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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Majority prices were unchanged in the West, but lower elsewhere when compared to previous week. Trade sentiment was mixed, but overall steady at best. Retail demand was slow to moderate with limited features. Food service was fair to moderate, instances good into fast food channels. Supplies of all sizes were at least adequate for trade needs. Floor stocks were adequate. Processing schedules were mixed with some plants down yesterday in observance of the King Holiday. In the parts structure, trading was fair to at least moderate following the holiday weekend. Breast items were adequate to short, and dark meat was about adequate to available with drums and thighs often well cleared. Wings were in good balance with smaller cuts in the best position. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at 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 21-JAN-2008 (cents per lb)

AREAS	US GRADE A		COMPOSITE		
	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS	WTD AVG	LOADS
Boston/New England	TFEWR		:	71.26	22
Chicago	68.00-71.00	69.91	32 :	66.82	66
Ohio Cities	TFEWR		:	67.84	13
Denver	83.50	83.50	13 :	83.92	15
Detroit	72.00-74.00	73.56	9 :	74.48	28
Los Angeles	84.00	83.07	58 :	77.55	146
New York	71.00-74.00	72.55	20 :	72.45	61
Philadelphia	70.50-72.00	71.21	12 :	71.26	23
Pittsburgh	70.00-73.00	71.64	11 :	75.09	56
St. Louis	68.75-70.00	69.05	19 :	69.79	28
San Francisco	84.50	84.35	31 :	81.17	85
Composite Weighted Average					
Loads	01/21/08	Change Last Wk	1/14/08	01/22/07	
543	73.82	-4.91	78.73	71.60	

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	74.00-76.00	74.49	36
Central	57.00-75.75	68.00	63
Western	63.00-73.00	73.24	49
Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent			
Mississippi	75.00-77.00	75.65	89

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broiler/fryers for this week's trading is 77.25 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG

LOADS	RANGE	WTD. AVG.	VOLUME
		(CENTS PER POUND)	(000 POUNDS)
1,127	68.00-78.50	76.63	
Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed FINAL weighted average price on ice-packed parts:			
LINE RUN TENDERS		160.50	1,403
BREASTS - B/S		131.00	5,865
BREASTS - WHOLE		77.00	1,462
THIGH MEAT - B/S		116.50	1,150
LEG QUARTERS		42.00	9,276
WINGS		116.00	2,724

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 noted as mostly light to fair as dealers assess market developments entering the week. Offerings of most sizes were more than sufficient for current needs. Movement through retail and distributive channels was light to fair. The market tone was about steady. In the parts complex, breast items and tenders were adequate to well cleared. Wings were noted as in good balance and clearing satisfactorily. Dark meat cuts were generally sufficient for current needs.

SOUTHERN BROILER/FRYERS Trade sentiment was no better than steady. Demand following the holiday weekend was light to at times moderate for fast food promotions. Supplies of all sizes were more than sufficient to satisfy trade needs. Processing schedules were mixed with various plants down yesterday for the King Holiday. In the parts structure, movement was fair to moderate for early week trading. Wings were adequate, but closely cleared for smaller cuts. Dark meat was in good balance to about adequate, and breast items were sufficient to short. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mixed, but mostly desirable weights.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Final majority prices were unchanged. Trade sentiments were steady to weak. Trading reported at unchanged prices on regular commitments; however, new negotiations were at sharply lower prices. Offerings were at least adequate to instances burdensome for immediate needs. Buying activity was fair. Retailer demand was moderate to good to cover planned feature activities. Weekend carryovers mixed from light to heavy. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG average took a steep drop to 67.49 down 11.04, with the volume reported up 16 percent to 37 loads.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYERS Final majority prices moved lower into all market areas with Ohio cities TFEWR. Whole broiler/fryer market tone was steady on limited to moderate offerings. Retail and food service demand was slow to moderate. Floor stocks adequate; weights mostly desirable. Supplies of boneless dark meat limited, boneless/skinless breast adequate, whole breast ample, small wings barely adequate and all other parts available. The market tone was steady to firm on small wings and boneless dark meat, steady on dark bone-in parts and steady to barely steady on the balance of parts.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was fair to moderate for early week trading. Seller offerings varied in both size and availability and were in a range of adequate to readily available. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mostly desirable. Processing schedules were very light on Monday as some plants closed for the holiday, but today's schedules were noted as mostly moderate. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 73 to 87 cents. Trade sentiment was mostly steady. In the parts complex, breast items were adequate to tight. Wings were in good balance to well cleared with the smaller wings in the best position. Most dark meat cuts were sufficient 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	60-90
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operation.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Trucklot buying interest was noted as fair to at least moderate as dealers assess market conditions following the extended holiday weekend. Offerings of breast items and tenders were adequate to well cleared with bone-in breasts in the best balance. Wings were in good balance and clearing satisfactorily. Leg items were about adequate to adequate with drums and thighs noted as well cleared. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair. The market tone was fully steady to firm for bone-in breast and tenders; steady to fully steady for the balance of items.

