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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Majority prices were trending lower in the Midwest, unchanged elsewhere when compared to last week prices. Trade sentiment was steady to about steady in the Midwest, about steady in the West, and steady in the East. Retail and food service demand was light to moderate with limited trading. Supplies of all sizes were at least adequate to satisfy current trade needs. Floor stocks were adequate to ample. In the parts structure, movement was light to moderate for early week trading. Breast items were balanced with boneless skinless in good supply and moving satisfactorily. Tenders were fully sufficient, wings remain closely cleared. Dark meat items were sufficient with thighs in the best position. In production areas live supplies were moderate. Weights were mixed, but mostly desirable

FINAL Prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook broiler/fryers delivered to first receivers and FOB Dock at major market areas (cents per lb) Week of 23-FEB-2009

Delivered to First Receivers 1/:

	Grade A			: Composite	
	Maj	Wtd Avg	Lds	:Wtd Avg	Lds
Boston/New England	TFEWR			: 78.93	14
Ohio Cities	TFEWR			: 61.40	15
Denver	94.50	94.50	13	: 93.52	15
Detroit	74.00-77.00	76.13	8	: 75.05	42
Los Angeles	95.00	93.90	60	: 90.26	130
New York	74.00-77.00	75.35	20	: 77.09	54
Philadelphia	73.50-75.00	74.27	11	: 73.98	23
Pittsburgh	73.00-76.00	74.82	11	: 78.88	52
St. Louis	72.00-74.00	78.90	13	: 77.23	21
San Francisco	95.50	95.37	31	: 97.63	62

Delivered to First Receivers

	Whole Body 2/:			Composite	
	Maj	Wtd Avg	Lds	Wtd Avg	Lds
Chicago 1/	60.00-72.00			: 66.36	55

Composite Weighted Average 3/:

Loads	02/23/09	Change Last Wk	02/16/09	02/26/08
483	80.10	1.29	78.81	80.78

WOG Broilers 4/:	Majority	Wtd Avg	Lds
Eastern	77.00-79.00	77.98	30
Central	57.00-70.00	67.65	76
Western	74.00-96.00	81.05	47

FOB Dock Equivalent 5/:

Mississippi	84.00-87.00	85.49	89

1/: Includes branded product.
2/: Whole Body category includes whole body birds with or without giblets, all grades, brands, and packaging.
3/: Includes all whole birds shipped into listed cities including Chicago.
4/: Delivered first receiver, trucklot and less than trucklot volumes.
5/: Southeast area.

GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is **86.50** cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/12 to 3 pound birds.

LOADS	RANGE	MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT
1,057	70.00-88.63	86.34

Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed FINAL WTD AVG price on ice-packed parts:

ITEM	WTD AVG (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000) POUNDS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	181.00	1,402
BREASTS - B/S	128.50	5,818
BREASTS - WHOLE	77.00	1,712
THIGH MEAT - B/S	117.00	1,405
THIGHS	53.50	724
DRUMSTICKS	60.50	1,008
LEG QUARTERS	35.00	8,332
WINGS	149.00	2,910

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

NORTHEAST Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was mostly fair as dealers assess market conditions entering the week. Offerings of all sizes were fully sufficient for current needs. Movement through retail and distributive channels was light to fair. The market tone was mostly steady. In the parts complex, dark meat cuts, wings and bone-in breast were balanced to adequate and clearing satisfactorily. Boneless skinless breasts were well cleared.

SOUTHERN Trade sentiment was steady at best. Demand following the weekend was no better than fair with hopes of improvement for upcoming first of the business. Supplies of all sizes were at least adequate to satisfy current trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was fair to moderate for early week trading. Breast items were sufficient with boneless skinless in good supply and moving satisfactorily. Wings remain balanced to closely cleared, but tenders were fully sufficient. Dark meat items were adequate to close with thighs in the best position and leg quarters aided by export interest. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mixed, but mostly desirable weights.

WESTERN Final majority prices were unchanged. The market tone was about steady. Trading reported for this week's deliveries at mainly unchanged prices on regular commitments, and unchanged to higher on new negotiations. Offerings of less than 3 pounds were in close balance and confidently held, heavy weights whole body product exceeded full trade needs. Buying activity decreased and was only fair. Retailer demand was moderate overall. Dealers reported moderate weekend carryovers. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG average was 73.42 with the volume reported at 31 loads.

MIDWEST Final delivered majority prices were lower to unchanged; Ohio cities TFEWR. Whole broiler/fryer market tone was steady. Whole bird offers were in balance overall for light trade needs. Retail and food service demand was light to moderate. Floor stocks were adequate to ample; sizes desirable to heavy. Parts trade was most active on wings and boneless/skinless breast. Supplies were ample on tenderloins; close on other breast cuts and wings; adequate on leg quarters and tight on thighs. The market tone was steady to fully steady on boneless/skinless breast and steady on the balance.

