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

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**Agricultural Marketing Service** 

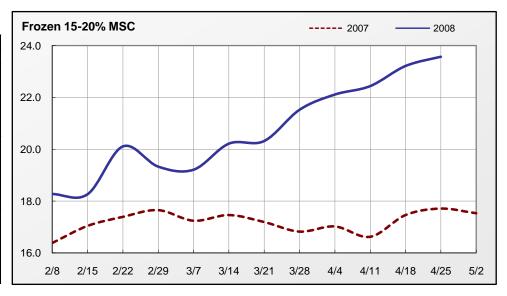
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(F.O.B. Shipper Dock or equivalent; negotiated prices in trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes reported in thousand pound quantities, cents/pound; delivery within 2 weeks.)

The MSC trade sentiment was steady to fully steady. Supplies of fresh 15-20% were noted as in good balance to well cleared; the balance was closely cleared. Frozen demand was moderate to good. Supplies of raw materials remained tight and where available held with confidence with good demand noted from all users. Domestic movement was moderate to fairly good. Export demand was moderate to good with most inquiry from Mexico and Central American countries. Schedules were mixed, ranging light to normal due to short supplies of raw materials.

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

	Frozen			Fresh			
Fat Content	25-Apr-08	Last Week	Last Year	25-Apr-08	Last Week	Last Year	
15% or Less							
Price Range	22.00	17.00	17.00	23.00 - 25.00	19.00 - 24.00	16.50-18.00	
Wtd Avg Price	22.00	17.00	17.00	23.90	22.50	16.96	
Volume Traded	54	53	262	181	247	502	
Volume Exported	54	53	262	-	-	-	
15-20%							
Price Range	20.00 - 28.00	18.00 - 28.00	14.00-21.00	14.00 - 26.00	15.00 - 26.00	11.00-17.00	
Wtd Avg Price	23.57	23.21	17.53	19.36	18.48	13.40	
Volume Traded	1,547	1,603	1,384	2,800	2,701	2,446	
Volume Exported	1,507	1,523	1,184	509	713	163	
20% or More							
Price Range	-	-	-	-	-	14.00	
Wtd Avg Price			-			14.00	
Volume Traded	-	-	-	-	-	80	
Volume Exported	=	-	-	-	-	-	



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

	Frozen			Fresh		
Fat Content	Mar 2008	Feb 2008	Mar 2007	Mar 2008	Feb 2008	Mar 2007
15% or Less						
Wtd Avg Price	18.77	20.40	17.02	19.04	17.58	16.36
Volume Traded	215	584	1,583	1,010	1,566	1,932
Volume Exported	215	264	1,302	-	-	-
15-20%						
Wtd Avg Price	20.43	18.82	17.13	15.08	14.37	13.12
Volume Traded	7,601	8,143	7,161	7,548	11,547	11,788
Volume Exported	6,640	7,223	5,993	899	2,321	3,346
20% or More						
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	17.00	18.03	14.00
Volume Traded	-	-	-	408	775	440
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-

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

