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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Trade sentiment was fully steady to firm in the East, steady to firm elsewhere. Retail demand was light to fairly good, mostly moderate with increased interest anticipated for holiday weekend needs. Food service demand was slow to fairly good, mostly fair to moderate, best in fast food and catering. Supplies of all sizes were close balanced to tight to satisfy current trade needs. Early reports reflect some plants will be down Monday in observance of Memorial Day. Floor stocks were in a full range. In the parts structure, movement was at least moderate to fairly good for mid week business. Most breast items and dark meat cuts were well cleared to short with good movement. Wings were mostly sufficient, but tenders were fully sufficient. 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 87.50 cents based on full truck load lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 84.00 cents last year on May 21, 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	176.50
BREASTS - B/S	160.50
BREASTS - WHOLE	93.00
THIGH MEAT - B/S	125.00
THIGHS	63.00
DRUMSTICKS	63.50
LEG QUARTERS	49.00
WINGS	138.50

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

SOUTHERN REGION Trade sentiment was firm. Retail and food service demand was moderate to fairly good, best into fast food and where features were active. Supplies of all sizes were well cleared to short of full trade needs. In the parts structure movement was moderate to fairly good for mid week trading. Breast items and dark meat items were closely cleared to tight with good movement. Wings were better balanced, but tenders were more than adequate. 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 good for midweek trading. Offerings of all sizes were in close balance to tight with premiums noted. Movement through retail and distributive channels was moderate. The market tone was firm. In the parts complex, breast items and most dark meat cuts were in good balance to well cleared. Wings were mostly adequate and tenders were fully sufficient for current needs.

MIDWEST REGION The whole broiler/fryer market tone was steady to firm. Additional offers were limited with trade call hand to mouth and light. Retail and food service demand was light to moderate, instances good. Trade expressed anticipated increase in orders for holiday weekend. Floor stocks were in a full range; weights desirable. Parts supplies were adequate on tenders, thighs and wings, and in close balance on all other parts. The market tone was steady to firm on leg quarters, drums, and breast cuts, steady on the balance of items.

WESTERN REGION The market tone was steady to firm on whole broiler/fryers and WOGs. Food service and retail demand good for the upcoming holiday weekend. Offerings light and spotty. Floor stocks tight to adequate. Parts demand good. Offerings ranged from tight to adequate with some spot shortages of boneless skinless breasts noted. The market tone was steady to firm.

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

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 204 million eggs in incubators during the week ending May 16, 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 5 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 168 million chicks for meat production during the week ending May 16, 2009. Placements were down 5 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 28, 2008 through May 16, 2009 were 3.36 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 05/16/09	2009	2008	PERCENT CHANGE PREVIOUS YEAR
	Thousand		
EGGS SET	204,127	218,063	-6
CHICKS PLACED	167,679	175,827	-5

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 27-Jun-09 is estimated at 155.2 million head. This compares to 155.2 million head the previous week and to 165.6 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 170.8 million head and the composite weighted average price was 82.39 cents per pound.

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.

MAY 19, 2009 ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	372	145.00-210.00	-	155.45
TENDERLOINS	158	144.00-150.00	-	145.47
BREAST - LINE RUN	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	386	44.00-49.00	46-47	46.64
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	702	46.00-51.00	49	48.83
WINGS (WHOLE)	135	135.00-145.00	-	137.59
WINGS (CUT)	114	150.00-162.00	-	153.00
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
B/S THIGHS	95	120.00-125.00	-	122.00

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS TRADING FOR MAY 19, 2009 -- F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE
60.50 - 65.00	62.82

MAY 20, 2009 ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	381	135.00-207.00	-	151.62
TENDERLOINS	151	144.00-200.00	-	145.01
BREAST - LINE RUN	120	85.00-92.00	-	88.13
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	426	45.00-49.00	47-48	47.59
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	702	47.00-51.00	49-50	49.35
WINGS (WHOLE)	140	134.00-141.00	-	136.43
WINGS (CUT)	121	148.00-157.00	-	151.56
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 MAY 20, 2009 -- F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
61.50 - 65.50	63.80	61.94

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 remained fairly good to good during midweek trading. Offerings of breast items, drums and leg quarters were in close balance to tight. Wings were adequate and noted in better balance and tenders were fully sufficient for current needs. Retail and distributive movement was moderate. The market tone was fully steady to firm for breast items, leg quarters and drums. Other cuts were steady to fully steady.

