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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE



Trade sentiment was generally steady. Retail and food service demand was light to moderate, best for active first of the month business and upcoming Mother's Day Sunday. Supplies of smaller sizes were sufficient, but heavier weights were adequate to fully adequate. In the parts structure, movement was fair to good. Wings were mixed, but available. Breast items and dark meat were in good supply to tight and moving well. In production areas, live supplies were moderate; weights were desirable to heavy, mostly desirable.

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES The Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for next week's trading advanced .25 cents to 67.75 cents based on full truck load lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 74.25 cents last year on May 11, 2005

Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted prices on ice-packed parts for next week's trading.

ITEM	DOCK PRICE (CENTS PER POUND)
LINE RUN TENDERS	143.00
BREASTS - B/S	116.50
BREASTS - WHOLE	59.00
THIGH MEAT - B/S	79.50
LEG QUARTERS	23.00
WINGS	84.00

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

SOUTHERN REGION Trade sentiment was mixed, but mostly steady. Demand was fair to fairly good, best for fast food, restaurants, and interests for upcoming Mother's Day. Supplies were usually sufficient with heavier weight product in the longest balance. In the parts structure, wings were readily available, but breast items and dark meat were no more than adequate to tight and moving well. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

NORTHEAST REGION Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was about moderate to good during midweek trading. Offerings were generally sufficient and clearing satisfactorily on the 3 pound and smaller sizes; at least adequate to ample on the heavier sizes. Retail and distributive movement was fair to moderate. The market tone was steady. In the parts complex, breast items and boneless skinless thigh meat were in good balance to tight. Dark meat cuts were adequate to closely cleared. Wings were at least adequate to fully adequate.

MIDWEST REGION Whole broiler/fryer trade sentiment was steady on adequate offerings. Fill in trading was noted into the Chicago area on 3 up wogs delivered at 39 cents. Movement into retail and distributive channels was light to moderate with first of the month business and the Mother's Day holiday improving demand. Restaurants, catering, and fast food entities continued to appeal to most consumers providing the best draw. Floor stocks were mostly balanced to instances short; sizes were in a desirable range. The majority of parts were in adequate supply with the exception of boneless skinless breasts and dark meat cuts, which were tight. The market tone on small wings, boneless skinless breasts, and dark meat items was fully steady to firm with the balance of parts mostly steady.

WESTERN REGION The market tone was about steady. Offerings of local product generally adequate, offerings adequate overall on out-of-state product as whole body moved into better balance due to some increase interest for parts. Retailer demand was moderate. Floor stocks were generally adequate.

BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET IN 19 SELECTED STATES

DOWN 1 PERCENT

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 212 million eggs in incubators during the week ending May 6, 2006. This was down 1 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 84 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED

DOWN 2 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 176 million chicks for meat production during the week ending May 6, 2006. Placements were down 2 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 1, 2006 through May 6, 2006 were 3.15 billion, down 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET AND BROILER CHICKS PLACED TOTAL

19 SELECTED STATES

WEEK ENDING	2006	2005	PERCENT CHANGE PREVIOUS YEAR
05/06/06	212,066	215,071	-01
	176,238	179,021	-02

Source: NASS,USDA

WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 17-Jun-06 is estimated at 162.5 million head. This compares to 161.6 million head the previous week and to 168.3 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 171.9 million head and the composite weighted average price was 73.09 cents per pound.

MAY 09, 2006

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

MAY 10, 2006

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				ITEM	POUNDS			
	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG		(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	639	98.00-150.00	99-105	114.15	BREAST - B/S	619	101.00-165.00	112-115	113.64
TENDERLOINS	242	95.00-155.00	97-102	101.18	TENDERLOINS	373	97.00-158.00	99-105	112.47
BREAST - LINE RUN	TOO FEW TO REPORT				BREAST - LINE RUN	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT				FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	108	33.00-38.00	33-34	34.11	LEGS	358	33.00-38.00	34-35	34.20
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	562	20.00-26.00	21-22	21.62	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	598	20.00-25.00	21-22	21.52
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	955	22.00-28.00	24-25	25.27	LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	900	23.00-28.00	24-26	25.14
WINGS (WHOLE)	278	60.00-85.00	66-69	68.99	WINGS (WHOLE)	275	60.00-93.00	66-68	68.37
WINGS (CUT)	245	80.00-96.00	-	90.59	WINGS (CUT)	207	90.00-96.00	-	93.23
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
B/S 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 F.O.B. DOCK.					F.O.B. DOCK.				
RANGE					RANGE				
37.00-42.00					37.00-42.00				
TODAY'S AVERAGE					TODAY'S AVERAGE				
38.71					39.43				
					5-DAY AVERAGE				
					38.94				

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 at least moderate to good. Offerings of breast items and boneless skinless thigh meat were in good balance to tight. Dark meat cuts were adequate to closely cleared. Wings were at least adequate to fully adequate. Movement through retail and distributive channels was mostly moderate. The market tone was fully steady to firm on breast items, boneless skinless thigh meat, tenderloins and most dark meat cuts. The balance of items were generally steady.

