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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE



Trade sentiment was steady in the West and East, but barely steady to weak in the Midwest. Retail and food service demand was light to moderate, best for active retail ads and fast food. Supplies of all sizes were sufficient to at least adequate for trade needs. Floor stocks were balanced to long. In the parts structure, movement was fair to moderate for mid-week trading. Breast items were more available than before, ranging adequate to well cleared. Dark meat was adequate to fully sufficient, and wings were mixed with larger cuts in the better balance. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at weights in a full range.

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES The Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for next week's trading remains unchanged at 81.75 cents based on full truck load lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 71.00 cents last year on September 6, 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	197.50
BREASTS - B/S	184.50
BREASTS - WHOLE	108.00
THIGH MEAT - B/S	113.50
LEG QUARTERS	49.50
WINGS	128.50

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

SOUTHERN REGION Trade sentiment was mostly steady. Demand into all channels was no better than moderate with light trading. Supplies of all sizes were usually sufficient to satisfy trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was mostly fair for midweek trading. Breast items were adequate to well cleared, dark meat was available, and wings were mostly adequate. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were desirable to light, but mostly desirable.

NORTHEAST REGION Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was fair to moderate. Offerings of all sizes were generally sufficient for current needs. Retail and distributive movement was fair. The market tone was steady. In the parts complex, breast items were mostly adequate and clearing satisfactorily. Wings were adequate to at least adequate with larger sizes in the better balance. Dark meat cuts were fully sufficient.

MIDWEST REGION Whole broiler/fryer market tone was barely steady to weak with offerings adequate to more available. In the Chicago area, there was fill in trading noted on 3 up wogs at 62 cents delivered. Demand into retail and food service channels was fair to moderate as the first of the month business winds down. Best movement into retail promotions and fast food sectors. Floor stocks were balanced to long; weights desirable to heavy. Most trade interest was on wings and leg quarters. Supplies of wings were adequate on the smaller sizes and close on the larger sizes, while boneless skinless breasts were available and the balance of parts were adequate to available. The trade sentiment was barely steady to weak on boneless skinless breasts and steady to about steady on the remainder of items.

WESTERN REGION The market tone was generally steady. Offerings were at least adequate for trade needs. Buyers' interest was only fair. Retailer demand was light to moderate for whole body, and moderate to good for parts, best where featured. Floor stocks were in fair balance with needs. Trade sentiments mixed on parts, with breasts in the weakest position.

BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET IN 19 SELECTED STATES UP 2 PERCENT

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 215 million eggs in incubators during the week ending September 1, 2007. This was up 2 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 2 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 178 million chicks for meat production during the week ending September 1, 2007. Placements were up 2 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2006 through September 1, 2007 were 6.19 billion, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET AND BROILER CHICKS PLACED TOTAL 19 SELECTED STATES

			PERCENT CHANGE
WEEK ENDING 09/01/07	2007	2006	PREVIOUS YEAR
EGGS SET	214,940	211,613	+02
CHICKS PLACED	177,984	173,686	+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 13-Oct-07 is estimated at 164.0 million head. This compares to 164.0 million head the previous week and to 163.3 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 163.7 million head and the composite weighted average price was 65.23 cents per pound.

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.

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>POUNDS (000)</u>	<u>RANGE</u>	<u>MAJORITY</u>	<u>WTD AVG</u>
BREAST - B/S	671	159.00-215.00	-	172.43
TENDERLOINS	152	150.00-210.00	-	156.64
BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	530	40.00-49.00	43	43.17
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,039	43.00-52.00	45-46	45.93
WINGS (WHOLE)	300	119.00-130.00	121-125	124.38
WINGS (CUT)	160	134.00-142.00	135-139	138.75
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

<u>RANGE</u>	<u>TODAY'S AVERAGE</u>	<u>5-DAY AVERAGE</u>
62.00 – 68.50	64.25	64.64

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 moderate for mid week trading. Supplies of breast items were noted as slightly more available than a week earlier and were adequate to well cleared. Wings were adequate to at least adequate for current needs. Dark meat cuts were fully sufficient. Movement through retail and distributive channels was mostly fair. The market tone was generally steady for most items.

