

## NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Majority prices were unchanged in the West, lower elsewhere when compared to previous week. Trade sentiment ranged about steady to weak. Demand following the weekend was slow to moderate, best for fast food, as most assessed further market conditions. Offerings were mixed, but available; floor stocks were balanced to long. In the parts structure, movement was slow to fair. Breast items were fully adequate to ample and slow to clear, even at discounted levels. Wings and dark meat were at least adequate with mixed interest. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

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 26-SEP-2005 (cents per lb)

Areas	US grade A			: Composite	
	Majority	Wtd Avg	Lds	Wtd Avg	Lds
Boston/New England	TFEWR			68.55	20
Chicago	63.00-66.00	66.09	37	66.61	70
Ohio Cities	TFEWR			63.42	25
Denver	81.50	81.32	14	81.83	15
Detroit	64.00-66.00	66.73	11	69.31	56
Los Angeles	82.00	80.82	57	71.77	154
New York	67.00-70.00	68.43	23	68.49	54
Philadelphia	66.50-68.00	67.36	11	66.59	23
Pittsburgh	66.00-69.00	67.91	11	71.35	57
St. Louis	64.75-65.00	64.42	20	65.52	36
San Francisco	82.50	81.81	34	78.35	87

### Composite Weighted Average

Loads	09/26/05	Change Last Wk	09/19/05	09/27/04
597	70.21	-2.93	73.14	69.92

WOG broilers - (without giblets) - prices paid per lb delv'd to first receivers in trucklot and ltl quantities:

Marketing Regions	Majority	Wtd Avg	Lds
Eastern	70.00-73.00	71.70	33
Central	53.00-73.00	67.86	71
Western	55.00-74.00	71.31	36
Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent			
Mississippi	75.00-77.00	75.35	86

**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.

### MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT

LOADS	RANGE	WTD AVG
1,130	63.00-76.86	74.10

Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed FINAL weighted average price on ice-packed parts:

ITEM	WTD AVG (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	176.50	1,483
BREASTS - B/S	151.00	6,388
BREASTS - WHOLE	86.50	1,538
THIGH MEAT - B/S	138.00	1,086
LEG QUARTERS	48.50	8,524
WINGS	97.50	3,102

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**NORTHEAST** Trucklot buying interest on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was light to fair at best following the weekend. Offerings of 3.5 and heavier sizes were generally sufficient for current needs; 2.5 to 3 pound sizes were available with scattered discounting noted where product was in excess. Movement through retail and distributive channels was light to fair. The market tone was about steady to barely steady. In the parts complex, breast items were fully adequate and slow to clear and the balance of items were adequate to fully adequate for current needs

**SOUTHERN** Trade sentiment was steady at best. Demand following the weekend was light to fair, best for fast food specials, with minimal damages to the industry from Hurricane Rita. Supplies of all sizes were at least sufficient for trade needs. In the parts structure, trading was fair at best with supplies of all items at least adequate to ample. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mixed, but mostly desirable weights.

**WESTERN** Final majority prices were unchanged from the previous week. The market tone was steady to weak. Trading reported at unchanged to lower prices on regular commitments and unchanged to mainly lower on new negotiations. Offerings in close balance to fully adequate. Heavy WOGs were in the longest position and commonly discounted to help place excess product. Buying activity had improved. Retailer demand was moderate to good. Dealers reported satisfactory weekend clearances. Reported trading on parts for this week delivery: leg quarters bulk 49-52 and 4/10s 53-58, breast bone-in 85-104 and boneless 113-126, and wings 106-107. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average was down 3.92 to 62.15, with the volume reported down 7 percent at 27 loads.

**MIDWEST** Final majority prices decreased 4 cents from last Monday's final; Ohio cities TFEWR. The market tone on whole broiler/fryers was barely steady to weak. Offerings light to fully sufficient for the very limited trade call. Retail and food service movement was slow to moderate. Floor stocks adequate to long; weights desirable. Offerings of wings and dark meat adequate, remaining parts moderate to heavy. The market tone was steady to fully steady on wings, steady on dark cuts, and weak on breast items.

**DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS** Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was light to fair and was generally noted as disappointing for post weekend fill-in orders. Seller offerings on 3.50 and 4.00 pound sizes were adequate to tight; 2.50 and 3.00 pound sizes were fully adequate. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mostly desirable. Processor schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were 1 cent lower at 68 to 79 cents. Trade sentiment was about steady and cautious. In the parts complex, supplies were at least adequate for immediate delivery.

