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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Trade sentiment was mostly steady, at times fully steady in the West. Retail and food service demand was light to moderate with optimism for upcoming weekend and first of the month business. Supplies of all sizes were usually sufficient to handle trade needs. Floor stocks were adequate to fully adequate. In the parts structure, trading was fair to fairly good for mid-week trading. Breast items were well cleared to short and held with confidence. Wings were available for heavier weights, but tight for smaller sizes and moving seasonally well. Dark meat was adequate to close balanced, but more available for drums. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES The Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for next week's trading advanced .50 cents to **78.00** based on full truck load lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 72.50 cents last year on January 31, 2007.

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	161.50
BREASTS - B/S	136.50
BREASTS - WHOLE	79.50
THIGH MEAT - B/S	119.00
LEG QUARTERS	42.50
WINGS	120.50

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

SOUTHERN REGION Trade sentiment was mostly steady. Demand was fair to moderate, best into fast food channels, with hopes for improvement next week for first of the month. Supplies of all sizes were usually sufficient to handle trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was fair to fairly good for mid-week trading. Breast items were well balanced to tight and frequently moving at premium levels. Wings were close to short and moving seasonally well, and dark meat was adequate to available with increased interest reported. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

NORTHEAST REGION Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was fair to moderate for midweek trading as optimism was noted for first-of-the-month business. Offerings of all sizes were generally sufficient for current needs. Retail and distributive was moderate. The market tone was steady. In the parts complex, breast items, wings and tenders were well cleared to instances short with the smaller size wings remaining in the best balance. Dark meat cuts were adequate for immediate needs.

MIDWEST REGION Whole broiler/fryer market tone was steady on very limited offers. Trade inquiry was light to moderate for whole birds. Movement failed to see little if any improvement over prior trade period, but improvement still expected to improve shortly. Floor stocks were adequate to fully adequate; weights mostly desirable. Trade inquiry was brisk on breast cuts and wings, other parts light to fair demand. Supplies of breast, small wings and thighs were scarce and held with confidence if available, other parts were adequate. Trade sentiment was fully steady to firm on wings and breast cuts; and steady on remaining parts.

WESTERN REGION The market tone was steady to fully steady. Offerings of whole body products, less than three pounds, were in fair balance with immediate needs. Offerings of heavy weight products were at least adequate to cover needs. Retailer demand was fairly good overall best where promotions in progress. Floor stocks were mainly adequate. The market tone was steady on dark meat items with white meat items firm.

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 January 26, 2008. This was up 4 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 4 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 179 million chicks for meat production during the week ending January 26, 2008. Placements were up 4 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2007 through January 26, 2008 were 716 million, up 4 percent from the same period a year earlier.

BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET AND BROILER CHICKS PLACED TOTAL

	<u>19 SELECTED STATES</u>		<u>PERCENT CHANGE PREVIOUS YEAR</u>
WEEK ENDING 01/26/08	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>	
EGGS SET	218,132	210,236	+04
CHICKS PLACED	178,806	171,642	+04

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 08-Mar-08 is estimated at 165.1 million head. This compares to 165.3 million head the previous week and to 162.0 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 163.3 million head and the composite weighted average price was 78.33 cents per pound.

JAN 29

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

JAN 30

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	648	122.00-192.00	127-130	132.44	BREAST - B/S	573	128.00-194.00	-	132.13
TENDERLOINS	166	113.00-195.00	-	129.40	TENDERLOINS	258	113.00-192.00	-	123.72
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	223	53.00-65.00	54-57	56.12	LEGS	223	53.00-65.00	56-58	56.66
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	373	36.00-42.00	38-39	39.71	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	552	36.00-42.00	38-39	38.97
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	820	38.00-45.00	40-41	40.57	LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	809	38.00-45.00	40-41	40.91
WINGS (WHOLE)	245	116.00-125.00	119-122	119.49	WINGS (WHOLE)	323	115.00-120.00	-	117.24
WINGS (CUT)	145	129.00-135.00	-	132.10	WINGS (CUT)	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
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			

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS TRADING FOR F.O.B. DOCK

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
48.50 - 54.00	51.61	49.00 - 54.00	51.34	50.58

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 moderate to fairly good for midweek trading. Offerings of breast items and wings were well cleared to short and where available held with confidence. Tenders were in good balance and clearing satisfactorily. Leg items were about adequate to adequate for current needs with drums noted as slightly more available. Movement through retail and distributive channels was at least moderate. The market tone was fully steady to firm for breast items and wings; steady to fully steady for the balance of items.

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

JAN 29	CURRENT NEG	WTD	JAN 30	CURRENT NEG	WTD
ITEM	TRADING*	AVG	ITEM	TRADING*	AVG
BREAST - B/S	140	133.94	BREAST - B/S	140-145	133.30
TENDERLOINS	115-120	115.13	TENDERLOINS	115-120	116.23
BREAST - WITH RIBS	75-76	79.75	BREAST - WITH RIBS	76-77	83.35
BREAST - LINE RUN	75	77.56	BREAST - LINE RUN	76	78.17
LEGS	60-61	56.98	LEGS	60-61	58.04
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	41-42	42.63	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	41-42	42.84
DRUMSTICKS	52-53	60.72	DRUMSTICKS	52-53	60.84
THIGHS	55-56	62.99	THIGHS	55-56	67.15
B/S THIGHS	117-118	118.93	B/S THIGHS	117-118	118.23
WINGS (WHOLE)	121-122	123.86	WINGS (WHOLE)	122-123	126.29
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	12.63	BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	10.88
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	35-40	38.13	LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	35-40	37.15
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	50-55	50.40	GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	50-55	49.00

