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Majority prices were generally unchanged when compared to the previous week. Trade sentiment was about steady in the West, steady elsewhere. Retail and food service demand following the weekend was mostly light to moderate. Supplies of all sizes were usually sufficient to handle trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was mixed, but mostly at least moderate. Wings were in balance to tight, but interest was waning. Breast items were sufficient to well cleared, and moving satisfactorily. Dark meat was in good balance and also moving well. In production areas, live supplies were moderate; weights were 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 16-JAN-2006.

AREAS	US GRADE A		COMPOSITE		
	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS	WTD AVG	LOADS
Boston/New England	TFEWR		:	59.22	20
Chicago	52.00-55.00	55.86	39 :	57.44	75
Ohio Cities	TFEWR		:	55.59	23
Denver	76.50	76.25	13 :	76.88	14
Detroit	54.00-56.00	56.50	8 :	60.07	51
Los Angeles	77.00	74.72	54 :	68.93	135
New York	55.00-58.00	56.95	21 :	58.05	62
Philadelphia	54.50-56.00	55.29	12 :	56.12	26
Pittsburgh	54.00-57.00	55.73	11 :	62.05	57
St. Louis	54.00-54.25	53.70	20 :	56.71	40
San Francisco	77.50	76.60	29 :	72.61	87

Composite Weighted Average

Loads	01/23/06	Change/Last Wk	01/16/06	01/24/05
590	62.40	-.81	63.21	71.64

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	58.00-60.00	59.39	33
Central	50.00-60.00	59.13	80
Western	56.00-61.00	61.68	34
Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent			
Mississippi	69.00-71.00	69.26	86

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 69.75 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG

LOADS	RANGE	FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT
1,120	52.00-70.30	68.75
The Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed final weighted average prices on ice packed parts:		
	WTD AVG	VOLUME
LINE RUN TENDERS	137.50	1,370
BREASTS - B/S	108.50	5,990
BREASTS - WHOLE	57.50	1,478
THIGH MEAT - B/S	94.50	1,072
LEG QUARTERS	27.00	8,524
WINGS	99.00	3,058

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NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYER Trucklot buying interest was fair to good following the weekend. Offerings were generally sufficient for current trade needs. Movement through retail and distributive channels was mostly fair to moderate. The market tone was steady. In the parts complex, breast items were in good balance and clearing satisfactorily. Dark meat cuts were adequate.

SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trade sentiment was mostly steady. Demand following the weekend was fair to moderate, best for active retail features and fast food promotions. Supplies of all sizes were usually sufficient to satisfy trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was mostly fair to moderate and improved. Wings were balanced, breast items were in good supply, and dark meat was available. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Final majority prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was about steady. Reported trading, for this week's deliveries, were at unchanged to somewhat lower prices on WOGs. Offerings were adequate to ample; for immediate needs. Retailer demand moderate, good where features in progress; particularly on bagged whole body fryers. Dealers reported satisfactory weekend clearances. Trade sentiments were about steady to fully steady on parts. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average was 57.77 down 1.58; with the volume reported at 26 loads unchanged from last week.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER Majority prices were unchanged from last Monday's final; Ohio cities TFEWR. Whole broiler/fryer market tone was steady on light, but adequate offerings. Retail and food service movement was light to moderate. Floor stocks noted as adequate; weights desirable. Supplies of wings were tight on slowing trade activity; breast cuts and leg quarters were available with fairly good to light call respectively; and thighs, drums and boneless dark meat was in balance with fairly good interest. The market tone was fully steady to firm on boneless dark meat, drums, thighs and wings; steady on leg quarters; and steady to fully steady on breast items.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was fair to good. Seller offerings were adequate for early week trading. Live supplies were mostly moderate; weights were generally desirable. Processing schedules were moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 56 to 70 cents. Trade sentiment was steady. In the parts complex, offerings varied from plant to plant on wings. However, breast items were being reported as clearing satisfactorily. Dark meat items were adequate to fully sufficient but in a better position.

*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	54-71
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Trucklot buying activity was moderate to at least moderate as dealers access market conditions entering the week. Offerings of breast items were adequate to closely cleared. Dark meat cuts were in good balance and clearing satisfactorily. Wings were generally sufficient for current needs. Retail and distributive movement was fair to moderate. The market tone was at least steady for breast cuts, fully steady for drums and thighs. Wings were steady.

