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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Undertone was at least steady, with majority prices in the major terminal markets usually unchanged when compared to Monday's reported values. Demand was usually moderate, but active enough to clear most available floor stocks from the production areas. However, overall offerings were usually reported as about sufficient for buyer needs. In the parts structure, movement was at least moderate to good. Wings and breast items remain tight and well cleared. Tenders were close balanced to short, and dark meat was usually adequate to barely adequate. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were desirable to heavy, but mostly desirable. A few plants were scheduled to be closed Friday or Monday in observance of the holiday.

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-JAN-2007 (cents per lb)

US GRADE A

(Including branded product)

AREAS	MAJORITY	RANGE	WTD AVG	LOADS
Delivered to First Receivers				
Chicago	65.00-68.00	64.00-75.00	67.97	29
New York	68.00-71.00			
Los Angeles	78.00			

Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent

Mississippi	70.00-72.00	63.00-79.00	70.64	90
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GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES The Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 71.00 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
916	63.00-72.50	70.48

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	170.00	1,061
BREASTS - B/S	143.50	5,077
BREASTS - WHOLE	88.50	1,119
THIGH MEAT - B/S	97.00	974
LEG QUARTERS	34.50	7,896
WINGS	124.00	2,466

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

SOUTHERN BROILER Trade sentiment was fully steady to firm. Demand was moderate to good with limited offerings available. Even though, supplies were generally well cleared they were usually sufficient for trade needs. In the parts structure, interest was mostly good with wings still short of an active call. Tenders and dark meat items were no more than adequate, and breast items were clearing satisfactory. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights. A few plants are closed Friday and some are scheduled to be closed Monday in observance of the holiday.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYERS Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was mostly moderate entering the holiday weekend. Offerings of all sizes were generally sufficient for current needs. Retail and distributive movement was fair. Fast food interest was noted as moderate. The market tone was at least steady. In the parts complex, breast items and wings were in close balance to short of an active call. Other items were noted as adequate to well cleared.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Preliminary majority prices were generally unchanged. The market tone was fully steady. Regular commitments reported at mainly unchanged prices and new negotiations at generally higher prices. Offerings adequate overall. Retailer demand moderate; good where featured. Dealers anticipated moderate weekend carryovers. The market tone was steady to firm on parts.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYERS Preliminary majority prices were unchanged from Monday's final. Whole broiler market tone was mostly steady. Offers were adequate on very limited trade call. Retail and food service movement was slow to moderate. Fast food promotions and retail features created best draw. Floor stocks were adequate to long; weights desirable to heavy. In parts trade, offerings were light with supplies of all parts in close balance to at times short, especially wings, tenderloins and boneless dark meat. The market tone was fully steady to firm on wings and steady to fully steady on all other items.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was moderate to good entering the weekend. Seller offerings were in close balance to well cleared as some plants looked to operate on Saturday and several closed on Monday in observance of the holiday. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mostly desirable. Processor schedules were moderately heavy when combined with operations opened for the weekend. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 69 to 79 cents. Trade sentiment was steady to firm. In the parts complex, wings were short. Other items were in close balance to tight.

*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY IINCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA.

	BRANDED U.S. GRADE A
RANGE	66-84
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)
CUMULATIVE	01/08/07 - 01/12/07 (A)
	01/09/06 - 01/13/06 (A)
NO. OF BOXES	01/08/07 - 01/12/07 (A)
	01/09/06 - 01/13/06 (A)

