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## NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Majority prices were unchanged in the East and Midwest, but lower in the West when compared to previous week. Trade sentiment was no better than steady in the West, steady elsewhere. Demand following the weekend was light to moderate, best into fast food channels and for active first of the month business. Supplies were usually sufficient with heavier sizes in a better balanced. In the parts structure, movement was fair to moderate. Breast items were in balanced to well cleared, and dark meat was readily available, longest for leg quarters. Wings were irregular, ranging at least adequate to closely cleared in some areas. In production areas, live supplies were moderate; weights were mostly desirable to light.

**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 06-FEB-2006.

AREAS	US GRADE A		COMPOSITE		
	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS	WTD AVG	
Boston/New England	TFEWR		:	63.63	49
Chicago	52.00-55.00	55.60	39 :	56.93	75
Ohio Cities	TFEWR		:	56.79	19
Denver	75.50	75.23	10 :	76.30	11
Detroit	54.00-56.00	56.22	9 :	59.66	53
Los Angeles	76.00	74.00	56 :	69.17	138
New York	55.00-58.00	56.86	22 :	59.02	44
Philadelphia	54.50-56.00	55.55	11 :	55.39	22
Pittsburgh	54.00-57.00	56.00	11 :	61.61	59
St. Louis	54.00-54.25	53.63	20 :	54.69	42
San Francisco	76.50	75.65	26 :	74.22	69

### Composite Weighted Average

Loads	02/06/06	Change/Last Wk	01/30/06	02/07/05
581	62.94	-0.72	63.66	71.37

**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	59.47	32
Central	49.00-60.00	58.64	72
Western	58.00-64.00	63.11	39
<b>Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent</b>			
Mississippi	67.00-70.00	68.36	93

**GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES** Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 69.25 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
1,114	52.00-70.00	68.17
The Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed final weighted average prices on ice packed parts:		
	WTD AVG	VOLUME
LINE RUN TENDERS	138.00	1,478
BREASTS - B/S	112.00	5,958
BREASTS - WHOLE	59.50	1,518
THIGH MEAT - B/S	96.00	1,066
LEG QUARTERS	25.00	8,474
WINGS	99.50	3,028

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

**SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS** Trade sentiment was mostly steady. Demand following the weekend was fair to moderate, best for active retail ads and fast food. Supplies of all sizes were usually sufficient for trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was mostly fair to fairly good. Breast items were close balanced to short and clearing well, wings were sufficient, but interest had slowed. Dark meat was readily available and slow to clear, especially leg quarters. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

**WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS** Final majority prices were 1 cent lower than last Monday. Trade sentiment was mixed. Trading reported for this weeks' delivery at generally lower prices on regular commitments and mixed on new negotiations. Offerings were easily adequate to cover needs. Buying activity increased where features planned. Retailer demand was moderate to good. Dealers reported moderate weekend carryovers. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average was up 1.61 to 59.57, with the volume reported at 28 loads up 8 percent. Trade sentiment was about steady on parts.

**MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER** Majority prices on whole broiler/fryers were unchanged from last Monday's final; Ohio cities TFEWR on a steady market tone. Offerings were light on fair trade interest. Retail and food service movement was light to good, mostly moderate. Floor stocks adequate to ample; weights desirable to light. Offerings of wings and breast cuts were in close balance, other parts were adequate with leg quarters plentiful. The market tone was unsettled on breast cuts, steady to barely steady on the balance.

**DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS** Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was fair to moderately good for early week business with lighter sizes not as available. Offerings were adequate but reported in a fairly workable position. Live supplies were at least moderate; weights were mostly desirable. Processing schedules were moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 56 to 70 cents. Trade sentiment was steady. Wings and breast items were adequate to a tad short, dark meat was irregular but in a better position than last week.

