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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

Trade sentiment was irregular, ranging steady to fully steady in the West, steady to firm in the East, but steady to instances barely steady in the Midwest. Retail and food service demand was slow to moderate, best for fast food and active retail ads; however, first of the month activity had mixed results. Supplies of all sizes were mixed ranging adequate to ample, but shortages were reported in some areas. Floor stocks were adequate to long. In the parts structure, demand was fair to moderate for mid-week trading. Breast items were adequate to well cleared, but tenders and boneless skinless were at least sufficient. Wings were available and clearing, and dark meat was in balance to closely cleared. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES The Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for next week's trading advanced .25 cents to 79.00 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 May 03, 2006.

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

ITEM	DOCK PRICE (CENTS PER POUND)
LINE RUN TENDERS	217.00
BREASTS - B/S	184.00
BREASTS - WHOLE	111.00
THIGH MEAT - B/S	111.50
LEG QUARTERS	44.50
WINGS	139.50

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

SOUTHERN REGION Trade sentiment was generally steady. Demand into all channels was light to moderate, best for fast food, retail ads, and where first of the month business was active. Supplies of all sizes were usually sufficient to satisfy trade needs. In the parts structure, demand was light to moderate for mid-week trading. Wings were readily available and tenders were at least adequate. The remaining items were in balance to well cleared and moving satisfactorily. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mixed, but mostly desirable weights.

NORTHEAST REGION Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was mostly moderate to instances fairly good for mid-week trading. Offerings were in good balance to well cleared. Retail and distributive movement was fair to moderate. The market tone was fully steady to firm. In the parts complex, bone-in breasts were well cleared and held with confidence; boneless skinless breasts were at least sufficient for current needs. Wings and most dark meat cuts were adequate and clearing satisfactorily. Tenders were available.

MIDWEST REGION Whole broiler/fryers market tone was steady for the most part, occasionally barely steady. Offerings were fully adequate on light trade inquiry; fill-in noted on 3 up wogs at 65 and 67 cents. Retail and food service movement was slow to moderate and noted as sluggish going into first of month. Overall trade was best into fast food promotions and catering. Floor stocks were adequate to long; weights desirable. Parts trade was cautious and hand to mouth. Offerings of boneless/skinless breast and tenderloins were moderate to heavy; wings and split breast limited; leg cuts light to moderate. The market tone was steady to fully steady on bone-in dark cuts; steady to barely steady on boneless/skinless breasts and tenderloins and steady on the balance of parts.

WESTERN REGION Market tone was generally steady to fully steady. Offerings were adequate on lightweight product and ample on heavy weights, for immediate needs. Retailer demand was fair to fairly good where featured. Floor stocks were adequate. The market tone on parts was fully steady to firm on white meat items and generally steady on dark meat.

BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET IN 19 SELECTED STATES UP 4 PERCENT

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 218 million eggs in incubators during the week ending April 28, 2007. This was up 4 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 84 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED UP 2 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 181 million chicks for meat production during the week ending April 28, 2007. Placements were up 2 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2006 through April 28, 2007 were 2.96 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 04/28/07	2007	2006	PERCENT CHANGE PREVIOUS YEAR
EGGS SET	218,318		210,570	+04
CHICKS PLACED	180,769		177,833	+02