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

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>CURRENT NEG TRADING*</u>	<u>WTD AVG</u>	<u>VOL/LBS</u>
BREAST - B/S	185	174.55	593,912
TENDERLOINS	155-160	154.83	234,030
BREAST - WITH RIBS	99-100	104.97	148,240
BREAST - LINE RUN	99	100.45	99,000
LEGS	61-62	63.94	127,240
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	48-49	48.04	436,880
DRUMSTICKS	65-66	66.29	130,749
THIGHS	53-54	63.75	68,920
B/S THIGHS	110-111	111.82	86,160
WINGS (WHOLE)	128-129	129.05	200,400
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	11.21	11,200
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	35-40	35.76	12,880
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	55-60	60.32	28,040

INCLUDES NY CITY METRO. AREA, NORTHERN NJ, MA, CT, RI, & PA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG). * TODAY'S 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)

	<u>ESTIMATED</u>		<u>ACTUAL</u>		<u>AVG WTS</u>		<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>AVG</u>
	(1,000)	09/04	(1,000)	08/31	09/03	08/31	(1,000)	WTS
Alabama	4,110	4,105	1,387	4,424	4.85	5.33	3,744	5.49
Arkansas	5,416	5,087	(A)	5,296	(A)	5.08	5,389	5.36
Delmarva	2,254	2,336	(A)	2,905	(A)	5.95	2,268	5.80
KY-LA-TN	2,434	2,407	1,302	3,317	4.31	4.76	2,180	4.88
Mississippi	3,183	2,997	(A)	4,241	(A)	5.61	2,919	5.60
North Carolina	2,801	2,798	914	3,041	5.64	6.70	2,679	6.79
Texas	2,490	2,489	(A)	2,481	(A)	5.07	2,492	5.22
Total	22,688	22,219	7,185	25,705	4.94	5.45	21,671	5.57
Mon-Wed	50,959	(B)					65,806	(B)

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations

(B) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 05-Sep-07 is estimated to be 33,944,000 head up 4.38 percent from a week ago and down -3.70 percent from a year ago. (Last week 32,520,000, last year 35,249,000)

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA)

PROCESSED POULTRY, DLVRD TO RETAILERS

	<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH FRYERS	92-102
ROASTERS 4# & UP	109-118
HENS UNDER 5#	
HENS OVER 5#	70-79
DUCKS	
RABBITS-WHOLE	
RABBITS-CUT UP	

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY

DLVRD TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK 126
	DRY PACK 130
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK 135
	DRY PACK 111
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK 95
	DRY PACK 109
DUCKS	185-204

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 08-Sep-07

Class	CURRENT WEEK		PREVIOUS WEEK	
	09/08/07 (1)	Thousand head	09/01/07	Thousand head
Broiler/fryer	153,100 (2)		171,266	
Light hens	896		1,136	
Heavy hens	1,109		1,558	
Total	155,105		173,960	

(1)ESTIMATED

2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 08-Sep-07 is 164.8 million head compared to 156.5 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 153.4 million head or 11.4 million less than estimated available. For the week of 15-Sep-07 the estimated available is 168.4 million head.

