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Majority prices were irregular, ranging higher in the West, lower in the East, and unchanged to lower in the Midwest when compared to previous week. Trade sentiment was firm in the West, steady elsewhere. Retail and food service demand was slow to moderate, often fairly good for some caterers and fast food outlets. Supplies of all sizes were usually more than sufficient to handle trade needs. In the parts structure, demand was fair to moderate. Breast items were sufficient with boneless skinless and tenders in the longest balance, and bone-in clearing best. Wings and dark meat items were mixed, but available. 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 26-MAR-2007 (cents per lb)

AREAS	US GRADE A		COMPOSITE		
	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS	WTD AVG	
Boston/New England	TFEWR		:	72.09	22
Chicago	73.00-76.00	74.15	36 :	74.84	66
Ohio Cities	TFEWR		:	75.10	16
Denver	85.50	85.13	14 :	84.42	16
Detroit	76.00-77.00	78.38	8 :	77.73	53
Los Angeles	86.00	84.74	65 :	81.88	154
New York	72.00-75.00	74.14	21 :	76.79	49
Philadelphia	71.50-73.00	72.36	11 :	73.78	20
Pittsburgh	71.00-74.00	72.91	11 :	78.08	56
St. Louis	74.00-74.25	73.79	20 :	74.16	32
San Francisco	86.50	86.14	28 :	89.02	52

Composite Weighted Average

Loads	04/23/07	Change Last Wk	04/16/07	04/24/06
536	78.37	-16	78.53	58.77

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	79.00-80.00	79.62	31
Central	70.00-79.00	76.32	70
Western	79.00-83.00	81.52	41
Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent			
Mississippi	78.00-79.50	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 78.50 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
1,087	72.00-83.00	77.37

The Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed final weighted average prices on ice packed parts:

	WTD AVG	VOLUME
LINE RUN TENDERS	215.50	1,400
BREASTS - B/S	179.50	5,748
BREASTS - WHOLE	108.50	1,432
THIGH MEAT - B/S	110.00	1,156
LEG QUARTERS	44.50	9,118
WINGS	138.50	2,694

GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE'S POULTRY MARKET NEWS SERVICE.

NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYER Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was light to fair entering the week. Offerings of all sizes were fully sufficient for current needs. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair. The market tone was generally steady. In the parts complex, bone-in breasts were in good balance; other items were mostly adequate and clearing satisfactorily.

SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trade sentiment was generally steady. Retail and food service demand following the weekend was light to instances moderate, best for fast food promotions. Supplies of all sizes were usually more than sufficient to satisfy trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was light to moderate. Wings were readily available, breasts were adequate to closer balanced, and dark meat was sufficient to well cleared. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Final majority prices were 1 cent higher than last weeks' level. Reported trading on regular commitments at higher prices with new commitments unchanged to higher. Offerings were fully adequate to cover immediate needs. Retailer demand improved where features planned, elsewhere only fair. Dealers anticipated satisfactory to instances heavier than desired weekend clearances. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average was up .31 to 80.61, with the volume reported at 31 loads up 3 percent.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER No changes reported on final majorities in the Chicago and Detroit markets; St. Louis slightly lower; and Ohio cities TFEWR. The market tone on whole broiler/fryers was steady. Moderate offerings noted on a light trade call. Retail and food service demand was slow to moderate for the most part; occasionally fairly good into catering and some fast food. Floor stocks adequate to long; weights desirable to heavy. Parts trade was best on wings and tenderloins; generally a light inquiry on other parts. The market tone was mostly steady on all part items, at times firm on dark meat.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was light to moderate following the weekend. Offerings were adequate to ample for full trade needs. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mostly desirable. Processing schedules ranged moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 73 to 86 cents. Trade sentiment was generally steady. In the parts complex, bone-in breasts were balanced to moving satisfactorily and wings were available. Boneless skinless breasts and tenders were fully sufficient and the remainder of items were sufficient.

*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	72-87
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Trucklot buying interest was noted as fair to moderate as dealers assess market conditions following the weekend. Supplies of bone-in breasts were in good balance and clearing satisfactorily; boneless skinless breasts and tenders were fully sufficient for current needs. Wings and most dark meat cuts were adequate to about adequate. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair. The market tone was fully steady for bone-in breasts; mostly steady to at least steady on the balance of items.