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

MAY 09, 2006 ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS	MAY 10, 2006 ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS
TENDERLOINS	100-105	109.74	168,020	TENDERLOINS	100-105	100.79	189,860
BREAST - WITH RIBS	57-58	66.77	64,040	BREAST - WITH RIBS	58-59	68.80	84,920
BREAST - LINE RUN	57	59.91	99,000	BREAST - LINE RUN	58	61.58	95,400
LEGS	35-36	35.55	120,720	LEGS	36-37	34.36	181,280
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	24-25	21.37	327,120	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	24-25	23.53	264,640
DRUMSTICKS	26-27	29.82	95,084	DRUMSTICKS	27-28	29.45	113,880
THIGHS	28-29	34.46	58,540	THIGHS	28-29	35.23	77,800
B/S THIGHS	81-82	72.06	40,460	B/S THIGHS	82-83	72.14	100,360
WINGS (WHOLE)	70-71	72.59	122,720	WINGS (WHOLE)	70-71	69.22	284,760
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	10.63	18,080	BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	11.79	12,640
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35	26.24	14,400	LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35	24.87	16,840
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	45-50	47.96	19,880	GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40-45	49.88	17,600

INCLUDES: NY CITY METRO. AREA, RI, NORTHERN NJ, MA, CT, PA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG).

* TODAY'S NEGOTIATED 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)									SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY			
ESTIMATED		ACTUAL		AVG WTS		ACTUAL		AVG WTS	DELIVERED TO RETAILERS		RANGE	
(1,000)		(1,000)				(1,000)						
	05/10	05/09	05/08	05/05	05/08	05/05	05/03	05/01				
Alabama	3,935	4,150	3,992	5,119	5.40	5.26	4,122	5.32	FRESH FRYERS		94-98	
Arkansas	5,439	5,472	5,111	4,986	5.38	5.14	5,293	5.16	ROASTERS 4# & UP		97-105	
Delmarva	2,286	2,284	2,283	2,559	5.83	5.97	2,317	4.74	HENS UNDER 5#		-	
KY-LA-TN	2,273	2,303	2,308	3,152	5.14	4.96	2,301	5.41	HENS OVER 5#		65-73	
Mississippi	2,887	2,965	2,888	3,643	5.87	5.45	2,809	5.70	DUCKS		-	
North Car	2,579	2,616	2,540	3,414	6.92	6.89	2,572	5.37	RABBITS-WHOLE		-	
Texas	2,494	2,499	2,551	2,633	5.16	5.31	2,523	4.83	RABBITS-CUT UP		-	
Total	21,893	22,289	21,673	25,895	5.63	5.53	21,937	5.28	SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY			
Mon-Wed	66,077(A)						55,969(A)		DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS			
									FRESH FRYERS		ICE PACK	89-103
											DRY PACK	108-114
									ROASTERS 4# & UP		ICE PACK	100
											DRY PACK	111-118
									HENS OVER 5#		ICE PACK	88-102
											DRY PACK	102-109
									DUCKS			185-190

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 10-May-06 is estimated to be 32,754,000 head down 0.50 percent from a week ago and up 2.10 percent from a year ago. (Last week 32,919,000, last year 32,079,000)

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 13-May-06

CLASS	CURRENT WEEK		PREVIOUS WEEK	
	05/13/06 (1)		05/06/06	
	THOUSAND HEAD			
Broiler/fryer	170,247	(2)	158,912	
Light hens	1,212		1,113	
Heavy hens	1,525		1,487	
Total	172,984		161,512	

(1)ESTIMATED (2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 13-May-06 is 166.5 million head compared to 165.3 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 170.6 million head or 4.1 million more than estimated available. For the week of 20-May-06 the estimated available is 165.1 million head.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS-SELECTED STGE CENTERS (INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEY		PROCESSED POULTRY	
	LBS		LBS	
AM 05/08/06	85,757		66,676	
AM 05/01/06	75,818		75,982	
CHG	9,939		-9,306	
PCT CHG	13		12	