\*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	64-93
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)
(A) NOT RELEASED TO AVOID DISCLOSING INDIVIDUAL OPERATIONS	

**NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS** Trucklot buying activity was no better than fair entering the week as dealers limited orders to immediate needs. Offerings of breast items were fully adequate and slow in clearing. Dark meat cuts were at least sufficient. Wings were adequate to at least adequate. Tenders were available. Retail and distributive movement was light to fair. The market tone was barely steady for breast items and tenderloins and about steady to steady on the balance.

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

ITEM	NEGOTIATED	CURRENT TRADING	WTD AVG	VOLUME /LBS
BREAST - B/S		125-130	127.81	531,200
TENDERLOINS		140-145	143.00	123,900
BREAST - WITH RIBS		82-83	89.12	58,440
BREAST - LINE RUN		82	82.89	81,000
LEGS		64-65	63.84	217,720
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)		47-48	48.33	245,960
DRUMSTICKS		53-54	57.95	104,020
THIGHS		61-62	65.09	57,600
B/S THIGHS		135-136	123.40	89,240
WINGS (WHOLE)		98-99	97.47	247,140
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)		10-12	11.98	12,400
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)		45-50	47.56	10,680
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)		70-75	75.13	10,840

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	2,027	96.00-154.00	115-125	119.83
BREAST - WITH RIBS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	531	44.00-46.00	44-45	44.87
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,446	46.00-48.00	46-47	46.52
WINGS (WHOLE)	532	68.00-99.00	88-94	92.00
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
THIGHS	1,041	33.00-57.00	54-57	56.75

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

	ESTIMATE (1,000)	ACTUAL (1,000)	AVG WTS	ACTUAL (1,000)	AVG WTS
	09/26	09/22	09/22	09/19	09/15
Alabama	4,082	4,089	5.22	4,000	5.31
Arkansas	5,174	5,335	5.18	5,131	5.22
Delmarva	2,297	2,239	5.53	2,281	5.50
KY-LA-TN	2,243	2,320	5.08	1,956	5.05
Mississippi	3,116	3,043	5.68	2,932	5.91
North Carolina	2,517	2,393	6.50	2,471	6.43
Texas	2,299	2,477	5.09	2,559	5.13
Total	21,728	21,896	5.42	21,330	5.47
Mon	21,728(A)			21,330(A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 26-Sep 2005 is estimated to be 32,508,000 up 1.56 percent from a week ago, and up 1.8 percent from a year ago.

(last week 32,008,000 last year 31,920,000)

**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	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	679	105.00-178.00	-	117.11
TENDERLOINS	243	140.00-188.00	141-145	142.73
BREAST - LINE RUN	94	80.00-88.00	82-86	85.26
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS	63	59.00-72.00	60-62	62.56
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	3,808	44.00-47.00	45-46	45.95
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,030	45.00-49.00	47-48	47.52
WINGS (WHOLE)	337	89.00-99.00	92-94	93.75
WINGS (CUT)	295	110.00-114.00	111-113	112.49
DRUMSTICKS	60	52.00-72.00	-	53.73
THIGHS	51	54.00-70.00	-	55.43
B/S THIGHS	80	130.00-142.00	-	134.75

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WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS

TRADING FOR SEPTEMBER 26, 2005 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
50.00 - 54.50	52.31	50.90

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 26-30-SEP-2005.

	Price (Cents) Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	101.00 - 136.00	107.00 - 131.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	71.00 - 108.00	84.00 - 89.00
LEGS	62.00 - 69.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	42.00 - 55.00	46.00 - 48.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	47.00 - 57.00	47.00 - 49.00
DRUMSTICKS	44.00 - 63.00	-
THIGHS	45.00 - 69.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	86.00 - 110.00	97.00 - 99.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	12.00 - 23.00	-
LIVERS	30.00 - 50.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40.00 - 70.00	-

**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.

Sep 23, 2005

**CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED**

FAT CONTENT	PRICES		VOLUME	
	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	20.50	18.00-21.00	396,000	156,000
WTD AVERAGE	20.50	20.50		
15-20%				
RANGE	16.00-21.00	16.50-21.00	1,676,000	676,000
WTD AVERAGE	19.23	18.38		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	14.00	120,000	-
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

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

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)\*  
FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF  
26-SEP-05

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	9.5-16.25 CENTS/LB.	12-14	12.99

\*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

**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.

Sep 23, 2005

**CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED**

FAT CONTENT	PRICES		VOLUME	
	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				
15-20%				
RANGE	18.00-25.00	12.00-23.00	1,456,800	481,600
WTD AVERAGE	21.00	18.19		
20% OR MORE				
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 LIVE HEAVY HEN** Majority prices were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was mostly fair for the adequate to at least adequate offerings. Processing schedules were noted as mostly normal. Sales of finished product were more than sufficient for current needs. The undertone was steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)\*  
FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF  
26-SEP-05

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	9.75-16 CENTS/LB.	12-14	13.29
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

\* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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