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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Majority prices in the major terminal markets were unchanged in the East and West, but trended higher in the Midwest when compared to a week earlier. Retail and food service demand was moderately active going into the weekend for the anticipated Mother's day business. Overall, supplies of smaller sizes were clearing, and heavier weights were noted as generally adequate for trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was fair to good. Wings were irregular, but mostly sufficient for current needs. Breast items and dark meat were clearing and reported as short to about adequate. In production areas, live supplies were moderate; weights were desirable to heavy, 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 15-MAY-2006 (cents per lb)

US GRADE A

AREAS	MAJORITY	RANGE	WTD AVG	LOADS
(Including branded product)				
Delivered to First Receivers				
Chicago	47.00-50.00	38.00-68.25	48.07	28
New York	46.00-49.00			
Los Angeles	75.00			
Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent				
Mississippi	66.00-68.00	51.00-73.00	67.00	93

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 67.75 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.
909	63.20-70.00	67.62
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	141.50	1,256
BREASTS - B/S	117.50	5,774
BREASTS - WHOLE	59.00	1,353
THIGH MEAT - B/S	79.50	1,106
LEG QUARTERS	23.50	8,757
WINGS	84.00	2,960

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

SOUTHERN BROILER Trade sentiment was steady to firm with prices in the major terminal trending unchanged in the West, but slightly higher in the East and Midwest when compared to a week earlier. Demand going into the weekend was fair to moderately good as interest continues to be fairly active Mother's Day needs. Supplies of lighter sizes were in close balance, heavy weights were in balance to occasionally available. In the parts structure, interest was fairly good with product clearing. However, wings were reported as only fair, but in better balance. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYERS Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was mostly good entering the weekend. Offerings of all sizes were in fairly good balance and clearing satisfactorily. Retail and distributive movement was fair to moderate. The market tone was fully steady to instances firm. In the parts complex, breast items were in close good balance to short. Dark meat cuts were adequate to well cleared. Wings were at least adequate.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Preliminary majority prices were unchanged. Trade sentiments mixed but generally steady. Early trading reported on regular commitments at mainly unchanged prices; however, new negotiations were at unchanged to higher prices. Offerings were about adequate with small sized product in the closest position. Retail demand was moderate to stores and good to restaurants and fast food. Dealers anticipated fairly good weekend clearances.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYERS Preliminary majority prices for next week's deliveries into the Chicago area increased from Monday's final. Whole broiler/fryer trade sentiment was steady to firm. Heavy weight whole bird offerings were adequate while lighter weights were limited. Retail demand was mixed, light to good, best for advertisements. Food service activity was moderate to good, best into restaurants, fast food and some catering. Floor stocks were adequate; weights mostly desirable. Offerings of parts were light with all items in balance to occasionally short. The market tone was steady to firm on all parts.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was good entering the Mother's Day weekend. Offerings were generally noted as in good balance to well cleared. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mostly desirable. Processor schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 47 to 64 cents. Trade sentiment was fully steady. In the parts complex, offerings were adequate to short of immediate needs. Breast items were generally well cleared. Leg cuts were about adequate and additional offerings were held with confidence. Wings 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	41-65
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)
CUMULATIVE	(A)
	05/08/06-05/12/06
	05/09/05-05/13/05
NO. OF BOXES	(A)
	05/08/06-05/12/06
	05/09/05-05/13/05
	(A)

(A)Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations

MAY 11

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

MAY 12

ITEM	POUNDS				POUNDS				(000)	WTD AVG
	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG		
BREAST - B/S	774	102.00-165.00	109-115	116.75	537	104.00-165.00	117-121	120.75	3228	115.68
TENDERLOINS	295	97.00-162.00	100-105	106.34	183	95.00-159.00	100-105	112.55	1366	108.56
BREAST - LINE RUN	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				229	57.75
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				360	56.94
LEGS	118	32.00-38.00	34	34.10	148	33.00-38.00	34	33.95	840	34.1
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	598	21.00-26.00	22-23	22.52	630	21.00-27.00	22-23	22.67	2961	22.01
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,085	24.00-29.00	25-27	25.78	1120	22.00-29.00	25-27	25.89	5050	25.44
WINGS (WHOLE)	275	60.00-85.00	67-70	69.82	75	60.00-79.00	67-70	70.13	1178	69.14
WINGS (CUT)	285	80.00-95.00	85-92	88.60	450	80.00-96.00	85-93	91.38	1467	90.57
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				340	36.41
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				140	36.71
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				440	78.32

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS					WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS					
TRADING FOR MAY 11, 2006 -- F.O.B. DOCK.					TRADING FOR MAY 12, 2006 -- F.O.B. DOCK.					

