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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Trade sentiment was fully steady to firm in the East, steady to occasionally firm elsewhere. Retail and food service demand covered the full range, mostly moderate to fairly good, best into catering, delicatessen and where fast food promotions were in progress. Supplies of all sizes were adequate to well cleared to satisfy present trade needs. Floor stocks were balanced to tight. In the parts structure, movement was moderate to fairly good for mid week trading. Breast items were adequate to short with bone-in and boneless skinless in the strongest position. Wings and tenders were adequate to readily available and slow to clear. Dark meat items were balanced to tight and moving well. 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 advanced .50 cents to 87.00 cents based on full truck load lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 83.50 cents last year on May 14, 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	177.00
BREASTS - B/S	156.00
BREASTS - WHOLE	87.50
THIGH MEAT - B/S	124.50
THIGHS	62.50
DRUMSTICKS	61.50
LEG QUARTERS	46.00
WINGS	138.50

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

SOUTHERN REGION Trade sentiment was fully steady to mostly firm. Retail and foods service demand was at least moderate to good, best into delicatessen and where fast food promotions were in progress. Supplies of all sizes were well cleared to tight to satisfy current trade needs. In the parts structure movement was fair to fairly good for mid week business. Breast items were sufficient to well cleared with bone-in breast in the strongest position. Tenders were available, wings were at least adequate and dark meat items were in good supply with good movement. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

NORTHEAST REGION Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was mostly moderate to good for mid-week trading. Offerings of all sizes were well cleared. Movement through retail and distributive channels was at least moderate. The market tone was mostly firm. In the parts complex, wings and tenders were readily available for current needs. Dark meat cuts were adequate to barely adequate and moving satisfactorily, and breast items were in good balance to short with bone-in and boneless skinless in the best positions.

MIDWEST REGION Whole broiler/fryer market tone was steady to occasionally firm. Additional offers were for the most part nonexistent for light to moderate trade interest. Retail and food service movement was light to moderate, occasionally better into catering. Floor stocks were adequate to short. Sizes remained in a desirable range. In parts complex, thighs and tenders were long and all other parts were in close balance. The trade sentiment was steady to firm on breast cuts; unsettled on wings and dark meat lines and barely steady on tenders and thighs.

WESTERN REGION The market tone was at least steady on whole broiler/fryers and steady to firm on WOGs. Offerings light and spotty. Some fill-in trading noted on WOGs at 82-88 cents delivered. Retail and food service demand moderate to good. Weights desirable. Floor stocks light to adequate. Parts demand moderate to good with some retailers starting to build inventories for the upcoming holiday weekend. Fill-in trading was noted on bone-in breasts at 89-102, leg quarters 73-77 and drums at 59-69 cents. Offerings light to adequate, mostly light. The market tone on parts and meat items was steady to fully steady.

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

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 202 million eggs in incubators during the week ending May 9, 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 4 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 169 million chicks for meat production during the week ending May 9, 2009. Placements were down 4 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 28, 2008 through May 9, 2009 were 3.19 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 05/09/09	2009	2008	PERCENT CHANGE PREVIOUS YEAR
	Thousand		
EGGS SET	201,849	215,078	-6
CHICKS PLACED	169,434	177,096	-4

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 20-Jun-09 is estimated at 155.2 million head. This compares to 155.2 million head the previous week and to 166.7 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 169.0 million head and the composite weighted average price was 82.44 cents per pound.

