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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Trade sentiment was generally steady on whole product with majority prices unchanged in the major terminal markets. Retail demand was light to moderate, food service movement was about moderate. Supplies of all sizes were adequate to fully adequate for current trade needs. Trucks were not as available late this week as last week. In the parts structure, weekend demand was moderate to occasionally fairly good. Bone-in breast were in the best position. Other parts were fully sufficient, but currently moving at most locations. In production areas, live supplies were moderate to heavy with some weekend slaughter planned. Weights were desirable to heavy, but mostly desirable.

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 16-APR-2007 (cents per lb)

US GRADE A

(Including branded product)

AREAS	MAJORITY	RANGE	WTD AVG	LOADS
Delivered to First Receivers				
Chicago	73.00-76.00	69.50-82.00	74.61	31
New York	73.00-76.00			
Los Angeles	85.00			
Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent				
Mississippi	78.00-79.50	75.00-87.00	78.39	93

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 78.00 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

PRELIMINARY FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT

LOADS	RANGE	FRIDAY PRELIM. WTD. AVG.
906	75.00-84.00	77.24
Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed preliminary weighted average price on ice-packed parts:	WTD. AVG.	VOLUME
LINE RUN TENDERS	209.00	1,107
BREASTS - B/S	174.00	4,932
BREASTS - WHOLE	104.50	1,109
THIGH MEAT - B/S	109.50	1,013
LEG QUARTERS	43.50	7,627
WINGS	136.50	2,402

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

SOUTHERN BROILER/FRYER Trade sentiment was generally steady in the major terminal markets. Demand into all channels was light to moderate. Offerings were sufficient for most trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was fair to moderate. B/S breast were at least sufficient for current needs, bone-in breast and wings were clearing satisfactorily and dark meat items were irregular. In production areas, live supplies were moderate to heavy at mostly desirable weights.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYERS Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers ranged light to moderate entering the weekend. Offerings of all sizes were at least sufficient for current needs. Retail and distributive movement was fair. Fast food interest was fair to moderate. The market tone was generally steady. In the parts complex, bone-in breasts, tenders and most dark meat cuts were in good balance to tight. Wings were no more than adequate.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Preliminary majority prices were unchanged. Trading reported on regular commitments at generally unchanged prices; however, new commitments were at mixed levels ranging from instances lower to occasionally higher prices. Offerings were easily adequate to ample for immediate needs. Buyers reported discounts common, in hopes of stimulating interest in excess product. Retailer demand was fair to moderate at best. Dealers anticipated moderate weekend carryovers. Trade sentiments, in regards to parts, were barely steady to weak on boneless breasts, fully steady to firm on breasts with ribs-attached, and steady to fully steady on dark meat items.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYERS Preliminary majority prices for next week's deliveries into the Chicago market were unchanged. Whole broiler/fryer market tone was steady. Offerings were moderate to ample for the light trade call. Retail and food service demand generally noted as light, instances moderate and best into catering. Floor stocks were in close balance to ample; weights desirable. Parts offerings were light with supplies of dark meat items and tenderloins in close balance; breast cuts varied from short to moderate; and wings were available. The market tone was fully steady to firm on dark meat items and breast cuts; wings were about steady.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds ranged light to moderate entering the weekend. Seller offerings were usually sufficient for current trade needs. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mixed, but noted as mostly desirable. Processor schedules were moderately heavy with some plants operating on Saturday. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 76 to 84 cents. Trade sentiment was steady. In the parts complex, wings continued to clear satisfactorily. The balance of items were no more than adequate 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	70-87
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)
CUMULATIVE	(A)
	04/09/07 - 04/13/07
	04/10/06 - 04/14/06
NO. OF BOXES	(A)
	04/09/07 - 04/13/07
	04/10/06 - 04/14/06
	(A)

(A) NOT REPORTED TO AVOID DISCLOSING INDIVIDUAL OPERATIONS.

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SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

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ITEM	POUNDS				WTD AVG	POUNDS				WEEKLY	
	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	AVG		(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	(000)	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	605	164.00-240.00	-	174.02	605	162.00-235.00	-	172.93	2,930	170.44	
TENDERLOINS	173	188.00-249.00	-	207.45	TOO FEW TO REPORT				842	197.94	
BREAST - LINE RUN	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				315	103.79	
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				288	97.38	
LEGS	173	55.00-62.00	58	57.40	136	56.00-63.00	57-58	57.81	858	57.32	
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	559	39.00-43.00	40-41	40.64	534	38.00-44.00	40-41	40.76	2,635	40.21	
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	734	40.00-46.00	42-43	42.31	934	39.00-46.00	43-45	44.17	3,378	42.61	
WINGS (WHOLE)	TOO FEW TO REPORT				265	112.00-135.00	-	123.15	1,314	122.74	
WINGS (CUT)	TOO FEW TO REPORT				270	132.00-151.00	-	139.26	1,189	138.12	
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				293	42.75	
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				101	45.13	
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				408	107.52	

 WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS
 TRADING FOR APR 12, 2007 -- F.O.B. DOCK.

