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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE



Trade sentiment was mostly steady to fully steady. Retail and food service demand was fair to moderate with few retail ads, but strongest for fast food specials. Trucklot buying interest was moderate to good. Supplies of all sizes were in balance to well cleared, often tight for trade needs. In the parts structure, demand was fair to fairly good for midweek trading. Breast items were adequate to tight, dark meat and wings were sufficient to well cleared. In production areas, live supplies were moderate to light. Weights were in a full range, but mostly desirable to light.

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES The Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for next week's trading advanced .25 cent to 70.25 cents based on full truck load lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 74.75 cents last year on August 10, 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	159.50
BREASTS - B/S	141.50
BREASTS - WHOLE	77.00
THIGH MEAT - B/S	88.00
LEG QUARTERS	39.50
WINGS	88.50

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

SOUTHERN REGION Trade sentiment was mixed, but at least steady. Buying interest was moderate to improved with increased trading, particularly for wog loads. Supplies were usually sufficient to well cleared due in part to reduced kill schedules and slightly higher heat related DOA's. In the parts structure, movement was fair to good with supplies of all items well balanced to short of trade needs. In production areas, live supplies were moderate to light. Weights were in a full range, but mostly desirable to light.

NORTHEAST REGION Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was moderately good. Offerings of all sizes were in good balance to well cleared. Retail and distributive movement was fair to moderate. The market tone was fully steady. In the parts complex, breast items were well cleared to instances tight. Thighs, boneless skinless thighs and tenders were in close balance to short.

MIDWEST REGION Whole broiler/fryer market tone was steady with additional offerings closely balanced to tight for the improved buyer interest. Retail demand was mostly light, while distributive movement was light to moderate with fast food channels pulling down best consumer interest. Floor stocks were balanced to long with product weights desirable to light. In the parts complex, supplies of wings and leg cuts were barely adequate to tight and mostly adequate on boneless skinless breasts. The trade sentiment was steady on leg items, steady to fully steady on breast cuts, and fully steady to firm on wings.

WESTERN REGION The market tone was steady to fully steady. Offerings were adequate overall. Retailer demand was good where features in progress elsewhere just fair. Floor stocks were generally adequate. The market tone remained firm on most white meat items, about steady on balance of parts.

BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET IN 19 SELECTED STATES DOWN SLIGHTLY

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 212 million eggs in incubators during the week ending August 5, 2006. This was down slightly from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED DOWN 1 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 175 million chicks for meat production during the week ending August 5, 2006. Placements were down 1 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 1, 2006 through August 5, 2006 were 5.41 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 08/05/06	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>PERCENT CHANGE PREVIOUS YEAR</u>
EGGS SET	212,433	213,068	0
CHICKS PLACED	175,422	177,097	-01

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 16-Sep-06 is estimated at 160.5 million head. This compares to 158.5 million head the previous week and to 164.8 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 171.3 million head and the composite weighted average price was 74.20 cents per pound.

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SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

AUGUST 09, 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			WTD	ITEM	POUNDS			WTD
	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	AVG		(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	AVG
BREAST - B/S	618	110.00-175.00	-	125.25	BREAST - B/S	695	114.00-190.00	-	127.63
TENDERLOINS	228	117.00-178.00	120-123	121.33	TENDERLOINS	303	118.00-188.00	120-125	128.40
BREAST - LINE RUN	130	72.00-77.00	73-75	73.73	BREAST - LINE RUN	131	72.00-80.00	74-76	74.12
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT				FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	171	43.00-58.00	45	46.05	LEGS	228	45.00-58.00	46	46.51
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	592	33.00-39.00	36	35.91	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	590	34.00-38.00	36	35.93
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	692	35.00-41.00	37-38	37.27	LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	851	35.00-41.00	37-38	37.62
WINGS (WHOLE)	277	82.00-89.00	85-88	86.80	WINGS (WHOLE)	281	85.00-89.00	86-88	86.72
WINGS (CUT)	300	101.00-106.00	102-105	103.20	WINGS (CUT)	285	100.00-108.00	104-106	104.84
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
B/S THIGHS	70	84.00-91.00	-	85.07	B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS TRADING FOR F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
48.00-53.50	50.33	49.00-53.500	51.00	50.54

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 interest was fairly good during midweek trading. Offerings of breast items and tenders were in close balance to short. Thighs, boneless skinless thighs and wings were well cleared. Movement through retail and distributive channels ranged fair to good. The market tone was firm for breast items, thighs, boneless skinless thighs and tenders; at least steady to fully steady for the balance of items.

