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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

The market tone was steady to fully steady in the Midwest, steady in the West, and steady to about steady in the East. Retail and food service demand was light to moderate, best into fast food and where features were in progress. Supplies were moderate to heavy to satisfy current trade needs. Floor stocks were adequate to long. In the parts structure, movement was light to moderate for mid week trading. Wings were light to moderate and clearing satisfactorily. Supplies of breast items and dark meat items were light to heavy. In productions areas, live supplies were mixed, but mostly desirable weights.

GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES The Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for next week's trading declined .50 cents to 82.75 cents based on full truck load lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 87.50 cents last year on October 15, 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	169.00
BREASTS - B/S	125.50
BREASTS - WHOLE	75.50
THIGH MEAT - B/S	98.00
THIGHS	51.00
DRUMSTICKS	61.00
LEG QUARTERS	37.50
WINGS	152.50

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

SOUTHERN REGION The market tone was steady to about steady. Demand was fair to moderate with trading usually limited to regular commitments. Supplies of all sizes were moderate to satisfy current trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was light to moderate for midweek business. Supplies of breast items were mostly moderate. Wings were in good supply and clearing well. Dark meat items were moderate to heavy. In production areas live supplies were moderate; at mixed, but mostly desirable weights.

MIDWEST REGION Whole broiler/fryer market tone was steady to fully steady. Whole bird offers were light to balanced for a like buyer inquiry. Retail and food service movement was slow to moderate at best. Floor stocks were adequate to long; weights desirable to heavy. Supplies of wings continued to be limited, although several in trade noted a slowing in orders. All other parts were available with breast cuts more in balance with trade needs and dark meat varied moderate to heavy in supply, but noted as clearing better than prior week. The market tone on wings was steady to firm, and steady on all other parts.

WESTERN REGION Trade sentiment on whole birds and WOGS steady to cautiously steady. Offers of whole birds generally adequate with 3 pound and up WOGS in the longest position. Retail and food service demand slow to fair. Sizes desirable to instances heavy. Floors stocks adequate. Supplies of wings tight, balance of items adequate to available. The market tone on wings was fully steady to firm, breast and leg items about steady.

NORTHEAST REGION Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was light to fair during midweek trading. Offerings of all sizes were moderate for current needs. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair to moderate. The market tone was generally steady. In the parts complex, supplies of wings were sufficient and clearing satisfactorily. Breasts items and most dark meat cuts were moderate to heavy with tenders and thigh meat noted as readily available.

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

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 190 million eggs in incubators during the week ending October 10, 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 2 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 156 million chicks for meat production during the week ending October 10, 2009. Placements were down 2 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 28, 2008 through October 10, 2009 were 6.86 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 10/10/09	2009	2008	PERCENT CHANGE PREVIOUS YEAR
	Thousand		
EGGS SET	189,656	194,566	-3
CHICKS PLACED	156,166	160,080	-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 21-Nov-09 is estimated at 145.6 million head. This compares to 150.1 million head the previous week and to 151.8 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 158.9 million head and the composite weighted average price was 78.27 cents per pound.

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER 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.

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	387	99.00-165.00	-	108.25
TENDERLOINS	185	115.00-188.00	-	125.14
BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	422	26.00-34.00	32-33	32.24
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	549	29.00-37.00	34-36	34.74
WINGS (WHOLE)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
WINGS (CUT)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
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 OCTOBER 14, 2009 -- F.O.B. DOCK

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
41.00 – 46.50	44.79	4

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 during midweek trading. Offerings of breast items were noted in better balance but still available for current needs. Dark meat cuts were mostly moderate to heavy. Wings were light to moderate and clearing well. Retail and distributive movement was fair to moderate. The market tone was about steady to barely steady for breast items and tenders; at least steady for wings. Other cuts were no better than steady.

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

OCT 13 ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG	VOL/LBS	OCT 14 ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	120-125	114.32	667,606	BREAST - B/S	120-125	111.7	587,254
TENDERLOINS	135	130.75	173,840	TENDERLOINS	135	130.25	117,080
BREAST - WITH RIBS	67-68	79.38	79,000	BREAST - WITH RIBS	67-68	78.59	83,920
BREAST - LINE RUN	67	68.6	101,040	BREAST - LINE RUN	67	68.95	65,320
LEGS	53-54	42.94	240,960	LEGS	53-54	46.66	166,160
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	34-35	30.51	403,520	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	34-35	32.53	250,160
DRUMSTICKS	51-52	56.35	87,120	DRUMSTICKS	51-52	58.74	64,120
THIGHS	41-42	50.79	63,280	THIGHS	41-42	53.56	50,680
B/S THIGHS	94-95	96.21	76,360	B/S THIGHS	94-95	95.88	62,800
WINGS (WHOLE)	147-148	156.15	180,440	WINGS (WHOLE)	147-148	156.63	175,160
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	13-15	15	25,200	BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	13-15	15	19,840
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	45-50	46.98	18,800	LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	45-50	48.63	5,560
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	65-70	67.79	34,480	GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	65-70	68.5	12,440

