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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

Trade sentiment was about steady to fully steady in the West, steady in the Midwest, and at least steady in the East. Retail demand was light to moderate with some improvements reported. Food service was fair to fairly good, best into fast food channels. Supplies of all sizes were usually adequate to satisfy trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was fair to good. Wings were irregular, but available, and the remaining items were no more than adequate to tight and held confidently. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were desirable to heavy, 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 advanced .50 cents to 78.00 cents based on full truck load lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 67.50 cents last year on April 12, 2006.

Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted prices on ice-packed parts for next week's trading.

DOCK PRICE (CENTS PER POUND)

ITEM	DOCK PRICE (CENTS PER POUND)
LINE RUN TENDERS	211.50
BREASTS - B/S	173.00
BREASTS - WHOLE	104.50
THIGH MEAT - B/S	110.50
LEG QUARTERS	43.50
WINGS	137.50

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

SOUTHERN REGION Trade sentiment was mixed, but generally at least steady. Retail demand was light to moderate with limited features. Food service was fair to moderate, best for active fast food promotions. Supplies of all sizes were usually in good balance to satisfy trade needs. In the parts structure, demand was fair to active. Supplies of all items were no more than adequate to short and moving well at or above market levels. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

NORTHEAST REGION Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was fair to moderate during midweek trading. Offerings of all sizes were mixed but noted as in good balance to adequate for current needs. Retail and distributive movement was fair. The market tone was mostly steady. In the parts complex, boneless skinless breasts, tenders and most dark meat cuts were in good balance to tight. Wings were no more than adequate and clearing satisfactorily.

MIDWEST REGION The whole broiler/fryer market tone was steady. Fill-in on mixed, 2 1/2 to 3 up wogs noted into the Ohio area at 83 cents, and at 71 cents on 3 up wogs into the Chicago market. Retail trade activity was mostly light, while food service was light to fairly good, best into fast food. Floor stocks were in close balance to occasionally long; weights desirable to heavy. Parts trade was light on like offerings, although several buyers inquired on out-front trade options. The market tone was steady to firm overall on parts, except wings were about steady to barely steady.

WESTERN REGION The market tone was about steady. Offerings were mixed but overall adequate for immediate needs. Buying activity was light as buyers' watched market developments. Retailer demand was light to moderate with best interest where limited features were in progress. Floor stocks were generally adequate. The market tone was steady to firm on parts with white meat items and leg quarters in the strongest position.

BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET IN 19 SELECTED STATES UP 1 PERCENT

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 218 million eggs in incubators during the week ending April 7, 2007. This was up 1 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 UP 1 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 176 million chicks for meat production during the week ending April 7, 2007. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2006 through April 7, 2007 were 2.43 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 04/07/07	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>PERCENT CHANGE</u> <u>PREVIOUS YEAR</u>
EGGS SET	218,304	215,730	+01
CHICKS PLACED	176,441	173,986	+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 19-May-07 is estimated at 162.2 million head. This compares to 161.7 million head the previous week and to 165.1 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 169.3 million head and the composite weighted average price was 58.81 cents per pound.

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SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

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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 (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	565	163.00-229.00	-	168.19
TENDERLOINS	198	179.00-235.00	-	191.81
BREAST - LINE RUN	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	183	55.00-62.00	57	57.05
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	509	37.00-42.00	40	39.61
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	609	39.00-44.00	42	41.91
WINGS (WHOLE)	218	110.00-135.00	-	120.98
WINGS (CUT)	285	132.00-151.00	-	136.58
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	600	160.00-234.00	-	168.57
TENDERLOINS	163	185.00-241.00	-	196.44
BREAST - LINE RUN	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	190	55.00-64.00	57-58	57.97
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	598	38.00-42.00	40-41	40.33
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	774	39.00-45.00	42-43	42.11
WINGS (WHOLE)	295	110.00-130.00	-	122.88
WINGS (CUT)	309	135.00-151.00	-	138.80
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 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE
65.00 - 70.50	67.75

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
66.50 - 71.00	69.11	68.39

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 ranged moderate to good for midweek trading. Offerings of boneless skinless, tenders and most dark meat cuts were well cleared to tight and held with confidence. Wings were about adequate and clearing satisfactorily. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair to moderate. The market tone was firm on boneless skinless breasts, legs, leg quarters and drumsticks; fully steady for tenders and at least steady for wings.