(A) NOT REPORTED TO AVOID DISCLOSING INDIVIDUAL OPERATIONS

JAN 11

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

JAN 12

ITEM	POUNDS			WTD AVG	POUNDS			WTD AVG	WEEKLY	
	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY		(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY		(000)	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	763	115.00-192.00	-	127.49	652	115.00-192.00	-	130.02	3,469	127.03
TENDERLOINS	215	129.00-207.00	-	146.00	243	131.00-198.00	-	144.20	1,239	135.70
BREAST - LINE RUN	115	75.00-89.00	-	77.61	TOO FEW TO REPORT				426	77.92
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				305	67.74
LEGS	226	42.00-55.00	45-46	46.48	TOO FEW TO REPORT				840	44.96
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	615	31.00-37.00	33-34	33.43	593	31.00-37.00	33-34	33.63	3,207	32.68
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	665	33.00-39.00	35-36	35.77	853	33.00-39.00	35-36	35.43	3,819	35.07
WINGS (WHOLE)	301	98.00-120.00	112-115	114.01	305	100.00-125.00	114-117	115.80	1,408	110.18
WINGS (CUT)	285	126.00-141.00	134-139	136.37	245	127.00-142.00	-	137.90	1,035	134.99
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				333	37.35
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				134	39.84
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				374	93.10

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS

TRADING FOR JAN 11, 2007 -- F.O.B. DOCK.

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RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
49.50 - 53.50	51.35	50.00 - 53.50	51.57	50.15

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.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS - Trucklot buying interest was moderately good to instances good entering the holiday weekend. Offerings of breast items, tenders and most dark meat cuts were in close balance to well cleared. Wings were short. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair to moderate. The market tone was firm for breast items, wings and tenders. The balance of items ranged steady to firm.

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

JAN 11

ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS
TENDERLOINS	130-135	123.13	199,920
BREAST - WITH RIBS	76-77	80.23	93,200
BREAST - LINE RUN	76	78.67	97,200
LEGS	48-49	47.87	175,840
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	33-34	33.20	311,760
DRUMSTICKS	39-40	37.84	124,968
THIGHS	40-41	47.80	69,960
B/S THIGHS	100-101	94.42	89,680
WINGS (WHOLE)	121-122	119.90	264,640
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	11.61	23,800
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	35-40	39.28	11,800
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	50-55	55.34	11,400

ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS	WTD AVG	VOL/LBS
TENDERLOINS	135	129.27	159,215	124.69	1,070,107
BREAST - WITH RIBS	77-78	82.03	101,760	80.18	451,560
BREAST - LINE RUN	77	79.63	93,600	77.27	453,200
LEGS	48-49	50.43	117,160	47.41	1,132,360
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	33-34	33.52	356,083	33.27	1,527,123
DRUMSTICKS	39-40	45.27	59,360	40.67	621,596
THIGHS	40-41	47.67	61,560	47.07	363,860
B/S THIGHS	100-101	94.50	91,160	95.21	605,330
WINGS (WHOLE)	122-123	125.30	144,040	118.17	1,157,360
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	12.52	19,200	11.72	114,490
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	35-40	38.94	8,080	38.85	51,280
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	50-55	55.25	20,800	55.20	118,560

INCLUDES: NY CITY METRO. AREA, NORTHERN NJ, MA, CT, RI, & 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)

	ESTIMATED		ACTUAL		AVG WT		ACTUAL		AVG WTS	
	01/12	01/11	01/10	01/09	01/10	01/09	01/05	01/03	01/05	01/03
Alabama	3,463	3,774	3,398	3,886	5.60	5.41	4,598	5.50	5.50	5.50
Arkansas	4,706	4,899	5,270	5,184	5.19	5.32	5,568	5.26	5.26	5.26
Delmarva	2,369	2,306	2,302	2,292	5.96	5.88	2,785	5.88	5.88	5.88
KY-LA-TN	2,332	2,384	2,112	2,284	4.90	5.20	2,524	5.14	5.14	5.14
Mississippi	2,960	3,013	2,543	2,970	5.44	5.73	3,214	5.86	5.86	5.86
North Carolina	3,112	2,742	2,692	2,705	6.89	6.85	3,735	6.90	6.90	6.90
Texas	2,519	2,516	2,407	2,547	5.44	5.44	2,500	5.27	5.27	5.27
Total	21,461	21,634	20,724	21,868	5.59	5.64	24,924	5.64	5.64	5.64
Mon-Fri	107,755(A)						89,252(A)			
Saturday	866(included in total for date shown)						2,695			