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 (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATED (1,000)		ACTUAL (1,000)		AVG WTS		ACTUAL (1,000)	AVG WTS
	10/14	10/13	10/12	10/09	10/12	10/09	10/07	10/05
Alabama	3,619	3,866	3,994	3,662	5.65	5.42	3,802	5.58
Arkansas	5,130	5,216	4,920	4,091	5.57	5.70	5,180	5.56
Delmarva	2,218	2,239	2,229	2,284	5.99	5.92	2,230	6.00
KY-LA-TN	2,129	2,416	2,374	2,159	5.20	5.05	2,158	5.13
Mississippi	2,843	2,901	2,788	2,908	5.88	5.52	2,936	5.98
North Carolina	2,777	2,732	2,558	3,146	7.24	7.14	2,716	7.21
Texas	2,742	2,731	2,723	2,701	5.52	5.32	2,745	5.61
Total	21,458	22,101	21,586	20,951	5.82	5.75	21,767	5.82
Mon-Wed	65,399	(A)					65,493	(A)

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.
Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 14-Oct-09 is estimated to be 32,104,000 head down 1.71 percent from a week ago and down -0.30 percent from a year ago.
(Last week 32,664,000, last year 32,199,000)

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	116-125
DUCKS		262-265

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 17-OCT-09

	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	10/17/09 (1)	10/10/09
Class	---------- Thousand head ---------	
Broiler/fryer	165,043(2)	164,679
Light hens	1,265	1,472
Heavy hens	1,581	1,607
Total	167,889	167,758

(1)ESTIMATED

2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 17-Oct-09 is 156.4 million head compared to 163.9 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 165.4 million head or 9.0 million more than estimated available. For the week of 24-Oct-09 the estimated available is 156.4 million head.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS-SELECTED STGE CENTERS

(INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEY LBS	PROCESSED POULTRY LBS
AM 10/12/09	171,768	61,337
AM 10/01/09	186,075	63,072
CHG	-14,307	-1,735
PCT CHG	-8	-3

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEYS			PROCESSED POULTRY		
	10/12/09	10/05/09	10/13/08	10/12/09	10/05/09	10/13/08
PACIFIC COAST	3,975	3,959	737	6,643	6,799	6,658
LOS ANGELES	119	110	321	731	883	1,369

HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES FOR 10/13/09

AI PAPERS REQUIRED TO SELL ALL OUT OF STATE POULTRY

	LOW	HIGH	AVG		LOW	HIGH	AVG
HEAVY FOWL lb.	.40	.95	.48	HEAVY FOWL ea.	-	-	-
LIGHT FOWL lb.	-	-	-	LIGHT FOWL ea.	-	1.00	-
MIXED FOWL lb.	-	-	-	MIXED FOWL ea.	-	-	-
BANTAMS lb.	-	-	-	BANTAMS ea.	-	4.50	-
BROILERS lb.	-	-	-	BROILERS ea.	-	-	-
ROASTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROASTERS ea.	-	-	-
FRYERS lb.	-	-	-	FRYERS ea.	-	-	-
CHICKS lb.	-	-	-	CHICKS ea.	.50	2.00	1.12
PULLETS lb.	-	-	-	PULLETS ea.	-	-	-
BUNNIES lb.	-	-	-	BUNNIES ea.	-	-	-
ROOSTERS lb.	1.30	1.75	1.51	ROOSTERS ea.	-	-	-
GEESE lb.	-	-	-	GEESE ea.	-	-	-
TURKEYS lb.	-	-	-	TURKEYS ea.	-	-	-
DUCKS lb.	.60	.75	.66	DUCKS ea.	-	-	-
RABBITS lb.	1.20	1.55	1.42	RABBITS ea.	-	5.00	-
PIGEONS lb.	-	-	-	PIGEONS ea.	2.00	4.50	2.81
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.	-	20.00	-
PARTRIDGES ea.	-	-	-	COCKATIELS ea.	-	-	-
DOVES ea.	-	6.00	-	GUINEAS	-	-	-

TOTAL COOPS 57

MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS-MEXICO CITY

Cents per pound for the week ending October 9, 2009

	Whole Chickens	Breasts	Legs W/Thighs	Necks,Backs & Wings	Livers Gizzards	Hens
RAYON						
Low	54.75	119.77	51.33	13.69	3.42	68.44
High	61.60	130.04	58.17	17.11	6.84	68.44
Mostly	54.75	126.61	54.75	17.11	3.42	68.44
SAN JUAN						
Low	54.07	116.35	47.91	13.69	3.42	68.44
High	60.57	126.61	54.75	17.11	6.84	68.44
Mostly	54.75	123.19	51.33	15.40	3.42	68.44
NEW SAN JUAN						
Low	55.44	123.19	54.75	17.11	6.84	71.86
High	62.28	133.46	65.02	20.53	10.27	71.86
Mostly	55.44	130.04	58.17	18.82	6.84	71.86
BECERRA						
Low	55.78	126.61	58.17	17.11	6.84	71.86
High	63.31	136.88	68.44	20.53	10.27	71.86
Mostly	55.78	133.46	61.60	20.53	8.56	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 OCTOBER 12, 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 light to moderate for midweek business. Seller offerings were moderate to heavy for immediate trade needs. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mixed, but noted as desirable. Processing schedules ranged moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices remained unchanged at 66 to 80 cents. The market tone was reported as steady. In the parts complex, breast items and dark meat cuts were moderate to heavy. Wings were fully steady.

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	BRANDED U.S. GRADE A
RANGE	61-87
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations.

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