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

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ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	175-180	169.07	695,625
TENDERLOINS	195	191.22	171,280
BREAST - WITH RIBS	99-100	104.50	107,840
BREAST - LINE RUN	99	101.61	64,800
LEGS	57-58	57.50	199,120
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	42-43	39.77	306,560
DRUMSTICKS	48-49	55.10	133,800
THIGHS	51-52	56.50	70,920
B/S THIGHS	110-111	111.52	71,560
WINGS (WHOLE)	130-131	124.62	203,640
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	10.98	16,880
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	35-40	36.13	11,520
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40-45	45.38	27,520

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ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	180	167.29	659,072
TENDERLOINS	195	194.10	119,640
BREAST - WITH RIBS	99-100	111.11	44,200
BREAST - LINE RUN	99	102.00	63,000
LEGS	58-59	59.23	218,560
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	43-44	40.71	385,640
DRUMSTICKS	49-50	55.38	95,440
THIGHS	51-52	57.71	65,800
B/S THIGHS	110-111	109.77	98,600
WINGS (WHOLE)	130-131	127.28	193,080
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	10.78	25,560
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	35-40	36.89	7,600
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40-45	43.35	25,080

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 WTS
	(1,000)	04/11	(1,000)	04/09	04/06	04/09	04/06	04/04	04/02
Alabama	3,650	4,072	3,856	2,430	5.54	4.96	3,432	5.58	
Arkansas	5,075	5,199	5,022	4,297	5.31	4.95	5,159	5.32	
Delmarva	2,238	2,234	1,306	1,542	6.26	5.55	1,987	5.83	
KY-LA-TN	2,327	2,351	2,114	1,882	5.18	4.81	2,216	5.14	
Mississippi	3,062	3,094	3,058	3,020	5.59	5.44	2,559	5.56	
N Carolina	2,737	2,697	1,733	1,306	6.57	6.25	2,720	6.92	
Texas	2,490	2,468	2,480	2,138	5.36	5.06	2,232	5.35	
Total	21,579	22,115	19,569	16,615	5.57	5.20	20,305	5.63	
Mon-Wed	63,544(A)						63,470(A)		

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 11-Apr-07 is estimated to be 32,285,000 head up 5.96 percent from a week ago and up 0.07 percent from a year ago. (Last week 30,470,000, last year 32,261,000)

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY

DELIVERED TO RETAILERS		RANGE
FRESH FRYERS		92-102
ROASTERS 4# & UP		109-118
HENS UNDER 5#		-
HENS OVER 5#		65-74
DUCKS		-
RABBITS-WHOLE		-
RABBITS-CUT UP		-
SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY		
DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS		
FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK	93-105
	DRY PACK	110-119
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK	98
	DRY PACK	111-118
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK	86-100
	DRY PACK	100-107
DUCKS		185-195

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 14-Apr-07

CLASS	CURRENT WEEK		PREVIOUS WEEK	
	04/14/07 (1)		04/07/07	
	THOUSAND HEAD			
Broiler/fryer	159,223	(2)	155,076	
Light hens	1,220		1,255	
Heavy hens	1,355		1,424	
Total	161,798		157,755	

(1)ESTIMATED (2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 14-Apr-07 is 162.8 million head compared to 156.2 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 159.5 million head or 3.3 million less than estimated available. For the week of 21-Apr-07 the estimated available is 163.9 million head.

