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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE



Trade sentiment was mostly steady in the major terminal markets. Retail demand was seasonally light, but improving into fast food outlets. Offerings were limited but reported as at least adequate for trade needs. Processing schedules for this week are part time in observance of Thursday's holiday. In the parts structure, demand was light to moderate with trading usually limited to regular commitments. Wings were in the best position and reported as adequate to tight, breast items were sufficient, and dark meat items was usually adequate, although boneless thigh meat was in close balance to short. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at weights in a full range, but mostly desirable.

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES The Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for next week's trading remains unchanged at 69.00 cents based on full truck load lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 72.25 cents last year on November 23, 2005.

ITEM	DOCK PRICE (CENTS PER POUND)
LINE RUN TENDERS	148.00
BREASTS - B/S	115.50
BREASTS - WHOLE	73.50
THIGH MEAT - B/S	82.50
LEG QUARTERS	29.50
WINGS	91.00

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

SOUTHERN REGION Trade sentiment was mostly steady in the major terminal markets, and reported as steady to firm on local markets. Demand was seasonally light but clearing whole product at most locations. Improved interest was reported in fast food outlets for post holiday needs. Floor stocks and offerings were usually limited but sufficient for trade needs. Processing schedules for this week were part time in observance of Thursday's holiday. In the parts structure, movement and inquiry was generally good on wings which were in balance to short and moving well. Dark meat was in better balance; breast items were also in a good workable position with some increased interest reported. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were mixed, but mostly desirable.

NORTHEAST REGION Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was seasonally light and generally unaggressive and about as expected heading into the Thanksgiving Day holiday. Offerings of all sizes were at least adequate for current needs. Retail and distributive movement was light to fair as interest centered on other holiday items. The market tone was steady. In the parts complex, breast items and most dark meat cuts were adequate to at least adequate. Wings and thigh meat were clearing satisfactorily.

MIDWEST REGION The market tone on whole broiler/fryers was steady. Offers limited to moderate on very light trade call. Retail trade activity was slow to light, while food service demand was mixed, light to good. Best activity noted into shopping center restaurants, delicatessens and fast food outlets. Floor stocks were in close balance to occasionally long; weights desirable to heavy. Parts trade was very light. Supplies of boneless/skinless breast, small wings, thigh meat and leg meat were in balance to at times tight; thighs, drums and leg quarters were available. The market tone was mostly steady on boneless/skinless breasts, undertone fully steady, steady on bone-in leg items and fully steady to firm on wings and boneless dark meat.

WESTERN REGION The market tone was about steady. Offerings were seasonally ample as anticipated, for immediate trade needs. Retailer demand was light. Floor stocks were adequate to ample.

BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET IN 19 SELECTED STATES DOWN 3 PERCENT

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 208 million eggs in incubators during the week ending November 18, 2006. This was down 3 percent 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 4 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 156 million chicks for meat production during the week ending November 18, 2006. Placements were down 4 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 1, 2006 through November 18, 2006 were 7.94 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 11/11/06	2006	2005	PERCENT CHANGE PREVIOUS YEAR
EGGS SET	207,577	212,945	-03
CHICKS PLACED	155,987	162,967	-04

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 30-Dec-06 is estimated at 146.0 million head. This compares to 150.5 million head the previous week and to 154.6 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 143.7 million head and the composite weighted average price was 62.30 cents per pound.

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SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

NOV 22

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		MAJORITY	WTD AVG
	(000)	RANGE		
BREAST - B/S	633	87.00-165.00	-	97.78
TENDERLOINS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
BREAST - LINE RUN	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	203	29.00-46.00	30	31.34
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	645	20.00-29.00	22-23	22.90
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	779	22.00-30.00	25	25.10
WINGS (WHOLE)	295	75.00-88.00	-	79.68
WINGS (CUT)	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS TRADING FOR
NOV 21, 2006 -- FOB DOCK

RANGE TODAY'S AVERAGE
37.00 - 43.50 39.22

ITEM	POUNDS		MAJORITY	WTD AVG
	(000)	RANGE		
BREAST - B/S	678	90.00-172.00	-	98.62
TENDERLOINS	183	82.00-166.00	-	92.23
BREAST - LINE RUN	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	177	29.00-46.00	30	30.01
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	590	21.00-29.00	22-23	22.83
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	779	22.00-31.00	25	24.95
WINGS (WHOLE)	295	75.00-88.00	80-83	82.05
WINGS (CUT)	260	95.00-104.00	98-101	99.67
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS TRADING FOR
NOV 22, 2006 -- FOB DOCK

