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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Majority prices were 1 cent lower in the West, unchanged elsewhere when compared to early week prices. The market tone was about steady to steady in the East, steady in the Midwest and steady to weak in the West. Retail demand was slow to good for early week trading. Food service demand was slow to moderate as dealers looked for the first of the month to help renew market conditions. Supplies of all sizes were moderate to heavy to satisfy current trade needs. Floor stocks were light to heavy. In the parts structure, movement was slow to moderate. Supplies of breast items and most dark meat items were moderate to heavy. Wings were light to moderate and moving well. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were mixed at desirable weights.

Preliminary Report Prices negotiated for truck lot sales of ready-to-cook broiler/fryers fob and delivered to first receivers at major market areas week of 31-AUG-2009 (cents per lb)

US GRADE A
(Including branded product)

AREAS	MAJORITY	RANGE	WTD AVG	LOADS
Delivered to First Receivers				
New York	71.00-74.00			
Los Angeles	95.00			
Whole Body 2/				
Chicago	56.00-65.00	52.00-78.00	62.56	34
FOB Dock Equivalent 3/:				
Mississippi	80.00-85.00	58.00-87.00	82.84	92

1/: Includes branded product.
2/: Whole Body category includes whole body birds with or without giblets, all grades, brands, and packaging.
3/: Southeast area

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broiler/fryers for this week's trading is 86.00 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 ½ to 3 pound birds.

LOADS	RANGE	PRELIMINARY FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT FRIDAY PRELIM. WTD. AVG
806	83.90-89.14	85.69

Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed preliminary weighted average price on ice-packed parts:

ITEM	WTD. AVG. (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000) POUNDS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	173.00	1,199
BREASTS - B/S	140.00	5,392
BREASTS - WHOLE	87.00	1,277
THIGH MEAT - B/S	105.50	1,145
THIGHS	58.50	972
DRUMSTICKS	61.50	1,016
LEG QUARTERS	42.50	8,079
WINGS	137.00	2,908

This information is supplied by the Georgia Department of Agriculture's Poultry Market News Service.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was light and selective as dealers looked for the first of the month to help revitalize market conditions. Offerings of all sizes were moderate to heavy for current trade needs. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair to moderate. Fast food interest was moderate. The market tone was no better than steady. In the parts complex, supplies of wings were light and clearing. Breast items and most dark meat items were moderate to heavy.

MIDWEST BOILER/FRYER Chicago market area preliminary delivered prices were unchanged. Whole broiler/ fryers market tone was steady. Additional producer offerings were available. Trade inquiry was very light as buyers purchase hand to mouth on orders. Retail and food service demand was generally slow to moderate. Areas noted with best consumer traffic were fairs, festivals, catering and fast food. Floor stocks were in a full range; weights desirable to heavy. Buyer inquiry on parts was very light and noted as inactive for the most part. Supplies of wings were well cleared to available on small sizes and all other parts were fully available with leg quarters in longest position. The market tone was steady to firm on wings, and barely steady to weak on the balance.

WESTERN BOILER/FRYER The preliminary majority into Los Angeles was 95 cents, 1 cent lower than last Monday's final. The market tone was steady to weak on whole broiler/fryers and mostly steady on WOGs. Offerings of whole broiler fryers and WOGs were adequate to fully adequate. Retail and food service demand light to mostly moderate with some improvement noted for first of the month business and features for the upcoming Labor Day holiday while other continued to wait. Weights desirable. Floors stocks adequate to sometimes longer than desired. Parts demand improved in some parts of the area to moderate to instances good in response to first of the month business and features for the upcoming Labor Day Holiday. Offerings of breast items adequate to fully adequate with some noting boneless skinless breasts in slightly better shape than last week at this time, wings light to adequate and dark items adequate to sometimes ample.

SOUTHERN BROILER/FRYER The market tone was steady. Retail demand entering the weekend was moderate with trading usually limited to regular commitments. Food service demand was fair to moderate for upcoming first of the month business. Supplies of all sizes were moderate to satisfy current trade needs. In the parts structure movement was light to moderate for late week trading. Dark meat items were moderate, however thighs were heavy. Wings were in good supply and moving satisfactorily and most breast items were heavy with slow movement. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at desirable weights.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds remained light entering the weekend with limited trading. Seller offerings were moderate to heavy for current trade requirements. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mixed, but noted as desirable. Processing schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 73 to 85 cents. The market tone ranged about steady to steady. In the parts complex, breast items and dark meat cuts were moderate to heavy. Wings were light and clearing well.

*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		56-92
WEIGHTED AVERAGE		(A)
NO. OF BOXES		(A)
CUMULATIVE	08/24/09-08/28/09	(A)
	08/25/08-08/29/08	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	08/24/09-08/28/09	(A)
	08/25/08-08/29/08	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations.