DELMARVA Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was usually fair entering the week as dealers assessed current market conditions. Offerings were noted as more than sufficient to handle trade needs. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mixed, but mostly desirable. Processing schedules were reported as moderate. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 76 to 87 cents. Trade sentiment was steady. In the parts complex, b/s breasts were balanced and clearing well. Tenders moved in a slightly better position and were fully adequate. Bone-in breasts and dark meat cuts were sufficient. Wings were in good balance to well cleared.

*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DEILVEERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FORM DELMARVA

	BRANDED U.S. GRADE A
RANGE	65-92
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Trucklot buying activity was mostly fair as dealers assess market conditions entering the week. Offerings of boneless skinless breasts were in good balanced to well cleared; tenders were fully adequate for current needs. Bone-in breasts and most dark meat cuts were sufficient and clearing satisfactorily. Wings were in good balance. Retail and distributive movement was light to fair with limited feature activity. The market tone was about steady for tenders. Boneless skinless breasts were fully steady to firm. The balance of items were generally steady.

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

ITEM	CURRENT NEGOTIATED TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOLUME /LBS
BREAST - B/S	125-130	119.02	412,205
TENDERLOINS	155-160	157.44	79,640
BREAST - WITH RIBS	76-77	83.69	69,360
BREAST - LINE RUN	76	78.58	59,400
LEGS	56-57	53.44	189,360
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	35-36	35.60	255,400
DRUMSTICKS	58-59	62.19	49,840
THIGHS	53-54	60.81	31,320
B/S THIGHS	112-113	115.18	23,640
WINGS (WHOLE)	146-147	151.72	175,600
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	13-15	15.00	16,640
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	45-50	48.26	7,360
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	70-75	69.59	16,120

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 (000)	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	984	98.00-180.00	-	124.72
TENDERLOINS	248	128.00-245.00	-	142.30
BREAST - WITH RIBS		TOO FEW TO REPORT	-	
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT	-	
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT	-	
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)		TOO FEW TO REPORT	-	
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	978	34.00-39.00	35-36	35.52
WINGS (WHOLE)		TOO FEW TO REPORT	-	
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT	-	
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT	-	

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (In thousands)

	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	ACTUAL	AVG WTS
	02/23	02/19	02/19	02/16	02/12
Alabama	3,876	3,734	5.37	3,534	5.45
Arkansas	4,631	4,965	5.47	4,634	5.46
Delmarva	2,131	2,173	5.74	2,094	5.77
KY-LA-TN	2,232	2,307	5.01	2,239	4.84
Mississippi	2,737	2,841	5.54	2,699	5.71
North Carolina	2,692	2,642	6.93	2,611	6.84
Texas	2,630	2,613	5.28	2,630	5.29
Total	20,929	21,275	5.60	20,441	5.59
Mon	20,929 (A)			20,441 (A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.
Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 23-Feb 2009 is estimated to be 31,312,000 up 2.08 percent from a week ago. and down 3.2 percent from a year ago.
(last week 30,674,000 last year 32,339,000)

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	325	108.00-195.00	-	118.24
TENDERLOINS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	396	32.00-37.00	34-35	34.58
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	577	33.00-40.00	36-37	36.73
WINGS (WHOLE)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
WINGS (CUT)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
B/S THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		

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Index Based on Southern States Parts Trading for Feb 23, 2009 -- F.O.B. Dock

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
50.00 - 55.50	52.96	51.91

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 23-Feb-2009 TO 27-Feb-2009, CENTS PER POUND

	Price per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	105.00 -129.00	108.00 -118.00
TENDERLOINS	125.00 -170.00	157.00 -165.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	74.00 - 89.00	74.00 - 80.00
LEGS	55.00 - 61.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	30.00 - 40.00	33.00 - 36.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	34.00 - 45.00	36.00 - 38.00
DRUMSTICKS	53.00 - 63.00	-
THIGHS	53.00 - 56.00	-
B/S THIGHS	104.00 -118.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	146.00 -151.00	-
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	17.00 - 29.00	-
LIVERS	35.00 - 51.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40.00 - 61.00	-

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

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	99-116
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	102.5-120.5
FROZEN HENS 5# & UP	
FROZEN DUCKS	
FROZEN SQUABS	

DELIVERED TO RETAILERS

FRESH FRYERS	109-119
ROASTERS 4# & UP	125-135
HENS UNDER 5#	
HENS OVER 5#	
DUCKS	
RABBITS-WHOLE	
RABBITS-CUT UP	

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY, DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