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above. Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 12-Jan-07 and 13-Jan-07 is estimated to be 32,108,000 head down 14.15 percent from a week ago and down -12.42 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 37,401,000, last year 36,662,000) Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the weekending 13-Jan-07 is estimated to be 160,849,000 head up 20.16 percent from a week ago, and down 3.86 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 134,317,000, last year 167,302,000)

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 DLVRD TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

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

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED Under federal inspection,

Week ending 06-Jan-07

	(A) 4.25 lbs & down	(B) 4.26- 6.26 lbs	(C) 6.26- 7.75 lbs	(D) 7.76 lbs & up	Total
(Preliminary)	-----Thousands-----				
Head	35,209	69,455	18,285	11,368	134,317
Avg Live Wgt	3.86	5.41	7.01	8.42	5.48
% of total /1	26%	52%	14%	8%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	33,975	69,256	21,520	9,109	133,860
Avg Live Wgt	3.78	5.41	6.88	8.32	5.43
% of total /1	25%	52%	16%	7%	100%
Year Ago 2/	40,341	71,745	23,180	14,760	150,026
Avg Live Wgt	3.71	5.39	6.87	8.42	5.38
% of total /1	27%	48%	15%	10%	100%

To date/2007	35,209	69,455	18,285	11,368	134,317
To date/2006	40,341	71,745	23,180	14,760	150,026

/1 May not total to 100% due to rounding.

/2 Comparable week.

Weight Class Description:

(A) This size product is normally marketed bone-in into fast food and food service sectors and may include Cornish hens.

(B) This size product is normally marketed into the retail grocery sector in tray pack or bagged forms.

(C) This size product is normally marketed either into the retail grocery sector in tray pack and IQF form or is further processed and marketed into various sectors.

(D) This size product is normally marketed deboned or as roasters or roasting chicken.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION W/E 06-Jan-07

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
(Preliminary)	-----THOUSANDS-----				
Head	134,317	886	1,326	2,212	523
Avg Wt	5.48	3.23	7.95	6.06	6.38
Last week	133,860	1,056	782	1,838	406
Same wk yr ago	150,026	1,275	1,400	2,675	495
Avg Wt	5.38	3.40	7.75	5.68	6.80
To-date/2007	134,317	886	1,326	2,212	523
To-date/2006	150,026	1,275	1,400	2,675	495

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 150.0 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 135.9 million head, or 14.1 million less than estimated available.

ESTIMATED U.S. FRYER SLAUGHTER/FRYER AVAILABILITY COMPARISON

WEEK ENDING	MILLION HEAD SLAUGHTERED	MILLION HEAD AVAILABLE	PCT	AVG WT
December 2	166.4	156.8	106%	5.53
9	165.3	156.6	106%	5.49
16	162.1	156.8	103%	5.31
23	161.5	153.4	105%	5.37
30	135.5	149.2	91%	5.43
January 6	135.9	150.0	91%	5.48
Year to date	135.9	150.0	91%	
January 13		155.4		
20		159.8		

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

W/E	01/13/07	01/06/06	%CHG	01/14/06	%CHG
Broilers	160,849	134,317*	+20.16	167,302*	-3.86
Cattle	594	520	+14	606*	-02
Hogs	2,105	1,842	+14	2,068*	+02

*ACTUAL

EASTERN REGION MISCELLANEOUS POULTRYFOR CURRENT DELIVERY FOR THE WEEK OF 08-JAN-2007
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 MOSTLY	155-159	161-165

MIDWEST MOSTLY	136-146	138-148
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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)	60.00-71.00	69.00-70.00
VACUUM PACKED (6-9 PER BOX)	72.00-86.00	74.00-77.00

