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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Trade sentiment was steady to weak in the Midwest, barely steady to weak elsewhere. Retail and food service demand was slow to moderate, mostly light to fair, best for fast food and where features were active. Supplies in all sizes were adequate to ample for current trade needs. Floor stocks were fully adequate to instances short. In the parts structure, movement was light and unaggressive for mid week trading. Breast items were adequate to ample with some discounting noted to help clear. Wings and tenders were generally sufficient and dark meat items were adequate to readily available. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were mixed, but mostly desirable.

GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES The Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for next week's trading declined .50 cents to 88.00 cents based on full truck load lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 88.50 cents last year on July 30, 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	152.00
BREASTS - WHOLE	96.00
THIGH MEAT - B/S	118.00
THIGHS	63.00
DRUMSTICKS	63.50
LEG QUARTERS	46.00
WINGS	137.50

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

SOUTHERN REGION Trade sentiment was to barely steady to weak. Demand was light to fair with trading usually limited to regular commitment. Supplies of all sizes were fully sufficient for current trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was light to fair for mid week trading. Wings were in good balance and moving well. Most dark meat items were more than sufficient, and breast items were available to fully sufficient with bone-in breast in the weakest position. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

NORTHEAST REGION Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was slow as dealers remained selective for midweek trading. Offerings of all sizes were readily available and often discounted where product was in excess. Movement through retail and distributive channels was light to fair at best. The market tone was weak. In the parts complex, breast items were at least adequate to available with bone-in in the longest position. Leg quarters were noted in better balance and was generally sufficient for current needs.

MIDWEST REGION Whole broiler/fryer market tone was steady to weak. Offers were moderate to heavy on light buyer inquiry. Retail and food service demand was slow to moderate. Most consumer activity centered on boneless/skinless breast and wing retail features and some fast food outlets. Floor stocks were fully adequate to occasionally short; Weights desirable to light. Wings were in closest position and boneless/skinless breast was less discounted over prior trade period, all other parts were slow to clear. The trade sentiment was steady on wings and steady to weak on balance of parts.

WESTERN REGION The market tones on whole broiler/fryers and WOGs are barely steady to weak. Demand slow to moderate with some disappointment noted. Weights desirable. Floors stocks adequate to fully adequate. Parts demand light to moderate. Offerings of wings adequate, balance of items adequate to ample. The market tone on wings was steady, balance of parts steady to weak.

BROILER -TYPE EGGS SET IN 19 SELECTED STATES DOWN 4 PERCENT

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 201 million eggs in incubators during the week ending July 25, 2009. This was down 4 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 84 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED DOWN 2 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 167 million chicks for meat production during the week ending July 25, 2009. Placements were down 2 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 28, 2008 through July 25, 2009 were 5.05 billion, down 5 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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

WEEK ENDING 07/25/09	2009	2008	PERCENT CHANGE PREVIOUS YEAR
	<i>Thousand</i>		
EGGS SET	201,294	209,872	-4
CHICKS PLACED	166,913	170,837	-2

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 05-Sep-09 is estimated at 154.2 million head. This compares to 155.1 million head the previous week and to 161.6 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 146.7 million head and the composite weighted average price was 77.90 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.

JUL 28, 2009				JUL 29, 2009					
ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG	ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S		TOO FEW TO REPORT			BREAST - B/S	424	122.00-188.00	-	133.06
TENDERLOINS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			TENDERLOINS	234	140.00-198.00	-	149.56
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)	435	33.00-42.00	-	38.61	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	455	32.00-42.00	-	38.92
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	802	37.00-43.00	-	39.76	LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	600	38.00-43.00	-	40.07
WINGS (WHOLE)		TOO FEW TO REPORT			WINGS (WHOLE)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
WINGS (CUT)		TOO FEW TO REPORT			WINGS (CUT)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
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		TOO FEW TO REPORT		

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS TRADING FOR JUL 28, 2009 -- F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE
53.00 - 59.50	57.26

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS TRADING FOR JUL 29, 2009 -- F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
52.00 - 59.00	56.61	58.42

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 light to fair at best during midweek trading as dealers remained cautious. Offerings of breast items, thighs and thigh meat were available and slow to clear; tenders and wings were sufficient for current needs. Leg quarters were noted in better balance than a week earlier and was at least adequate. Retail and distributive movement was light to fair, best where scattered features were planned. The market tone was barely steady to weak for breast items; about steady to barely steady for the other dark meat cuts.

