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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

The market tone was steady in all areas. Retail and food service demand was light to moderate for first of the month business. Supplies of all sizes were sufficient to satisfy current trade needs. Floor stocks were balanced to long. In the parts structure, movement was light to moderate for midweek business. Wings continue light. Supplies of breast items were moderate to available. Dark meat items were light to moderate with leg quarters in the best position. 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 remains unchanged at 82.00 cents based on full truck load lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 87.00 cents last year on December 03, 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	171.00
BREASTS - B/S	135.00
BREASTS - WHOLE	76.50
THIGH MEAT - B/S	96.50
THIGHS	49.50
DRUMSTICKS	59.50
LEG QUARTERS	37.50
WINGS	158.50

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

SOUTHERN REGION

The market tone was steady. Demand was fair to moderate with trading usually limited to regular commitments. Supplies of all sizes were adequate to satisfy current trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was light to moderate for mid week trading. Supplies of breast items were mostly moderate. Dark meat items were light to moderate with legs and leg quarters in good supply. Wings were light and moving satisfactorily. In production areas live supplies were moderate at desirable weights.

MIDWEST REGION

Whole broiler/fryer market tone was steady. Offers were light, but sufficient for light trade demand. Retail and food service demand was slow to start for first of month with only slow to moderate trade reported. Floor stocks were in balance to long; weights desirable. Supplies of wings continued snug to short; breast cuts available and leg quarters were in balance to limited. The market tone was steady to firm on wings and steady to fully steady on all other parts.

WESTERN REGION

The market tone was generally steady on whole broiler fryers and WOGs. Offerings adequate to fully adequate. Retail and food service demand slow to moderate, instances disappointing. Weights desirable. Floors stocks adequate to sometimes fully adequate. Offerings of wings short to light, balance light to adequate, instances fully adequate. The market tone on wings was fully steady to firm, balance steady to fully steady.

NORTHEAST REGION

Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was mostly fair for early week trading. Offerings of all sizes were sufficient for current needs. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair to moderate. The market tone was steady. In the parts complex, offerings of boneless skinless breasts, tenders and most dark meat cuts were moderate. Wings were light and held with confidence. Bone-in breasts were adequate to available.

BROILER –TYPE EGGS SET IN 19 SELECTED STATES DOWN 2 PERCENT

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 201 million eggs in incubators during the week ending November 28, 2009. This was down 2 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 1 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 158 million chicks for meat production during the week ending November 28, 2009. Placements were down 1 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 28, 2008 through November 28, 2009 were 7.95 billion, down 4 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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

WEEK ENDING 11/28/09	2009	2008	PERCENT CHANGE PREVIOUS YEAR
	Thousand		
EGGS SET	200,954	204,719	-02
CHICKS PLACED	158,266	159,463	-01

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 09-Jan-10 is estimated at 142.4 million head. This compares to 141.4 million head the previous week and to 147.1 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 168.8 million head and the composite weighted average price was 82.51 cents per pound.

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 05-Dec-09

	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	12/05/09 (1)	11/28/09
Class	---------- Thousand head ---------	
Broiler/fryer	156,646(2)	124,922
Light hens	1,177	646
Heavy hens	1,357	605
Total	159,180	126,173

(1)ESTIMATED

2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 05-Dec-09 is 146.2 million head compared to 162.3 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 157.0 million head or103.8 million more than estimated available. For the week of 12-Dec-09 the estimated available is 145.3 million head.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS-SELECTED STGE CENTERS

(INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEY LBS	PROCESSED POULTRY LBS
AM 11/30/09	72,370	54,590
AM 11/01/09	134,279	54,922
CHG	-61,909	-332
PCT CHG	-46	-1

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEYS			PROCESSED POULTRY		
	11/30/09	11/23/09	12/01/08	11/30/09	11/23/09	12/01/08
PACIFIC COAST	2,848	3,730	631	7,561	6,808	6,056
LOS ANGELES	88	93	257	850	794	1,285

HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES FOR 12/01/09

AI PAPERS REQUIRED TO SELL ALL OUT OF STATE POULTRY

	LOW	HIGH	AVG		LOW	HIGH	AVG
HEAVY FOWL lb.	-	.50	-	HEAVY FOWL ea.	-	-	-
LIGHT FOWL lb.	-	-	-	LIGHT FOWL ea.	-	-	-
MIXED FOWL lb.	-	-	-	MIXED FOWL ea.	-	-	-
BANTAMS lb.	-	-	-	BANTAMS ea.	1.50	5.50	2.91
BROILERS lb.	-	-	-	BROILERS ea.	-	-	-
ROASTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROASTERS ea.	-	-	-
FRYERS lb.	-	-	-	FRYERS ea.	-	-	-
CHICKS lb.	-	-	-	CHICKS ea.	-	-	-
PULLETS lb.	.30	1.00	.62	PULLETS ea.	-	-	-
BUNNIES lb.	-	-	-	BUNNIES ea.	-	-	-
ROOSTERS lb.	.40	.50	.43	ROOSTERS ea.	3.25	8.00	7.05
GEESE lb.	-	-	-	GEESE ea.	-	-	-
TURKEYS lb.	-	-	-	TURKEYS ea.	-	-	-
DUCKS lb.	-	.30	-	DUCKS ea.	4.75	5.00	4.97
RABBITS lb.	.20	2.10	.85	RABBITS ea.	2.00	5.00	3.53
PIGEONS lb.	-	-	-	PIGEONS ea.	1.75	3.25	2.43
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 November 27, 2009