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

	PROCESSED TURKEY		PROCESSED POULTRY	
	LBS		LBS	
AM 09/04/07	113,808		80,111	
AM 08/01/07	107,664		81,493	
CHG	6,144		-1,382	
PCT CHG	6		-2	

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEYS			PROCESSED POULTRY		
	09/04/07	08/27/07	09/04/06	09/04/07	08/27/07	09/04/06
PACIFIC COAST	2,785	2,858	654	7,376	7,257	10,426
LOS ANGELES	218	208	294	1,045	1,002	2,781

CENTRAL MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY RTC HENS

READY-TO-COOK PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR DELIVERY TO FIRST RECEIVERS,U.S.GRADE A AND PLANT GRADE, 5LBSAND UP, FOR WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 3, 2007

HENS	RANGE	
	ICE PACKED(12 PER BOX)	VACUUM PACKED(6-9 PER BOX)
	69-79	70-80

HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES

	FOR 09/04/07			FOR 09/04/07		
	LOW	HIGH	AVG	LOW	HIGH	AVG
AI PAPERS REQUIRED TO SELL ALL OUT OF STATE POULTRY						
HEAVY FOWL lb.	.45	1.10	.58	HEAVY FOWL ea.	-	3.25
LIGHT FOWL lb.	-	-	-	LIGHT FOWL ea.	-	-
MIXED FOWL lb.	-	-	-	MIXED FOWL ea.	-	3.75
BANTAMS lb.	-	-	-	BANTAMS ea.	-	-
BROILERS lb.	-	-	-	BROILERS ea.	-	-
ROASTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROASTERS ea.	-	-
FRYERS lb.	-	-	-	FRYERS ea.	-	-
CHICKS lb.	-	-	-	CHICKS ea.	-	-
PULLETS lb.	-	-	-	PULLETS ea.	-	-
BUNNIES lb.	-	-	-	BUNNIES ea.	2.00	5.00
ROOSTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROOSTERS ea.	6.75	7.00
GEESE lb.	-	-	-	GEESE ea.	-	-
TURKEYS lb.	-	-	-	TURKEYS ea.	-	-
DUCKS lb.	-	1.20	-	DUCKS ea.	-	-
RABBITS lb.	.30	1.60	.98	RABBITS ea.	.50	6.50
PIGEONS lb.	-	-	-	PIGEONS ea.	1.75	4.00
GUINEA FOWL lb.	-	-	-	GUINEA FOWL ea.	-	-
DUCKLINGS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKLINGS ea.	-	-
GUINEA KEETS ea.	-	-	-	CALL DUCKS ea.	-	-
SILKIES ea.	3.00	7.50	-	GOSLINGS ea.	-	-
GUINEA PIGS ea.	-	-	-	TURKEY POULTS ea.	-	-
CHUKARS ea.	-	-	-			
TOTAL COOPS	47					

MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS-MEXICO CITY

Cents per pound for the week ending August 31,2007

	Whole Chickens	Breasts	Legs W/Thighs	Necks,Backs & Wings	Livers Gizzards	Hens
RAYON						
Low	69.99	160.58	98.82	16.47	8.23	74.11
High	80.29	164.69	102.93	20.59	12.35	74.11
Mostly	74.11	160.58	98.82	20.59	12.35	74.11
SAN JUAN						
Low	71.64	156.46	94.70	16.47	8.23	76.17
High	78.23	160.58	102.93	20.59	12.35	76.17
Mostly	74.94	156.46	94.70	16.47	8.23	76.17
NEW SAN JUAN						
Low	71.23	156.46	98.82	16.47	8.23	78.23
High	81.52	164.69	107.05	20.59	12.35	78.23
Mostly	74.11	160.58	102.93	20.59	12.35	78.23
BECERRA						
Low	72.46	160.58	98.82	20.59	12.35	82.35
High	82.35	168.81	111.17	24.70	16.47	82.35
Mostly	76.17	164.69	107.05	20.59	12.35	82.35

DELMARVA Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was fair to moderate for midweek trading. Seller offerings were usually sufficient for immediate trade needs. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mixed, but noted as mostly desirable. Processing schedules were moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 77 to 91 cents. Trade sentiment was reported as mostly steady. In the parts complex, wings were adequate. Breast items ranged adequate to well cleared and dark meat cuts were fully sufficient to available.

RANGE		BRANDED U.S. GRADE A	
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	74-92	(A)	
NO. OF BOXES		(A)	

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations.

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