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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady in the West, steady elsewhere. Retail demand was light to good, mostly light to fair, best where promotions were in progress. Food service was light to moderate, best into fast food. Supplies of all sizes were adequate to fully adequate to satisfy current trade needs. Floor stocks were balanced. In the parts structure, movement was fair to moderate for mid week trading. Breast items and tenders were sufficient to more available. Wings were adequate to barely adequate and dark meat items were in good balance to tight with legs and leg quarters in the best position. 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 remains unchanged at 85.75 cents based on full truck load lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 82.00 cents last year on April 23, 2008.

GA f.o.b. dock quoted prices on ice-packed parts for next week's trading.

ITEM	DOCK PRICE (CENTS PER POUND)
LINE RUN TENDERS	181.50
BREASTS - B/S	150.50
BREASTS – WHOLE	82.00
THIGH MEAT - B/S	124.00
THIGHS	59.50
DRUMSTICKS	60.00
LEG QUARTERS	39.00
WINGS	138.00

Information supplied by the GA Dept of Ag's Poultry Market News Service.

SOUTHERN REGION Trade sentiment was mostly steady. Demand was no better than fair with limited trading. Supplies of all sizes were adequate to handle current trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was fair to moderate for mid week business. Breast items were sufficient, but boneless skinless and tenders were more available. Wings were balanced and dark meat items were in good supply and moving satisfactorily. 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 during midweek trading. Offerings of 3 pound and lighter sizes were about adequate to adequate; heavier sizes were at least sufficient for current needs. Movement through retail and distributive channels was light to fair. The market tone was steady. In the parts complex, breast items were at least adequate; leg quarters, legs and thighs were in good balance to well cleared. Wings were generally sufficient for current needs.

MIDWEST REGION The market tone on whole broiler/fryers was steady. Producer offerings were light to moderate. Retail and food service was light to moderate, occasionally better into some fast food operations. Floor stocks were adequate; weights desirable to heavy. Trade in the parts centered on eight piece cut-up and breast cuts. Parts supplies were generally available with dark meat lines in closest position. Trade sentiment was steady to firm on leg cuts, cautiously steady to steady on the balance of parts.

WESTERN REGION The market tone was steady to fully steady. Offerings were adequate overall. Retail demand was moderate to good with best interest where promotions in progress. Floor stocks were adequate.

BROILER –TYPE EGGS SET IN 19 SELECTED STATES DOWN 6 PERCENT

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 203 million eggs in incubators during the week ending April 18, 2009. This was down 6 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 85 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED DOWN 6 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 167 million chicks for meat production during the week ending April 18, 2009. Placements were down 6 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 28, 2008 through April 18, 2009 were 2.68 billion, down 6 percent from the same period a year earlier.

BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET AND BROILER CHICKS PLACED TOTAL 19 SELECTED STATES

WEEK ENDING 04/18/09	2009	2008	PERCENT CHANGE PREVIOUS YEAR
	Thousand		
EGGS SET	202,689	214,822	-6
CHICKS PLACED	166,642	177,156	-6

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 30-May-09 is estimated at 153.4 million head. This compares to 154.6 million head the previous week and to 167.0 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 154.4 million head and the composite weighted average price was 82.53 cents per pound.

APR 21 **SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS** **APR 22**

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	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	445	120.00-200.00	-	138.61	BREAST - B/S	409	123.00-197.00	-	136.35
TENDERLOINS	206	142.00-207.00	146-149	151.40	TENDERLOINS	203	136.00-201.00	-	146.66
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	TOO FEW TO REPORT				LEGS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	519	34.00-38.00	36-37	36.50	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	436	34.00-38.00	36-37	36.47
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	564	34.00-40.00	38-39	38.26	LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	782	35.00-41.00	38-39	38.34
WINGS (WHOLE)	200	133.00-141.00	-	137.40	WINGS (WHOLE)	166	134.00-141.00	-	136.42
WINGS (CUT)	139	148.00-159.00	-	152.44	WINGS (CUT)	171	146.00-159.00	-	152.15
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	85	110.00-120.00	-	114.12