MAY 12 **SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS** **MAY 13**

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
BREAST - B/S	412	135.00-201.00	-	146.44
TENDERLOINS	213	139.00-194.00	-	148.15
BREAST - LINE RUN	100	80.00-89.00	-	81.95
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	432	43.00-48.00	44-45	45.10
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	697	43.00-50.00	47-48	46.78
WINGS (WHOLE)	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	478	135.00-207.00	-	144.51
TENDERLOINS	176	144.00-200.00	-	151.32
BREAST - LINE RUN	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	459	43.00-48.00	45-46	45.43
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	477	43.00-50.00	48	47.34
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			

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
57.50 – 62.50	59.41	58.00 - 63.00	60.48	59.21

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 moderate to good for mid-week business. Offerings of bone-in breasts were tight, and boneless skinless was balanced to well cleared. Dark meat cuts were adequate to barely adequate and held with confidence. Wings and tenders were at least sufficient for current needs. Retail and distributive movement was moderate, best for active ads and features. The market tone was fully steady to firm for boneless skinless, bone-in, and most dark meat items. Wings and tenders were about steady to barely steady.

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

MAY 12 ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	150-155	145.37	636,260
TENDERLOINS	145-150	149.03	159,400
BREAST - WITH RIBS	84-85	88.34	200,060
BREAST - LINE RUN	84	86.44	64,800
LEGS	65-66	66.70	167,860
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	46-47	45.84	488,620
DRUMSTICKS	56-57	63.55	114,860
THIGHS	59-60	65.58	104,260
B/S THIGHS	120-121	121.97	72,708
WINGS (WHOLE)	134-135	137.79	202,980
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	13-15	15.28	30,160
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	45-50	50.91	16,600
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	65-70	68.41	28,160

MAY 13 ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	155	143.61	404,000
TENDERLOINS	145-150	150.39	70,170
BREAST - WITH RIBS	85-86	90.27	87,305
BREAST - LINE RUN	85	87.37	68,400
LEGS	65-66	67.32	134,760
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	46-47	48.58	206,800
DRUMSTICKS	56-57	66.52	77,440
THIGHS	59-60	65.83	67,080
B/S THIGHS	120-121	123.31	66,240
WINGS (WHOLE)	134-135	142.25	177,440
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	13-15	14.61	19,843
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	45-50	48.00	9,440
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	65-70	69.20	16,560

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) 05/13	05/12	ACTUAL (1,000) 05/11	05/08	AVG WTS 05/11	05/08	ACTUAL (1,000) 05/06	AVG WTS 05/04
Alabama	3,953	4,071	3,946	3,849	5.48	5.18	3,815	5.43
Arkansas	5,096	5,043	5,073	3,702	5.34	5.12	4,908	5.49
Delmarva	2,274	2,279	2,209	2,104	6.02	5.85	2,285	6.11
KY-LA-TN	1,998	2,028	1,745	2,296	4.97	5.02	2,268	5.19
Mississippi	2,841	2,807	2,624	3,675	5.70	5.49	2,773	5.77
North Carolina	2,775	2,744	2,679	2,274	7.11	7.10	2,697	7.17
Texas	2,648	2,675	2,684	2,668	5.42	5.28	2,638	5.59
Total	21,585	21,647	20,960	20,568	5.69	5.50	21,384	5.77
Mon-Wed	64,401 (A)						64,389 (A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above. Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 13-May-09 is estimated to be 32,294,000 head up 0.64 percent from a week ago and down -4.31 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 32,089,000, last year 33,747,000)

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	121-159
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 16-MAY-09

	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	05/16/09 (1)	05/09/09
Class	---------- Thousand head ---------	
Broiler/fryer	162,796(2)	159,048
Light hens	1,569	1,699
Heavy hens	1,485	1,530
Total	165,850	162,277

(1)ESTIMATED

2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 16-May-09 is 158.1 million head compared to 171.6 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 163.1 million head or 5.0 million more than estimated available. For the week of 23-May-09 the estimated available is 157.9 million head.