RANGE TODAY'S AVERAGE 5-DAY AVERAGE
37.00 - 43.50 39.17 39.35

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 limited as most dealers were unaggressive and worked hand-to-mouth entering the Thanksgiving day holiday. Offerings of boneless skinless breasts were generally sufficient and clearing satisfactorily; bone-in breasts were fully adequate. Dark meat cuts were at least sufficient for current needs. Thigh meat and wings were in close balance to well cleared. Movement through retail and distributive channels was seasonally light as interest centered on more traditional holiday meat items. The market tone was about steady to steady for boneless skinless breasts; thigh meat and wings were firm. Other items were generally steady.

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

NOV 21 ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS	ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	NOV 22 VOL/LBS
TENDERLOINS	85-90	93.11	276,687	TENDERLOINS	85-90	86.69	199,120
BREAST - WITH RIBS	62-63	62.68	171,360	BREAST - WITH RIBS	62-63	69.47	88,200
BREAST - LINE RUN	62	61.37	68,400	BREAST - LINE RUN	62	61.74	70,200
LEGS	39-40	36.21	164,440	LEGS	39-40	38.04	175,440
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	28-29	28.21	269,760	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	28-29	28.97	305,440
DRUMSTICKS	26-27	32.21	115,310	DRUMSTICKS	26-27	31.35	99,400
THIGHS	25-26	35.93	57,200	THIGHS	25-26	34.03	32,800
B/S THIGHS	84-85	80.86	121,740	B/S THIGHS	85-86	81.25	98,400
WINGS (WHOLE)	86-87	86.20	233,600	WINGS (WHOLE)	87-88	88.93	181,320
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	11.17	15,440	BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	11.30	27,960
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	35-40	37.85	12,400	LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	35-40	33.94	18,560
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	70-75	74.98	31,600	GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	70-75	75.30	19,560

INCLUDES NEW YORK CITY METRO AREA, NORTHERN NJ, MA, CT, RI, AND 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 WTS	
	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	11/20	11/17	(1,000)	(1,000)	11/15	11/13
Alabama	3,509	3,721	3,554	4,025	5.58	5.33	3,937	5.39		
Arkansas	4,929	5,278	5,185	4,569	5.33	5.20	5,175	5.36		
Delmarva	2,346	2,320	2,255	2,559	5.65	5.64	1,842	5.91		
KY-LA-TN	2,290	2,412	2,369	2,548	5.11	4.83	1,736	5.22		
Mississippi	2,750	2,945	2,977	3,520	5.80	5.73	2,669	5.82		
North Carolina	2,631	2,647	2,696	2,677	6.88	6.75	2,677	6.79		
Texas	2,516	2,511	2,566	2,298	5.29	5.07	2,661	5.42		
Total	20,971	21,834	21,602	21,872	5.63	5.49	20,697	5.65		
Mon-Wed	64,498(A)						63,480(A)			

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 22-Nov-06 is estimated to be 31,375,000 head up 1.02 percent from a week ago and up 0.60 percent from a year ago. (Last week 31,058,000, last year 31,189,000)

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED PLTRY.

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 PLTRY

DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK	93-105
	DRY PACK	110-114
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK	98
	DRY PACK	111-118
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK	86-100
	DRY PACK	100-107
DUCKS		190-195

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 25-NOV-06

CLASS	CURRENT WEEK		PREVIOUS WEEK	
	11/25/06 (1)		11/18/06	
	THOUSAND HEAD			
Broiler/fryer	123,941	(2)	167,718	
Light hens	600		1,206	
Heavy hens	937		1,639	
Total	125,478		170,563	

(1)ESTIMATED (2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 25-Nov-06 is 156.7 million head compared to 128.0 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 124.2 million head or 32.5 million less than estimated available. For the week of 02-Dec-06 the estimated available is 156.8 million head.

