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Majority prices were irregular, ranging unchanged to higher in the Midwest, higher in the East, and unchanged in the West. Trade sentiment was mostly steady. Retail and food service demand following the weekend was slow to moderate at best. Supplies of all sizes were usually sufficient to satisfy trade needs. Floor stocks were adequate to long. In the parts structure, demand was no better than fair for early week trading. Dark meat was adequate to fully sufficient, and breast items and wings were at least adequate. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mixed, but mostly desirable weights.

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 22-OCT-2007 (cents per lb)

AREAS	US GRADE A		COMPOSITE		
	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS	WTD AVG	LOADS
Boston/New England	TFEWR	:		69.62	21
Chicago	61.00-64.00	65.16	30	60.58	65
Ohio Cities	TFEWR	:		57.96	18
Denver	86.50	86.50	13	85.34	16
Detroit	64.00-65.00	67.00	7	66.56	47
Los Angeles	87.00	84.97	59	78.21	127
New York	67.00-70.00	68.45	20	69.06	51
Philadelphia	66.50-68.00	67.36	11	65.98	25
Pittsburgh	66.00-69.00	68.18	11	72.08	57
St. Louis	62.75-64.00	63.29	17	64.30	29
San Francisco	87.50	86.65	30	86.84	47
Composite Weighted Average					
Loads	10/22/07	Change Last Wk	10/15/07	10/23/06	
503	71.21	1.16	70.05	65.48	

WOG BROILERS (without giblets) - prices paid per lb delivered to first receivers in trucklot and less than trucklot quantities:

REGIONS	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS
Eastern	68.00-70.00	69.47	34
Central	44.00-67.00	60.67	75
Western	56.00-86.00	70.48	57
Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent			
Mississippi	75.00-79.00	78.16	92

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broiler/fryers for this week's trading is 79.50 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
1,116	61.00-81.00	78.30
Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed FINAL weighted average price on ice-packed parts:		
	WTD. AVG.	VOLUME
LINE RUN TENDERS	173.00	1,403
BREASTS - B/S	144.00	5,825
BREASTS - WHOLE	84.00	1,437
THIGH MEAT - B/S	111.50	1,155
LEG QUARTERS	44.50	9,186
WINGS	116.00	2,727

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

NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYER Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was mostly fair to instances moderate entering the week. Offerings of all sizes were generally sufficient for current needs. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair to moderate. The market tone was steady. In the parts complex, breast items, wings and tenders were at least sufficient and dark meat cuts were adequate to fully adequate for trade needs.

SOUTHERN BROILER/FRYERS Trade sentiment was mostly steady. Demand following the weekend was light to fair, at times moderate for active ads and fast food promotions. Supplies of all sizes were usually more than sufficient to handle trade needs. In the parts structure, demand was mostly fair for early week trading. Wings were adequate to fully adequate, breast items were adequate to available, and dark meat was sufficient. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mixed, but mostly desirable weights.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS The final majority prices into all areas were unchanged from last Monday's final majority. The whole fryer market tone was mostly steady with offerings light to adequate. Movement into retail and food service sectors was light to moderate with best call on thigh meat and wings. Floor stocks were balanced to instances short. Sizes desirable to heavy. Supplies of wings and breasts were adequate to available with the remainder adequate. The trade sentiment was steady to barely steady on all parts. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG average was 62.06 cents up 1.31 cents with a volume of 38 loads down 1 load from the previous week.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYERS Final majority prices into major markets unchanged to higher; Ohio cities TFEWR. Whole broiler market tone was steady. Offers from producers were light on inactive trade call. Retail and food service demand was slow to moderate at best. Floor stocks in close balance to fully adequate; weights mixed. In the parts complex, supplies were adequate for the limited trade inquiry. The market tone was about steady on parts.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was light to fair entering the week. Seller offerings were usually sufficient for full trade needs. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mixed, but noted as mostly desirable. Processing schedules were mostly moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 69 to 83 cents. Trade sentiment was reported as cautiously steady. In the parts complex, breast items were sufficient to at least sufficient. Wings and dark meat cuts were adequate to fully adequate.

*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	70-88
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operation.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Trucklot buying interest continued as no better than fair entering the week as dealers assess market conditions. Supplies of breast items, wings and tenders were noted at least sufficient current needs. Dark meat cuts were adequate to fully adequate. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair to moderate. The market tone remained generally steady for the bulk 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	130	126.57	126.57	410,701
TENDERLOINS	120	122.25	122.25	110,920
BREAST - WITH RIBS	73-74	81.95	81.95	59,480
BREAST - LINE RUN	72	72.82	72.82	99,000
LEGS	59-60	63.09	63.09	96,400
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	43-44	44.55	44.55	165,680
DRUMSTICKS	58-59	68.13	68.13	20,000
THIGHS	49-50	62.87	62.87	33,440
B/S THIGHS	111-112	115.07	115.07	43,000
WINGS (WHOLE)	111-112	112.76	112.76	104,360
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	10.93	10.93	20,560
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	35-40	36.46	36.46	4,240
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	65-70	67.37	67.37	7,320