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

AUGUST 08, 2006	CURRENT NEG	WTD	VOL/LBS	AUGUST 09, 2006	CURRENT NEG	WTD	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	135	124.49	620,040	BREAST - B/S	135-140	123.28	641,248
TENDERLOINS	125-130	119.97	181,009	TENDERLOINS	130-135	118.18	273,100
BREAST - WITH RIBS	77-78	81.83	104,680	BREAST - WITH RIBS	78-79	87.31	62,760
BREAST - LINE RUN	77	81.44	81,000	BREAST - LINE RUN	78	81.30	90,000
LEGS	49-50	46.65	135,000	LEGS	49-50	48.22	198,960
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	38-39	39.04	267,360	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	38-39	38.43	278,640
DRUMSTICKS	37-38	40.83	148,190	DRUMSTICKS	37-38	41.52	130,420
THIGHS	31-32	39.07	85,290	THIGHS	32-33	39.11	54,280
B/S THIGHS	87-88	82.94	102,500	B/S THIGHS	89-90	85.75	98,800
WINGS (WHOLE)	92-93	86.15	202,380	WINGS (WHOLE)	92-93	88.68	235,960
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	11.19	10,560	BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	12.04	22,920
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35	25.95	17,760	LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35	30.13	8,140
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	50-55	54.58	26,680	GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	50-55	56.18	20,560

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)

	ESTIMATED		ACTUAL		AVG WTS		ACTUAL	AVG
	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	WTS
Alabama	3,926	4,038	4,075	4,293	5.28	5.03	3,913	5.33
Arkansas	5,206	5,377	5,123	5,126	5.25	5.08	5,309	5.26
Delmarva	2,250	2,280	2,132	2,559	5.62	5.59	2,144	5.26
KY-LA-TN	2,295	2,320	2,223	2,250	5.04	4.89	1,994	5.00
Mississippi	2,744	2,895	3,109	3,525	5.65	5.55	2,755	5.87
North Carolina	2,664	2,643	2,592	2,447	6.55	6.47	2,596	6.67
Texas	2,514	2,509	2,547	2,540	5.26	5.13	2,517	5.34
Total	21,599	22,062	21,801	22,684	5.48	5.34	21,228	5.51
Mon-Wed	65,672(A)						64,300(A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 09-Aug-06 is estimated to be 32,315,000 head up 1.44 percent from a week ago and down -9.69 percent from a year ago. (Last week 31,855,000, last year 35,784,000)

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY

DELIVERED TO RETAILERS

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	91-100
ROASTERS 4# & UP	99-108
HENS UNDER 5#	-
HENS OVER 5#	65-74
DUCKS	-
RABBITS-WHOLE	-
RABBITS-CUT UP	-

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY

DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	ICE PACK	RANGE
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

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 12-Aug-06

CLASS	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	08/12/06 (1)	08/05/06
	THOUSAND HEAD	
Broiler/fryer	165,650 (2)	162,054
Light hens	968	1,103
Heavy hens	1,574	1,590
Total	168,192	164,747

(1)ESTIMATED (2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 12-Aug-06 is 164.2 million head compared to 170.7 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 166.0 million head or 1.8 million more than estimated available. For the week of 19-Aug-06 the estimated available is 164.3 million head.