	Whole Chickens	Breasts	Legs W/Thighs	Necks,Backs & Wings	Livers Gizzards	Hens
RAYON						
Low	56.98	112.56	70.35	17.59	7.03	63.31
High	63.31	123.11	80.90	21.10	10.55	63.31
Mostly	59.09	119.59	77.38	19.35	7.03	63.31
SAN JUAN						
Low	56.28	109.04	58.04	17.59	3.52	63.31
High	62.26	119.59	73.87	21.10	7.03	63.31
Mostly	58.04	116.08	66.83	17.59	5.28	63.31
NEW SAN JUAN						
Low	58.04	116.08	73.87	17.59	7.03	66.83
High	64.02	126.63	84.42	24.62	10.55	66.83
Mostly	59.80	123.11	80.90	22.86	8.79	66.83
BECERRA						
Low	58.74	119.59	77.38	21.10	7.03	66.83
High	65.07	130.15	91.5	28.14	10.55	66.83
Mostly	59.80	126.63	87.94	24.62	10.55	66.83

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 NOVEMBER 30, 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 fair for mid-week business. Seller offerings were adequate for current trade needs. Live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights. Processing schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices remained unchanged at 67 to 80 cents. The market tone was steady. In the parts complex, supplies of wings continued light with good movement. Most dark meat cuts were light to moderate, and breast items were available.

	BRANDED U.S. GRADE A
RANGE	62-87
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations.

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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.

DEC 01					DEC 02				
ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	453	106.00-191.00	-	118.15	BREAST - B/S	448	106.00-191.00	-	118.49
TENDERLOINS	126	120.00-195.00	-	132.98	TENDERLOINS	137	120.00-195.00	-	132.37
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)	313	31.00-35.00	32-33	33.84	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	355	31.00-35.00	32-33	33.85
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	823	31.00-36.00	33-34	34.01	LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	663	31.00-36.00	33-34	34.06
WINGS (WHOLE)	118	135.00-152.00	-	145.42	WINGS (WHOLE)	148	135.00-152.00	-	146.08
WINGS (CUT)	105	163.00-169.00	-	165.29	WINGS (CUT)	118	163.00-169.00	-	165.34
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 F.O.B. DOCK

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
48.00 – 53.50	50.37	48.00 – 53.50	50.93	50.79

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 fair during midweek trading. Offerings of boneless skinless breast, tenders and leg cuts were light to moderate. Bone-in breasts were at least sufficient and wings were light and clearing well. Retail and distributive movement was fair to moderate. The market tone was fully steady for wings; at least steady for the balance of items.

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

DEC 01 ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG	VOL/LBS	DEC 02 ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	125-130	119.20	482,607	BREAST - B/S	125-130	118.49	386,918
TENDERLOINS	130-135	131.76	148,360	TENDERLOINS	130-135	133.32	108,750
BREAST - WITH RIBS	69-70	75.78	112,000	BREAST - WITH RIBS	69-70	76.65	114,480
BREAST - LINE RUN	69	70.92	66,600	BREAST - LINE RUN	69	71.00	63,000
LEGS	55-56	49.02	199,040	LEGS	55-56	50.36	138,440
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	35-36	35.63	294,600	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	35-36	36.49	165,320
DRUMSTICKS	48-49	58.11	62,200	DRUMSTICKS	48-49	59.19	41,800
THIGHS	39-40	53.14	48,840	THIGHS	39-40	52.87	29,920
B/S THIGHS	94-95	96.82	64,160	B/S THIGHS	94-95	98.83	56,360
WINGS (WHOLE)	153-154	159.52	157,160	WINGS (WHOLE)	153-154	161.08	163,960
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	13-15	15.00	30,720	BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	13-15	15.00	19,360
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	45-50	48.22	11,720	LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	45-50	47.24	9,840
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	70-75	74.49	21,160	GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	70-75	67.38	23,400

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 (1,000) 12/021	ESTIMATED 2/01	ACTUAL (1,000) 11/30	ACTUAL 11/27	AVG WTS 11/30	AVG WTS 11/27	ACTUAL (1,000) 11/27	AVG WTS 11/25
Alabama	4,020	4,058	4,130	2,876	5.56	5.01	3,488	5.28
Arkansas	5,257	5,277	5,189	2,246	5.69	5.05	4,816	5.60
Delmarva	2,215	2,264	2,204	2,264	6.05	5.92	2,247	6.02
KY-LA-TN	2,355	2,393	2,353	1,655	5.18	4.61	2,352	4.92
Mississippi	2,823	2,835	2,878	2,004	6.15	5.83	2,466	6.18
North Carolina	2,676	2,752	2,597	2,730	7.22	7.04	2,420	7.20
Texas	2,731	2,740	2,717	2,367	5.53	0.00	2,006	5.44
Total	22,077	22,319	22,068	16,142	5.87	4.81	19,795	5.74
Mon-Wed	66,331 (A)						63,765 (A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.
Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 02-Dec-09 is estimated to be 33,030,000 head up 11.20 percent from a week ago and up 4.69 percent from a year ago.
(Last week 29,704,000, last year 31,551,000)

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