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 09-Jun-07 is estimated at 165.0 million head. This compares to 163.2 million head the previous week and to 165.4 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 168.3 million head and the composite weighted average price was 64.81 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			WTD	ITEM	POUNDS			WTD
	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	AVG		(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	AVG
BREAST - B/S	575	160.00-225.00	-	170.17	BREAST - B/S	650	153.00-229.00	-	169.72
TENDERLOINS	338	189.00-235.00	-	198.50	TENDERLOINS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT			BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT			FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS	181	56.00-63.00	58-59	58.24	LEGS	181	55.00-63.00	58-59	58.46
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	624	39.00-44.00	41-43	41.81	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	639	40.00-44.00	41-43	41.81
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	974	41.00-48.00	45-46	45.13	LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	794	41.00-47.00	45-46	45.12
WINGS (WHOLE)	295	112.00-135.00	120-125	123.80	WINGS (WHOLE)	320	110.00-135.00	-	123.36
WINGS (CUT)	290	135.00-151.00	-	141.00	WINGS (CUT)	235	132.00-151.00	-	137.55
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
B/S 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 — F.O.B. DOCK.									
	RANGE		TODAY'S AVERAGE			RANGE		TODAY'S AVERAGE	
	68.00 - 72.50		70.64			67.50 - 72.00		69.52	
									5-DAY AVERAGE
									69.58

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 fair to mostly moderate for midweek trading. Supplies of bone-in breasts were well cleared and where available held with confidence; boneless skinless breasts were at least sufficient for current needs. Wings and most dark meat cuts were adequate and clearing satisfactorily. Tenders were at least adequate to available. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair. The market tone was fully steady to firm for bone-in breast; barely steady to weak for tenders. The balance of items was generally 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 TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS
TENDERLOINS	195-200	194.31	152,800
BREAST - WITH RIBS	104-105	114.60	80,760
BREAST - LINE RUN	104	107.33	81,000
LEGS	59-60	61.49	94,400
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	44-45	44.89	295,360
DRUMSTICKS	52-53	60.12	85,520
THIGHS	52-53	57.84	101,480
B/S THIGHS	110-111	112.22	75,840
WINGS (WHOLE)	130-131	123.93	158,800
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	10.96	14,800
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	35-40	37.36	11,280
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40-45	41.25	37,280

MAY 02, 2007

ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS
TENDERLOINS	195	194.83	117,280
BREAST - WITH RIBS	105-106	110.79	70,520
BREAST - LINE RUN	105	108.02	77,400
LEGS	59-60	61.81	138,440
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	44-45	45.41	260,200
DRUMSTICKS	52-53	59.90	50,280
THIGHS	52-53	57.33	56,480
B/S THIGHS	110-111	110.88	32,340
WINGS (WHOLE)	130-131	129.00	158,000
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	10.83	24,680
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	35-40	39.47	1,880
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40-45	41.78	11,960

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)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)		
	05/02	05/01	04/30	04/26	04/30	04/26		
Alabama	3,617	3,972	3,972	3,449	5.65	5.30	3,955	5.58
Arkansas	5,320	5,269	5,168	5,172	5.40	5.06	4,683	5.34
Delmarva	2,219	2,198	2,206	2,589	5.82	5.79	2,221	5.84
KY-LA-TN	2,328	2,330	2,298	2,419	5.26	4.85	2,312	5.25
Mississippi	3,038	3,063	3,073	3,426	5.56	5.44	2,832	5.63
N Carolina	2,781	2,607	2,539	3,154	6.85	6.86	2,697	7.06
Texas	2,448	2,446	2,325	2,651	5.34	5.29	2,162	5.32
Total	21,751	21,885	21,581	22,860	5.66	5.49	20,862	5.67
Mon-Wed	65,481 (A)						63,624 (A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 02-May-07 is estimated to be 32,542,000 head up 3.95 percent from a week ago and up 0.20 percent from a year ago. (Last week 31,306,000, last year 32,476,000)

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

	ICE PACK	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS		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

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 05-May-07

CLASS	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	05/05/07 (1)	04/28/07
	THOUSAND HEAD	
Broiler/fryer	164,960 (2)	162,674
Light hens	1,340	1,293
Heavy hens	1,327	1,393
Total	167,627	165,360

(1)ESTIMATED (2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 05-May-07 is 164.6 million head compared to 156.0 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 165.3 million head or 0.7 million less than estimated available. For the week of 12-May-07 the estimated available is 165.3 million head.