FRESH FRYERS	DRY PACK	136
	ICE PACK	159
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK	
	DRY PACK	117
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK	114
	DRY PACK	112
DUCKS		235-252

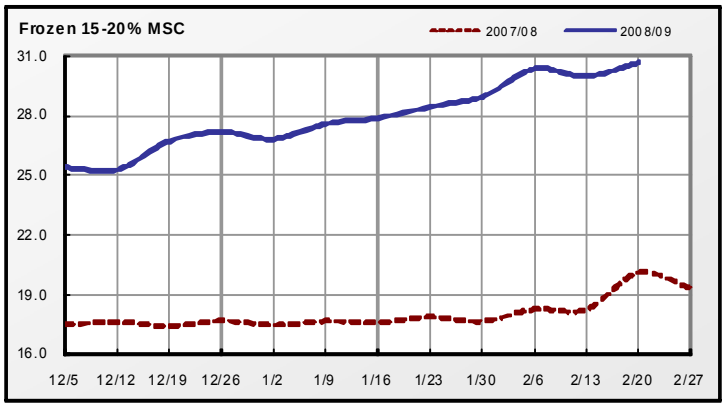
NATIONAL MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

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

The MSC market tone was steady to fully steady for all fat contents. Supplies were mostly balanced to close. Supplies of raw materials remained tight. Demand was moderate to good with most export activity continuing into Mexico, the Caribbean, and Central American countries. Schedules were normal to short.

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

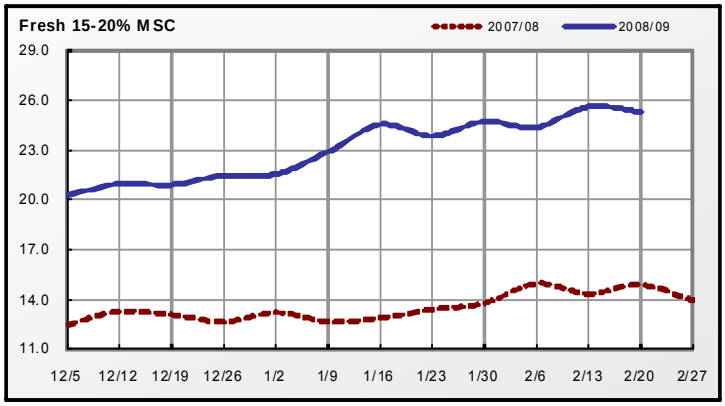
	Frozen			Fresh		
Fat Content	20-Feb-09	Last Week	Last Year	20-Feb-09	Last Week	Last Year
15% or Less						
Price Range			18.00	27.00 - 29.00	28.00 - 29.00	18.00-19.00
Wtd Avg Price			18.00	28.01	28.37	18.47
Volume Traded	-	-	53	257	216	341
Volume Exported	-	-	53	55	55	-
15-20%						
Price Range	26.00 - 34.00	24.00 - 36.00	16.50-23.00	23.00 - 29.00	22.00 - 29.00	11.00-19.00
Wtd Avg Price	30.68	29.99	20.11	25.30	25.64	14.88
Volume Traded	1,467	1,365	2,049	3,496	4,190	2,047
Volume Exported	1,047	805	1,809	898	1,183	163
20% or More						
Price Range	-	-	-	22.00	24.00	18.00-18.50
Wtd Avg Price			-	22.00	24.00	18.28
Volume Traded	-	-	-	80	82	367
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-



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

	Frozen			Fresh		
Fat Content	Jan 2009	Dec 2008	Jan 2008	Jan 2009	Dec 2008	Jan 2008
15% or Less						
Wtd Avg Price	-	26.00	15.69	27.67	24.96	15.70
Volume Traded	-	118	215	1,524	1,360	1,486
Volume Exported	-	118	215	274	226	
15-20%						
Wtd Avg Price	27.92	25.95	17.64	23.48	20.81	13.08
Volume Traded	5,100	6,646	5,922	12,494	14,306	9,007
Volume Exported	4,268	6,126	5,359	2,613	2,488	2,197
20% or More						
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	22.99	21.17	12.00
Volume Traded	-	-	-	284	243	82
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-

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



LIVE HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)*

FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 23-FEBRUARY-09

SOUTH CENTRAL

Prices were mixed compared to the past week. Demand was moderate for at least adequate offerings of spent heavy hens. Schedules were as desired. Finished sales were slow to fair. Trade sentiment was about steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	7.5-14.5 CENTS/LB.		10.67

SOUTHEAST

Prices were generally unchanged when compared to the previous week. Demand was mostly fair for the generally sufficient offerings of spent fowl. Processing schedules were noted as normal. Finished product supplies were adequate for current trade needs. The undertone was steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	8.25-18.25 CENTS/LB.		11.39
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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