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RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
68.00 - 71.50	69.57	68.00 - 71.50	69.63	68.88

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 increased slightly under normal weekend demand and still noted as moderate to fairly good. Offerings of bone-in breasts, tenders and most dark meat cuts were no more than adequate to instances tight. Boneless skinless breasts were generally sufficient for current needs. Wings were clearing satisfactorily. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair to moderate. The market tone was fully steady to firm for bone-in breasts and most dark meat cuts. Wings were at least steady.

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			WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS	CURRENT NEG			WTD AVG	VOL/LBS
	TRADING*	AVG**	AVG**			TRADING*	AVG**	AVG**		
BREAST - B/S	180	169.49	169.49	737,795	180	171.67	171.67	724,678	168.40	3,481,496
TENDERLOINS	195-200	194.69	194.69	86,120	195-200	196.38	196.38	189,280	193.35	691,160
BREAST - WITH RIBS	99-100	106.47	106.47	91,120	100-101	112.65	112.65	52,200	107.50	320,280
BREAST - LINE RUN	99	101.24	101.24	73,800	100	102.07	102.07	77,400	101.70	348,480
LEGS	58-59	59.32	59.32	222,480	58-59	59.97	59.97	216,880	58.64	1,046,040
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	44-45	39.73	39.73	308,160	44-45	39.70	39.70	487,400	39.85	1,778,960
DRUMSTICKS	50-51	56.59	56.59	74,840	51-52	56.58	56.58	102,080	54.66	501,320
THIGHS	51-52	60.19	60.19	70,600	52-53	58.62	58.62	99,960	57.74	335,920
B/S THIGHS	110-111	111.67	111.67	58,560	110-111	110.40	110.40	97,640	111.02	429,120
WINGS (WHOLE)	130-131	126.46	126.46	208,900	130-131	128.28	128.28	171,480	125.91	914,900
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	10.87	10.87	20,400	10-12	11.08	11.08	13,200	10.85	94,320
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	35-40	37.08	37.08	5,960	35-40	36.95	36.95	9,440	36.57	39,480
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40-45	44.38	44.38	21,440	40-45	45.02	45.02	26,720	44.11	118,240

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	
	04/13	04/12	04/11	04/10	04/11	04/10	04/06	04/04	04/06	04/04
Alabama	4,077	3,999	3,545	3,984	5.63	5.64	2,430	5.70	5.70	5.70
Arkansas	4,848	4,856	4,932	5,198	5.33	5.32	4,297	5.15	5.15	5.15
Delmarva	2,492	2,236	2,238	2,254	5.97	5.97	1,542	5.80	5.80	5.80
KY-LA-TN	1,914	2,323	2,273	2,342	5.07	5.18	1,882	4.96	4.96	4.96
Mississippi	3,256	3,075	2,930	3,081	5.62	5.53	3,020	5.39	5.39	5.39
North Carolina	2,920	2,759	2,647	2,615	7.00	7.04	1,306	6.75	6.75	6.75
Texas	2,452	2,500	2,476	2,505	5.33	5.42	2,138	5.20	5.20	5.20
Total	21,959	21,748	21,041	21,979	5.67	5.67	16,615	5.54	5.54	5.54
Mon-Fri	107,251(A)				101,870(A)					
Saturday	1,319 (included in total for date shown)				198					

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above. Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 13-Apr-07 and 14-Apr-07 is estimated to be 32,853,000 head up 31.77 percent from a week ago and up 9.59 percent from a year ago. (Last week 24,932,000, last year 29,979,000)

Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the weekending 14-Apr-07 is estimated to be 159,409,000 head up 3.49 percent from a week ago, and up 3.30 percent from a year ago. (Last week 154,029,000, last year 154,312,000)

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY, DLVRD 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 DLVRD TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS		
		RANGE
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

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED Under federal inspection,
W/E 07-Apr-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	40,932	74,891	25,534	12,672	154,029
Avg Live Wgt	3.85	5.36	6.79	8.15	5.43
% of total /1	27%	48%	17%	8%	100%
<i>Comparisons</i>					
Last week	42,711	80,444	25,807	9,994	158,956
Avg Live Wgt	3.81	5.36	6.93	8.18	5.38
% of total /1	27%	51%	16%	6%	100%
Year Ago 2/	53,212	75,397	20,671	13,315	162,595
Avg Live Wgt	3.86	5.43	6.99	8.18	5.34
% of total /1	33%	46%	13%	8%	100%

To date/2007 594,493 1,138,356 290,106 164,133 2,187,088
 To date/2006 655,739 1,077,874 319,794 197,761 2,251,168

/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 07-Apr-07	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
(Preliminary)	-----THOUSANDS-----				
Head	154,029	1,117	1,422	2,539	551
Avg Wt	5.43	3.16	7.83	5.78	6.41
Last week	158,956	1,214	1,412	2,626	510
Same wk yr ago	162,595	1,185	1,552	2,737	574
Avg Wt	5.34	3.30	8.14	6.04	6.78
To-date/2007	2,187,088	15,671	18,915	34,586	7,317
To-date/2006	2,251,168	16,948	20,204	37,152	7,123

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier 162.0 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 155.9 million head, or 6.1 million less than estimated available.