SQUABS: NEW YORK AREA WHOLESALE PRICES, FROZEN, PLANT GRADE, DOLLARS PER DOZEN, 1 TO 10 BOXES

12 OZ.	62.64 - 85.05
14 OZ.	69.12 - 96.39
16 OZ.	74.88 - 106.73

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. Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady. Demand was good. Supplies were balanced to at times tight. Schedules were full-time for next week. Prices paid to first receivers for 10-18oz boneless breast at \$4.50-5.25, bone in legs at \$1.45-2.40, gizzards at \$1.20-1.40, wings at \$.65-.70, livers at \$.95-1.70, and feet at \$.65-1.00. DELIVERED IN TRUCKLOT AND POOL TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, 4-5 POUNDS, WEEK OF 08-JAN-2007

ORIGIN	FROZEN	FRESH
MIDWEST AND OTHERS	122-146	130-148

GRAYSTONE SMALL ANIMAL AUCTION - January 09, 2007****AI PAPERS REQUIRED TO SELL ALL OUT OF STATE POULTRY****

Prices paid per pound, except as noted.

	RANGE
Muscovy Ducks - Drakes	.75 - .80
Doves	- 5.50ea.
Red Fowl 4-5 LBS	.40 - .45
Red Fowl 5-6 LBS	.50 - .55
Crossbred Fowl 5-9 LBS	.45 - .50
Crossbred Roosters 4-6 LBS	.70 - .80
Crossbred Roosters 7-11 LBS	.50 - .60
Guinea Fowl	1.40 - 1.50
Banty Roosters	1.00 - 2.00ea.
Banty Hens	.50 - .75ea.
Leghorn Roosters	3.00 - 3.25ea.
Silkies	1.50 - 1.75ea.
Pigeons	3.00 - 4.00ea.
White Pigeons	3.50 - 4.00ea.
Rabbits 4-6 LBS	1.80 - 2.10
Rabbits 6-9 LBS	1.50 - 1.70
Bunnies	1.50 - 4.00ea.
Guinea Pigs	3.00 - 7.00ea.
Goats	- 75.00ea.
Kid Goats	- 45.00ea.
Muscovy Ducks - Hens	- .50
Total Coops Sold	416

NATIONAL CANNER FOWL MARKET Trading for heavy cannery were too few to report; generally unchanged on lights when compared to the previous week. Offerings of both light and heavy cannery were at least sufficient for current needs with most available supplies of heavy cannery being used internally. Demand was fair. Processing schedules were normal. The undertone was steady to at least steady.

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, WITHOUT FREIGHT COST

LIGHT CANNER HENS	HEAVY CANNER HENS
(LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	(WITHOUT NECKS)
18-28 MAJORITY 24-24.5	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)
20-30 MAJORITY 26-27	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 HEN Majority removal prices were slightly higher when compared to a week earlier. Demand ranged light to moderate. Offerings were mostly adequate for current needs. Processing schedules were normal. Trade sentiment was steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	5-12	8-10

SOUTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Trading was TFEWR. Demand was light for fully adequate offerings of spent light hens. Finished sales were slow, schedules were reduced. Salvage costs were expected to remain steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	TOO FEW TO REPORT	

NORTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Majority prices were higher. Demand was light to fairly good while offerings were adequate to easily adequate. Schedules were full-time for next week. Trade sentiment steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	4.5-9	7-9

WEST COAST LIGHT LIVE HEN Plant schedules light. Offerings adequate.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *

PRELIMINARY PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 15-JAN-07

SOUTHEAST LIVE HEAVY-TYPE HENS Sales were too few to report prices. Offerings were noted as fair for the at least adequate to fully adequate offerings of spent hens. Processing schedules for next week were noted as mostly normal. Sales of finished product moderate. The undertone was generally 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	

* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

SOUTH CENTRAL LIVE HEAVY-TYPE HENS Trading was too few to report. Demand was fair for fully adequate offerings of spent heavy hens. Schedules were reduced. Finished sales were slow. Trade sentiment was about steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT	

* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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