RANGE

37.50 - 43.50

TODAY'S AVERAGE

40.60

RANGE

35.50 - 44.00

TODAY'S AVERAGE

39.59

5-DAY AVERAGE

39.56

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 moderate to mostly good entering the weekend. Offerings of breast items and boneless skinless thigh meat were well cleared. Dark meat cuts were adequate to closely cleared. Wings were at least adequate. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair to moderate. The market tone was firm on breast items, boneless skinless thigh meat, drums and thighs. 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 11

CURRENT NEGTRADING*WTDAVG**VOL/LBSCURRENT NEGTRADING*WTDAVG**VOL/LBSWTD AVG

MAY 12

WEEKLYVOL/LBS

BREAST - B/S	120	103.98	697,600	120-125	110.58	425,900	105.25	2,765,904
TENDERLOINS	100-105	99.07	252,140	100-105	98.94	91,200	100.50	904,820
BREAST - WITH RIBS	60-61	67.54	71,120	61-62	69.47	89,840	68.38	359,600
BREAST - LINE RUN	60	61.35	127,960	61	63.20	90,000	61.13	502,360
LEGS	37-38	33.22	130,886	37-38	36.80	135,880	34.48	689,126
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	24-25	24.86	279,600	24-25	24.51	227,080	22.88	1,546,634
DRUMSTICKS	28-29	28.85	106,360	29-30	34.56	96,160	30.60	506,819
THIGHS	28-29	35.19	53,160	28-29	36.41	61,200	35.19	309,020
B/S THIGHS	83-84	73.69	117,160	83-84	79.96	55,280	73.95	459,260
WINGS (WHOLE)	70-71	71.16	236,740	70-71	74.65	133,240	71.10	1,044,700
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	11.36	22,480	10-12	11.57	17,400	11.47	87,040
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35	31.72	12,440	30-35	25.16	17,040	26.65	71,720
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40-45	44.48	20,960	40-45	43.37	27,200	45.99	106,600

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

WTS	ESTIMATED		ACTUAL		AVG WT		ACTUAL		AVG
	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	
Alabama	4,300	4,133	3,937	4,062	5.26	5.40	5,119	5.34	
Arkansas	5,114	5,418	5,376	5,331	5.32	5.41	4,986	5.13	
Delmarva	2,255	2,258	2,281	2,559	5.70	5.78	2,948	5.86	
KY-LA-TN	2,585	2,348	2,279	2,265	4.95	5.15	3,152	5.11	
Mississippi	3,135	2,946	2,909	2,959	5.82	5.93	3,643	5.84	
North Carolina	2,727	2,644	2,569	2,565	6.90	6.84	3,414	6.84	
Texas	2,535	2,512	2,515	2,529	5.28	5.41	2,633	5.00	
Total	22,651	22,259	21,866	21,883	5.56	5.66	25,895	5.52	
Mon-Fri	110,987(A)				104,141 (A)				
Saturday	756(included in total for date shown)				1,921(A)				

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above. Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 12-May-06 and 13-May-06 is estimated to be 33,888,000 head down 12.79 percent from a week ago and down -0.15 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 38,858,000, last year 33,938,000)

Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the weekending 13-May-06 is estimated to be 165,463,000 head up 7.32 percent from a week ago, and up 1.30 percent from a year ago. (Last week 154,172,000, last year 163,338,000)

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

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	94-98
ROASTERS 4# & UP	97-105
HENS UNDER 5#	-
HENS OVER 5#	65-73
DUCKS	-
RABBITS-WHOLE	-
RABBITS-CUT UP	-

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	ICE PACK	DRY PACK	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS			89-103
ROASTERS 4# & UP			108-114
HENS OVER 5#			100
DUCKS			111-118
			88-102
			102-109
			185-190

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED Under federal inspection, classified by live wt., week ending 29-Apr-06 (Preliminary),

	(A) Fast food/ Food service 4.20 Lbs. & down	(B) Retail 4.21-5.25 Lbs.	(C) Deboning 5.26 Lbs. & Up
	-----THOUSANDS-----		
Head	22,737	20,008	56,387
Avg Weight	3.81	4.73	6.41
% of total /1	23%	20%	57%

Comparisons

Last week	24,049	26,402	54,812
Avg Weight	3.83	4.67	6.62
% of total /1	23%	25%	52%
Same week, yr ago /2	32,480	17,442	56,160
Avg Weight	3.76	4.77	6.65
% of total /1	31%	16%	53%

To date/2006	462,587	323,579	921,156
To date/2005	474,525	349,866	827,801

/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 06-MAY-2006	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
	-----THOUSANDS-----				
Head	154,172	1,121	1,530	2,651	503
Avg Wt	5.39	3.23	8.02	5.99	6.09
Last week	167,199	1,110	1,456	2,566	542
Same wk yr ago	163,999	1,604	1,485	3,089	514
Avg Wt	5.30	3.21	8.26	5.64	6.74
To-date/2006	2,890,341	21,405	25,908	47,313	9,220
To-date/2005	2,835,506	27,699	24,211	51,910	9,103

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 166.7 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 156.0 million head, or 10.7 million less than estimated available.