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

ITEM	NEGOTIATED TRADING*	CURRENT	WTD AVG**	VOLUME /LBS
BREAST - B/S		135	127.78	864,226
TENDERLOINS		115-120	111.70	279,610
BREAST - WITH RIBS		72-73	75.86	133,760
BREAST - LINE RUN		72	72.94	86,400
LEGS		60-61	59.94	210,020
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)		41-42	41.44	315,531
DRUMSTICKS		52-53	58.92	73,370
THIGHS		55-56	60.49	86,120
B/S THIGHS		117-118	118.50	112,840
WINGS (WHOLE)		120-121	119.94	186,767
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)		10-12	11.15	46,880
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)		35-40	37.46	15,920
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)		50-55	46.90	34,840

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	1,293	105.00-172.00	114-121	119.97
TENDERLOINS	527	102.00-200.00	106-114	110.23
BREAST - WITH RIBS		TOO FEW TO REPORT	-	-
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT	-	-
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT	-	-
LEG QRTRS (BULK)	1,294	38.00-40.00	39-40	39.43
LEG QRTRS (4/10)	536	38.00-46.00	39-41	39.56
WINGS (WHOLE)	560	90.00-133.00	115-119	108.92
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT	-	-
THIGHS	1,370	48.00-54.00	48-50	48.17

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (In thousands)

	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	ACTUAL	AVG WTS
	01/22	01/18	01/18	01/15	01/11
Alabama	4,219	4,130	5.39	4,051	5.33
Arkansas	5,316	5,427	5.28	5,261	4.98
Delmarva	2,228	2,614	5.65	2,280	5.76
KY-LA-TN	2,462	2,321	5.12	2,295	5.03
Mississippi	2,658	3,188	5.58	3,102	5.36
North Carolina	2,884	3,518	6.76	2,816	6.88
Texas	2,526	2,293	5.36	2,291	5.10
Total	22,293	23,491	5.59	22,096	5.46
Mon-Tue	38,551 (A)			44,252 (A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 22-Jan 2008 is estimated to be 33,353,000 up 0.59 percent from a week ago and up 3.4 percent from a year ago.

(last week 33,157,000 last year 32,264,000)

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	613	120.00-198.00	-	126.07
TENDERLOINS	241	111.00-188.00	-	119.87
BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS	229	53.00-65.00	55-58	56.52
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	545	36.00-43.00	38-39	38.77
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	865	38.00-45.00	40-41	40.57
WINGS (WHOLE)	305	112.00-121.00	117-119	118.33
WINGS (CUT)	105	127.00-132.00	-	130.33
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 Jan 22, 2008 -- F.O.B. Dock

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE
47.00 - 53.00	49.64

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.

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 21-JAN-2008 TO 25-JAN-2008, CENTS PER POUND

	Price per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	113.00-134.00	115.00-121.00
TENDERLOINS	108.00-190.00	109.00-119.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	59.00- 90.00	69.00- 75.00
LEGS	39.50- 63.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	39.00- 47.00	41.00- 43.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	41.00- 46.00	43.00- 45.00
DRUMSTICKS	45.00- 60.00	-
THIGHS	53.00- 64.00	-
B/S THIGHS	111.00-125.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	109.00-123.00	116.00-123.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	12.00- 25.00	-
LIVERS	32.00- 47.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40.00- 75.00	-

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

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	89.75-105.75
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	93.25-110.25
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

BROILER/FRYER 2# & OVER	ICE PACK	126
	DRY PACK	112
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK	130
	DRY PACK	110
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK	109
	DRY PACK	105
DUCKS		204-207

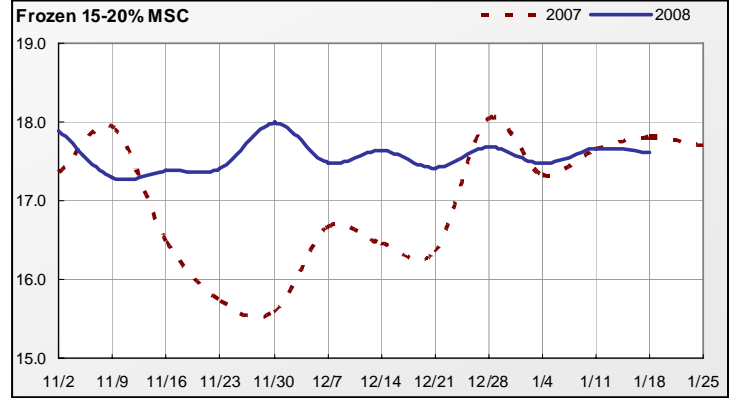
National Mechanically Separated Chicken

(F.O.B. Shipper Dock or equivalent; negotiated prices in trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes reported in thousand lb quantities, cents/lb; delivery within 2 weeks.)

