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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

The market tone was overall steady. Retail and food service demand was slow to good for midweek business while expectations for improved business were optimistic approaching the upcoming holiday. Supplies of all sizes were light to heavy to satisfy current trade needs. Floor stocks were moderate to heavy. In the parts structure, movement was light to heavy. Supplies of breast items and most dark meat items were moderate to heavy. Wings were in good supply and moving well. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were mixed at desirable weights.

GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES The Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for next week's trading declined .25 cents to 85.75 cents based on full truck load lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 88.75 cents last year on September 3, 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	173.50
BREASTS - B/S	141.00
BREASTS - WHOLE	88.00
THIGH MEAT - B/S	107.00
THIGHS	59.00
DRUMSTICKS	61.00
LEG QUARTERS	43.00
WINGS	138.00

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

SOUTHERN REGION The market tone was steady. Retail demand was moderate for mid week business. Food service demand was light to moderate for upcoming holiday. Supplies of all sizes were fair to moderate to satisfy current trade needs. Wings were light with good movement. Offerings of breast items and dark meat items were moderate to heavy. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at desirable weights.

NORTHEAST REGION Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was light for midweek trading as dealers were content to limit floor stock to normal commitments. Offerings of all sizes were moderate to heavy for current trade needs. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair. The market tone was steady at best. In the parts complex, supplies of wings were light with good movement. Breast items and most dark meat cuts were moderate to mostly heavy.

MIDWEST REGION The whole broiler/fryer market tone was steady. Offerings light, but available. Trade inquiry was limited to immediate needs only. Retail and food service movement covered the full range, mostly light to moderate overall. Expectations for improved activity were upbeat going into holiday shopping weekend, especially in the retail sector where breast cuts were circulating on front page ads and other strong media ads to help spur consumer traffic. Fairly good demand was noted into catering and some institutional outlets to schools. Floor stocks were short to fully adequate; weights desirable. Parts trade was generally inactive as most trade needs fulfilled. Supplies of dark meat were plentiful, breast cuts adequate and wings well cleared. The market tone was steady to firm on wings, steady to barely steady on the balance of parts.

WESTERN REGION The market tone was mostly steady on whole broiler/fryers and WOGs. Offerings of whole broiler fryers and WOGs were uneven ranging light to ample, mostly adequate to fully adequate. Some spot shortages were noted on 3.50 lb. sizes. Retail and food service demand light to good, mostly moderate to good with best interest into retail channels. Some of the spot slowness was due to San Francisco Bay area bridge maintenance projects. Weights desirable. Floors stocks adequate. Offerings of wings light to adequate, balance of items adequate to ample with boneless skinless breasts instances burdensome. Parts demand moderate to good, best where featured. The market on wings was steady to fully steady, balance of items steady at best.

BROILER -TYPE EGGS SET IN 19 SELECTED STATES DOWN 3 PERCENT

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 200 million eggs in incubators during the week ending August 29, 2009. This was down 3 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 3 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 166 million chicks for meat production during the week ending August 29, 2009. Placements were down 3 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 28, 2008 through August 29, 2009 were 5.89 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	2009	2008	PERCENT CHANGE PREVIOUS YEAR
08/29/09			
	<i>Thousand</i>		
EGGS SET	199,653	204,988	-3
CHICKS PLACED	165,746	170,083	-3

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 10-Oct-09 is estimated at 152.9 million head. This compares to 153.5 million head the previous week and to 160.5 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 165.8 million head and the composite weighted average price was 75.60 cents per pound.

SEPT 01

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

SEPT 02

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			WTD AVG	ITEM	POUNDS			WTD AVG
	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY			(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	
BREAST - B/S		TOO FEW TO REPORT			BREAST - B/S	364	111.00-182.00	-	125.66
TENDERLOINS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			TENDERLOINS	155	128.00-191.00	-	142.03
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)	356	34.00-40.00	-	38.66	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	425	36.00-41.00	-	39.01
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	497	38.00-44.00	-	40.81	LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	650	37.00-44.00	-	41.39
WINGS (WHOLE)		TOO FEW TO REPORT			WINGS (WHOLE)	180	120.00-138.00	-	131.61
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	96	92.00-111.00	-	93.97

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
48.50 - 53.50	51.83	49.00 - 53.50	51.26	51.94

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 was cautious and selective on breast items with offerings mostly heavy for current needs. Dark meat cuts were moderate to heavy and wings were noted as light with good movement. Retail and distributive movement was fair to moderate. The market tone was barely steady to instances weak for breast items and tenders. Wings were fully steady. Other cuts were steady at best.

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

SEPT 01	CURRENT NEG	WTD		SEPT 02	CURRENT NEG	WTD	
ITEM	TRADING*	AVG	VOL/LBS	ITEM	TRADING*	AVG	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	130-135	130.25	600,185	BREAST - B/S	130-135	130.36	512,341
TENDERLOINS	140-145	137.49	175,720	TENDERLOINS	140-145	140.6	80,720
BREAST - WITH RIBS	82-83	86.07	179,680	BREAST - WITH RIBS	82-83	89.43	123,120
BREAST - LINE RUN	82	83.67	97,400	BREAST - LINE RUN	82	83.23	100,880
LEGS	59-60	52.94	187,000	LEGS	59-60	55.81	145,240
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	41-42	41.9	297,720	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	41-42	43.49	213,920
DRUMSTICKS	53-54	58.68	73,040	DRUMSTICKS	53-54	63.68	83,240
THIGHS	47-48	56.28	52,280	THIGHS	47-48	59.64	51,080
B/S THIGHS	104-105	105.9	50,200	B/S THIGHS	104-105	107.21	62,440
WINGS (WHOLE)	135-136	142.03	147,280	WINGS (WHOLE)	135-136	144.34	210,440
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	13-15	15	17,840	BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	13-15	15	21,640
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	45-50	47.62	14,360	LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	45-50	47.35	10,600
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	65-70	64.49	15,920	GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	65-70	64.46	21,080