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

ITEM	CURRENT NEGOTIATED TRADING	WTD AVG	VOLUME /LBS
BREAST - B/S	100	97.44	634,260
TENDERLOINS	90-95	88.78	319,957
BREAST - WITH RIBS	51-52	63.77	38,040
BREAST - LINE RUN	51	50.52	86,400
LEGS	39-40	41.05	269,960
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	22-23	24.20	240,356
DRUMSTICKS	30-31	34.58	175,100
THIGHS	33-34	40.71	65,320
B/S THIGHS	100-101	94.99	90,340
WINGS (WHOLE)	98-99	97.07	232,840
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	10.90	11,480
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	50-55	53.67	8,342
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	70-75	73.28	12,320

INCLUDES NEW YORK CITY METROPOLITAN AREA, NORTHERN NEW JERSEY, MASSACHUSETTS, CONNECTICUT, RHODE ISLAND, AND PENNSYLVANIA (NORTHEAST 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	2,669	77.00-171.00	82-95	93.31
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)	1,337	20.00-27.00	20-22	21.11
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,614	20.00-27.00	20.5-22	22.19
WINGS (WHOLE)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
THIGHS	1,314	21.00-33.00	25	24.96

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATE (1,000)	ACTUAL (1,000)	AVG WTS	ACTUAL (1,000)	AVG WTS
	01/23	01/19	01/19	01/16	01/12
Alabama	4,043	3,951	5.39	2,453	5.33
Arkansas	5,437	5,150	5.20	5,313	5.29
Delmarva	2,305	2,171	5.71	(A)	5.67
KY-LA-TN	2,088	2,239	5.06	(A)	5.03
Mississippi	2,966	2,856	5.70	1,439	5.57
North Carolina	2,572	2,300	6.77	1,643	6.75
Texas	2,486	2,566	5.22	2,407	5.17
Total	21,897	21,233	5.51	15,748	5.50
Mon	21,897(B)			15,748(B)	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations (B) Weekly cumulative for states listed above. Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 23-Jan 2005 is estimated to be 32,760,000 up 38.63 percent from a week ago. and up 1.2 percent from a year ago. (last week 23,631,000 last year 32,372,000)

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	1,040	85.00-165.00	91-95	104.49
TENDERLOINS	183	75.00-139.00	-	85.69
BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	588	19.00-25.00	20-21	20.71
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,029	21.00-30.00	22-24	23.45
WINGS (WHOLE)	307	95.00-104.00	-	98.09
WINGS (CUT)	335	110.00-116.00	-	114.46
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
B/S THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS
TRADING FOR JANUARY 23, 2006 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
37.50 - 42.00	39.36	38.50

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 23-JAN-TO 27-JAN-2006

	Price (Cents) Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	80.00 - 108.00	83.00 - 98.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	49.00 - 76.00	53.00 - 56.00
LEGS	37.00 - 44.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	18.00 - 32.00	24.00 - 26.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	24.00 - 34.00	26.00 - 28.00
DRUMSTICKS	26.00 - 38.00	-
THIGHS	30.00 - 45.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	94.00 - 111.00	97.00 - 101.00
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	82.25-100.25
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	85.75-102.75
FROZEN HENS 5# & UP	
FROZEN DUCKS	
FROZEN SQUABS	

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

FRESH FRYERS	97-99
ROASTERS 4# & UP	99-108
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 89-105
	DRY PACK 114
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK 100
	DRY PACK 118
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK 88-102
	DRY PACK 109
DUCKS	185-190

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	-	17.00-18.00	240,000	-
WTD AVERAGE		17.50		
15-20%				
RANGE	14.00-21.00	14.50-17.00	1,884,000	1,404,000
WTD AVERAGE	17.31	15.67		
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

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.

JANUARY 20, 2006

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

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	17.00-19.00	19.00	240,000	-
WTD AVERAGE	18.00	19.00		
15-20%				
RANGE	21.00	900-18.00	1,529,200	40,800
WTD AVERAGE	21.00	13.44		
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 HEAVY LIVE HEN Majority prices were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was fair to moderate for the mostly adequate to at least adequate offerings. Processing schedules were noted as normal. Sales of finished product ranged light to moderate. The undertone was steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *
FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 23-JAN-06

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	9.75-15.25	11-13	12.24
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 from the past week. Demand was moderate for adequate offerings of spent hens. Finished sales were fair. Schedules were normal. Trade sentiment was about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *
PRELIMINARY PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 23-JAN-06

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	9-15.5	11-13	12.02

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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