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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Majority prices were slightly lower in the Northeast, unchanged in the West and Midwest. Trade sentiment was steady in all areas. Retail and food service demand ranged light to fairly good, best where promotions were in progress. Supplies of all sizes were generally sufficient to satisfy trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was fair to moderate. Breast items and wings were at least adequate. Tenders were well cleared. Dark meat items were in good balance with leg quarters, drums and thighs in the best balance. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were mixed, but mostly desirable.



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 11-AUG-2008 (cents per lb)

AREAS	US GRADE A		COMPOSITE		
	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS	WTD AVG	LOADS
Boston/New England	TFEWR		:	79.28	18
Chicago	69.00-72.00	68.72	27 :	68.30	46
Ohio Cities	TFEWR		:	67.63	12
Denver	96.50	96.50	11 :	94.17	13
Detroit	76.00-78.00	76.44	9 :	75.16	48
Los Angeles	97.00	95.92	59 :	89.77	147
New York	70.00-73.00	71.65	20 :	73.42	56
Philadelphia	69.50-71.00	70.27	11 :	72.20	23
Pittsburgh	69.00-72.00	70.73	11 :	78.69	50
St. Louis	67.75-69.00	67.48	19 :	69.73	29
San Francisco	97.50	96.13	31 :	95.73	62

Composite Weighted Average

Loads	08/11/08	Change	Last Wk 8/04/08	08/13/07
504	79.32	.91	78.41	77.88

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	77.00-79.00	78.30	30
Central	58.00-75.00	70.37	55
Western	72.00-85.00	84.75	55

Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent

Mississippi	86.00-89.00	88.31	86
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GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broiler/fryers for this week's trading is 88.50 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG LOADS RANGE FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT

1,084	71.00-89.75	86.91
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Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed FINAL weighted average price on ice-packed parts:

WTD. AVG. VOLUME
(CENTS PER POUND) (000 POUNDS)

LINE RUN TENDERS	171.50	1,403
BREASTS - B/S	145.50	5,877
BREASTS - WHOLE	84.00	1,473
THIGH MEAT - B/S	128.00	1,219
THIGHS	62.50	617
DRUMSTICKS	70.50	831
LEG QUARTERS	52.50	9,490
WINGS	98.00	2,744

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

SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYER Trade sentiment was steady. Demand was fair to moderate with increased interest noted entering the week. Supplies of all sizes were at least sufficient to handle current trade requirements. In the parts structure, movement was fair to moderate for early week trading. Breast items and wings were better balanced and noted as at least adequate. Dark meat cuts continued in good balance to well cleared. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYER Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers increased slightly following the weekend and was noted as generally fair overall. Offerings of all sizes were in better balance and sufficient for current needs. Movement through retail and distributive channels fair. The market tone was steady. In the parts complex, breast items and wings were in better balance and clearing satisfactorily. Tenders were in close balance and where available held with confidence. Dark meat cuts were adequate to well cleared with drums, thigh and leg quarters in the better balance.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Final majority prices were unchanged. The market tone was generally steady. Trading reported at unchanged to lower prices, with regular commitments in the strongest position. Offerings began the week in fair balance on weights less than 3 pounds, however heavy weights were ample; to cover immediate needs. Buying activity, although mixed, had increased in some areas to cover anticipated promotions. Retailer demand was fairly good overall. Dealers reported satisfactory weekend clearances. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG average was down .81 to 77.19 down .81, with the volume reported up 6 percent to 37 loads.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYERS Final majority delivered prices were mixed, but mostly unchanged; Ohio cities TFEWR. Whole broiler/fryer market tone was steady. Trade inquiry was very limited on moderate offerings. Retail and food service demand light for the most part with instances of moderate to good movement into white table cloth restaurants, fast food, and features. Floor stocks were adequate to long; weights desirable to heavy. Supplies of dark meat lines were adequate to close, wings mixed and breast items were fully available. Trade sentiment on was fully steady on leg quarters and steady on balance.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was fair to moderate entering the week. Offerings off all sizes were at least sufficient for current trade needs. Live supplies were moderate; weights were noted as mostly desirable. Processing schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 72 to 84 cents. Trade sentiment was steady. In the parts complex, breast items and wings were at least adequate and in slightly better balance. Dark meat cuts were in good balance to well cleared. Tenders were sufficient to well cleared.