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		ACTUAL		AVG WTS		ACTUAL		AVG
	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	WTS
	09/020	9/01	08/31	08/28	08/31	08/28	08/26	08/24	
Alabama	4,138	4,112	4,153	4,657	5.47	5.43	3,864	5.43	
Arkansas	5,267	5,256	5,238	3,891	5.54	5.25	5,200	5.41	
Delmarva	2,261	2,239	2,282	2,306	6.00	5.85	2,108	5.96	
KY-LA-TN	2,394	2,417	2,329	2,389	5.10	4.77	2,353	5.06	
Mississippi	2,852	2,995	2,918	3,230	5.82	5.67	2,873	5.81	
North Carolina	2,765	2,719	2,590	3,524	7.09	7.08	2,686	7.06	
Texas	2,711	2,681	2,719	2,632	5.42	5.24	2,692	5.40	
Total	22,388	22,419	22,229	22,629	5.73	5.64	21,776	5.68	
Mon-Wed	66,919	(A)					65,838	(A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 02-Sep-09 is estimated to be 3,495,000 ago and up 2.31 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 32,677,000, last year 32,738,000)

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

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 05-SEP-09

	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	09/05/09 (1)	08/29/09
Class	----- Thousand head -----	
Broiler/fryer	169,915(2)	169,470
Light hens	1,517	1,433
Heavy hens	1,350	1,760
Total	172,782	172,663

(1)ESTIMATED

2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 05-Sep-09 is 157.5 million head compared to 146.7 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 170.3 million head or 12.8 million more than estimated available. For the week of 12-Sep-09 the estimated available is 157.2 million head.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS-SELECTED STGE CENTERS

(INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEY	PROCESSED POULTRY
	LBS	LBS
AM 08/31/09	194,152	70,872
AM 08/01/09	182,503	66,639
CHG	11,649	4,233
PCT CHG	6	6

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEYS			PROCESSED POULTRY		
	08/31/09	08/24/09	09/01/08	08/31/09	08/24/09	09/01/08
PACIFIC COAST	3,615	3,458	2,236	7,202	7,491	5,647
LOS ANGELES	179	174	402	927	1,059	1,529

HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES

FOR 09/01/09

AI PAPERS REQUIRED TO SELL ALL OUT OF STATE POULTRY

	LOW	HIGH	AVG		LOW	HIGH	AVG
HEAVY FOWL lb.	.35	1.25	.68	HEAVY FOWL ea.	-	-	-
LIGHT FOWL lb.	-	-	-	LIGHT FOWL ea.	-	-	-
MIXED FOWL lb.	-	-	-	MIXED FOWL ea.	-	-	-
BANTAMS lb.	-	-	-	BANTAMS ea.	-	12.50	-
BROILERS lb.	-	-	-	BROILERS ea.	-	-	-
ROASTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROASTERS ea.	-	-	-
FRYERS lb.	-	-	-	FRYERS ea.	-	-	-
CHICKS lb.	-	-	-	CHICKS ea.	-	.35	-
PULLETS lb.	-	-	-	PULLETS ea.	-	-	-
BUNNIES lb.	-	-	-	BUNNIES ea.	2.00	3.25	2.67
ROOSTERS lb.	-	.35	-	ROOSTERS ea.	4.00	7.50	4.70
GEESE lb.	-	-	-	GEESE ea.	-	-	-
TURKEYS lb.	-	-	-	TURKEYS ea.	-	-	-
DUCKS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKS ea.	-	5.75	-
RABBITS lb.	1.10	1.70	1.50	RABBITS ea.	2.00	4.50	3.24
PIGEONS lb.	-	-	-	PIGEONS ea.	2.00	4.25	3.12
GUINEA FOWL lb.	-	-	-	GUINEA FOWL ea.	-	-	-
DUCKLINGS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKLINGS ea.	-	-	-
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.	-	-	-	GUINEAS	-	-	-
TOTAL COOPS	50						

MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS-MEXICO CITY

Cents per pound for the week ending August 28, 2009

	Whole	Legs	Necks,Backs	Livers		
	Chickens	Breasts	W/Thighs	& Wings	Gizzards	Hens
RAYON						
Low	58.17	123.19	71.86	17.11	6.84	65.02
High	63.31	130.04	78.71	20.53	10.27	65.02
Mostly	60.23	130.04	75.28	18.82	6.84	65.02
SAN JUAN						
Low	58.17	126.61	68.44	17.11	3.42	65.02
High	61.60	133.46	75.28	20.53	6.84	65.02
Mostly	61.60	126.61	75.28	17.11	6.84	65.02
NEW SAN JUAN						
Low	58.86	126.61	75.28	20.53	6.84	68.44
High	64.33	133.46	82.13	23.95	10.27	68.44
Mostly	61.60	133.46	78.71	23.95	8.56	68.44
BECERRA						
Low	59.89	126.61	78.71	20.53	6.84	71.86
High	65.02	136.88	85.55	23.95	10.27	71.86
Mostly	61.60	136.88	82.13	22.24	10.27	71.86

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 AUGUST 31, 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 remained light to fair for first of the month and pre-holiday needs. Seller offerings were moderate to heavy for current trade requirements. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mixed, but reported as desirable. Processing schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 73 to 85 cents. The market tone was steady. In the parts complex, breast items and most dark meat cuts ranged moderate to heavy. Wings were light and moving satisfactorily.

	BRANDED U.S. GRADE A
RANGE	72-90
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations.

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