ESTIMATED U.S. FRYER SLAUGHTER/FRYER AVAILABILITY COMPARISON

WEEK ENDING	MILLION HEAD SLAUGHTERED	MILLION HEAD AVAILABLE	PCT	AVG WT
March	3 162.0	161.8	100%	5.37
	10 163.3	162.0	101%	5.43
	17 160.0	161.6	99%	5.39
	24 160.4	161.3	99%	5.45
	31 160.9	161.1	100%	5.38
April	7 155.9	162.0	96%	5.43
Year to date	2213.7	2243.3	99%	
April	14 162.8			
	21 163.9			

BROILER/CATTLE/HOG WEEKLY ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER

<u>Under Federal Inspection</u>					
-----THOUSANDS-----					
W/E	04/14/07	04/07/07	%CHG	04/15/06	%CHG
Broilers	159,409	154,029*	+3.49	154,312*	+3.30
Cattle	615	606	-01	611*	+01
Hogs	1,971	2,052	-04	1,936*	+02

*ACTUAL

EASTERN REGION MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY

FOR CURRENT DELIVERY FOR THE WEEK OF 09-Apr-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)	70.00-82.00	78.00-82.00
VACUUM PACKED (6-9 PER BOX)	72.00-86.00	74.00-84.00

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 unchanged. Trade sentiment steady. Demand was moderate to fairly good. Supplies were balanced to adequate. Schedules full-time. 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 \$.60-.70, livers at \$.95-1.70, and feet at \$.55-.90.

DELIVERED IN TRUCKLOT AND POOL TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, 4-5 POUNDS, WEEK OF 09-Apr-2007

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

GRAYSTONE SMALL ANIMAL AUCTION - April 10, 2007

AI PAPERS REQUIRED TO SELL ALL OUT OF STATE POULTRY

Prices paid per pound, except as noted.

	RANGE
Muscovy Ducks - Drakes	.85 - .90
Pullets 4-6 LBS	- 1.50ea.
Pekin Ducks	4.00 - 5.00ea.
Red Fowl 4-5 LBS	1.00 - 1.25
Red Fowl 5-6 LBS	1.50 - 1.75
Crossbred Fowl 5-9 LBS	1.50 - 1.75
Crossbred Roosters 4-6 LBS	1.00 - 1.50
Guinea Fowl	7.00 - 10.00
Banty Roosters	3.00 - 4.00ea.
Banty Hens	2.00 - 2.50ea.
Silkies	3.00 - 3.25ea.
Geese 9-14 LBS	.30 - .40
Pigeons	3.75 - 4.50ea.
White Pigeons	4.00 - 4.10ea.
Rabbits 4-6 LBS	1.85 - 2.07
Rabbits	1.30 - 1.50
Bunnies	2.00 - 7.00ea.
Guinea Pigs	2.00 - 5.00ea.
Goats	35.00 - 45.00ea.
Kid Goats	15.00 - 40.00ea.
Doves	6.00 - 10.00ea.
Chukars	- 4.00ea.
Muscovy Ducks - Hens	.90 - 1.10
Total Coops Sold	326

NATIONAL CANNER FOWL MARKET Trading for heavy cannery were too few to report; unchanged on lights when compared to the previous week. Offerings of both light and heavy cannery were adequate for current needs with most available supplies of heavy cannery being used internally. Demand was mostly moderate. Processing schedules were noted as normal to less than normal. The undertone was steady to fully steady.

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, WITHOUT FREIGHT COST

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
23-31 MAJORITY 26-28	TOO FEW SALES TO REPORT

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, FREIGHT COST INCLUDED

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
24-33.5 MAJORITY 29-31	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 HENS Prices were generally unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was fair to moderate for the adequate to fully adequate offerings of light type hens. Processing schedules were normal to less than normal. Trade sentiment was steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	4-12	7-9

SOUTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HENS Trading was TFEWR. Demand was light for fully adequate offerings of spent hens. Schedules were normal. Finished sales were fair. Disposal costs were expected to remain steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	TOO FEW TO REPORT	

NORTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HENS Removal costs ranged unchanged to lower with majority prices unchanged. Demand was light to fairly good with offerings fully adequate for current full-time schedules. Trade sentiment steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	0-9	5-6

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *

PRELIMINARY PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 16-APR-07

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Trading was light with negotiations too few to report. Demand was moderate for adequate offerings of spent heavy hens. Schedules were reduced. Finished sales were fair. Trade sentiment was about steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT	

* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN Sales were too few to report prices. Demand was moderate to at least moderate for the mostly adequate to about offerings of spent hens. Processing schedules for next week were noted as normal. Sales of finished product was mostly moderate. The undertone was at least 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	

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