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

	PROCESSED TURKEY		PROCESSED POULTRY	
	LBS		LBS	
AM 04/09/07	71,823		46,506	
AM 04/01/07	69,750		47,359	
CHG	2,073		-853	
PCT CHG	3		-2	

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEYS			PROCESSED POULTRY		
	04/09/07	04/02/07	04/10/06	04/09/07	04/02/07	04/10/06
PACIFIC COAST LOS ANGELES	2,112	2,178	718	5,496	5,495	7,420
	91	87	65	1,636	1,652	3,534

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 APRIL 9, 2007

HENS	ICE PACKED (12 PER BOX)	RANGE	
		69-76	70-88
	VACUUM PACKED (6-9 PER BOX)	70-88	

HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES FOR 04/10/07

AI PAPERS REQUIRED TO SELL ALL OUT OF STATE POULTRY

	LOW HIGH AVG			LOW HIGH AVG		
	HEAVY FOWL lb.	-	-	-	HEAVY FOWL ea.	-
LIGHT FOWL lb.	-	-	-	LIGHT FOWL ea.	-	-
MIXED FOWL lb.	-	-	-	MIXED FOWL ea.	-	-
BANTAMS lb.	-	-	-	BANTAMS ea.	2.00	3.25
BROILERS lb.	-	-	-	BROILERS ea.	-	-
ROASTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROASTERS ea.	-	-
FRYERS lb.	-	-	-	FRYERS ea.	-	-
CHICKS lb.	-	-	-	CHICKS ea.	1.00	1.50
PULLETS lb.	-	-	-	PULLETS ea.	-	-
BUNNIES lb.	-	-	-	BUNNIES ea.	-	6.50
ROOSTERS lb.	1.40	1.45	1.42	ROOSTERS ea.	-	-
GEESE lb.	-	-	-	GEESE ea.	-	-
TURKEYS lb.	-	-	-	TURKEYS ea.	-	-
DUCKS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKS ea.	6.50	6.75
RABBITS lb.	1.40	1.80	1.59	RABBITS ea.	-	-
PIGEONS lb.	-	-	-	PIGEONS ea.	3.00	7.00
GUINEA FOWL lb.	-	-	-	GUINEA FOWL ea.	-	-
DUCKLINGS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKLINGS ea.	-	2.00
GUINEA KEETS ea.	-	-	-	CALL DUCKS ea.	-	-
SILKIES ea.	-	-	-	GOSLINGS ea.	-	-
GUINEA PIGS ea.	-	-	-	TURKEY POULTS ea.	-	-
CHUKARS ea.	-	-	-			
TOTAL COOPS	83					

MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS - MEXICO CITY

Cents per pound for the week ending April 6, 2007

	Whole		Legs W/Thighs	Necks, Backs & Wings	Livers/ Gizzards	Hens
	Chickens	Breasts				
RAYON						
Low	65.41	157.32	74.52	16.56	12.42	62.10
High	69.55	161.46	78.66	20.70	16.56	62.10
Mostly	69.55	157.32	74.52	16.56	12.42	62.10
SAN JUAN						
Low	62.93	157.32	70.38	12.42	8.28	62.10
High	69.14	165.60	82.80	16.56	12.42	62.10
Mostly	69.14	157.32	74.52	16.56	8.28	62.10
NEW SAN JUAN						
Low	64.17	157.32	78.66	12.42	12.42	64.17
High	69.55	165.60	86.94	20.70	16.56	64.17
Mostly	69.55	161.46	82.80	16.56	12.42	64.17
BECERRA						
Low	65.41	161.46	78.66	16.56	12.42	66.24
High	71.21	165.60	82.80	20.70	16.56	66.24
Mostly	69.55	161.46	78.66	20.70	16.56	66.24

DELMARVA

Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was light to moderate for midweek business. Offerings were usually sufficient to handle trade needs. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mostly desirable. Processing schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 76 to 84 cents. Trade sentiment was at least steady. In the parts complex, boneless/skinless breasts and tenders were in good balance to short. Wings continued to clear satisfactorily and dark meat items were in a fairly good balance to tight.

*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	73-87
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations.



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