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## NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Majority prices were lower in the East, mostly unchanged elsewhere when compared to previous week. Trade sentiment was mixed, but was overall no better than steady. Retail demand was seasonally slow to moderate with best interest for other holiday meat items. Food service was fair to fairly good. Offerings of all sizes were adequate to fully sufficient; floor stocks were mostly balanced. In the parts structure, movement was fair to moderate. Breast items and wings were available to fully sufficient, and dark meat was more than adequate with limited movement. In production areas, live supplies were moderate; weights were desirable to heavy, but mostly desirable.

**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 14-NOV-2005.

AREAS	US GRADE A		COMPOSITE		
	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS	WTD AVG	LOADS
Boston/New England	TFEWR		:	62.23	13
Chicago	57.00-60.00	60.61	39	62.68	78
Ohio Cities	TFEWR		:	57.72	23
Denver	79.50	79.50	14	79.93	15
Detroit	58.00-61.00	60.67	9	64.96	59
Los Angeles	80.00	77.75	59	74.19	108
New York	59.00-62.00	60.36	25	63.07	50
Philadelphia	58.50-60.00	59.32	11	60.13	23
Pittsburgh	58.00-61.00	59.75	12	66.17	58
St. Louis	59.75	59.12	20	59.83	33
San Francisco	80.50	79.50	33	81.08	57

### Composite Weighted Average

Loads	11/14/05	Change/Last Wk	11/07/05	11/15/04
517	67.40	-.10	67.50	68.50

**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	63.50-65.00	63.98	32
Central	50.00-66.00	63.78	77
Western	56.00-68.00	64.66	33
<b>Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent</b>			
Mississippi	70.00-73.00	72.16	88

**GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES** Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 73.00 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
1,140	57.00-74.00	71.81

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

	WTD AVG	VOLUME
LINE RUN TENDERS	153.50	1,503
BREASTS - B/S	125.50	6,393
BREASTS - WHOLE	70.00	1,548
THIGH MEAT - B/S	112.00	1,056
LEG QUARTERS	39.00	8,474
WINGS	81.50	3,063

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**NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYER** Trucklot buying interest on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was seasonally light and unaggressive entering the week as dealers look to more traditional holiday items. Offerings of all sizes were at least adequate to available for current trade needs. Movement through retail and distributive channels was light. The market tone was barely steady. In the parts complex, boneless skinless breasts were generally adequate and clearing satisfactorily; bone-in breast were at least sufficient and dark meat cuts were available and competitively priced. Wings were at least adequate.

**SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS** Trade sentiment was steady at best. Demand was seasonally light to fair with trading usually limited to regular commitments, and interest focused towards more traditional holiday meat items. Supplies of all sizes were more than sufficient for trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was light to fair. Breast items were sufficient to closer balanced, wings were readily available, and dark meat was at least adequate. In production areas, live supplies were moderate; weights were mixed, but mostly desirable.

**WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS** Final majority prices were unchanged. The market tone was about steady. Trading reported at unchanged to lower prices on regular commitments; however new negotiations were unchanged to lower on heavy weights and unchanged to higher on lightweights. Offerings were adequate on whole body product less than 3 pounds and heavier weights were ample with discounts reported in hopes of reducing availability. Retailer demand was light but as expected due to approaching Thanksgiving-day interest in traditional items. Dealers reported moderate weekend carryovers. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average was up 1.08 to 59.84, with the volume reported at 25 loads unchanged.

**MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER** Final majority prices unchanged to lower from last Monday's final; Ohio cities TFEWR. Whole broiler/fryer market tone was steady. Offerings were light to moderate on an inactive trade call. Retail and food service demand was in a full range; overall, slow to fair into retail and moderate into food service. Floor stocks were in balance to at times fully adequate with weights in a desirable range. Offerings of parts were varied from plant to plant, light to ample. Trade call was limited to needs only and light overall. The market tone was steady on regular wings, steady to barely steady on breast cuts and barely steady to weak on the balance.

**DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS** Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was seasonally slow and generally noted as light and unaggressive as buyer interest turned to increasing receipts of turkeys and other seasonal items for the upcoming holiday. Seller offerings were fully adequate to ample. Live supplies were moderate; weights were desirable to heavy. Processor schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were one cent lower at 62 to 70 cents. Trade sentiment was barely steady to weak. Boneless/skinless breasts were generally noted as in a workable position, balance of items were usually available.

*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	50-75
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A)Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations

**NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS** Trucklot buying activity was mostly fair to moderate entering the week as dealers kept floor stocks in close balance with most immediate needs. Offerings of boneless skinless breasts were adequate and clearing satisfactorily; bone-in breast were more than sufficient for current needs. Dark meat cuts were at least adequate to available. Wings were at least adequate. Retail and distributive movement was seasonally light. The market tone was at least steady on boneless skinless breasts; about steady to instances weak for most dark meat cuts. The balance of items were mostly steady.

