



NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Majority prices in the major terminal markets were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. However, the undertone was no better than steady. Retail demand was light to fair with buyers cautious and limiting purchases of any additional whole product. Food service demand was moderate with fast food interest best for the holiday weekend. Supplies of all sizes were adequate to more than sufficient to handle current trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was light to no better than fair. Breast and wing items were at least sufficient, and dark meat was adequate to ample with limited interest. In production areas, live supplies were moderate; weights were mostly desirable.

Preliminary report Prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook broiler/fryers fob and delivered to first receivers at major market areas week of 20-FEB-2006 (cents per lb)

US GRADE A (Including branded product)				
AREAS	MAJORITY	RANGE	WTD AVG	LOADS
Delivered to First Receivers				
Chicago	52.00-55.00	47.00-69.75	54.50	26
New York	55.00-58.00			
Los Angeles	76.00			

Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent

Mississippi	67.00-70.00	53.00-75.00	68.35	94
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GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES The 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	PRELIMINARY FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT PRELIM. WTD. AVG.
944	65.45-70.00	69.12

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

ITEM	WTD. AVG. (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	135.50	1,151
BREASTS - B/S	111.50	5,355
BREASTS - WHOLE	59.00	1,213
THIGH MEAT - B/S	92.00	1,058
LEG QUARTERS	23.00	7,376
WINGS	100.00	2,816

This information is supplied by the Georgia Department of Agriculture's Poultry Market News Service.

MIDWEST Preliminary majority prices for next week's deliveries into the Chicago area were unchanged from Monday's final. The market tone on whole broiler/fryers was steady to barely steady. Offerings light to moderate on very limited buyer interest. Retail and food service demand was irregular from light to fairly good; best into retail features and fast food promotions. Floor stocks adequate to ample; weights desirable. Parts supplies were fully available, except for regular sized wings which were in close balance. The market tone was steady to firm on wings; weak on dark meat items and cautiously steady with a weak undertone on breast cuts.

SOUTHERN Trade sentiment was generally steady in the major terminal markets on whole product. Retail demand was light to moderate, with traders some- what cautious for any additional offerings. Supplies of all sizes were sufficient to fully adequate for trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was moderate, but not active. Breast and wings items were adequate, dark meat was fully adequate to ample. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

WESTERN Preliminary majority prices were unchanged for next week. Reported trading, for next week's delivery, was at mainly unchanged prices for regular commitments and mixed on new negotiations. Offerings were adequate to ample for trade needs. Buying activity was moderate at best. Retail demand was moderate to fairly good, best for parts and bagged whole body where featured. Dealers anticipated adequate to instances fully adequate weekend carryovers. The market tone was barely steady on parts with dark meat items in the weakest position.

NORTHEAST Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers increased slightly and was noted as mostly fair to moderate entering the weekend. Offerings of all sizes were at least sufficient for current needs. Retail and distributive movement was fair. The market tone was steady. In the parts complex, breast items were adequate to at least adequate. Leg cuts were readily available and slow to clear. Wings were sufficient.

DELMARVA Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was fair to moderate entering the weekend. Seller offerings were adequate to fully adequate and clearing satisfactorily at most points. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mostly desirable. Processing schedules were moderate to heavy and included some operations on Saturday. 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 and were at least adequate on breast items; fully adequate on leg cuts.

*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	55-75
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)
CUMULATIVE	(A)
	02/13/06-02/17/06
	02/14/05-02/18/05
NO. OF BOXES	(A)
	02/13/06-02/17/06
	02/14/05-02/18/05
	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations.

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SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

FEB 17

ITEM	POUNDS				POUNDS					WTD AVG
	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	(000)	
BREAST - B/S	715	92.00-158.00	-	101.24	690	94.00-155.00	-	103.21	3,640	101.78
TENDERLOINS	263	85.00-139.00	-	90.43	178	85.00-149.00	90-95	91.53	1,025	90.81
BREAST - LINE RUN	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				385	57.19
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				255	61.65
LEGS	206	23.00-42.00	24-27	26.66	180	23.00-42.00	24-26	25.22	1,084	28.66
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	586	15.00-22.00	16-17	16.74	626	16.00-22.00	16-17	16.76	2,980	17.03
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,225	17.00-27.00	18-19	20.21	1,065	18.00-27.00	19-20	20.25	5,695	20.07
WINGS (WHOLE)	295	90.00-101.00	92-95	94.61	295	92.00-101.00	94-96	95.86	1,455	95.68
WINGS (CUT)	185	109.00-119.00	-	114.76	305	110.00-120.00	112-116	116.85	1,265	114.47
DRUMSTICKS	87	24.00-42.00	-	27.40	TOO FEW TO REPORT				323	29.79
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				239	31.43
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				464	88.84

 WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS
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RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
38.50 - 43.00	39.87	38.00 - 42.00	39.05	39.42

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.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS - Trucklot buying activity was light and selective entering the weekend with floor stocks generally kept in close balance with immediate needs. Offerings of breast items were adequate to at least adequate. Tenderloins were clearing satisfactorily. Larger wings were at least adequate; smaller sizes were well cleared. Dark meat cuts remained at least adequate to readily available. Movement through retail and distributive channels ranged light to moderate. The market tone was barely steady to weak for most dark meat cuts. Other items were generally steady.

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

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FEB 17

ITEM	CURRENT NEG			WTD	CURRENT NEG			WTD	WTD AVG	VOL/LBS
	TRADING*	AVG**	VOL/LBS		TRADING*	AVG**	VOL/LBS			
BREAST - B/S	115	104.37	755,800	115	106.50	660,930	105.38	3,154,150		
TENDERLOINS	90-95	91.56	71,740	90-95	89.30	198,500	91.10	766,920		
BREAST - WITH RIBS	57-58	65.96	99,680	57-58	68.75	107,320	66.92	406,480		
BREAST - LINE RUN	57	59.40	90,000	57	59.00	90,000	59.77	432,000		
LEGS	36-37	35.38	122,400	35-36	36.54	207,200	35.25	1,096,640		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	19-20	25.09	297,418	19-20	21.96	234,640	23.55	1,509,268		
DRUMSTICKS	27-28	34.98	74,760	26-27	34.13	128,360	33.32	475,220		
THIGHS	30-31	39.42	68,640	29-30	39.42	38,680	39.57	247,700		
B/S THIGHS	95-96	96.93	84,680	94-95	94.76	127,920	95.01	554,800		
WINGS (WHOLE)	98-99	106.66	164,160	98-99	98.61	304,700	99.82	1,156,540		
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	11.01	9,840	10-12	11.55	22,200	11.36	92,440		
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	35-40	40.00	4,800	35-40	39.40	8,320	37.57	53,003		
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	45-50	51.48	7,280	45-50	49.59	17,160	50.51	88,120		

INCLUDES: NY CITY METRO. AREA, RI, NORTHERN NJ, MA, CT, PA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG). * TODAY'S NEG. SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

** WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATED		ACTUAL		AVG WT		ACTUAL		AVG WTS	
	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)
Alabama	4,038	4,058	3,982	3,924	5.41	5.43	3,979	5.45		
Arkansas	4,965	5,304	5,279	5,292	5.13	5.16	5,400	5.10		
Delmarva	2,551	2,230	2,241	2,559	5.73	5.49	2,082	5.77		
KY-LA-TN	2,620	2,301	2,231	2,271	5.10	5.01	2,389	5.11		
Mississippi	3,190	2,983	2,798	2,810	5.90	5.86	2,949	5.75		
North Carolina	2,838	2,580	2,506	2,507	6.64	6.78	3,999	6.83		
Texas	2,532	2,415	2,521	2,492	5.25	5.27	2,477	5.20		
Total	22,734	21,871	21,558	21,128	5.53	5.52	23,275	5.54		
Mon-Fri	110,294 (A)						109,926(A)			
Saturday	510 (included in total for date shown)						1,909			

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above. Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 17-Feb-06 and 18-Feb-06 is estimated to be 34,013,000 head down 2.61 percent from a week ago and up 8.38 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 34,926,000, last year 31,382,000)

Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the weekending 18-Feb-06 is estimated to be 162,994,000 head down 0.90 percent from a week ago, and up 4.05 percent from a year ago. (Last week 164,473,000, last year 156,653,000)