\*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 increased slightly followings Super Bowl weekend and was still noted as fair to moderate. Offerings of breast items were adequate and clearing satisfactorily. Dark meat cuts were at least adequate to available. Wings were at least sufficient. Movement through retail and distributive channels was mostly fair. The market tone was steady to at least steady for breast items. Leg items were about steady to barely 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	115	104.13	104.13	638,940
TENDERLOINS	90-95	95.16	95.16	147,660
BREAST - WITH RIBS	57-58	67.41	67.41	55,640
BREAST - LINE RUN	57	59.81	59.81	91,760
LEGS	39-40	37.11	37.11	194,330
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	22-23	23.40	23.40	372,320
DRUMSTICKS	30-31	33.95	33.95	54,000
THIGHS	33-34	36.59	36.59	56,000
B/S THIGHS	100-101	101.13	101.13	102,800
WINGS (WHOLE)	98-99	99.96	99.96	198,360
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	11.14	11.14	18,520
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	40-45	45.97	45.97	1,240
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	55-60	55.03	55.03	14,520

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	1,603	94.00-174.00	105-108	107.97
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)	1,571	17.50-28.00	18-20	19.88
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,114	21.00-29.00	21	22.25
WINGS (WHOLE)	599	82.00-112.00	96-101	98.88
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
THIGHS	1,483	28.00-35.00	29	28.82

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

	ESTIMATE (1,000)	ACTUAL (1,000)	AVG WTS (1,000)	ACTUAL (1,000)	AVG WTS (1,000)
	02/06	02/02	02/02	01/30	01/26
Alabama	3,823	3,930	5.32	3,893	5.29
Arkansas	5,429	5,308	5.14	5,034	5.18
Delmarva	2,320	2,341	5.78	2,318	5.71
KY-LA-TN	2,176	2,277	5.16	2,231	5.14
Mississippi	3,188	2,950	5.71	2,841	5.74
North Carolina	1,792	2,561	6.60	2,532	6.63
Texas	2,469	2,516	5.22	2,546	5.19
Total	21,197	21,883	5.50	21,395	5.50
Mon	21,197(A)			21,395(A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above. Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 06-Feb 2005 is estimated to be 31,713,000 down 1.22 percent from a week ago. and up 3.3 percent from a year ago. (last week 32,105,000 last year 30,690,000)

**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	520	93.00-159.00	95-100	104.70
TENDERLOINS	208	80.00-139.00	-	86.12
BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS	216	30.00-42.00	32-34	33.85
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	640	18.00-24.00	20-21	20.50
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,200	20.00-29.00	22-23	23.34
WINGS (WHOLE)	335	92.00-100.00	94-97	96.54
WINGS (CUT)	370	109.00-116.00	110-112	113.08
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 FEBRUARY 06, 2006 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
39.00 - 44.00	41.11	40.47

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 06-FEB-TO 10-FEB-2006

	Price (Cents) Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	93.00 - 116.00	97.00 - 103.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	52.00 - 76.00	57.00 - 61.00
LEGS	36.00 - 49.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	18.00 - 32.00	24.00 - 26.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	24.00 - 34.00	26.00 - 28.00
DRUMSTICKS	24.00 - 33.00	-
THIGHS	31.00 - 42.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	98.00 - 112.00	99.00 - 103.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	12.00 - 23.00	-
LIVERS	30.00 - 40.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40.00 - 55.00	-

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

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	81.75-99.75
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	85.25-102.25
FROZEN HENS 5# & UP	
FROZEN DUCKS	
FROZEN SQUABS	

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

FRESH FRYERS	97-99
ROASTERS 4# & UP	99-108
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 109-109
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	17.50	17.00-19.00	626,000	162,000
WTD AVERAGE	17.50	17.71		
15-20%				
RANGE	14.00-21.00	13.00-18.00	1,926,000	1,206,000
WTD AVERAGE	18.45	15.74		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	14.00	80,000	-
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.

FEBRUARY 03, 2006

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

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	19.00	122,400	-
WTD AVERAGE		19.00		
15-20%				
RANGE	14.50-21.00	13.00-18.00	1,586,800	408,000
WTD AVERAGE	18.41	14.67		
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 noted as normal to instances less than normal. Sales of finished product was fair to moderate. The undertone was steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) \*

FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 06-FEB-06

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	9.75-15	11-13	12.12
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 an adequate supply of spent hens. Schedules were normal. Finished sales were fair. Trade sentiment was about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) \*

PRELIMINARY PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 06-FEB-06

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	9-15.25	11-13	12.01

\*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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