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

	PROCESSED TURKEY		PROCESSED POULTRY	
	LBS		LBS	
AM 11/20/06	44,603		64,354	
AM 11/01/06	85,621		63,338	
CHG	-41,018		1,016	
PCT CHG	-48		2	

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEYS			PROCESSED POULTRY		
	11/20/06	11/13/06	11/21/05	11/20/06	11/13/06	11/21/05
PACIFIC COAST	1,180	2,068	1,907	9,480	11,348	4,214
LOS ANGELES	236	221	59	2,873	2,955	2,178

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 NOVEMBER 20, 2006

HENS	ICE PACKED (12 PER BOX)	RANGE
	VACUUM PACKED (6-9 PER BOX)	67-76 69-82

HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES

FOR 11/21/06

AI PAPERS REQUIRED TO SELL ALL OUT OF STATE POULTRY

	LOW HIGH AVG			LOW HIGH AVG		
	HEAVY FOWL lb.	1.00	2.10	1.31	HEAVY FOWL ea.	-
LIGHT FOWL lb.	-	-	-	LIGHT FOWL ea.	-	-
MIXED FOWL lb.	1.00	1.50	1.19	MIXED FOWL ea.	-	-
BANTAMS lb.	-	1.40	-	BANTAMS ea.	1.50	4.25
BROILERS lb.	.70	.75	.74	BROILERS ea.	-	-
ROASTERS lb.	1.00	1.20	1.10	ROASTERS ea.	-	-
FRYERS lb.	-	-	-	FRYERS ea.	-	-
CHICKS lb.	-	-	-	CHICKS ea.	-	-
PULLETS lb.	-	-	-	PULLETS ea.	-	-
BUNNIES lb.	-	-	-	BUNNIES ea.	-	4.00
ROOSTERS lb.	1.00	1.80	1.60	ROOSTERS ea.	-	-
GEESE lb.	-	-	-	GEESE ea.	7.00	8.00
TURKEYS lb.	-	-	-	TURKEYS ea.	-	-
DUCKS lb.	1.00	1.30	1.04	DUCKS ea.	-	5.00
RABBITS lb.	1.30	1.80	1.45	RABBITS ea.	-	-
PIGEONS lb.	-	-	-	PIGEONS ea.	2.00	5.00
GUINEA FOWL lb.	-	-	-	GUINEA FOWL ea.	-	5.50
DUCKLINGS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKLINGS ea.	-	-
GUINEA KEETS ea.	-	-	-	CALL DUCKS ea.	-	-
SILKIES ea.	-	-	-	GOSLINGS ea.	-	-
GUINEA PIGS ea.	-	-	-	TURKEY POULTS ea.	-	-
CHUKARS ea.	-	-	-			
TOTAL COOPS	104					

MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS - MEXICO CITY

Cents per pound for the week ending November 17, 2006

	Whole		Legs	Necks,Backs	Livers
	Chickens	Breasts	W/Thighs	& Wings	Gizzards Hens
RAYON					
Low	62.93	161.46	91.08	20.70	8.28 78.66
High	69.55	165.60	99.36	24.84	12.42 78.66
Mostly	62.93	161.46	91.08	24.84	8.28 78.66
SAN JUAN					
Low	63.76	157.32	86.94	20.70	12.42 76.59
High	69.14	165.60	99.36	24.84	16.56 76.59
Mostly	63.76	157.32	91.08	24.84	12.42 76.59
NEW SAN JUAN					
Low	63.76	157.32	86.94	20.70	16.56 80.73
High	70.38	165.60	99.36	28.98	20.70 80.73
Mostly	63.76	157.32	95.22	24.84	16.56 80.73
BECERRA					
Low	62.93	157.32	95.22	24.84	20.70 82.80
High	71.21	165.60	103.50	28.98	24.84 82.80
Mostly	62.93	161.46	99.36	24.84	24.84 82.80

DELMARVA

Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds remained seasonally light and unaggressive and pretty much as expected preceeding the Thanksgiving Holiday. Seller offerings were fully adequate. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mostly desirable. Processor schedules were moderately heavy today and all plants surveyed in the area plan to close tomorrow, Thursday, resuming operations on Friday. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 61 to 73 cents. Trade sentiment was steady. In the parts complex, offerings were generally noted as adequate for immediate delivery, adequate to in a few instances closely cleared for next week.

*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	55-78	
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)	
NO. OF BOXES	(A)	

(A)Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations.



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