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.

AUG 27, 2009					AUG 28 2009				WEEKLY	
ITEM	LBS (000)	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG	LBS (000)	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG	LBS (000)	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	308	114.00-182.00	-	126.51	339	115.00-188.00	-	133.75	1,790	130.42
TENDERLOINS	148	132.00-191.00	-	140.85	265	128.00-195.00	-	146.83	927	147.01
BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT			316	87.94
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT			250	67.84
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT			TFEWR	
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	485	34.00-42.00	-	39.53	420	34.00-41.00	-	39.29	2,196	39.18
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	570	35.00-44.00	-	40.39	782	36.00-44.00	-	40.72	3,622	40.64
WINGS (WHOLE)		TOO FEW TO REPORT			160	133.00-138.00	-	135.25	735	135.50
WINGS (CUT)		TOO FEW TO REPORT			210	148.00-162.00	-	152.98	736	151.98
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT			175	50.34
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT			170	49.35
B/S THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			96	92.00-111.00	-	95.53	500	96.62

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WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS TRADING FOR AUG 27, 2009 -- F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE
47.00 - 53.00	50.66

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

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
48.50 - 55.50	52.90	53.33

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 PARTS Trucklot buying activity remained light and selective as dealers saw no need to extend inventories beyond weekend needs. Offerings of breast items, tenders and thighs were heavy and slow to clear. Other dark meat cuts were moderate. Wings were light and clearing satisfactorily. Retail and distributive movement was fair to moderate. The market tone was barely steady to weak for breast items, tenders and thighs. Wings ranged steady to firm.

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

AUG 27, 2009				AUG 28, 2009				
ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL /LBS	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL /LBS	WEEKLY WTD AVG	WEEKLY VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	130-135	127.77	727,749	130-135	130.83	427,625	128.12	2,448,868
TENDERLOINS	145	145.68	113,240	140-145	143.85	118,120	145.18	527,760
BREAST - WITH RIBS	82-83	95.29	67,080	82-83	96.65	63,200	91.90	453,760
BREAST - LINE RUN	82	83.50	54,440	82	83.65	78,040	84.84	413,400
LEGS	59-60	54.73	206,360	59-60	58.05	105,520	56.11	753,880
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	41-42	41.47	277,400	41-42	42.78	203,872	42.04	1,217,472
DRUMSTICKS	53-54	58.59	76,930	53-54	59.88	99,840	60.08	405,042
THIGHS	48-49	58.40	43,360	47-48	59.43	54,280	60.16	264,720
B/S THIGHS	104-105	111.70	83,880	104-105	110.21	67,040	110.43	297,800
WINGS (WHOLE)	135-136	142.41	195,000	135-136	144.30	137,560	141.85	806,720
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	13-15	15.00	15,600	13-15	15.00	18,000	15.00	79,200
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	45-50	45.74	6,440	45-50	47.10	6,720	46.93	37,080
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	65-70	68.65	11,640	65-70	67.27	15,920	69.03	78,920

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
	08/28	08/27	08/26	08/25	08/26	08/25	08/21	08/19
Alabama	4,399	4,052	3,864	4,080	5.41	5.61	4,203	5.54
Arkansas	3,793	5,297	5,200	5,260	5.38	5.43	3,873	5.32
Delmarva	2,447	2,289	2,108	2,248	6.03	5.87	2,426	6.00
KY-LA-TN	2,093	2,354	2,353	2,404	5.03	5.05	2,559	4.96
Mississippi	3,221	2,898	2,873	2,939	5.89	5.91	3,456	5.87
North Carolina	3,518	2,765	2,686	2,658	7.07	6.98	3,394	7.07
Texas	2,709	2,706	2,692	2,672	5.44	5.54	2,733	5.37
Total	22,180	22,361	21,776	22,261	5.69	5.73	22,644	5.68
Mon-Fri	110,869 (A)						110,364 (A)	
Saturday	2,015 (included in total for date shown)						1,499	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.
Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 28-Aug-09 and 29-Aug-09 is estimated to be 33,184,000 head down 2.34 percent from a week ago and down 11.63 percent from a year ago. (Last week 33,980,000, last year 37,552,000)

Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the week ending 29-Aug-09 is estimated to be 165,535,000 head up 0.94 percent from a week ago, and down 1.86 percent from a year ago. (Last week 163,995,000, last year 168,672,000).
Actual data incorporated when available.

