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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Majority prices in the West were unchanged, but lower in the East and Midwest when compared to a week earlier. Trade sentiment was mixed, but usually barely steady to weak. Retail demand was light to moderate for the available offerings. Supplies of all sizes were more than sufficient for trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was generally light to no better than fair. Tenders were in fairly good balance, balance of items were sufficient to ample for trade requirements. In production areas, live supplies were moderate; weights were in a full range, but 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 06-MAR-2006 (cents per lb)

US GRADE A (Including branded product)				
AREAS	MAJORITY	RANGE	WTD AVG	LOADS
Delivered to First Receivers				
Chicago	51.00-54.00	44.00-69.25	52.73	26
New York	53.00-56.00			
Los Angeles	76.00			
Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent				
Mississippi	67.00-70.00	53.00-75.00	67.82	92

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 68.75 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

PRELIMINARY FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT		
LOADS	RANGE	PRELIM. WTD. AVG.
944	65.24-70.00	68.66
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	138.50	1,191
BREASTS - B/S	112.50	5,545
BREASTS - WHOLE	57.50	1,274
THIGH MEAT - B/S	85.50	1,074
LEG QUARTERS	20.00	8,466
WINGS	101.50	2,872

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

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYERS Preliminary majority prices for next week's deliveries into the Chicago area moved 1 cent lower from Monday's final. Whole broiler/fryer market tone was barely steady to weak on fully generous offerings. Movement into all channels continued to show irregularity and a full range; generally moderate overall. Floor stocks were well cleared to long; weights for the most part were in a desirable range. Trade activity on parts was very light, best call on medium wings, small random boneless/skinless breast and tenderloins. Supplies were very heavy on dark meat cuts and jumbo wings, all other parts were available for immediate trade needs. The trade sentiment was steady on tenderloins and small random boneless/skinless breast; all other parts were about steady to weak.

SOUTHERN BROILER Trade sentiment was generally steady at lower trending levels. Demand was fair with floor stocks in a better balance than early week, but still overall fully adequate for current requirements. In the parts structure, movement was mostly fair. Wings were sufficient, breast items were at least available, and dark meat was adequate to ample. A limited amount of interest was reported for drumsticks, tenders and fronts. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Preliminary majority prices unchanged. Trade sentiments mixed. Early reported trading light and very selective, for next weeks' delivery, with prices unchanged to lower on heavy weights and unchanged to instances higher on light weight WOGs. Offerings were at least adequate to ample. Buying activity was fair at best. Retailer demand was moderate. Dealers anticipated moderate to heavier than desired weekend carryovers. Trade sentiments were mixed on parts with dark meat in the weakest position.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYERS Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was light to fair and often affected by the Lenten period and also adverse weather in parts of the Northeast. Offerings of all sizes were at least adequate to readily available and discounted where product was in excess. Retail and distributive movement was mostly light. The market tone was about steady to barely steady. In the parts complex, breast items were at least adequate. Leg cuts, wings and boneless skinless thigh meat were available. Tenders were in good balance.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was disappointingly light to fair at best and was being affected by readily available offerings, the effects of the lenten period and adverse weather in some terminal markets. Seller offerings were fully adequate to ample for both immediate and early next week delivery. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mostly desirable. Processor schedules reflected some reductions in operations and were moderate overall. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 54 to 69 cents. Trade sentiment was only about steady at best. In the parts complex, supplies were at least 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	44-72
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)
CUMULATIVE	02/27/06-03/03/06 (A)
	02/28/05-03/04/05 (A)
NO. OF BOXES	02/27/06-03/03/06 (A)
	02/28/05-03/04/05 (A)

(A)Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations

MAR 02

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

MAR 03

ITEM	POUNDS				POUNDS				WEEKLY	
	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	(000)	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	590	88.00-113.00	-	94.43	763	88.00-165.00	-	99.30	3,433	98.38
TENDERLOINS	180	87.00-145.00	-	93.63	173	90.00-145.00	92-98	95.09	997	91.61
BREAST - LINE RUN	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				430	57.81
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				300	61.53
LEGS	181	19.00-42.00	20-22	21.73	146	19.00-42.00	20-22	21.59	914	21.97
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	626	14.00-22.00	15-16	15.74	586	13.00-22.00	14-16	15.38	2,845	15.76
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,170	17.00-25.00	18-19	19.50	1,210	15.00-25.00	17-18	17.85	5,730	18.98
WINGS (WHOLE)	295	89.00-101.00	90-94	94.49	295	88.00-101.00	90-95	93.69	1,475	95.66
WINGS (CUT)	330	108.00-119.00	110-115	114.03	235	107.00-116.00	108-112	111.74	1,450	113.77
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				347	26.07
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				209	26.99
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				407	77.29

 WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS
 TRADING FOR MARCH 02, 2006 F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE **TODAY'S AVERAGE**
 37.00-43.00 38.87

 WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS
 TRADING FOR MARCH 3, 2005 F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE **TODAY'S AVERAGE** **5-DAY AVERAGE**
 36.50-43.00 38.69 38.59

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 no better than fair as dealers were cautious and selective entering the weekend. Offerings of breast items remained at least adequate for current needs. Tenderloins were generally sufficient and clearing satisfactorily. Leg cuts and wings were fully adequate to instances ample and slow to clear. Movement through retail and distributive channels was no better than fair. The market tone was barely steady to weak for wings and boneless skinless thigh meat. Tenders were fully steady. Other items were steady to barely steady.

MAR 03

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

ITEM	CURRENT NEG			WTD	CURRENT NEG			WTD	WEEKLY	
	TRADING*	AVG**	VOL/LBS		TRADING*	AVG**	VOL/LBS		WTD AVG	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	115	105.45	682,480	115	104.43	579,040	105.04	3,192,340		
TENDERLOINS	95-100	90.21	212,140	95-100	94.11	150,900	95.20	786,453		
BREAST - WITH RIBS	57-58	63.23	126,920	57-58	65.91	92,560	63.66	461,320		
BREAST - LINE RUN	57	58.88	72,000	57	58.50	90,000	58.58	432,000		
LEGS	33-34	33.47	175,400	33-34	30.39	240,640	30.78	1,430,170		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	18-19	19.93	375,600	18-19	18.94	296,287	19.55	1,841,407		
DRUMSTICKS	20-21	28.85	107,760	20-21	27.64	87,880	28.43	459,300		
THIGHS	26-27	35.24	56,040	26-27	35.85	41,600	34.44	239,930		
B/S THIGHS	81-82	86.44	108,080	79-80	74.24	85,080	83.15	477,620		
WINGS (WHOLE)	93-94	94.45	271,160	91-92	91.52	232,620	95.00	1,179,820		
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	12.14	41,480	10-12	11.34	21,760	11.58	134,600		
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	35-40	39.63	6,280	35-40	39.88	6,680	38.90	41,880		
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	45-50	50.18	14,120	45-50	49.59	19,460	49.37	84,980		

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

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

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATED		ACTUAL		AVG WT		ACTUAL		AVG WTS	
	03/03	03/02	03/01	02/28	03/01	02/28	02/24	02/22		
Alabama	1,480	4,050	3,854	3,842	5.37	5.49	3,809	5.37		
Arkansas	5,078	5,350	5,270	5,365	5.13	5.18	5,558	5.18		
Delmarva	2,167	2,273	2,237	2,559	5.71	5.61	2,117	5.69		
KY-LA-TN	2,251	2,300	2,186	2,195	4.93	5.03	2,375	4.87		
Mississippi	3,018	2,875	2,863	2,841	5.83	5.80	3,599	5.86		
North Car	3,081	2,663	2,604	2,552	6.69	6.65	2,803	6.89		
Texas	2,521	2,523	2,489	2,452	5.28	5.35	2,477	5.31		
Total	19,596	22,034	21,503	21,499	5.51	5.54	22,738	5.55		
Mon-Fri	107,411 (A)						106,159(A)			
Saturday	1,449 (included in total for date shown)						1,558			

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 03-Mar-06 and 04-Mar-06 is estimated to be 29,318,000 head down 14.08 percent from a week ago and down -9.24 percent from a year ago. (Last week 34,121,000, last year 32,302,000)

Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the weekending 04-Mar-06 is estimated to be 158,949,000 head up 0.32 percent from a week ago, and down 0.72 percent from a year ago. (Last week 158,438,000, last year 160,095,000)

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	-
RABBITS CUT UP	-

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

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

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED Under federal inspection, classified by live wt., week ending 18-FEB-06 (Preliminary),

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

Head	28,898	15,738	53,304
Avg Weight	3.80	4.76	6.42
% of total /1	30%	16%	54%

Comparisons

Last week	29,284	17,278	60,670
Avg Weight	3.81	4.75	6.37
% of total /1	27%	16%	57%

Same week, yr ago /2	29,133	22,573	48,384
Avg Weight	3.56	4.71	6.33
% of total /1	29%	23%	48%

To date/2006	189,863	117,312	379,292
To date/2005	179,903	148,018	331,101

/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 25-Feb-2006	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
-----THOUSANDS-----					
Head	158,438	1,054	1,516	2,570	544
Avg Wt	5.48	3.27	7.63	5.84	6.58
Last week	162,394	1,029	1,294	2,323	522
Same wk yr ago	156,421	1,511	1,477	2,988	551
Avg Wt	5.24	3.30	8.08	5.66	6.82
To-date/2006	1,283,395	10,442	11,109	21,551	4,003
To-date/2005	1,250,969	11,268	10,151	21,419	4,052

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 163.9 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 160.4 million head, or 3.5 million less than estimated available.