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

JUL 28, 2009				JUL 29, 2009			
ITEM	CURRENT NEGOTIATED TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOLUME /LBS	ITEM	CURRENT NEGOTIATED TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOLUME /LBS
BREAST - B/S	145	135.14	595,640	BREAST - B/S	145	137.33	507,641
TENDERLOINS	150-155	150.24	129,200	TENDERLOINS	150-155	149.66	71,160
BREAST - WITH RIBS	90-91	102.90	51,680	BREAST - WITH RIBS	90-91	100.77	90,240
BREAST - LINE RUN	90	91.85	109,720	BREAST - LINE RUN	90	90.05	63,280
LEGS	59-60	54.65	79,320	LEGS	59-60	50.07	240,560
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	41-42	37.59	473,560	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	41-42	37.76	267,240
DRUMSTICKS	54-55	61.12	118,880	DRUMSTICKS	54-55	59.93	67,480
THIGHS	57-58	61.94	45,800	THIGHS	56-57	62.42	57,160
B/S THIGHS	110-111	113.78	55,880	B/S THIGHS	109-110	113.67	45,960
WINGS (WHOLE)	134-135	138.61	147,200	WINGS (WHOLE)	134-135	140.58	151,620
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	13-15	15.00	21,880	BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	13-15	15.00	20,600
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	45-50	46.47	14,400	LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	45-50	47.97	5,960
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	65-70	69.03	11,600	GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	65-70	68.29	18,520

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	
	07/29	07/28	07/27	07/24	07/27	07/24	07/22	07/20	07/27	07/20
Alabama	4,023	4,178	3,887	4,200	5.32	5.48	4,114	5.51		
Arkansas	5,333	5,255	5,200	3,785	5.38	5.13	5,128	5.29		
Delmarva	2,194	2,237	2,241	1,666	5.99	5.50	2,265	6.00		
KY-LA-TN	2,219	2,311	2,286	2,981	5.00	4.65	2,275	5.15		
Mississippi	2,676	2,868	2,870	3,282	5.85	5.87	2,666	5.75		
North Carolina	2,747	2,740	2,616	2,804	7.16	6.94	2,535	7.07		
Texas	2,702	2,700	2,750	2,701	5.48	5.30	2,523	5.38		
Total	21,894	22,289	21,850	21,419	5.68	5.53	21,506	5.67		
Mon-Wed	66,291	(A)					64,848	(A)		

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 29-Jul-09 is estimated to be 32,756,000 head up 1.50 percent from a week ago and down 0.53 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 32,272,000, last year 32,929,000)

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA)

PROCESSED POULTRY, DELIVERED TO RETAILERS

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	109-122
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	121-159
DRY PACK	159
ICE PACK	127
ROASTERS 4# & UP	175
DRY PACK	128
HENS OVER 5#	125
ICE PACK	259-262
DUCKS	

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 01-Aug-09

Class	CURRENT WEEK		PREVIOUS WEEK	
	08/01/09 (1)		07/25/09	
	----- Thousand head -----			
Broiler/fryer	167,502 (2)		166,232	
Light hens	1,470		1,080	
Heavy hens	1,650		1,553	
Total	170,622		168,865	

(1) ESTIMATED

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 01-Aug-09 is 160.9 million head compared to 168.7 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 167.8 million head or 6.9 million more than estimated available. For the week of 08-Aug-09 the estimated available is 161.3 million head.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS -

Selected Centers	(Inc. Gov't Stocks)		(In Thousands)	
	Processed Turkeys		Processed other Poultry	
	Lbs		Lbs	
AM 07/27/09	178,253		65,855	
AM 07/01/09	161,911		63,442	
CHG	16342		2413	
PCT CHG	10%		4%	

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT -

(In Thousands)

	Processed Turkeys			Processed other Poultry		
	07/27/09	07/20/09	07/28/08	07/27/09	07/20/09	07/28/08
PACIFIC COAST	2,437	2,417	754	7,615	7,667	6,073
LOS ANGELES	200	200	387	1,087	1,023	1,669

HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES FOR 07-28-09

*AI PAPERS REQUIRED TO SELL ALL OUT OF STATE POULTRY

	LO	HI	AVG		LO	HI	AVG
HEAVY FOWL lb.	.55	.65	.59	HEAVY FOWL ea.	-	-	-
MIXED FOWL lb.	-	-	-	MIXED FOWL ea.	-	-	-
BANTAMS lb.	-	-	-	BANTAMS ea.	-	2.00	-
BROILERS lb.	-	-	-	BROILERS ea.	-	-	-
ROASTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROASTERS ea.	-	-	-
FRYERS lb.	-	-	-	FRYERS ea.	-	-	-
PULLETS lb.	-	-	-	PULLETS ea.	-	-	-
BUNNIES lb.	-	-	-	BUNNIES ea.	1.50	6.50	4.83
ROOSTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROOSTERS ea.	-	-	-
GEESE lb.	-	-	-	GEESE ea.	-	-	-
TURKEYS lb.	-	-	-	TURKEYS ea.	-	-	-
RABBITS lb.	1.60	2.40	2.03	RABBITS ea.	3.75	6.00	5.36
PIGEONS lb.	-	-	-	PIGEONS ea.	2.00	5.75	3.70
GUINEA FOWL lb.	-	-	-	GUINEA FOWL ea.	-	-	-
DUCKLINGS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKLINGS ea.	3.50	3.75	3.63
GUINEA KEETS ea.	1.00	2.00	1.45	CALL DUCKS ea.	-	-	-
SILKIES ea.	-	3.75	-	GOSLINGS ea.	-	-	-
GUINEA PIGS ea.	-	-	-	TRKY POULTS ea.	-	6.00	-
CHUKARS ea.	-	-	-	PEACOCKS ea.	-	-	-
PARTRIDGES ea.	-	-	-	COCKATIELS ea.	-	-	-
DOVES ea.	-	-	-	ROASTERS ea.	-	-	-
TOTAL COOPS 48							

MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS - MEXICO CITY

Cents per pound for the week ending July 24, 2009

	Whole		Legs	Necks, Backs	Livers/	Hens
	Chickens	Breasts	W/Thighs	& Wings	Gizzards	
RAYON						
Low	56.00	120.25	72.15	13.74	3.44	72.15
High	62.87	127.12	82.46	17.18	6.87	72.15
Mostly	62.87	123.68	79.02	17.18	6.87	72.15

SAN JUAN

Low	54.97	116.81	72.15	13.74	3.44	68.71
High	61.84	123.68	82.46	17.18	6.87	68.71
Mostly	61.84	120.25	79.02	13.74	3.44	68.71

NEW SAN JUAN

Low	58.41	123.68	75.58	17.18	6.87	72.15
High	64.25	130.55	85.89	20.61	10.31	72.15
Mostly	61.84	127.12	82.46	17.18	6.87	72.15

BECERRA

Low	60.12	127.12	79.02	17.18	6.87	75.58
High	65.28	133.99	89.33	20.61	10.31	75.58
Mostly	61.84	130.55	85.89	20.61	10.31	75.58

CENTRAL REGION MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY

READY-TO-COOK PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR DELIVERY TO FIRST RECEIVERS, U.S. GRADE A AND PLANT GRADE, 5 LBS. AND UP, CENTS PER POUND FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 27, 2009

RANGE

HENS	ICE PACKED (12 PER BOX)	75-86
	VACUUM PACKED (6-9 PER BOX)	75-95

DELMARVA Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was usually light to fair. Seller offerings were available and often discounted to stimulate the selective buyer interest. Live supplies were moderate; weights varied, but were noted as desirable. Processing schedules ranged moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were 1 cent lower at 77 to 89 cents. Trade sentiment was barely steady to weak. In the parts complex, breast items were adequate to readily available with bone-in breast in the longest position. Wings were generally adequate. Most dark meat cuts were fully adequate to available.

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

BRANDED U.S. GRADE A

RANGE	65-97
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)
(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations.	

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