The MSC trade sentiment was steady with prices generally unchanged. Supplies were adequate on fresh 15-20% and barely adequate to close on the remainder for current needs; best call on Frozen 15-20%. Raw materials were a little harder to come by this week. Domestic movement was light to moderate. Export demand was fair to fairly good with inquiry from Mexico and Central American countries. Schedules were normal with some preparing for shortened schedules next week with the upcoming MLK holiday next Monday

Weekly MSC Weighted Average Prices (cents/pound) and Volumes (1,000 pounds)

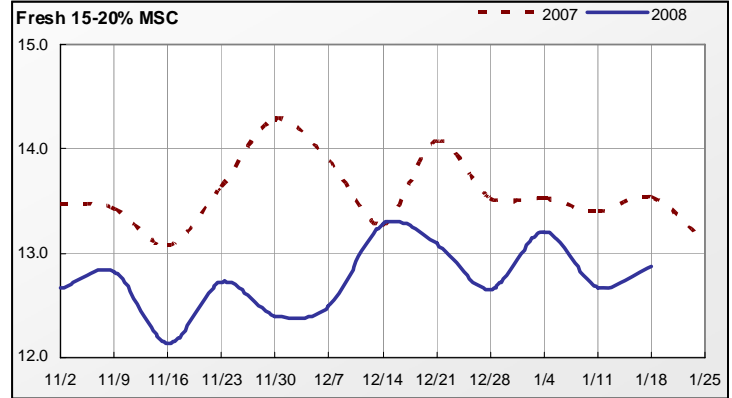
Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	18-Jan-08	Last Week	Last Year	18-Jan-08	Last Week	Last Year
15% or Less						
Price Range	16.00	15.50	16.50-20.00	15.00 - 16.00	15.00 - 16.00	17.00-17.50
Wtd Avg Price	16.00	15.50	17.31	15.69	15.77	17.13
Volume Traded	54	53	345	382	341	303
Volume Exported	54	53	265	-	-	-
15-20%						
Price Range	16.00 - 21.00	16.00 - 21.00	14.00-21.00	11.00 - 16.00	11.00 - 16.00	11.00-16.00
Wtd Avg Price	17.61	17.67	17.81	12.88	12.67	13.54
Volume Traded	1,196	1,920	1,272	2,161	1,772	1,228
Volume Exported	1,036	1,800	952	133	624	1,616
20% or More						
Price Range	-	-	-	-	-	14.00
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	-	-	14.00
Volume Traded	-	-	-	-	-	120
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-



Monthly MSC Weighted Average Prices (cents/pound) and Volumes (1,000 pounds)

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	Nov 2007	Oct 2007	Nov 2006	Nov 2007	Oct 2007	Nov 2006
15% or Less						
Wtd Avg Price	16.76	18.12	16.55	15.67	15.82	16.57
Volume Traded	1,234	1,141	292	2,494	2,160	1,346
Volume Exported	1,234	1,101	54	104	428	-
15-20%						
Wtd Avg Price	17.53	18.04	16.67	12.54	12.68	13.40
Volume Traded	12,989	6,330	8,406	15,504	9,634	6,437
Volume Exported	12,305	5,490	7,604	5,429	3,347	653
20% or More						
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	14.00	13.91	13.42
Volume Traded	-	-	-	240	442	480
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-

Note: Volume exported refers to that portion of the total volume that is destined for export markets.



SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HENS Prices were generally unchanged when compared to the previous week. Demand was fair to moderate for the adequate offerings of spent hens. Processing schedules were mostly normal. Sales of finished product was moderate. The undertone was steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *
FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER
THE WEEK OF 21-JAN-07

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	7-11.5		9.28
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 Prices were lower compared to the past week. Demand was moderate for at least adequate offerings from producers. Schedules were reduced. Finished sales were slow. Trade sentiment was steady at best.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *
FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER
THE WEEK OF 21-JAN-07

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	6.5-12		8.71

* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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