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	180	171.93	677,368	
TENDERLOINS	195-200	196.11	121,200	
BREAST - WITH RIBS	104-105	112.88	40,640	
BREAST - LINE RUN	104	106.80	73,800	
LEGS	58-59	59.72	168,920	
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	44-45	42.12	309,560	
DRUMSTICKS	51-52	53.40	32,400	
THIGHS	52-53	58.15	22,360	
B/S THIGHS	110-111	111.60	71,440	
WINGS (WHOLE)	130-131	126.71	190,200	
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	11.17	19,600	
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	35-40	36.71	3,040	
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40-45	44.91	21,000	

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	WT. AVG
BREAST - B/S	1,657	158.00-223.00	165-167	169.26
TENDERLOINS	324	182.00-271.00	-	206.38
BREAST - WITH RIBS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QRTRS (BULK)	1,330	39.00-49.00	42	42.32
LEG QRTRS (4/10)	1,663	40.00-52.00	44-45	44.33
WINGS (WHOLE)	687	133.00-135.00	-	133.60
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
THIGHS	1,529	46.00-55.00	46-47	46.64

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	ACTUAL	AVG WTS
	04/23	04/19	04/19	04/16	04/12
Alabama	3,951	3,964	5.50	3,879	5.53
Arkansas	5,096	5,154	5.20	5,096	5.14
Delmarva	2,203	2,160	5.72	2,195	5.85
KY-LA-TN	2,343	2,347	5.11	2,315	5.15
Mississippi	2,805	3,070	5.44	3,058	5.40
North Carolina	2,723	2,645	6.91	2,674	6.88
Texas	2,444	2,436	5.18	2,490	5.24
Total	21,565	21,776	5.54	21,707	5.55
Mon	21,565(A)			21,707(A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 23-Apr 2007 is estimated to be 32,264,000 down 0.95 percent from a week ago and up 2.4 percent from a year ago.

(last week 32,574,000 last year 31,520,000)

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	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	605	162.00-225.00	-	168.83
TENDERLOINS	175	185.00-244.00	-	199.11
BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS	183	55.00-62.00	59	58.80
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	534	40.00-44.00	41-42	41.57
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	749	41.00-46.00	44-45	44.52
WINGS (WHOLE)	295	109.00-135.00	122-126	124.46
WINGS (CUT)	265	129.00-151.00	135-136	135.72
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 APRIL 23, 2007 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
68.50 - 72.00	70.14	69.60

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 23-APR-TO 27-APR-2007

	Price (Cents) Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	158.50 - 180.00	167.00 - 172.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	91.00 - 125.00	102.00 - 112.00
LEGS	57.00 - 64.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	38.00 - 49.00	44.00 - 46.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	44.00 - 49.00	46.00 - 49.00
DRUMSTICKS	46.00 - 57.00	-
THIGHS	50.00 - 59.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	116.00 - 142.00	134.00 - 138.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	12.00 - 23.00	-
LIVERS	32.00 - 47.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40.00 - 55.00	-

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

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	91-109
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	94.5-111.5
FROZEN HENS 5# & UP	
FROZEN DUCKS	
FROZEN SQUABS	

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

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

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK 105-110
	DRY PACK 110-124
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK 98
	DRY PACK 111-118
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK 86-100
	DRY PACK 100-107
DUCKS	185-195

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.

APRIL 20, 2007				
CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED				
(Cents per Pound)				
FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS RANGE	17.00	16.00-17.00	660,600	258,800
WTD AVERAGE	17.00	16.40		
15-20% RANGE	15.50-21.00	11.00-16.00	2,092,000	1,252,000
WTD AVERAGE	17.52	13.71		
20% OR MORE RANGE	-	14.00	40,000	-
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.

APRIL 20, 2007				
CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED				
(Cents per Pound)				
FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS RANGE	-	16.00	40,800	-
WTD AVERAGE		16.00		
15-20% RANGE	16.00-20.00	11.00-15.25	2,236,400	530,400
WTD AVERAGE	18.34	12.04		
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. Demand was at least moderate for the adequate to about adequate offerings of spent hens. Processing schedules were noted as normal. Sales of finished product was moderate. The undertone was at least steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *
FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 23-APR-07

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	6-12		8.80
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 Prices were higher compared to the past week. Demand was moderate for adequate supplies of spent fowl. Schedules were reduced. Finished sales had slowed. Trade sentiment was about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *
PRELIMINARY PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 23-APR-07

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	6-11.25		8.37
8.01			

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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