**ESTIMATED U.S. FRYER SLAUGHTER/
FRYER AVAILABILITY COMPARISON**

WEEK ENDING	MILLION HEAD SLAUGHTERED	MILLION HEAD AVAILABLE	PCT	AVG WT	
January	21	156.4	162.4	96%	5.40
	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
	18	164.3	164.0	100%	5.38
	25	160.4	163.9	98%	5.48
Year to date	1,298.9	1,301.1	100%		
March	4	163.4			
	11	164.2			

BROILER/CATTLE/HOG WEEKLY ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER

Under Federal Inspection

W/E	03/04/06	02/25/06	% CHG	02/26/06	% CHG
-----THOUSANDS-----					
Broilers	158,949	158,438*	+0.32	160,095*	-0.72
Cattle	615	568	+08	588*	+05
Hogs	1,971	1,947	+01	1,966*	0

*ACTUAL

EASTERN REGION MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY

For delivery the week of FEBRUARY 27, 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 MOSTLY	151-155	157-161
MIDWEST MOSTLY	132-142	133-143

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	58.00-59.00
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. Trade sentiment steady. Demand was moderate to instances good. Supplies were in balance to adequate for current needs. Weights were desirable. 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.

PRICES NEGOTIATED BY FIRST RECEIVERS FOR US GRADE A DELIVERED IN TRUCKLOT AND POOL TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, 4-5 POUNDS, CENTS PER POUND, WEEK OF 27-FEB-2006

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

GRAYSTONE SMALL ANIMAL AUCTION -PRICES PAID PER POUND, EXCEPT AS NOTED**AI PAPERS REQUIRED TO SELL ALL OUT OF STATE POULTRY**

DATE OF AUCTION: FEB 28, 2006

RANGE

Muscovy Ducks - Drakes	.60 - .75
Muscovy Ducks - Hens	.50 - .60
Pekin Ducks	3.25 - 3.50ea.
Red Fowl 4-5 LBS	.30 - .35
Red Fowl 5-6 LBS	.75 - .90
Crossbred Fowl 5-9 LBS	.60 - .90
Crossbred Roosters 4-6 LBS	.70 - .90
Crossbred Roosters 7-11 LBS	.30 - .50
Guinea Fowl	1.40 - 1.60
Banty Roosters	2.00 - 3.00ea.
Banty Hens	.75 - 1.00ea.
Silkie	2.50 - 3.00ea.
Pigeons	5.50 - 6.00ea.
White Pigeons	6.50 - 7.00ea.
Rabbits 4-6 LBS	2.55 - 2.60ea.
Rabbits 6-9 LBS	2.45 - 2.55ea.
Bunnies	3.00 - 6.00ea.
Guinea Fowl	1.75 - 3.50ea.
Kid Goats	55.00ea.
Doves	3.00ea.

Total Coops Sold 304

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

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, WITHOUT FREIGHT COST

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
19-28 MAJORITY 24-25	TOO FEW SALES TO REPORT

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, FREIGHT COST INCLUDED

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
20-30 MAJORITY 25-26	TOO FEW SALES TO REPORT

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 HEN Prices were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand ranged moderate to good, best into rendering operations. Offerings of spent hens were at least adequate for current needs. Processing schedules were normal. Trade sentiment was steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	3-11	8-10

SOUTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Disposal costs were too few to report. Demand was light for spent leghorn fowl. Schedules were reduced. Finished sales were light. Salvage values were expected to remain constant.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	TOO FEW TO REPORT	

NORTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Removal prices ranged unchanged. Offerings were adequate to instances fully adequate with demand fairly good to good. Trade sentiment steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	0-10	5-9

WEST COAST LIGHT LIVE HEN Plant schedules moderate. Offerings adequate.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *

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

SOUTHEAST LIVE HEAVY-TYPE HENS Sales were too few to report prices. Demand was fair to moderate for the mostly adequate to at least adequate offerings of spent hens. Processing schedules for next week were noted as normal to instances heavy. Sales of finished product was sufficient. 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.

SOUTH CENTRAL LIVE HEAVY-TYPE HENS Prices were too few to report on next weeks negotiations. Demand was moderate for fully adequate offerings spent hens. Schedules were normal. Finished sales were fair. Trade sentiment was about steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT	

* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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