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

		RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	DRY PACK	170
	ICE PACK	159
ROASTERS 4# & UP	DRY PACK	117
	ICE PACK	-
HENS OVER 5#	DRY PACK	116
	ICE PACK	-
DUCKS		259-262

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED

W/E 22-AUG-2009 Under Federal Inspection (Preliminary) (In Thousands)

	A 4.25 lbs & down	B 4.26 - 6.25 lbs	C 6.26 - 7.75 lbs	D 7.76 lbs & up	Total
Head	41,447	85,232	20,412	16,904	163,995
Avg Live Wgt	3.85	5.46	6.96	8.32	5.53
% of total /1	25%	52%	13%	10%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	38,747	88,316	20,657	15,517	163,237
Avg Live Wgt	3.88	5.45	6.93	8.07	5.52
% of total /1	24%	54%	13%	9%	100%
Year Ago 2/	42,652	80,292	27,612	16,794	167,350
Avg Live Wgt	3.71	5.44	6.79	8.13	5.49
% of total /1	25%	48%	17%	10%	100%
To date/2009*	1,341,235	2,610,071	735,329	503,071	5,189,706
To date/2008*	1,416,109	2,655,914	807,433	576,319	5,455,775

/1 May not total to 100% due to rounding. /2 Comparable week.
*Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.
Weight Class Description: (A) This size product is normally marketed bone-in into fast food and food service sectors and may include Cornish hens. (B) This size product is normally marketed into the retail grocery sector in tray pack or bagged forms. (C) This size product is normally marketed either into the retail grocery sector in tray pack and IQF form or is further processed and marketed into various sectors. (D) This size product is normally marketed deboned or as roasters or roasting chicken.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

(PRELIMINARY) W/E 22-AUG-2009	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
	----------Thousands----------				
Head	163,995	1,412	1,531	2,943	402
Avg Wt	5.53	3.24	7.86	5.64	6.70
Last week	163,237	1,301	1,763	3,064	388
Same wk yr ago	167,350	1,401	1,875	3,276	466
Avg Wt	5.49	3.37	7.79	5.90	6.52
To-date/2009*	5,189,706	42,827	49,629	92,456	13,546
To-date/2008*	5,455,775	46,498	53,580	100,078	14,533
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	675,635	2,379	8,002	10,381	1,912
Last week	671,296	2,226	9,074	11,300	1,548
Same wk yr ago	684,470	2,455	9,713	12,168	2,157
To-date/2009*	21,245,172	71,139	258,447	329,586	64,421
To-date/2008*	22,409,039	77,213	281,974	359,187	68,819
Dressing %	74.5%	52.0%	66.5%		71.0%

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 159.5 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 166.0 million head, or 6.5 million more than estimated available. (B) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update.
*Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

ESTIMATED U.S. FRYER SLAUGHTER/ FRYER AVAILABILITY COMPARISON

	Week Ending	Million Head Slaughtered	Million Head Available*	Pct	Avg Wt
July	18	162.6	159.9	102%	5.43
	25	162.7	160.4	101%	5.48
	1	165.6	160.9	103%	5.51
Aug	8	166.8	161.3	103%	5.49
	15	165.2	160.7	103%	5.52
	22	166.0	159.5	104%	5.53
Year to date		5252.5	5208.6	101%	
Aug	29		158.5		
Sep	5		157.5		

*Based on chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier.

BROILER/CATTLE/HOG WEEKLY ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER

Under Federal Inspection

W/E	08/29/09	08/22/09	%CHG	08/30/08	%CHG
	----------Thousands----------				
Broilers	165,535	163,995 *	+0.94	168,672 *	-1.86
Cattle	654	653	0	677 *	-03
Hogs	2,196	2,228	-01	2,227 *	-01

*Actual

EASTERN REGION MISC POULTRY Delivery Week of 24-AUG-2009

DUCKLINGS: PRICES NEGOTIATED BY FIRST RECEIVERS, US GRADE A, 4-5 POUNDS DLVRD IN TRUCKLOT AND POOL TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER LB

ORIGIN	FROZEN	FRESH
LONG ISLAND	193-197	198-204
MIDWEST	178-194	184-198

ROASTERS: PRICES NEGOTIATED BY FIRST RECEIVERS, US GRADE A & PLANT GRADE, 5 LBS & UP, DLVRD, CENTS PER LB

	RANGE	MOSTLY
ICE PACKED (12 PER BOX)	68.00-81.00	70.00-76.00
VACUUM PACKED (6-9 PER BOX)	71.00-87.00	77.00-86.00

SQUABS: NEW YORK AREA WHOLESALE PRICES, FROZEN, PLANT GRADE, DOLLARS PER DOZEN, 1 TO 10 BOXES

12 OZ.	69.84- 99.63
14 OZ.	77.76-112.59
16 OZ.	84.96-124.82

THE EASTERN REGION INCLUDES:
CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

