



**Processed Chicken: National Mechanically Separated Chicken (Fri.)**

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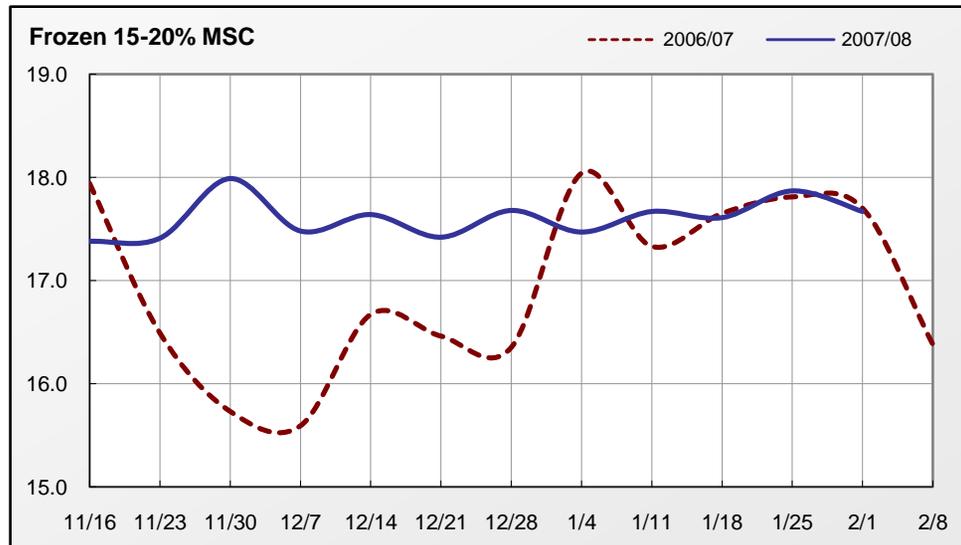
\*\*\*CORRECTION ON PREVIOUS WEEK FRESH 15-20% EXPORT VOLUME\*\*\*

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

The MSC trade sentiment was fully steady to instances firm with prices slightly higher. Supplies were barely adequate on fresh 15-20% and close on the remainder for current needs; best call on Frozen 15-20%. Raw materials were tight due to a variety of reasons ranging from higher rendering prices to slightly lighter weight birds as a result of feed formula changes. Domestic movement was fair to moderate. Export demand was fairly good with good inquiry from Mexico and Central and South American countries. Schedules were light to normal due to a few mechanical disruptions and lack of raw materials. Frame values ranged 5 to 9 cents FOB.

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

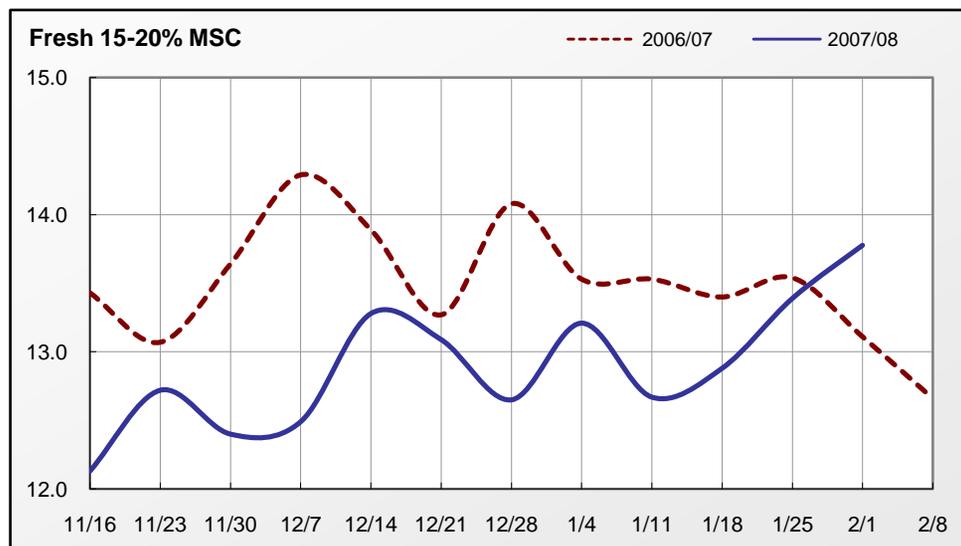
Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	1-Feb-08	Last Week	Last Year	1-Feb-08	Last Week	Last Year
<b>15% or Less</b>						
Price Range	16.00	15.75	16.50	15.00 - 16.00	15.00 - 16.00	17.00-18.00
Wtd Avg Price	16.00	15.75	16.50	15.65	15.70	17.21
Volume Traded	52	54	262	341	402	383
Volume Exported	52	54	262	-	-	-
<b>15-20%</b>						
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	17.67	17.87	16.38	13.78	13.39	12.66
Volume Traded	1,426	1,143	1,316	1,826	2,655	2,658
Volume Exported	1,386	980	1,196	515	1,224	608
<b>20% or More</b>						
Price Range	-	-	-	-	12.00	14.00
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	-	12.00	14.00
Volume Traded	-	-	-	-	82	120
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-



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

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	Dec 2007	Nov 2007	Dec 2006	Dec 2007	Nov 2007	Dec 2006
<b>15% or Less</b>						
Wtd Avg Price	16.31	16.76	17.57	15.79	15.67	16.26
Volume Traded	897	1,234	1,682	1,534	2,494	2,121
Volume Exported	897	1,234	1,322	54	104	-
<b>15-20%</b>						
Wtd Avg Price	17.48	17.53	16.43	12.89	12.54	13.78
Volume Traded	9,209	12,989	7,785	11,946	15,504	7,855
Volume Exported	8,640	12,305	6,402	3,085	5,429	1,194
<b>20% or More</b>						
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	-	14.00	14.10
Volume Traded	-	-	-	-	240	1,087
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-

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



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