BOILER/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	70-91
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operation.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Trucklot buying activity was fair to moderate as dealers assess market developments entering the week. Breast items and wings were in better balance and were clearing satisfactorily. Tenders and most dark meat cuts were in good balance to well cleared with thighs, drums and leg quarters in the best position. Retail and distributive movement was mostly fair. The market tone was fully steady to firm for tenders, drums and thighs. the balance of items were mostly steady.

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

ITEM	NEGOTIATED	CURRENT	WTD	VOLUME
	TRADING*		AVG**	/LBS
BREAST - B/S	130		129.72	449,000
TENDERLOINS	110-115		108.37	110,720
BREAST - WITH RIBS	65-66		74.80	96,920
BREAST - LINE RUN	65		65.71	63,000
LEGS	70-71		71.94	155,800
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	53-54		55.90	296,373
DRUMSTICKS	65-66		74.13	125,554
THIGHS	61-60		71.51	55,665
B/S THIGHS	127-128		130.04	47,720
WINGS (WHOLE)	88-89		102.95	166,625
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	12-14		14.21	18,600
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	35-40		38.60	4,280
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	50-55		52.02	11,400

NEW YORK CITY METROPOLITAN AREA, northern NJ, MA, CT, RI, & 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 FOB 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	RANGE	MAJ	WTD
	(000)			AVG
BREAST - B/S	2,265	105.00-178.00	107-110	111.54
TENDERLOINS	608	90.00-195.00	90-100	97.46
BREAST - WITH RIBS		TOO FEW TO REPORT	-	-
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT	-	-
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT	-	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	716	51.00-52.00	-	51.83
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,302	53.00-54.00	53-54	53.48
WINGS (WHOLE)	1,521	68.00-89.00	72-75	74.22
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT	-	-
THIGHS	1,567	42.00-57.00	48-51	48.68

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (In thousands)

	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	ACTUAL	AVG WTS
	08/11	08/07	08/07	08/04	07/31
Alabama	4,239	4,067	5.13	4,160	5.21
Arkansas	4,883	5,214	5.43	4,938	5.39
Delmarva	2,240	2,283	5.95	2,196	5.97
KY-LA-TN	2,386	2,464	4.91	2,347	4.95
Mississippi	3,082	3,094	5.67	3,101	5.58
North Carolina	2,830	2,779	6.81	2,753	6.81
Texas	2,551	2,644	5.37	2,546	5.34
Total	22,211	22,545	5.57	22,041	5.56
Mon	22,211 (A)			22,041 (A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 11-Aug 2008 is estimated to be 33,230,000 up 0.47 percent from a week ago. and up 0.7 percent from a year ago. (last week 33,075,000 last year 33,013,000)

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	RANGE	MAJ	WTD
	(000)			AVG
BREAST - B/S	370	115.00-198.00	-	135.19
TENDERLOINS	152	95.00-192.00	-	113.14
BREAST - LINE RUN	80	70.00-80.00	-	73.38
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	476	50.00-54.00	52	52.27
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	942	51.00-56.00	53-54	53.45
WINGS (WHOLE)	247	65.00-80.00	-	72.89
WINGS (CUT)	91	83.00-97.00	-	90.85
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
B/S THIGHS	95	116.00-128.00	-	120.74

Index Based on Southern States Parts Trading for Aug 11, 2008 -- F.O.B. Dock

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
58.50 - 63.00	60.89	60.30

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 11-AUG-2008 TO 15-AUG-2008, CENTS PER POUND

	Price per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	112.00 - 133.00	112.00 - 123.00
TENDERLOINS	98.00 - 123.00	105.00 - 118.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	64.00 - 99.00	64.00 - 73.00
LEGS	69.00 - 75.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	50.00 - 62.00	52.00 - 54.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	52.00 - 60.00	54.00 - 56.00
DRUMSTICKS	58.00 - 68.00	-
THIGHS	56.00 - 70.00	-
B/S THIGHS	123.00 - 130.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	70.00 - 104.00	74.00 - 92.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	12.00 - 25.00	-
LIVERS	32.00 - 49.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40.00 - 59.00	-

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

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	101-118
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	104.5-122.5
FROZEN HENS 5# & UP	
FROZEN DUCKS	
FROZEN SQUABS	

DELIVERED TO RETAILERS

FRESH FRYERS	102-111
ROASTERS 4# & UP	115-125
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	DRY PACK	131
	ICE PACK	159
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK	175
	DRY PACK	117
HENS OVER 5#	DRY PACK	112
	ICE PACK	114
DUCKS		235-238