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
49.50 - 55.00	52.70	49.50 - 55.00	52.68	52.28

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 activity was mostly fair during midweek trading. Offerings of legs, leg quarters and thighs were clearing well under active export interest and other dark meat cuts were balance to adequate; breast items and wings were at least sufficient for current needs. Retail and distributive movement was fair. The market tone was fully steady to firm for leg quarters, legs and thighs; generally steady for the balance of items.

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

APR 21 ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG	VOL/LBS	APR 22 ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	145-150	144.08	564,640	BREAST - B/S	145-150	138.62	390,000
TENDERLOINS	150-155	152.63	148,672	TENDERLOINS	150-155	155.70	71,480
BREAST - WITH RIBS	77-78	80.94	211,560	BREAST - WITH RIBS	77-78	81.95	109,320
BREAST - LINE RUN	77	78.68	68,400	BREAST - LINE RUN	77	78.67	64,800
LEGS	59-60	58.80	209,920	LEGS	59-60	60.09	233,600
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	37-38	37.35	329,960	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	38-39	38.70	251,920
DRUMSTICKS	54-55	60.89	100,300	DRUMSTICKS	54-55	63.49	76,920
THIGHS	58-59	63.35	76,580	THIGHS	58-59	64.26	57,240
B/S THIGHS	120-121	123.62	96,200	B/S THIGHS	120-121	122.42	57,560
WINGS (WHOLE)	134-135	139.81	171,720	WINGS (WHOLE)	134-135	142.00	171,160
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	13-15	15.22	24,480	BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	13-15	15.00	21,040
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	45-50	48.00	12,920	LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	45-50	47.91	5,000
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	65-70	68.37	24,360	GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	65-70	68.07	20,280

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

	ESTIMATED (1,000)		ACTUAL (1,000)		AVG WTS		ACTUAL (1,000)	AVG WTS
	04/22	04/21	04/20	04/17	04/20	04/17	04/15	04/13
Alabama	3,681	4,086	3,804	3,895	5.45	5.26	4,595	5.59
Arkansas	4,945	4,997	4,922	3,317	5.51	5.35	4,822	5.49
Delmarva	2,038	2,255	2,194	2,567	6.18	5.91	2,026	6.52
KY-LA-TN	2,271	2,161	2,288	1,859	5.20	4.90	2,242	5.08
Mississippi	2,614	2,894	2,861	2,774	5.92	5.72	2,524	5.63
North Carolina	2,661	2,664	2,569	2,680	7.24	6.93	2,645	7.24
Texas	2,350	2,661	2,736	2,502	5.55	5.36	2,342	5.34
Total	20,560	21,718	21,374	19,594	5.80	5.63	21,196	5.72
Mon-Wed	63,690	(A)					62,211	(A)

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above. Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 22-Apr-09 is estimated to be 30,760,000 head down 3.29 percent from a week ago and down -5.96 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 31,807,000, last year 32,710,000)

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

	RANGE
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
DLVRD TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

		RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK	159
	DRY PACK	116
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK	175
	DRY PACK	117
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK	125
	DRY PACK	116
DUCKS		252-262

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER
UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 25-APR-09

	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	04/25/09 (1)	04/18/09
Class	---------- Thousand head ---------	
Broiler/fryer	159,334(2)	156,687
Light hens	1,277	1,297
Heavy hens	1,654	1,497
Total	162,265	159,463

(1)ESTIMATED
2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 25-Apr-09 is 158.6 million head compared to 167.2 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 159.7 million head or 1.1 million more than estimated available. For the week of 02-May-09 the estimated available is 160.1 million head.