CENTRAL REGION DUCKLINGS

Prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady. Demand was moderate to fairly good. Supplies were mostly adequate for current needs. Some producers beginning preparations for the upcoming holiday seasons. Processing schedules were full-time. Prices paid, first receivers for 10-18oz boneless breast at $7.70-8.70, bone in legs at $2.45-3.10, gizzards at $1.20-1.50, wings at $.70-.90, livers at $1.25-2.05, and feet at $.70-1.45.
PRICES NEGOTIATED BY FIRST RECEIVERS FOR US GRADE A DELIVERED IN TRUCKLOT AND POOL TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, 4-5 POUNDS, CENTS PER POUND, WEEK OF 24-AUG-2009

ORIGIN	FROZEN	FRESH
MIDWEST AND OTHERS	177-210	179-210

GRAYSTONE SMALL ANIMAL AUCTION - AUG 25, 2009

AI PAPERS REQUIRED TO SELL ALL OUT OF STATE POULTRY

PRICES PAID PER LB, EXCEPT AS NOTED	RANGE		
Banty Hens	1.50	-	2.00 ea.
White Pigeons	3.10	-	3.20 ea.
Bunnies	1.50	-	4.00 ea.
Chicks	1.00	-	3.00 ea.
Crossbred Fowl 5-9 LBS	1.05	-	1.40
Crossbred Roosters 7-11 LBS	.90	-	1.00
Crossbred Roosters 4-6 LBS	1.00	-	1.20
Doves	3.00	-	3.50 ea.
Geese 9-14 LBS	.80	-	1.00
Goats		-	55.00 ea.
Guinea Fowl	1.90	-	2.50
Guinea Keets	2.00	-	2.75 ea.
Guinea Pigs	4.00	-	8.00 ea.
Kid Goats	30.00	-	33.00 ea.
Muscovy Ducks - Drakes	1.60	-	2.50
Muscovy Ducks - Hens	1.40	-	2.00
Pekin Ducks	8.00	-	9.00 ea.
Pigeons	2.20	-	2.40 ea.
Pullets 4-6 LBS	1.90	-	2.10
Rabbits 6-9 LBS	.90	-	1.10
Rabbits 4-6 LBS	1.00	-	1.50
Red Fowl 5-6 LBS	1.05	-	1.20
Red Fowl 4-5 LBS	.70	-	1.00
Silkies	2.75	-	3.10 ea.
Banty Roosters	3.00	-	3.75 ea.
Broilers	.90	-	1.20 ea.
Quail	.80	-	1.10 ea.
Turkey Poults	.45	-	1.00 ea.

Total Coops Sold 3000

NATIONAL CANNER FOWL MARKET Sales were noted as too few to report prices. Offerings were fully sufficient for current trade needs. Demand was fair with trading limited due to the majority of supplies being used internally. Processing schedules were normal to instances heavy. The undertone was steady.

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, WITHOUT FREIGHT COST

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
TOO FEW SALES TO REPORT	TOO FEW SALES TO REPORT

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, FREIGHT COST INCLUDED

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
TOO FEW SALES TO REPORT	TOO FEW SALES TO REPOR

LIVE LIGHT TYPE HENS
CENTS PER HEAD, GENERALLY FOR REMOVAL
WITHIN THE NEXT 10 DAYS
(INCLUDES HANDLING, FREIGHT AND ANY
OTHER CHARGES, WEIGHTS AVERAGE ABOUT
3.50 POUNDS)

EASTERN Prices were unchanged when compared to the previous week. Demand was at least moderate for the mostly fully sufficient offerings of light type hens. Processing schedules were normal to instances heavy. Trade sentiment was steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	2-11	3-7

SOUTH CENTRAL Salvage costs were TFEWR. Offerings of spent light fowl were fully adequate for needs. Schedules were reduced. Finished sales were slow. Trade sentiment was steady at best.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	TOO FEW TO REPORT	

NORTH CENTRAL Prices unchanged. Offerings were adequate to ample with demand light to good. Schedules full time. Trade sentiment steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	0-10.5	0-5

LIVE HEAVY TYPE HENS
(7 POUNDS AND UP) *
PRELIMINARY PRICE, CENTS PER LB.,
GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER
THE WEEK OF 31-AUG-09

SOUTH CENTRAL Trading levels were TFEWR. Demand was moderate for fully adequate offerings of spent hens. Schedules were reduced. Finished sales were slow. Trade sentiment was about steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT	

* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

SOUTHEAST Sales were too few to report prices. Demand was fair to instances moderate for the generally sufficient offerings of spent fowl. Processing schedules for next week were mostly normal. Finished product supplies were fully sufficient for current trade needs. The undertone was steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT	
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT	
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT	

* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.