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

MAY 19, 2009 ITEM	CURRENT NEGOTIATED TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOLUME /LBS
BREAST - B/S	160	157.46	439,322
TENDERLOINS	145-150	149.90	98,120
BREAST - WITH RIBS	89-90	91.83	192,655
BREAST - LINE RUN	89	91.63	68,400
LEGS	65-66	68.12	120,040
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	48-49	48.66	418,480
DRUMSTICKS	57-58	63.97	108,580
THIGHS	59-60	64.52	72,240
B/S THIGHS	120-121	121.23	66,480
WINGS (WHOLE)	134-135	137.32	214,640
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	13-15	15.00	25,240
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	45-50	47.56	13,600
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	65-70	68.30	27,360

MAY 20, 2009 ITEM	CURRENT NEGOTIATED TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOLUME /LBS
BREAST - B/S	160	155.43	501,841
TENDERLOINS	145-150	149.25	62,440
BREAST - WITH RIBS	90-91	95.59	97,160
BREAST - LINE RUN	90	92.59	61,200
LEGS	65-66	66.87	235,720
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	49-50	50.41	286,560
DRUMSTICKS	58-59	68.96	81,160
THIGHS	59-60	68.56	58,040
B/S THIGHS	120-121	122.81	67,600
WINGS (WHOLE)	134-135	141.10	166,440
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	13-15	15.00	12,040
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	45-50	47.00	5,600
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	65-70	68.48	12,400

INCLUDES NEW YORK CITY METROPOLITAN AREA, NORTHERN NJ, MA, CT, RI, AND 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.

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS

	ESTIMATED (1,000)		ACTUAL (1,000)		AVG WTS		ACTUAL (1,000)	AVG WTS
	05/20	05/19	05/18	05/15	05/18	05/15	05/13	05/11
Alabama	3,928	4,057	3,898	4,109	5.47	5.39	3,836	5.48
Arkansas	4,947	4,843	4,919	4,156	5.41	5.02	5,083	5.34
Delmarva	2,301	2,266	2,221	2,347	6.08	5.95	2,270	6.02
KY-LA-TN	2,038	2,051	2,028	2,133	5.12	5.05	2,027	4.97
Mississippi	2,672	2,917	2,876	2,897	6.14	5.74	2,483	5.70
North Carolina	2,771	2,790	2,489	3,120	7.29	6.71	2,677	7.11
Texas	2,603	2,673	2,636	2,557	5.55	5.34	2,574	5.42
Total	21,260	21,597	21,067	21,319	5.80	5.58	20,950	5.69
Mon-Wed	64,282 (A)						63,503 (A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.
Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 20-May-09 is estimated to be 31,807,000 head up 1.17 percent from a week ago and down 4.02 percent from a year ago.
(Last week 31,438,000, last year 33,139,000)

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

		RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	DRY PACK	121-159
	ICE PACK	159
ROASTERS 4# & UP	DRY PACK	117
	ICE PACK	175
HENS OVER 5#	DRY PACK	116
	ICE PACK	125
DUCKS		252-262

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER
UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 23-MAY-09

	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	05/23/09 (1)	05/16/09
Class	---------- Thousand head ---------	
Broiler/fryer	164,951(2)	162,796
Light hens	1,553	1,569
Heavy hens	1,364	1,485
Total	167,868	165,850

(1)ESTIMATED
2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 23-May-09 is 157.9 million head compared to 169.9 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 165.3 million head or 7.4 million more than estimated available. For the week of 30-May-09 the estimated available is 156.8 million head.