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

	PROCESSED TURKEY LBS	PROCESSED POULTRY LBS
AM 04/20/09	133,901	69,604
AM 04/01/09	130,812	73,006
CHG	3,089	-3,402
PCT CHG	2	-5

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEYS			PROCESSED POULTRY		
	04/20/09	04/13/09	04/21/08	04/20/09	04/13/09	04/21/08
PACIFIC COAST	**592**	587	2,552	7,965	8,313	6,642
LOS ANGELES	206	230	268	1,374	1,419	1,152

CENTRAL MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY RTC HENS
READY-TO-COOK PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR DELIVERY TO FIRST RECEIVERS, U.S.GRADE A AND PLANT GRADE,5LBS AND UP, FOR WEEK OF APRIL 20, 2009

		RANGE
HENS	ICE PACKED (12 PER BOX)	75-86
	VACUUM PACKED (6-9 PER BOX)	75-94

HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES **FOR 04/21/09**
AI PAPERS REQUIRED TO SELL ALL OUT OF STATE POULTRY

	LOW	HIGH	AVG		LOW	HIGH	AVG
HEAVY FOWL lb.	.70	.80	.76	HEAVY FOWL ea.	-	-	-
LIGHT FOWL lb.	-	-	-	LIGHT FOWL ea.	-	-	-
MIXED FOWL lb.	-	-	-	MIXED FOWL ea.	-	6.75	-
BANTAMS lb.	-	-	-	BANTAMS ea.	-	-	-
BROILERS lb.	-	-	-	BROILERS ea.	-	-	-
ROASTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROASTERS ea.	-	-	-
FRYERS lb.	-	-	-	FRYERS ea.	-	-	-
CHICKS lb.	-	-	-	CHICKS ea.	1.25	2.50	-
PULLETS lb.	-	-	-	PULLETS ea.	-	-	-
BUNNIES lb.	-	-	-	BUNNIES ea.	-	-	-
ROOSTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROOSTERS ea.	-	-	-
GEESE lb.	-	-	-	GEESE ea.	-	-	-
TURKEYS lb.	-	-	-	TURKEYS ea.	-	-	-
DUCKS lb.	1.50	2.35	1.91	DUCKS ea.	-	-	-
RABBITS lb.	2.00	2.95	2.51	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.	-	-	-	PEACOCKS ea.	50.00	75.00	-
PARTRIDGES ea.	8.50	10.00	-				

TOTAL COOPS 26

MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS-MEXICO CITY
Cents per pound for the week ending April 17, 2009

	Whole Chickens	Breasts	Legs W/Thighs	Necks,Backs & Wings	Livers Gizzards	Hens
RAYON						
Low	74.35	138.33	83.00	24.21	13.83	81.27
High	80.23	148.71	89.92	31.13	17.29	81.27
Mostly	76.08	145.25	86.46	24.21	13.83	81.27
SAN JUAN						
Low	73.66	138.33	79.54	20.75	10.38	79.54
High	79.54	145.25	86.46	27.67	13.83	79.54
Mostly	75.39	141.79	83.00	24.21	13.83	79.54
NEW SAN JUAN						
Low	75.39	141.79	86.46	24.21	13.83	83.00
High	81.27	152.17	93.38	31.13	17.29	83.00
Mostly	75.39	148.71	89.92	27.67	17.29	83.00
BECERRA						
Low	76.08	145.25	89.92	27.67	17.29	84.73
High	83.00	155.63	96.83	34.58	20.75	84.73
Mostly	76.08	152.17	93.38	27.67	17.29	84.73

DELMARVA Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was usually fair to moderate for midweek business. Seller offerings were generally sufficient. Live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights. Processor schedules were moderate. Less than trucklot asking prices remained unchanged at 71 to 82 cents. Trade sentiment was steady. In the parts complex, breast items were at least sufficient. Wings were usually sufficient and moving satisfactorily. Dark meat cuts were in good balance to well cleared with legs and leg quarters in the best position.

	BRANDED U.S. GRADE A
RANGE	70-87
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations.

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