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

	PROCESSED TURKEY	PROCESSED POULTRY
	LBS	LBS
AM 08/07/06	109,696	64,780
AM 07/01/06	105,590	67,467
CHG	4,106	-2,687
PCT CHG	4	-4

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEYS			PROCESSED POULTRY		
	08/07/06	07/31/06	08/08/05	08/07/06	07/31/06	08/08/05
PACIFIC COAST LOS ANGELES	553	555	5,499	9,596	9,065	5,200
	242	221	63	2,760	2,746	2,939

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 AUGUST 7, 2006

HENS	ICE PACKED (12 PER BOX)	RANGE
	VACUUM PACKED (6-9 PER BOX)	67-76
		68-79

HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES FOR 08/08/06

AI PAPERS REQUIRED TO SELL ALL OUT OF STATE POULTRY

	LOW HIGH AVG			LOW HIGH AVG		
	HEAVY FOWL lb.	-	1.00	-	HEAVY FOWL ea.	-
LIGHT FOWL lb.	-	-	-	LIGHT FOWL ea.	-	-
MIXED FOWL lb.	-	-	-	MIXED FOWL ea.	-	2.30
BANTAMS lb.	-	-	-	BANTAMS ea.	1.25	1.50
BROILERS lb.	-	-	-	BROILERS ea.	-	-
ROASTERS lb.	.50	.80	.54	ROASTERS ea.	-	-
FRYERS lb.	-	-	-	FRYERS ea.	-	-
CHICKS lb.	-	-	-	CHICKS ea.	-	-
PULLETS lb.	-	-	-	PULLETS ea.	-	3.00
BUNNIES lb.	-	-	-	BUNNIES ea.	1.00	2.75
ROOSTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROOSTERS ea.	-	-
GEESE lb.	-	-	-	GEESE ea.	-	-
TURKEYS lb.	-	-	-	TURKEYS ea.	-	-
DUCKS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKS ea.	-	-
RABBITS lb.	1.10	1.80	1.48	RABBITS ea.	-	-
PIGEONS lb.	-	-	-	PIGEONS ea.	2.00	4.00
GUINEA FOWL lb.	-	-	-	GUINEA FOWL ea.	-	-
DUCKLINGS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKLINGS ea.	-	-
GUINEA KEETS ea.	-	5.25	-	CALL DUCKS ea.	-	-
SILKIES ea.	-	-	-	GOSLINGS ea.	-	-
GUINEA PIGS ea.	-	-	-	TURKEY POULTS ea.	-	-
CHUKARS ea.	-	-	-			
TOTAL COOPS	44					

MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS - Mexico City

Cents per pound for the week ending August 4, 2006

	Whole	Legs	Necks, Backs	Livers/		
	Chickens	Breasts	W/Thighs	& Wings	Gizzards	Hens
RAYON						
Low	54.17	112.52	75.01	12.50	4.17	50.01
High	59.18	120.85	83.35	16.67	8.33	50.01
Mostly	54.17	112.52	75.01	16.67	8.33	50.01
SAN JUAN						
Low	50.01	116.68	70.84	12.50	4.17	45.84
High	58.34	120.85	75.01	20.84	4.17	45.84
Mostly	54.17	116.68	75.01	16.67	4.17	45.84
NEW SAN JUAN						
Low	52.09	116.68	75.01	12.50	4.17	50.01
High	60.01	120.85	79.18	20.84	8.33	50.01
Mostly	54.17	120.85	75.01	20.84	8.33	50.01
BECERRA						
Low	50.01	116.68	75.01	12.50	4.17	54.17
High	60.43	125.02	83.35	20.84	8.33	54.17
Mostly	54.17	120.85	75.01	20.84	8.33	54.17

DELMARVA

Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was moderately good, beyond mid-week expectations, and was sufficient in keeping the bulk of seller offerings generally well cleared. Live supplies were mostly moderate; weights were light to heavy, mostly desirable to light. Processor schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 64 to 77 cents. Trade sentiment was fully steady. In the parts complex, offerings were adequate to well cleared and were generally noted as in the tighter, closer balance on the various breast and thigh 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	52-80	
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)	
NO. OF BOXES	(A)	

(A)Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations.



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