



Trade sentiment was fully steady to firm. Demand was at least moderate to good, best where features were planned or in progress. In the parts complex, breast items and most dark meat cuts were in good balance to well cleared. Wings were generally sufficient for current needs. Weights were mostly desirable.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
Classified by Weight - Week Ending May 09, 2009

| | 4.25 lbs. & down | 4.26 - 6.25 lbs | 6.26 - 7.75 lbs | 7.76 lbs & up | Total |
|------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|--------------|
| Head (1,000's) | 41,969 | 77,510 | 23,198 | 16,327 | 159,004 |
| Avg. Live Weight | 3.89 | 5.42 | 6.87 | 8.43 | 5.54 |
| % of Total | 26% | 49% | 15% | 10% | 100 |

FAST FOOD AND FOOD SERVICE SIZES

| live weight | RTC wog weight | head (000) | % of Total Slaughter |
|--------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| 3.60 lbs & lighter | Under 2.5 lbs. | 2,686 | 1.69% |
| 3.61 - 3.80 lbs. | 2.5 - 2.63 lbs. | 11,017 | 6.93% |
| 3.81 - 4.00 lbs. | 2.63 - 2.75 lbs. | 10,638 | 6.69% |
| 4.01 - 4.25 lbs. | 2.75 - 2.9 lbs. | 17,628 | 11.09% |
| | | 41,969 | 26.40% |

Broiler Egg Set Chicks Placed In 19 States Compared With U.S. Broiler Slaughter

| Slaughter Week | Egg Sets (000) | Chicks Placed | | Eggs Set 10 Weeks Previous | | Chicks Placed 7 Weeks Previous | | Preliminary Federal Inspection | | |
|----------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|----------------------------|----------------|--------------------------------|----------------|--------------------------------|----------------|-----|
| | | (000) | % ¹ | (000) | % ¹ | (000) | % ¹ | (000) | % ² | |
| Apr 04 | 203,579 | 94 | 168,975 | 93 | 201,674 | 93 | 167,039 | 94 | 153,914 | 100 |
| Apr 11 | 202,346 | 94 | 166,877 | 94 | 198,417 | 91 | 163,431 | 92 | 148,483 | 100 |
| Apr 18 | 202,689 | 94 | 166,642 | 94 | 201,805 | 93 | 166,495 | 94 | 155,008 | 104 |
| Apr 25 | 200,881 | 94 | 168,910 | 95 | 202,817 | 93 | 167,577 | 93 | 158,718 | 102 |
| May 02 | 200,845 | 94 | 167,700 | 94 | 204,603 | 93 | 169,505 | 94 | 157,586 | 99 |
| May 09 | 201,849 | 94 | 169,434 | 96 | 206,753 | 94 | 170,633 | 94 | 159,004 | 101 |

NOTE: Data in bold subject to revision; 1/ Percent of previous year; 2/ Percent change from previous week

Whole Broiler/Fryers (cents/lb) Week of May 18,2009

| | Majority | Current Week | Previous Week | Previous Year |
|---|-----------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Grade A, ice-packed: | | | | |
| New York: | 76-79 | 78.05 | 74.95 | 77.95 |
| Los Angeles: | 95 | 94.04 | 93.17 | 91.22 |
| Whole Body: /3 | | | | |
| Chicago: | 76-84 | 82.04 | 79.57 | -- |
| Weekly Composite: | | 84.51 | 81.90 | 80.78 |
| Southern States Index: | | 60.59 | 57.86 | 57.45 |
| Georgia Dock (FOB, wtd avg)(Wed Dock 87.00): | | 86.44 | 86.11 | 81.90 |

Note: 3/ Chicago contains whole body, with or without giblets, all grades, brands, and packaging.

Broiler/Fryer Parts (cents/lb.)

| Weekly Weighted Average Price | Northeast (delivered) 5/15/2009 | Sthrn States (FOB) 5/15/2009 | Georgia (FOB) 5/18/2009 | |
|-------------------------------|--|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------|
| Bnls/Sknl's Breast | 146.76 | 148.31 | 157.50 | |
| Tenderloins | 149.64 | 147.31 | 175.00 | (line-run) |
| Breast - Line Run | 87.46 | 84.34 | 88.00 | (whole) |
| Leg Quarters | 46.88 | 45.47 | 48.00 | |
| Wings | 140.52 | 136.00 | 137.00 | |