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

WEEK ENDING	MILLION HEAD SLAUGHTERED	MILLION HEAD AVAILABLE	PCT	AVG WT
April 1	163.8	164.9	99%	5.28
8	164.6	163.5	101%	5.34
15	156.2	163.2	96%	5.35
22	165.5	164.4	101%	5.40
29	169.2	166.2	102%	5.47
May 6	156.0	166.7	94%	5.39
Year to date	2925.5	2946.8	99%	
May 13		166.5		
20		165.1		

BROILER/CATTLE/HOG WEEKLY ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER**Under Federal Inspection**

W/E	05/13/06	05/06/06	% CHG	05/14/05	% CHG
	-----THOUSANDS-----				
Broilers	165,463	154,172*	+7.32	163,338*	+1.30
Cattle	708	627	+13	654*	+08
Hogs	1,931	1,809	+07	1,827*	+06

*ACTUAL

EASTERN REGION MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY

FOR CURRENT DELIVERY FOR THE WEEK OF 08-MAY-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)	46.00-57.00	52.00-53.00
VACUUM PACKED (6-9 PER BOX)	65.00-86.50	72.00-76.00

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 were unchanged. The trade sentiment steady. Demand was moderate to good. Supplies were balanced to adequate. Schedules were 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 08-MAY-2006

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

GRAYSTONE SMALL ANIMAL AUCTION - DATE OF AUCTION: 05-09-06

AI PAPERS REQUIRED TO SELL ALL OUT OF STATE POULTRY

Prices paid per pound, except as noted.	RANGE
Muscovy Ducks - Drakes	1.20 - 1.30
Pekin Ducks	9.00 ea.
Muscovy Ducks - Hens	2.00 ea.
Red Fowl 4-5 LBS	.50 - .55
Red Fowl 5-6 LBS	.70 - .90
Crossbred Fowl 5-9 LBS	.75 - .90
Crossbred Roosters 4-6 LBS	.80 - 1.00
Crossbred Roosters 7-11 LBS	.60 - .70
Guinea Fowl	1.90 - 2.00 ea.
Banty Roosters	3.00 - 3.50 ea.
Banty Hens	2.00 - 2.50 ea.
Leghorn Hens	.35 - .50 ea.
Leghorn Roosters	1.75 - 2.00 ea.
Silkie	3.00 - 3.75 ea.
Pigeons	3.25 - 3.75 ea.
Rabbits 4-6 LBS	1.50 - 1.70
Rabbits 6-9 LBS	1.20 - 1.50
Bunnies	1.25 - 4.00 ea.
Guinea Pigs	2.50 - 5.00 ea.
Kid Goats	35.00 - 50.00 ea.
Muscovy Ducks - Hens	- 2.00 ea.
Red Fowl 4-5 LBS	.50 - .55

Total Coops Sold 410

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

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, WITHOUT FREIGHT COST
LIGHT CANNER HENS **HEAVY CANNER HENS**
(LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS) **(WITHOUT NECKS)**
 18-28 MAJORITY 23-24 TOO FEW SALES TO REPORT

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, FREIGHT COST INCLUDED
LIGHT CANNER HENS **HEAVY CANNER HENS**
(LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS) **(WITHOUT NECKS)**
 20-29 MAJORITY 24.5-25.5 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 HENS Prices were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand ranged light to moderate, mostly fair, best into rendering operations. Offerings of spent hens were at least adequate to ample for current needs. Processing schedules were mostly normal. Trade sentiment was steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	5-13	9-10

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

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	TOO FEW TO REPORT	

NORTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HENS Removal prices ranged unchanged with majority prices unchanged to lower. Demand was reported as fair with offerings fully adequate to instances ample while traditional slaughter processor schedules were normal and rendering schedules were at least full-time or longer. Trade sentiment steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	4.5-11	4.5-5

WEST COAST LIGHT Slaughter schedules were moderate. Demand was adequate. Offerings were in good balance.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *
 PRELIMINARY PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR
 SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 15-MAY-06

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Trading levels were TFEWR. Demand was moderate for fully adequate supplies of spent hens. Schedules were normal. Finished sales were fair. Trade sentiment was only steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT	

* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN Sales were too few to report prices. Demand was no better than fair for the least adequate to fully adequate offerings of spent hens. Processing schedules for next week were noted as normal to instances heavy. Sales of finished product was light to fair at best. The undertone was about 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	

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