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## NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Majority prices were higher in all areas when compared to previous week. Trade sentiment was fully steady to firm. Demand into retail and food service was light to moderate, best into fast food channels and some sports bars. Supplies of all sizes were in good balance to well cleared for trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was moderate to good. Wings were short and continued to move well. Breast items were adequate to closely cleared, often tight for tenders. Dark meat was in good balance to barely adequate with boneless cuts in the shortest position. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were desirable to heavy, but mostly desirable.

**Final Report** of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook ice-packed broiler/fryers (includes branded product) to be delivered to first receivers at major market centers week of 08-JAN-2007 (cents per lb)

US GRADE A		COMPOSITE			
AREAS	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS	WTD AVG	LOADS
Boston/New England	TFEWR	:		62.18	37
Chicago	65.00-68.00	68.06	36	69.41	66
Ohio Cities	TFEWR	:		65.93	17
Denver	77.50	77.50	16	78.18	17
Detroit	65.00-67.00	68.89	9	70.23	51
Los Angeles	78.00	76.96	71	73.95	155
New York	68.00-71.00	69.70	23	65.11	61
Philadelphia	67.50-69.00	68.50	12	68.30	23
Pittsburgh	67.00-70.00	69.27	11	70.83	56
St. Louis	68.00-68.25	67.54	20	67.39	33
San Francisco	78.50	78.24	31	82.34	54

### Composite Weighted Average

Loads	01/08/07	Change Last Wk	01/01/07	01/09/06
570	70.31	2.25	68.06	63.39

**WOG BROILERS** (without giblets) - prices paid per lb delvd to first receivers in trucklot and less than trucklot quantities.

REGIONS	Majority	Wtd Avg	Loads
Eastern	71.00-72.00	71.21	32
Central	68.00-73.00	70.82	68
Western	73.00-78.00	74.88	32
Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent			
Mississippi	70.00-72.00	70.41	87

**GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES** Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 70.50 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

LOADS	RANGE	MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT
1,125	63.00-72.00	70.08
The Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed final weighted average prices on ice packed parts:		
	WTD AVG	VOLUME
LINE RUN TENDERS	166.00	1,394
BREASTS - B/S	140.00	5,852
BREASTS - WHOLE	85.50	1,462
THIGH MEAT - B/S	96.50	1,138
LEG QUARTERS	33.00	9,268
WINGS	117.00	2,725

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**NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYER** Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers ranged moderate to good entering the week. Offerings of all sizes were in good balance to well cleared. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair to moderate. The market tone was fully steady. In the parts complex, bone-in breasts, wings and tenders were tight. The balance of items were adequate and clearing satisfactorily.

**SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS** Trade sentiment was fully steady to firm. Demand into all channels following the weekend was mostly light to moderate, best for fast food and retail features. Supplies of all sizes were usually sufficient to well cleared and moving satisfactorily. In the parts structure, interest was fair to good. Wings were short of an active call. Dark meat and breast items were no more than adequate to tight and held with confidence. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

**WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS** The final majority prices were 1 cent higher than last week. The market tone was firm. Trading for this weeks deliveries on regular and new negotiations were generally higher. Buying activity was fair to fairly good. Retailer demand increased to cover planned features otherwise fair. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average was up 2.58 to 76.25 with the volume reported down 11 percent to 24 loads.

**MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER** Final majority prices increased over last Wednesday's majority prices in all markets; Ohio cities TFEWR. Whole broiler/fryer market tone was fully steady to firm. Offers were limited for light to fair trade inquiry. Retail and food service demand was light to moderate; fast food movement was slightly better along with a few sports bars. Floor stocks adequate to closely balanced; weights desirable to occasionally heavy. Parts trade activity centered on on wings and tenderloins with both items tight to short of trade needs; leg items received a moderate call and breast cuts light. The market tone was fully steady to firm on parts.

**DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS** Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was moderate to good for early week business and was keeping offerings well cleared. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mostly desirable. Processor schedules were moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were 1 cent higher at 69 to 79 cents. Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady. In the parts complex, wings were well cleared, other items were generally balanced to a good workable position.

\*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	64-79
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations

**NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS** Trucklot buying interest was moderate to moderately good entering the week. Offerings of bone-in breasts were about adequate to closely cleared; boneless skinless breasts were at least sufficient for current trade needs. Wings, tenders and drums were in good balance to short. Other dark meat items were adequate to well cleared. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair to moderate. The market tone was firm for wings, drums and tenders. The balance of items ranged steady to instances firm.

