90	59
St. Louis	70.50-70.75	70.07	20 :	70.00	32
San Francisco	82.50	82.58	33 :	80.97	71

### Composite Weighted Average

Loads	09/12/05	Change/Last Wk	09/05/05	09/13/04
557	74.20	1.11	73.09	69.59

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

REGIONS	Majority	Wtd Avg	Loads
Eastern	75.00-76.00	75.52	32
Central	60.00-77.00	73.75	71
Western	66.00-78.00	74.63	36
<b>Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent</b>			
Mississippi	75.00-77.00	75.46	72

**GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES** Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 75.25 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
1,141	68.00-76.65	74.40

The Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed final weighted average prices on ice packed parts:

ITEM	WTD AVG (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUND)
LINE RUN TENDERS	177.00	1,493
BREASTS - B/S	157.00	6,403
BREASTS - WHOLE	87.50	1,568
THIGH MEAT - B/S	125.00	1,056
LEG QUARTERS	48.50	8,484
WINGS	92.50	3,048

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**NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYER** Trucklot buying interest on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers remained moderate to good following the weekend. Offerings of all sizes were well cleared to short. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair to moderate. The market tone was fully steady to firm. In the parts complex, most items were in good balance to short.

**SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS** Trade sentiment was steady at prevailing price levels. Demand was fairly good and clearing available product. However, interest was slower than a week earlier. Supplies were in close balance to short with most plants operating at near normal processing schedules. In the parts structure, supplies were at least moderate with wings, thighs and thigh meat tight and clearing well, fronts were also clearing, but related to the tightness of wings. Boneless skinless breast were slightly more available, but bone-in breast were clearing. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mixed, but mostly desirable weights.

**WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS** Final majority prices were 1 cent higher throughout the region. Trading reported for this week's deliveries at higher prices for regular commitments and mixed on new negotiations. Offerings adequate overall with heavy weights often discounted to help move excess product. Buying activity was moderate with some improvement noted. Retailer demand was moderate overall. Dealers reported satisfactory weekend clearances. Reported trading on parts for this weeks' delivery: leg quarters bulk 49-51.5 and 4/10s 51.5-55, breast bone-in 95-106 and boneless 144-149, boneless leg meat 125.5-135 and wings 101-102. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average was at 67.68 down 1.11 with the volume reported at 28 loads.

**MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER** Final majority prices increased from Tuesday's final; Ohio cities TFEWR. The market tone on whole broiler/fryers was steady to fully steady. Offerings were sufficient for trade needs. Retail and food service movement was light to moderate, occasionally good into the St. Louis area. Floor stocks were in a full range. Weights varied. Parts demand was slowing, light to moderate with wings and tenders seeing a good call. Offerings of wings and dark cuts were limited, tenders light and remaining parts moderate. The market tone was fully steady to firm on wings, tenders and dark meat, steady to barely steady on balance.

**DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS** Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was good for fill-in needs as many buyers reported better than expected activity during the weekend. Seller offerings were generally noted as well cleared to short, mainly on the 3.00 and 3.50 pound sizes. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mixed and irregular. Processing schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were 1 cent higher at 74 to 85 cents. Trade sentiment was firm. In the parts complex, supplies were adequate to short.

\*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	69-88
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) NOT REPORTED TO AVOID DISCLOSING INDIVIDUAL OPERATIONS

**NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS** Trucklot buying activity remained moderate to good as dealers assessed market conditions following the weekend. Offerings of breast items and drums were adequate; other items were in good balance to closely cleared as most operations affected by the hurricane slowly return to normal schedules. Retail and distributive movement was fair to moderate. The market tone was at least steady to firm.

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

ITEM	NEGOTIATED	CURRENT	WTD	VOLUME
	TRADING		AVG	/LBS
BREAST - B/S		155	146.18	562,840
TENDERLOINS		150	144.20	153,500
BREAST - WITH RIBS	84-85	94.16		80,280
BREAST - LINE RUN	84	86.88		72,000
LEGS	64-65	62.86		316,960
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	48-49	46.44		261,200
DRUMSTICKS	54-55	60.80		126,800
THIGHS	61-62	66.60		59,400
B/S THIGHS	135-136	119.59		111,860
WINGS (WHOLE)	96-97	94.93		190,960
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	11.54		7,440
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	45-50	42.59		18,240
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	65-70	69.64		9,080

INCL: NY CITY METRO, N. NJ, MA, CT, RI, AND PA (NE OF HARRISBURG).

\* TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

\*\* WTD AVG 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	1,532	131.00-149.00	138-148	144.21
TENDERLOINS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
BREAST - WITH RIBS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	1,133	43.00-45.00	43-44	43.76
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,940	43.00-47.00	43-46	45.27
WINGS (WHOLE)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
THIGHS	934	35.00-60.00	55-57	55.52

#### ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	ACTUAL	AVG WTS
	(1,000)	(1,000)		(1,000)	
	09/12	09/08	09/08	09/05	09/01
Alabama	4,084	4,064	5.36	(A)	5.11
Arkansas	5,460	5,314	5.35	(A)	5.14
Delmarva	2,263	2,332	5.54	(A)	5.46
KY-LA-TN	2,369	2,275	5.17	(A)	4.72
Mississippi	3,742	3,050	5.80	(A)	5.40
North Carolina	2,550	2,466	6.57	(A)	6.03
Texas	2,498	2,540	5.00	(A)	5.00
Total	22,966	22,041	5.51	7,791	5.24
Mon	22,966(B)			7,791(B)	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations

(B) Weekly cumulative for states listed above. Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 12-Sep 2005 is estimated to be 34,360,000 up 193.90 percent from a week ago. and up 9.1 percent from a year ago. (last week 11,691,000 last year 31,504,000)

**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	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD	AVG
BREAST - B/S	665	130.00-161.00	140-145	143.65	
TENDERLOINS	208	145.00-208.00	148-149	150.88	
BREAST - LINE RUN	95	84.00-93.00	86-88	88.16	
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	595	44.00-48.00	46	45.92	
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,110	46.00-49.00	47-48	47.95	
WINGS (WHOLE)	302	89.00-94.00	90-93	90.99	
WINGS (CUT)	410	109.00-113.00	110-112	111.10	
DRUMSTICKS	71	55.00-72.00	-	58.63	
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			
B/S THIGHS	85	121.00-140.00	-	127.35	
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WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS					
TRADING FOR SEPTEMBER 12, 2005 — F.O.B. DOCK.					
	RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE			
	52.00 - 57.00	54.91			53.68

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 PARTS** ICE-PACKED POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES DELIVERED TO: IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, AND WI WEEK OF 12-16-SEP-2005.

	Price (Cents) Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	138.00 - 156.00	143.00 - 153.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	81.00 - 105.00	80.00 - 89.00
LEGS	59.00 - 66.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	43.00 - 53.00	46.00 - 48.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	45.00 - 52.00	48.00 - 49.00
DRUMSTICKS	51.00 - 62.00	-
THIGHS	57.00 - 65.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	90.00 - 108.00	94.00 - 97.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	12.00 - 23.00	-
LIVERS	30.00 - 45.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40.00 - 60.00	-

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

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	95.75-104.75
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	95.25-107.25
FROZEN HENS 5# & UP	
FROZEN DUCKS	
FROZEN SQUABS	

#### DELIVERED TO RETAILERS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA)

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

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK 105-107
	DRY PACK 108
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK 108-112
	DRY PACK 111-112
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK 93-95
	DRY PACK 95-105
DUCKS	180-192

**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 09, 2005				
<b>CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED</b>				
(Cents per Pound)				
<b>FAT CONTENT</b>	<b>FROZEN</b>	<b>FRESH</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>EXPORT</b>
<b>15% OR LESS</b>				
RANGE	18.00-21.00	21.00-22.00	740,000	260,000
WTD AVERAGE	20.40	21.42		
<b>15-20%</b>				
RANGE	16.00-22.00	16.00-22.00	1,880,000	1,040,000
WTD AVERAGE	19.13	18.86		
<b>20% OR MORE</b>				
RANGE	-	14.00	40,000	-
WTD AVERAGE		14.00		

\* INCLUDES THE STATES of CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

**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 09, 2005				
<b>CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED</b>				
(Cents per Pound)				
<b>FAT CONTENT</b>	<b>FROZEN</b>	<b>FRESH</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>EXPORT</b>
<b>15% OR LESS</b>				
RANGE	-	23.00	20,400	-
WTD AVERAGE		23.00		
<b>15-20%</b>				
RANGE	17.00-25.00	18.00-23.00	1,332,000	967,200
WTD AVERAGE	18.61	20.67		
<b>20% OR MORE</b>				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

\* INCLUDES THE STATES of AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI

**SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN** Majority prices were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was fair to moderate for the about adequate to adequate offerings. Processing schedules were noted as mostly normal. Sales of finished product were generally sufficient for current needs. The undertone was steady to at least steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *			
FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 12-SEP-05			
	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>MAJORITY</b>	<b>WTD AVG</b>
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	9.75-16	12-14	13.28
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

\*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

**SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN** Trading levels were generally unchanged from the past week. Demand was moderate for fully adequate offerings of spent hens. Schedules were normal. Finished sales were fair. Trade sentiment was at least steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *			
PRELIMINARY PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 12-SEP-05			
	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>MAJORITY</b>	<b>WTD AVG</b>
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	9.5-16.25	11.75-14	12.97

\*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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