NEW YORK CITY METROPOLITAN AREA, NORTHERN NJ, MA, CT, RI, AND PA (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 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	MAJ	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	1,750	102.00-185.00	106-115	116.78
TENDERLOINS	434	105.00-221.00	-	121.95
BREAST - WITH RIBS		TOO FEW TO REPORT	-	-
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT	-	-
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT	-	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	626	39.00-43.00	40	40.19
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,602	38.00-48.00	41-43	42.69
WINGS (WHOLE)		TOO FEW TO REPORT	-	-
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT	-	-
THIGHS	1,371	35.00-52.00	37-42	38.90

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (In thousands)

	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	ACTUAL	AVG WTS
	10/22	10/18	10/18	10/15	10/11
Alabama	4,210	4,039	5.48	4,170	5.54
Arkansas	5,277	5,364	5.39	5,186	5.32
Delmarva	2,239	2,251	5.69	2,293	5.90
KY-LA-TN	2,453	2,410	5.08	2,459	5.06
Mississippi	3,118	3,063	5.66	3,117	5.58
North Carolina	2,924	2,804	7.04	2,749	6.76
Texas	2,550	2,550	5.24	2,520	5.23
Total	22,771	22,481	5.63	22,494	5.58
Mon	22,771 (A)			22,494 (A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 22-Oct 2007 is estimated to be 34,068,000 up 0.93 percent from a week ago and up 5.2 percent from a year ago.

(last week 33,755,000 last year 32,386,000)

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER 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	MAJ	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	645	110.00-182.00	-	127.18
TENDERLOINS	136	100.00-145.00	-	109.12
BREAST - LINE RUN	124	72.00-100.00	76-78	76.35
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS	185	47.00-60.00	52-54	52.61
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	587	35.00-43.00	39-40	39.53
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	794	38.00-45.00	41-42	41.07
WINGS (WHOLE)	295	89.00-120.00	102-105	105.14
WINGS (CUT)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
B/S THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		

INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS TRADING FOR OCT 22, 2007 -- F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
44.00 - 50.50	47.52	47.95

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 22-OCT-2007 TO 26-OCT-2007, CENTS PER POUND

	Price per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	108.00 - 138.00	110.00 - 125.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	55.00 - 94.00	74.00 - 85.00
LEGS	57.00 - 64.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	39.00 - 47.00	41.00 - 43.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	43.00 - 48.00	44.00 - 45.00
DRUMSTICKS	48.00 - 61.00	-
THIGHS	47.00 - 61.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	82.00 - 113.00	88.00 - 113.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	12.00 - 25.00	-
LIVERS	32.00 - 47.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	36.00 - 55.00	-

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

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	92-108
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	95.5-112.5

FROZEN HENS 5# & UP
FROZEN DUCKS
FROZEN SQUABS

DELIVERED TO RETAILERS

FRESH FRYERS	94-100
ROASTERS 4# & UP	109-118
HENS UNDER 5#	
HENS OVER 5#	67-78
DUCKS	
RABBITS-WHOLE	
RABBITS-CUT UP	

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY, DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
BROILER/FRYER 2# & OVER	ICE PACK 126
	DRY PACK 110
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK 140
	DRY PACK 108
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK 109
	DRY PACK 105
DUCKS	199-204

On January 4, 2008 these reports will be combined into the new National Mechanically Separated Chicken report and will no longer be available as separate reports. Until then, the new National MSC report will run concurrently.

Web address: <http://www.ams.usda.gov/poultry/mnscs/PDF%20Reports/MSC/msc.htm>

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.

OCT 19, 2007

CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED ---- PRICES ---- VOLUME ----
(Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	18.00	15.00-16.00	1,038,000	638,000
WTD AVERAGE	18.00	15.81		
15-20%				
RANGE	17.00-21.00	11.00-16.00	1,530,000	828,000
WTD AVERAGE	18.60	13.52		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	14.00	80,000	-
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.

OCT 19, 2007

CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED ---- PRICES ---- VOLUME ----
(Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	17.50-22.00	16.00	175,600	54,000
WTD AVERAGE	19.41	16.00		
15-20%				
RANGE	15.50-20.00	11.00-15.50	2,754,800	1,577,600
WTD AVERAGE	17.00	12.40		
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 HENS

Prices were generally unchanged when compared to the previous week. Demand was seasonally fair for the at least adequate offerings of spent hens. Processing schedules were normal. Sales of finished product was fair. The undertone was steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *
FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 22-OCT-07

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	7-12		9.12
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 HENS

Trading was too few to report. Demand was moderate for at least adequate offerings of spent fowl. Schedules were reduced. Finished sales were fair. Trade sentiment was generally steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *

FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 22-OCT-07

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	6-12.25		8.98

* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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