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY, DELIVERED TO RETAILERS

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	95-98
ROASTERS 4# & UP	97-106
HENS UNDER 5#	-
HENS OVER 5#	65-73
DUCKS	-
RABBITS WHOLE	-
CUT UP	-

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

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

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED Under federal inspection, classified by live wt., week ending 04-Feb-06 (Preliminary),

(A) Fast food/ (B) Retail (C) Deboning
Food service
4.20 Lbs. & down 4.21-5.25 Lbs. 5.26 Lbs. & Up

	-----THOUSANDS-----		
Head	26,372	19,025	55,126
Avg Weight	3.79	4.73	6.49
% of total /1	26%	19%	55%

Comparisons

Last week	27,926	17,456	51,600
Avg Weight	3.71	4.76	6.44
% of total /1	29%	18%	53%

Same week, yr ago /2	25,179	22,749	46,825
Avg Weight	3.68	4.78	6.53
% of total /1	27%	24%	49%

To date/2006	131,681	84,296	265,318
To date/2005	126,065	103,309	236,202

/1 May not total to 100% due to rounding. /2 Comparable week.

(A) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the fast food and food service industries. May also include cornish hens.

(B) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the retail industry.

(C) This weight class generally denotes chickens used in further processing. May also include heavy roasters sold in retail channels.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION (Preliminary)

W/E 11-FEB-2005	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
	-----THOUSANDS-----				
Head	164,473	1,269	1,349	2,618	519
Avg Wt	5.41	3.35	8.01	5.75	6.80
Last week	163,305	1,422	1,461	2,883	544
Same wk yr ago	154,449	1,305	1,246	2,551	455
Avg Wt	5.29	3.33	8.08	5.65	6.84
To-date/2006	962,563	8,359	8,299	16,658	2,937
To-date/2005	937,895	8,480	7,513	15,993	3,039

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 164.0 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 166.5 million head, or 2.5 million more than estimated available.

ESTIMATED U.S. FRYER SLAUGHTER/ FRYER AVAILABILITY COMPARISON

WEEK ENDING	MILLION HEAD SLAUGHTERED	MILLION HEAD AVAILABLE	PCT	AVG WT
January 7	151.8	156.5	97%	5.38
14	169.3	160.4	106%	5.35
21	156.4	162.4	96%	5.4
28	164.9	164.5	100%	5.35
February 4	165.3	165.4	100%	5.45
11	166.5	164.0	102%	5.41
Year to date	974.2	973.2	100%	
February 18		164.0		
25		163.9		

BROILER/CATTLE/HOG WEEKLY ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER

Under Federal Inspection

W/E	02/18/06	02/11/06	% CHG	02/19/05	% CHG
Broilers	162,994	164,473*	-0.90	156,653*	+4.05
Cattle	526	585	-10	571*	-08
Hogs	1,978	2,008	-01	2,072*	-05

*ACTUAL

EASTERN REGION MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY

FOR CURRENT DELIVERY FOR THE WEEK OF 13-FEB-2006

DUCKLINGS: PRICES NEGOTIATED BY FIRST RECEIVERS, US GRADE A, 4-5 POUNDS, DELIVERED IN TRUCKLOT AND POOL TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND

ORIGIN	FROZEN	FRESH
LONG ISLAND	151-155	157-161
MOSTLY		

MIDWEST	132-142	133-143
MOSTLY		

ROASTERS: PRICES NEGOTIATED BY FIRST RECEIVERS, US GRADE A AND PLANT GRADE, 5 POUNDS AND UP, DELIVERED, CENTS PER POUND

	RANGE	MOSTLY
ICE PACKED (12 PER BOX)	48.00-60.00	58.00-60.00
VACUUM PACKED (6-9 PER BOX)	64.00-86.00	71.00-75.00

SQUABS: NEW YORK AREA WHOLESALE PRICES, FROZEN, PLANT GRADE, DOLLARS PER DOZEN, 1 TO 10 BOXES

12 OZ.	63.36-72.90
14 OZ.	69.84-81.00
16 OZ.	74.88-89.10

THE EASTERN REGION INCLUDES:

CT,DE,FL,GA,MA,MD,ME,NC,NH,NJ,NY,PA RI,SC,VA,VT,WV

CENTRAL REGION DUCKLINGS Prices remained unchanged. The trade sentiment was steady. Demand was moderate to fairly good. Supplies were in balance to at time fully adequate. Weights were in the desirable range. Schedules full time. Prices paid to first receivers for 10-18oz boneless breast at \$3.50-5.25, bone in legs at \$1.45-1.95, gizzards at \$1.35-1.40, wings at \$0.50-0.65, livers at \$0.95-1.70, and feet at \$1.00-1.15.