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEYS			PROCESSED POULTRY		
	05/08/06	05/01/06	05/09/05	05/08/06	05/01/06	05/09/05
PACIFIC COAST	380	375	4,160	7,165	7,184	6,140
LOS ANGELES	57	57	72	3,193	3,059	3,382

CENTRAL MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY RTC HENS

READY-TO-COOK PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR DELIVERY TO FIRST RECEIVERS, U.S. GRADE A AND PLANT GRADE, 5 LBS. AND UP, FOR WEEK OF MAY 8, 2006

HENS	ICE PACKED (12 PER BOX)	RANGE
	VACUUM PACKED (6-9 PER BOX)	69-76
		72-79

HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES

FOR 05/09/06
AI PAPERS REQUIRED TO SELL ALL OUT OF STATE POULTRY

	LOW	HIGH	AVG		LOW	HIGH	AVG
HEAVY FOWL lb.	-	-	-	HEAVY FOWL ea.	-	-	-
LIGHT FOWL lb.	-	-	-	LIGHT FOWL ea.	-	-	-
MIXED FOWL lb.	-	-	-	MIXED FOWL ea.	-	-	-
BANTAMS lb.	-	1.00	-	BANTAMS ea.	2.00	3.00	-
BROILERS lb.	-	-	-	BROILERS ea.	-	-	-
ROASTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROASTERS ea.	-	-	-
FRYERS lb.	-	-	-	FRYERS ea.	-	-	-
CHICKS lb.	-	-	-	CHICKS ea.	2.50	4.50	-
PULLETS lb.	-	-	-	PULLETS ea.	-	-	-
BUNNIES lb.	-	-	-	BUNNIES ea.	-	2.00	-
ROOSTERS lb.	-	1.90	-	ROOSTERS ea.	1.00	5.00	-
GEESE lb.	-	-	-	GEESE ea.	-	-	-
TURKEYS lb.	-	-	-	TURKEYS ea.	-	-	-
DUCKS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKS ea.	-	-	-
RABBITS lb.	1.00	3.05	1.93	RABBITS ea.	-	-	-
PIGEONS lb.	-	-	-	PIGEONS ea.	3.00	5.50	-
GUINEA FOWL lb.	-	-	-	GUINEA FOWL ea.	-	-	-
DUCKLINGS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKLINGS ea.	-	-	-
GUINEA KEETS ea.	-	-	-	CALL DUCKS ea.	2.25	4.50	-
SILKIES ea.	-	-	-	GOSLINGS ea.	-	-	-
GUINEA PIGS ea.	-	-	-	TURKEY POULTS ea.	-	-	-
CHUKARS ea.	-	-	-				
TOTAL COOPS	45						

MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS - Mexico City

Cents per pound for the week ending May 5, 2006

	Whole		Legs W/Thighs	Necks, Backs & Wings	Livers/Gizzards	Hens
	Chickens	Breasts				
RAYON						
Low	57.96	136.62	62.10	12.42	4.14	53.82
High	64.17	140.76	66.24	16.56	8.28	53.82
Mostly	62.93	136.62	66.24	12.42	4.14	53.82
SAN JUAN						
Low	53.82	132.48	49.68	12.42	4.14	53.82
High	64.17	136.62	53.82	16.56	4.14	53.82
Mostly	62.10	132.48	53.82	12.42	4.14	53.82
NEW SAN JUAN						
Low	57.96	132.48	53.82	12.42	4.14	51.75
High	62.10	140.76	57.96	16.56	8.28	51.75
Mostly	60.03	136.62	57.96	16.56	4.14	51.75
BECERRA						
Low	55.89	136.62	66.24	12.42	8.28	57.96
High	68.31	140.76	70.38	16.56	8.28	57.96
Mostly	62.10	140.76	70.38	16.56	8.28	57.96

DELMARVA

Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was generally noted as good. Offerings of the 2.50 and 3.00 pound size were adequate and clearing satisfactorily; 3.50 pound size were adequate to fully adequate; 4.00 sizes varied from well cleared to readily available and difficult to clear. Live supplies were mostly moderate; weights were desirable to heavy. Processor schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 47 to 64 cents. Trade sentiment was steady. In the parts complex, supplies were adequate and clearing well, particularly the various breast items.

*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	41-65
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A)Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations.



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