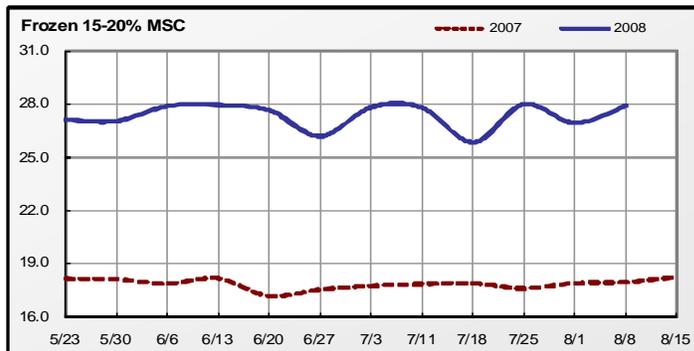
National Mechanically Separated Chicken

(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 market tone continues steady to fully steady. Offerings of fresh 15-20% are short to light and held with confidence. Demand for fresh and frozen was moderate to good. Supplies of raw materials are tight and sought after. Domestic trading was slowed only by reduced availability. Export demand was good with best inquiry from Mexico, Central American and Asian countries. Schedules remain full time. Frame values were steady ranging 5 to 10 cents FOB, mostly 7 to 9 cents.

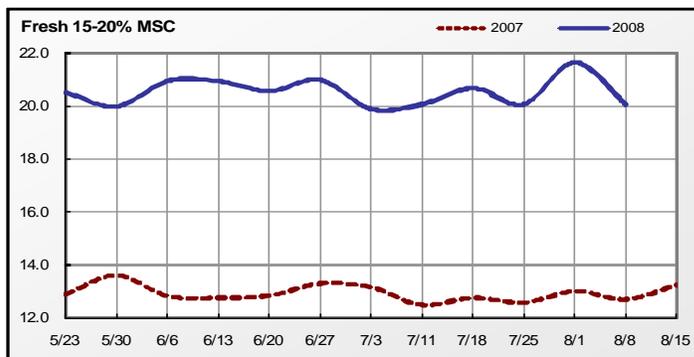
Weekly MSC Weighted Average Prices (cents/pound) and Volumes (1,000 pounds)

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	8-Aug-08	Last Week	Last Year	8-Aug-08	Last Week	Last Year
15% or Less						
Price Range	-	-	18.00	24.00 - 26.00	24.00 - 25.00	15.00-16.00
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	18.00	24.63	24.38	15.81
Volume Traded	-	-	262	321	424	418
Volume Exported	-	-	262	-	-	-
15-20%						
Price Range	26.00 - 30.00	19.00 - 34.00	16.00-21.00	18.00 - 25.00	18.00 - 29.00	11.00-16.00
Wtd Avg Price	27.93	26.94	18.25	20.06	21.65	13.25
Volume Traded	717	2,191	1,380	2,082	3,455	1,574
Volume Exported	676	1,547	1,196	265	612	490
20% or More						
Price Range	***-***	-	-	**21.00**	21.00	14.00
Wtd Avg Price	***-***	-	-	**21.00**	21.00	14.00
Volume Traded	***-***	-	-	***122***	156	40
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-



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

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	Jul 2008	Jun 2008	Jul 2007	Jul 2008	Jun 2008	Jul 2007
15% or Less						
Wtd Avg Price	30.00	26.00	17.93	23.72	24.78	15.84
Volume Traded	40	164	1,169	647	684	1,366
Volume Exported	-	164	1,047	-	-	-
15-20%						
Wtd Avg Price	27.53	27.60	17.81	20.16	20.83	12.71
Volume Traded	5,069	5,261	6,151	12,334	10,252	8,597
Volume Exported	4,269	4,620	5,303	2,830	1,345	1,835
20% or More						
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	-	-	14.00
Volume Traded	-	-	-	-	-	280
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-



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

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SOUTH CENTRAL LIVE HEAVY-TYPE HENS

Trading was unchanged to lower compared to last week. Demand was fair for at least adequate and growing supplies of spent heavy fowl. Finished sales were slow. Schedules had increased at most plants. Trade sentiment was no better than steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)* FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 11-AUG-08

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	7-13		9.61

* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

SOUTHEAST LIVE HEAVY-TYPE HENS

Prices were unchanged to slightly lower when compared to the previous week. Demand was mostly fair for the at least adequate offerings of spent fowl. Processing schedules were noted as normal. Sales of finished product was fair. The undertone was about steady to steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)* FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 11-AUG-08

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	7-13.5	CENTS/LB.	9.84
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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