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	105-110		103.11	563,660
TENDERLOINS	100		104.08	101,600
BREAST - WITH RIBS	61-62		70.29	62,820
BREAST - LINE RUN	61		62.02	80,200
LEGS	46-47		46.49	169,400
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	28-29		27.62	352,233
DRUMSTICKS	35-36		40.77	128,560
THIGHS	36-35		47.38	50,980
B/S THIGHS	98-99		100.69	112,000
WINGS (WHOLE)	78-79		78.70	269,080
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12		11.12	8,680
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	50-55		54.71	6,200
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	70-75		74.80	14,560

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	2,299	85.00-117.00	96-102	96.87
TENDERLOINS	242	68.00-156.00	-	92.60
BREAST - WITH RIBS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	1,068	23.00-35.00	25-27	26.33
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,596	25.00-38.00	25-28	27.58
WINGS (WHOLE)	569	60.00-84.00	79-80	75.67
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
THIGHS	1,445	21.00-40.00	25-30	28.08

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

	ESTIMATE (1,000)	ACTUAL (1,000)	AVG WTS	ACTUAL (1,000)	AVG WTS
	11/14	11/10	11/10	11/07	11/03
Alabama	4,091	4,021	5.33	3,919	5.41
Arkansas	5,302	5,398	5.27	5,079	5.30
Delmarva	2,087	2,307	5.68	2,318	5.72
KY-LA-TN	2,249	2,195	5.05	2,269	5.08
Mississippi	2,930	2,919	5.61	2,968	5.58
North Carolina	2,452	2,504	6.67	2,405	6.76
Texas	2,494	2,532	5.20	2,551	5.24
Total	21,605	21,876	5.50	21,509	5.54
Mon	21,605(A)			21,509(A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 14-Nov 2005 is estimated to be 32,323,000 up 0.15 percent from a week ago and up 2.6 percent from a year ago.

(last week 32,276,000 last year 31,518,000)

**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	698	90.00-155.00	95-99	104.90
TENDERLOINS	173	85.00-162.00	92-95	96.91
BREAST - LINE RUN	111	62.00-74.00	70-73	70.52
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS	121	34.00-68.00	39-41	38.20
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	549	23.00-35.00	27-28	27.89
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,040	25.00-38.00	29-30	30.25
WINGS (WHOLE)	259	70.00-83.00	73-79	77.03
WINGS (CUT)	323	90.00-96.00	93-95	94.12
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
B/S THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		

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WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS  
TRADING FOR NOVEMBER 14, 2005 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
35.50 - 44.00	38.78	38.49

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 14-NOV-2005-18-NOV-2005.

	Price (Cents) Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	90.00 - 110.00	95.00 - 110.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	59.00 - 86.00	63.00 - 68.00
LEGS	35.00 - 47.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	23.00 - 37.00	26.00 - 32.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	29.00 - 39.00	29.00 - 33.00
DRUMSTICKS	29.00 - 46.00	-
THIGHS	23.00 - 34.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	65.00 - 91.00	78.00 - 82.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	12.00 - 17.00	-
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	90.5-102.5
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	89-105
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 95-107
	DRY PACK 114
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK 100-112
	DRY PACK 118
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK 90-105
	DRY PACK 109
DUCKS	185-188

**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.

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**CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED**      **PRICES**      **VOLUME**  
(Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	18.00-19.00	280,000	-
WTD AVERAGE		18.57		
15-20%				
RANGE	13.00-21.00	12.00-15.00	2,244,000	1,404,000
WTD AVERAGE	18.44	13.24		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	14.00	200,000	-
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.

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**CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED**      **PRICES**      **VOLUME**  
(Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	20.00	20,400	-
WTD AVERAGE		20.00		
15-20%				
RANGE	12.00-23.00	10.00-18.00	2,316,400	1,482,400
WTD AVERAGE	15.50	14.76		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	14.50-15.50	163,200	-
WTD AVERAGE		15.00		

\* 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 generally fair at best for the mostly adequate to at least adequate offerings. Processing schedules were noted as normal. Sales of finished product were adequate for current needs. The undertone was steady to about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) \*  
FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 14-NOV-05

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	9.75-15.5	12-13	12.67
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** Prices were generally unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was light to moderate for usually adequate offerings of spent hens. Finished sales were seasonal good. Schedules were normal. Trade sentiment and values were expected to remain constant.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) \*  
PRELIMINARY PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 14-NOV-05

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	9-15.75	12-13	12.25

\*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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