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

	PROCESSED TURKEY LBS	PROCESSED POULTRY LBS
AM 05/18/09	144,140	67,056
AM 05/01/09	136,202	68,523
CHG	7,938	-1,467
PCT CHG	6	-2

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEYS			PROCESSED POULTRY		
	05/18/09	05/11/09	05/19/08	05/18/09	05/11/09	05/19/08
PACIFIC COAST	1,446	1,246	2,371	7,815	10,277	7,520
LOS ANGELES	245	95	226	1,328	2,748	1,357

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 18, 2009

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

HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES FOR 05-19-09
AI PAPERS REQUIRED TO SELL ALL OUT OF STATE POULTRY

	LO	HI	AVG		LO	HI	AVG
HEAVY FOWL lb.	-	.60	-	HEAVY FOWL ea.	-	-	-
LIGHT FOWL lb.	-	-	-	LIGHT FOWL ea.	-	-	-
MIXED FOWL lb.	-	-	-	MIXED FOWL ea.	-	-	-
BANTAMS lb.	-	-	-	BANTAMS ea.	3.75	5.25	4.50
BROILERS lb.	-	-	-	BROILERS ea.	-	-	-
ROASTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROASTERS ea.	-	-	-
FRYERS lb.	-	-	-	FRYERS ea.	-	-	-
CHICKS lb.	-	-	-	CHICKS ea.	2.00	2.10	2.05
PULLETS lb.	-	-	-	PULLETS ea.	7.00	9.50	7.95
BUNNIES lb.	-	-	-	BUNNIES ea.	-	4.25	-
ROOSTERS lb.	-	1.70	-	ROOSTERS ea.	-	-	-
GEESE lb.	-	-	-	GEESE ea.	-	-	-
TURKEYS lb.	-	-	-	TURKEYS ea.	-	-	-
DUCKS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKS ea.	-	-	-
RABBITS lb.	2.50	3.65	3.18	RABBITS ea.	3.75	15.00	7.50
PIGEONS lb.	-	-	-	PIGEONS ea.	3.00	4.50	3.50
GUINEA FOWL lb.	-	-	-	GUINEA FOWL ea.	7.50	8.00	7.77
DUCKLINGS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKLINGS ea.	4.00	4.25	4.13
GUINEA KEETS ea.	-	-	-	CALL DUCKS ea.	-	-	-
SILKIES ea.	-	-	-	GOSLINGS ea.	-	-	-
GUINEA PIGS ea.	-	-	-	TURKEY POULTS ea.	-	-	-
CHUKARS ea.	-	-	-	PEACOCKS ea.	-	-	-
PARTRIDGES ea.	-	-	-	COCKATIELS ea.	-	-	-
DOVES ea.	4.00	11.00	6.30	ROASTERS ea.	-	7.75	-
TOTAL COOPS	34						

MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS-MEXICO CITY
Cents per pound for the week ending May 15, 2009

	Whole Chickens	Breasts	Legs W/Thighs	Necks,Backs & Wings	Livers Gizzards	Hens
RAYON						
Low	65.96	144.30	92.76	20.61	10.31	48.10
High	79.02	151.17	99.63	24.05	13.74	48.10
Mostly	79.02	147.73	99.63	24.05	12.02	48.10
SAN JUAN						
Low	65.28	140.86	89.33	17.18	10.31	48.10
High	77.99	147.73	96.20	24.05	13.74	48.10
Mostly	77.99	144.30	92.76	22.33	10.31	48.10
NEW SAN JUAN						
Low	67.00	144.30	96.20	20.61	13.74	51.53
High	77.99	154.60	103.07	27.49	17.18	51.53
Mostly	77.99	151.17	99.63	24.05	13.74	51.53
BECERRA						
Low	68.71	144.30	99.63	20.61	13.74	54.97
High	79.02	158.04	106.50	27.49	17.18	54.97
Mostly	77.99	154.60	103.07	25.77	17.18	54.97

DELMARVA Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was mostly good. Offerings were in close balance to tight. Live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights. Processor schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Early reports reflect most plants planning to suspend operations on Monday and some operating on Saturday. Less than trucklot asking prices were 1 cent higher at 80 to 91 cents. Trade sentiment was firm. In the parts complex, breast items and most dark meat cuts were well cleared to tight. Wings were sufficient and moving satisfactorily. Tenders were at least adequate to fully adequate.

	BRANDED U.S. GRADE A
RANGE	69-95
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations.

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