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

	PROCESSED TURKEY	PROCESSED POULTRY
	LBS	LBS
AM 04/30/07	70,293	51,826
AM 04/01/07	69,750	47,359
CHG	543	4,467
PCT CHG	1	9

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEYS			PROCESSED POULTRY		
	04/30/07	04/23/07	05/01/06	04/30/07	04/23/07	05/01/06
PACIFIC COAST LOS ANGELES	2,286	2,254	375	5,558	5,108	7,184
	86	88	57	1,503	1,510	3,059

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 30, 2007

HENS	ICE PACKED (12 PER BOX)	RANGE
		69-76
	VACUUM PACKED (6-9 PER BOX)	70-80

HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES FOR 05/01/07

AI PAPERS REQUIRED TO SELL ALL OUT OF STATE POULTRY

	LOW HIGH AVG				LOW HIGH AVG		
HEAVY FOWL lb.	.80	.90	.83	HEAVY FOWL ea.	-	-	-
LIGHT FOWL lb.	-	-	-	LIGHT FOWL ea.	-	-	-
MIXED FOWL lb.	-	-	-	MIXED FOWL ea.	-	2.25	-
BANTAMS lb.	-	-	-	BANTAMS ea.	3.00	6.00	-
BROILERS lb.	-	-	-	BROILERS ea.	-	-	-
ROASTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROASTERS ea.	-	.85	-
FRYERS lb.	-	-	-	FRYERS ea.	-	-	-
CHICKS lb.	-	-	-	CHICKS ea.	1.20	1.90	-
PULLETS lb.	-	1.00	-	PULLETS ea.	-	-	-
BUNNIES lb.	-	-	-	BUNNIES ea.	-	-	-
ROOSTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROOSTERS ea.	-	-	-
GEESE lb.	-	-	-	GEESE ea.	-	-	-
TURKEYS lb.	-	-	-	TURKEYS ea.	-	-	-
DUCKS lb.	-	1.30	-	DUCKS ea.	-	-	-
RABBITS lb.	-	1.70	-	RABBITS ea.	-	-	-
PIGEONS lb.	-	-	-	PIGEONS ea.	6.00	9.50	-
GUINEA FOWL lb.	-	11.00	-	GUINEA FOWL ea.	-	-	-
DUCKLINGS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKLINGS ea.	-	2.00	-
GUINEA KEETS ea.	-	-	-	CALL DUCKS ea.	-	-	-
SILKIES ea.	3.25	8.50	-	GOSLINGS ea.	-	-	-
GUINEA PIGS ea.	-	-	-	TURKEY POULTS ea.	-	-	-
CHUKARS ea.	-	-	-				
TOTAL COOPS	95						

MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS - MEXICO CITY

Cents per pound for the week ending April 27, 2007

	Whole	Legs	Necks,Backs	Livers	Hens
	Chickens	Breasts	W/Thighs	& Wings	
RAYON					
Low	72.77	158.01	74.85	16.63	12.47
High	81.09	170.49	91.48	24.95	16.63
Mostly	81.09	166.33	87.32	20.79	12.47
SAN JUAN					
Low	73.60	162.17	70.69	16.63	8.32
High	81.09	170.49	91.48	20.79	12.47
Mostly	81.09	166.33	83.16	16.63	12.47
NEW SAN JUAN					
Low	73.18	166.33	74.85	16.63	16.63
High	81.92	174.65	95.64	24.95	20.79
Mostly	81.09	170.49	87.32	20.79	16.63
BECERRA					
Low	79.01	166.33	79.01	20.79	14.55
High	84.41	178.80	99.80	24.95	20.79
Mostly	79.01	174.65	91.48	20.79	16.63

DELMARVA

Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was light to moderate for midweek business. Seller offerings were sufficient to at times short for present trade needs. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mixed, but noted as mostly desirable. Processor schedules were mostly 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, boneless/skinless breasts and tenders were at least adequate to available. Wings were clearing satisfactorily and dark meat items were in good balance to well cleared.

*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.



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