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## NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Majority prices in all areas were unchanged when compared to previous week. Trade sentiment was generally steady, but steady to fully steady in the East. Retail and food service demand following the weekend was light to moderate, best for fast food. Supplies were usually sufficient, but heavier sizes in the East were instances tight. In the parts structure, movement was mixed, mostly moderate. Breast items were close balanced to tight, wings were sufficient to well cleared, and dark meat was mixed but available. In production areas, live supplies were 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 30-JAN-2006.

AREAS	US GRADE A		COMPOSITE		
	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS	WTD AVG	LOADS
Boston/New England	TFEWR		:	61.34	18
Chicago	52.00-55.00	55.96	38 :	57.69	68
Ohio Cities	TFEWR		:	58.43	20
Denver	76.50	76.23	13 :	76.93	14
Detroit	54.00-56.00	56.22	9 :	59.67	57
Los Angeles	77.00	74.65	54 :	71.66	109
New York	55.00-58.00	56.77	22 :	59.10	61
Philadelphia	54.50-56.00	55.42	12 :	55.33	23
Pittsburgh	54.00-57.00	56.08	12 :	61.93	58
St. Louis	54.00-54.25	53.62	20 :	55.28	39
San Francisco	77.50	76.62	33 :	76.73	76

### Composite Weighted Average

Loads	01/30/06	Change/Last Wk	01/23/06	01/31/05
543	63.66	1.26	62.40	71.50

**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	58.00-60.00	59.44	32
Central	50.00-60.00	59.82	71
Western	57.00-61.00	61.85	35
<b>Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent</b>			
Mississippi	69.00-71.00	69.06	92

**GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES** Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 69.50 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
1,113	52.00-70.25	68.37
The Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed final weighted average prices on ice packed parts:		
	WTD AVG	VOLUME
LINE RUN TENDERS	138.00	1,448
BREASTS - B/S	109.00	5,993
BREASTS - WHOLE	58.00	1,498
THIGH MEAT - B/S	94.50	1,096
LEG QUARTERS	26.50	8,514
WINGS	100.50	3,057

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**NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYER** Trucklot buying interest was moderate to moderately good following the weekend. Offerings were at least adequate on the 2.5 pound sizes; adequate to instances short on the heavier sizes. Movement through retail and distributive channels was mostly fair to moderate. The market tone was steady to fully steady. In the parts complex, breast items were well cleared; dark meat cuts were adequate to at least adequate. Wings were sufficient for current needs.

**SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS** Trade sentiment was mostly steady. Demand following the weekend was light to moderate, best for fast food, with hopes first of the month will increase interest. Supplies of all sizes were usually sufficient for trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was mostly fair to moderate. Breast items were close balanced to short and clearing, and dark meat was readily available. Wings were sufficient to closer balanced and moving seasonally well as the Super Bowl approaches. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

**WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS** Final majority prices were unchanged from last Monday's level. The market tone was about steady. Trading was reported at generally unchanged prices on regular commitments, and mixed on new negotiations. Offerings were adequate on sized product and fully adequate on heavy weights. Buying activity was just fair. Retailer demand was light to fairly good, best for parts. Dealers reported moderate weekend carryovers. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average was up .19 to 57.96 with the volume reported unchanged at 26 loads.

**MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER** Majority prices unchanged from last Monday's final; Ohio cities TFEWR. Whole broiler/fryer market tone was steady on light offerings. Retail and food service movement was light to moderate. Floor stocks were adequate for the most part; weights desirable to light. Supplies of wings and breast cuts were tight to available; boneless dark meat was tight and leg quarters were ample. The market tone was steady to firm on boneless dark meat and breast items, steady on wings and about steady on leg quarters.

**DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS** Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was moderately good for early week fill-in needs. Seller offerings were adequate to fully adequate on the 2.50 pound size; adequate to well cleared on the 3.00 pound sizes, and short in instances on the larger sizes. Live supplies were moderate; weights varied in a full range of light to heavy. Processor schedules were moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 56 to 70 cents. Trade sentiment was fully steady. In the parts complex, breast items and wings were adequate to well cleared for immediate delivery. Leg cuts were fully 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	56-71
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations

**NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS** Trucklot buying activity was mostly moderate to at least moderate entering the week. Offerings of breast items were in close balance to tight. Dark meat cuts and wings were generally sufficient for current trade needs. Movement through retail channels was moderate to instances good. Distributive movement was fair to moderate. The market tone was fully steady to firm for breast items. 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 TRADING	CURRENT	WTD AVG	VOLUME /LBS
BREAST - B/S	110-115	110-115	100.26	653,080
TENDERLOINS	90-95	90-95	91.17	147,400
BREAST - WITH RIBS	54-55	54-55	61.13	65,240
BREAST - LINE RUN	54	54	55.00	72,000
LEGS	39-40	39-40	42.52	255,030
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	22-23	22-23	23.41	324,407
DRUMSTICKS	30-31	30-31	32.92	129,440
THIGHS	33-34	33-34	40.40	48,080
B/S THIGHS	100-101	100-101	95.49	170,560
WINGS (WHOLE)	98-99	98-99	96.33	266,359
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	10-12	11.67	15,400
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	50-55	50-55	55.18	7,544
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	65-70	65-70	70.16	5,160

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	1,935	88.00-177.00	90-95	95.61
TENDERLOINS	249	89.00-189.00	-	97.01
BREAST - WITH RIBS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	1,360	20.00-27.00	20-21	20.79
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,128	21.00-28.00	-	22.75
WINGS (WHOLE)	644	74.00-109.00	-	98.16
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
THIGHS	1,284	28.00-34.00	29-31	29.14

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

	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	ACTUAL	AVG WTS
	(1,000)	(1,000)		(1,000)	
	01/30	01/26	01/26	01/23	01/19
Alabama	4,074	3,968	5.29	3,927	5.39
Arkansas	5,191	5,329	5.18	5,282	5.20
Delmarva	2,343	2,273	5.71	2,305	5.71
KY-LA-TN	2,307	2,256	5.14	2,228	5.06
Mississippi	2,821	2,993	5.74	3,002	5.70
North Carolina	2,570	2,570	6.63	2,519	6.77
Texas	2,468	2,566	5.19	2,392	5.22
Total	21,774	21,955	5.50	21,655	5.51
Mon	21,774(A)			21,655(A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 30-Jan 2005 is estimated to be 32,576,000 up 0.25 percent from a week ago. and up 4.3 percent from a year ago. (last week 32,495,000 last year 31,219,000)

**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	640	94.00-154.00	100-104	99.84
TENDERLOINS	168	80.00-139.00	-	86.14
BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS	248	30.00-48.00	32-34	33.65
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	588	19.00-25.00	21	21.05
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,289	21.00-30.00	23-25	24.13
WINGS (WHOLE)	307	92.00-104.00	93-95	96.44
WINGS (CUT)	300	109.00-117.00	112-114	114.42
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 JANUARY 30, 2006 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
37.00 - 42.00	38.75	38.80

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 30-JAN-TO 03-FEB-2006

	Price (Cents) Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	83.00 - 111.00	90.00 - 103.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	49.00 - 76.00	53.00 - 57.00
LEGS	34.00 - 41.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	18.00 - 31.00	24.00 - 26.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	24.00 - 34.00	26.00 - 28.00
DRUMSTICKS	26.00 - 38.00	-
THIGHS	30.00 - 42.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	91.00 - 111.00	99.00 - 103.00
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	82-100
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	85.5-102.5
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.

JANUARY 27, 2006

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

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	19.00	17.00-18.00	322,000	-
WTD AVERAGE	19.00	17.86		
15-20%				
RANGE	17.00-21.00	14.00-18.00	1,972,000	1,092,000
WTD AVERAGE	19.20	16.14		
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 27, 2006

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

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	19.00	61,200	-
WTD AVERAGE		19.00		
15-20%				
RANGE	21.00	12.00-18.00	1,040,400	-
WTD AVERAGE	21.00	13.91		
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 mostly moderate for the generally 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 30-JAN-06

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	9.75-15.25	11-13	12.19
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 previous week. Demand was moderate for adequate supplies of spent hens. Schedules were normal. Finished sales were fair. Trade sentiment was generally steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) \*  
PRELIMINARY PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 30-JAN-06

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	9-15.25	11-13	12.17

\*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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