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

	PROCESSED TURKEY LBS	PROCESSED POULTRY LBS
AM 05/11/09	143,790	70,235
AM 05/01/09	136,202	68,523
CHG	7,588	1,712
PCT CHG	6	2

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEYS			PROCESSED POULTRY		
	05/11/09	05/04/09	05/12/08	05/11/09	05/04/09	05/12/08
PACIFIC COAST	1,246	578	2,361	10,277	7,925	7,339
LOS ANGELES	95	200	237	2,748	1,327	1,273

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 MAY 11, 2009

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

HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES **FOR 05/12/09**

AI PAPERS REQUIRED TO SELL ALL OUT OF STATE POULTRY

	LOW	HIGH	AVG		LOW	HIGH	AVG
HEAVY FOWL lb.	-	-	-	HEAVY FOWL ea.	-	-	-
LIGHT FOWL lb.	-	-	-	LIGHT FOWL ea.	-	-	-
MIXED FOWL lb.	-	-	-	MIXED FOWL ea.	-	-	-
BANTAMS lb.	-	-	-	BANTAMS ea.	-	-	-
BROILERS lb.	-	-	-	BROILERS ea.	-	-	-
ROASTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROASTERS ea.	-	-	-
FRYERS lb.	-	-	-	FRYERS ea.	-	-	-
CHICKS lb.	-	-	-	CHICKS ea.	1.40	2.70	1.79
PULLETS lb.	-	-	-	PULLETS ea.	-	-	-
BUNNIES lb.	-	-	-	BUNNIES ea.	3.00	4.25	3.66
ROOSTERS lb.	1.80	2.10	1.95	ROOSTERS ea.	-	-	-
GEESE lb.	-	-	-	GEESE ea.	-	-	-
TURKEYS lb.	-	-	-	TURKEYS ea.	-	-	-
DUCKS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKS ea.	-	-	-
RABBITS lb.	.50	3.20	2.74	RABBITS ea.	-	-	-
PIGEONS lb.	-	-	-	PIGEONS ea.	2.50	6.00	3.44
GUINEA FOWL lb.	-	-	-	GUINEA FOWL ea.	-	-	-
DUCKLINGS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKLINGS ea.	2.00	3.50	2.80
GUINEA KEETS ea.	-	-	-	CALL DUCKS ea.	-	-	-
SILKIES ea.	-	-	-	GOSLINGS ea.	-	-	-
GUINEA PIGS ea.	-	2.50	-	TURKEY POULTS ea.	-	-	-
CHUKARS ea.	-	-	-	PEACOCKS ea.	-	-	-
PARTRIDGES ea.	-	-	-	COCKATIELS ea.	-	-	-
DOVES ea.	-	6.75	-	GUINEAS	-	-	-
TOTAL COOPS	45						

MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS-MEXICO CITY

Cents per pound for the week ending May 8, 2009

	Whole Chickens	Breasts	Legs W/Thighs	Necks,Backs & Wings	Livers Gizzards	Hens
RAYON						
Low	69.26	138.52	83.11	20.78	13.85	55.41
High	75.15	145.44	93.50	24.24	17.31	55.41
Mostly	69.26	141.98	90.04	24.24	13.85	55.41
SAN JUAN						
Low	67.53	135.05	79.65	17.31	10.39	55.41
High	74.11	141.98	90.04	24.24	13.85	55.41
Mostly	72.72	138.52	86.57	20.78	13.85	55.41
NEW SAN JUAN						
Low	69.26	138.52	86.57	20.78	13.85	58.87
High	77.22	145.44	96.96	27.70	17.31	58.87
Mostly	69.26	141.98	93.50	24.24	15.58	58.87
BECERRA						
Low	72.72	141.98	90.04	20.78	13.85	62.33
High	77.92	148.91	100.42	27.70	17.31	62.33
Mostly	72.72	145.44	96.96	27.70	17.31	62.33

DELMARVA Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds ranged moderate to good for midweek business. Seller offerings were in good balance to tight for immediate trade needs. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mixed, but mostly desirable. Processing schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were one cent higher at 77 to 88 cents. Trade sentiment was fully steady to mostly firm. In the parts complex, dark meat items were in close balance to tight. Wings and tenders were at least sufficient to available. Breast items were in good balance to well cleared.

	BRANDED U.S. GRADE A
RANGE	75-94
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations.

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