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)

	ESTIMATED		ACTUAL		AVG WTS		ACTUAL		AVG
	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	WTS	
	01/30	01/29	01/28	01/25	01/28	01/25	01/23	01/21	
Alabama	3,972	4,137	4,160	4,143	5.64	5.42	4,128	5.25	
Arkansas	5,344	5,302	5,133	4,798	5.50	5.35	5,230	5.44	
Delmarva	2,235	2,261	1,774	2,240	5.91	5.70	2,225	6.22	
KY-LA-TN	2,454	2,419	2,394	2,357	5.17	5.11	2,362	5.09	
Mississippi	3,097	2,957	3,073	3,020	5.73	5.57	3,118	4.60	
North Carolina	2,900	2,909	2,617	2,826	6.90	6.96	2,760	7.01	
Texas	2,505	2,512	2,550	2,487	5.47	5.38	2,477	5.50	
Total	22,507	22,497	21,701	21,871	5.72	5.62	22,300	5.57	
Mon-Wed	67,395 (A)						60,972 (A)		

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 30-Jan-08 is estimated to be 33,673,000 head up 0.63 percent from a week ago and up 10.41 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 33,463,000, last year 30,497,000)

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY, DLVRD TO RETAILERS

	RANGE
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 DLVRD TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	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

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 02-Feb-08

Class	CURRENT WEEK		PREVIOUS WEEK	
	02/02/08 (1)	Thousand head	01/26/08	Thousand head
Broiler/fryer	166,019(2)		160,734	
Light hens	1,486		1,407	
Heavy hens	1,518		1,457	
Total	169,023		163,598	

(1)ESTIMATED

2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 02-Feb-08 is 169.3 million head compared to 157.5 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 166.4 million head or 2.9 million less than estimated available. For the week of 09-Feb-08 the estimated available is 167.7 million head.

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

	PROCESSED TURKEY		PROCESSED POULTRY	
	LBS		LBS	
AM 01/28/08	69,470		85,252	
AM 01/01/08	43,384		81,194	
CHG	26,086		4,058	
PCT CHG	60		5	

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEYS			PROCESSED POULTRY		
	01/28/08	01/21/08	01/29/07	01/28/08	01/21/08	01/29/07
PACIFIC COAST	3,518	3,011	1,761	8,267	8,155	9,025
LOS ANGELES	116	123	183	1,418	1,551	2,697

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 JANUARY 28, 2008

HENS	RANGE	
	ICE PACKED(12 PER BOX)	VACUUM PACKED(6-9 PER BOX)
	73-81	71-94

HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES FOR 01/29/08

	AI PAPERS REQUIRED TO SELL ALL OUT OF STATE POULTRY			RANGE		
	LOW	HIGH	AVG	LOW	HIGH	AVG
HEAVY FOWL lb.	-	-	-	HEAVY FOWL ea.	-	-
LIGHT FOWL lb.	-	-	-	LIGHT FOWL ea.	-	-
MIXED FOWL lb.	-	-	-	MIXED FOWL ea.	-	-
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.	-	-
ROOSTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROOSTERS ea.	-	-
GEESE lb.	-	-	-	GEESE ea.	-	-
TURKEYS lb.	-	-	-	TURKEYS ea.	-	-
DUCKS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKS ea.	-	-
RABBITS lb.	1.00	2.30	1.73	RABBITS ea.	-	-
PIGEONS lb.	-	-	-	PIGEONS ea.	3.00	4.25
GUINEA FOWL lb.	-	-	-	GUINEA FOWL ea.	-	-
DUCKLINGS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKLINGS ea.	-	-
GUINEA KEETS ea.	-	-	-	CALL DUCKS ea.	-	-
SILKIES ea.	-	-	-	GOSLINGS ea.	-	-
GUINEA PIGS ea.	-	-	-	TURKEY POULTS ea.	-	-
CHUKARS ea.	-	-	-			
TOTAL COOPS	219					

MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS-MEXICO CITY

Cents per pound for the week ending January 25, 2008

	Whole Chickens		Legs	Necks,Backs & Wings	Livers	Gizzards	Hens
	Breasts	W/Thighs					
RAYON							
Low	67.66	167.06	87.70	16.71	4.18	68.91	
High	75.18	179.59	96.06	20.88	8.35	68.91	
Mostly	73.50	175.41	91.88	20.88	8.35	68.91	
SAN JUAN							
Low	68.91	167.06	83.53	16.71	4.18	71.00	
High	76.85	175.41	100.23	20.88	8.35	71.00	
Mostly	72.67	171.23	91.88	20.88	8.35	71.00	
NEW SAN JUAN							
Low	71.00	167.06	87.70	16.71	8.35	71.00	
High	77.68	183.76	96.06	20.88	12.53	71.00	
Mostly	71.00	175.41	91.88	20.88	8.35	71.00	
BECERRA							
Low	71.83	171.23	91.88	16.71	8.35	75.18	
High	79.35	187.94	100.23	25.06	12.53	75.18	
Mostly	71.83	179.59	96.06	20.88	12.53	75.18	

DELMARVA Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds remained moderate to good for midweek business. Seller offerings were generally adequate to handle trade needs. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mixed, but noted as mostly desirable. Processor schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 73 to 87 cents. Trade sentiment was mostly steady. In the parts complex, breast items and wings were well cleared to short. Dark meat cuts were sufficient.

BRANDED U.S. GRADE A
66-89
(A)
(A)

RANGE
WEIGHTED AVERAGE
NO. OF BOXES

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations.

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