NEGOTIATED BY FIRST RECEIVERS FOR US GRADE A DELIVERED IN TRUCKLOT AND POOL TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, 4-5 POUNDS, WEEK OF 13-FEB-2006

ORIGIN	FROZEN	FRESH
MIDWEST AND OTHERS	126-146	128-148

GRAYSTONE SMALL ANIMAL AUCTION - DATE OF AUCTION: 02-14-06

AI PAPERS REQUIRED TO SELL ALL OUT OF STATE POULTRY

Prices paid per pound, except as noted. **RANGE**

Muscovy Ducks - Drakes	.80 - .85
Muscovy Ducks - Hens	.80 - .85
Pekin Ducks	1.50
Red Fowl 4-5 LBS	.20 - .30
Red Fowl 5-6 LBS	.35 - .50
Crossbred Fowl 5-9 LBS	.20 - .25
Crossbred Roosters 4-6 LBS	.35 - .40
Crossbred Roosters 7-11 LBS	.35 - .40
Guinea Fowl	1.00 - 1.10ea.
Banty Roosters	.75 - .80ea.
Silkie	2.25 - 2.50ea.
Pigeons	5.10 - 5.25ea.
White Pigeons	7.00ea.
Rabbits 4-6 LBS	2.35 - 2.37
Rabbits 6-9 LBS	2.20 - 2.30
Bunnies	3.00 - 5.00ea.
Guinea Pigs	5.00 - 6.75ea.
Goats	75.00ea.
Kid Goats	37.50ea.

Total Coops Sold 208

NATIONAL CANNER FOWL MARKET Trading was too few to report for heavy canners; generally unchanged on lights when compared to the previous week. Demand was mostly light to fair at best for light canners; fair for heavy canners with most available supplies being used internally. Offerings ranged adequate to fully adequate for current trade needs. Processing schedules were mostly normal. The undertone was steady.

Cents per Pound, Current Negotiations, Without Freight Cost

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS) 19-29 MAJORITY 24-25	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS) TOO FEW SALES TO REPORT
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Cents per Pound, Current Negotiations, Freight Cost Included

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS) 20-30 MAJORITY 26-26.5	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS) TOO FEW SALES TO REPORT
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LIGHT TYPE HENS
CENTS PER HEAD, GENERALLY FOR REMOVAL WITHIN THE NEXT 10 DAYS (INCLUDES HANDLING, FREIGHT AND ANY OTHER CHARGES, WEIGHTS AVERAGE ABOUT 3.50 POUNDS)

EASTERN REGION LIGHT LIVE HENS Prices were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was moderate to instances good, best into rendering operations. Offerings of spent hens were at least adequate to fully adequate. Processing schedules were normal to less than normal. Trade sentiment was steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	3-11	7-10

SOUTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HENS Costs of disposal were too few to report. Demand was light for fully adequate offerings of spent hens. Schedules were reduced. Finished sales were sluggish. Trade sentiment was about steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	TOO FEW TO REPORT	

NORTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HENS Removal prices were unchanged. Offerings were fully adequate with demand mostly fairly good and better into rendering operations. Trade sentiment steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	0-8.5	

WEST COAST LIGHT Plant schedules moderate. Offerings adequate.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *
PRELIMINARY PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 20-JAN-06

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Trading was TFEWR. Demand for heavy hens was moderate. Offerings were at least adequate. Finished sales were fair. Schedules were reduced. Trade sentiment was steady at best.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT	

SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN Sales were too few to report prices. Demand was fair to moderate for the mostly adequate offerings. Processing schedules for next week were noted as normal. Sales of finished product was about moderate. The undertone was steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT	
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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