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

ITEM	NEGOTIATED TRADING	CURRENT	WTD AVG	VOLUME /LBS
BREAST - B/S	130-135	122.84	601,828	
TENDERLOINS	125-130	122.74	93,700	
BREAST - WITH RIBS	73-74	82.90	51,920	
BREAST - LINE RUN	73	74.67	92,400	
LEGS	47-48	46.68	182,800	
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	32-33	33.20	278,000	
DRUMSTICKS	37-38	37.73	89,580	
THIGHS	40-41	47.63	36,600	
B/S THIGHS	100-101	95.22	159,720	
WINGS (WHOLE)	116-117	115.28	192,480	
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	10.82	12,840	
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	35-40	38.50	8,400	
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	45-50	55.19	24,480	

INCLUDES NEW YORK CITY METROPOLITAN AREA, NORTHERN NEW JERSEY, MASSACHUSETTS, CONNECTICUT, RHODE ISLAND, AND PENNSYLVANIA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG).

\* TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

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

**ARKANSAS BROILER/FRYER PARTS** 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	LBS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	1,293	109.00-198.00	-	125.58
TENDERLOINS	209	120.00-167.00	123-125	124.63
BREAST - WITH RIBS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	897	30.00-40.00	30-32	31.42
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,262	29.00-37.00	32-33	32.83
WINGS (WHOLE)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
THIGHS	1,290	40.00-48.00	40	40.01

**ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)**

	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	ACTUAL	AVG WTS
	01/08	01/04	01/04	01/01	12/28
Alabama	4,006	3,704	5.44	Holiday	5.52
Arkansas	5,127	5,248	5.24	Holiday	5.18
Delmarva	2,273	2,280	5.87	Holiday	5.86
KY-LA-TN	2,331	2,271	5.00	(A)	5.21
Mississippi	2,972	2,933	5.64	(A)	5.63
North Carolina	2,746	2,737	6.92	(A)	7.01
Texas	2,520	2,542	5.34	Holiday	5.41
Total	21,975	21,715	5.59	674	5.61
Mon	21,975(B)			674(B)	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations

(B) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 08-Jan 2007 is estimated to be 32,877,000 up from a holiday a week ago and down 4.9 percent from a year ago. (last week 1,011,000 last year 34,569,000)

**SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS** 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	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	706	119.00-191.00	-	124.29
TENDERLOINS	289	117.00-190.00	-	129.33
BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS	188	41.00-53.00	42-43	43.82
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	674	30.00-36.00	32-33	32.15
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	882	32.00-39.00	34-35	34.72
WINGS (WHOLE)	233	99.00-112.00	101-104	104.57
WINGS (CUT)	185	124.00-137.00	126-128	129.51
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
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 JANUARY 8, 2007 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
46.50 - 51.00	48.58	48.15

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.

**MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER PARTS** ICE-PACKED POOL

TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES DELIVERED TO: IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, AND WI WEEK OF 08-JAN-TO 12-DEC-2007

**Price (Cents) Per Lb. Mostly**

BREAST - B/S	110.00 - 132.00	117.00 - 122.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	63.00 - 91.00	71.00 - 83.00
LEGS	44.00 - 52.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	26.00 - 35.00	31.00 - 33.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	32.00 - 37.50	34.00 - 35.00
DRUMSTICKS	30.00 - 50.00	-
THIGHS	35.00 - 48.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	110.00 - 137.00	121.00 - 125.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	12.00 - 23.00	-
LIVERS	32.00 - 42.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40.00 - 52.00	-

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY,  
DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	82.75-100.75
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	86.5-103.5

FROZEN HENS 5# & UP

FROZEN DUCKS

FROZEN SQUABS

**DELIVERED TO RETAILERS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA)**

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**

	RANGE
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

**EASTERN REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN**

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE EASTERN REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

FAT CONTENT	JANUARY 05, 2007			
	PRICES		VOLUME	
	(Cents per Pound)			
	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	16.00-17.50	322,000	-
WTD AVERAGE		16.81		
15-20%				
RANGE	14.25-21.00	12.00-16.00	1,908,000	1,108,000
WTD AVERAGE	17.20	13.63		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	14.00	120,000	-
WTD AVERAGE		14.00		

\*INCLUDES THE STATES of CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

**CENTRAL REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN**

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE CENTRAL REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

FAT CONTENT	JANUARY 05, 2007			
	PRICES		VOLUME	
	(Cents per Pound)			
	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	20.00	17.00	152,000	-
WTD AVERAGE	20.00	17.00		
15-20%				
RANGE	19.00	12.00-15.75	1,263,200	244,800
WTD AVERAGE	19.00	13.46		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

\*INCLUDES THE STATES of AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI

**SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN** Prices were unchanged to slightly higher when compared to the previous week. Offerings were noted as seasonally fair for the mostly adequate to fully adequate offerings of spent hens. Processing schedules were noted as mostly normal. Sales of finished product moderate. The undertone was generally steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *			
FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 08-JAN-07			
	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	3-8		5.15
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

\*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

**SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN** Trading activity was only fair, but slightly improved. Demand was moderate for the light to adequate offerings. Schedules were reduced to normal. Finished sales were slow to fair. Disposal costs were steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *			
PRELIMINARY PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 08-JAN-07			
	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	2-7.75		4.98

\*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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