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FINAL BROILER FRYER prices negotiated for trucklot sales of RTC broiler/fryers delivered to first receivers and FOB at major market areas (cents per lb) week of 07-DEC-2009

	Grade A		Loads	Composite	
	Majority	Wtd Avg		Wtd Avg	Loads
Delivered to First Receivers 1/:					
Boston/New England	TFEWR				
Ohio Cities	TFEWR			60.63	12
Denver	90.50	90.50	10	87.05	14
Detroit	TFEWR			65.82	33
Los Angeles	91.00	89.35	60	80.04	117
New York	65.00-68.00	66.85	20	69.05	40
Philadelphia	64.50-66.00	65.42	12	65.80	23
Pittsburgh	64.00-67.00	66.00	12	71.71	54
St. Louis	TFEWR			64.45	23
San Francisco	91.50	89.97	32	85.67	51

	Whole Body 2/:		Loads	Composite	
	Majority	Wtd Avg		Wtd Avg	Loads
Chicago	58.00-62.00			63.30	49

Composite Weighted Average 3/:					
Loads	12/07/09	Change	Last Wk	11/30/09	12/08/08
432	71.93	.05		71.88	82.26

WOG broiler 4/:			
	Majority	Wtd Avg	Loads
Eastern	70.00-71.00		70.69
Central	58.00-65.00		63.19
Western	69.00-71.00		72.51
FOB Dock Equivalent 5/:			
Mississippi	73.00-79.00		76.86

- 1/: Includes branded product.
- 2/: Whole Body category includes whole body birds with or without giblets, all grades, brands, and packaging.
- 3/: Includes all whole birds shipped into listed cities including Chicago.
- 4/: Delivered first receiver, trucklot and less than trucklot volumes.
- 5/: Southeast area

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 82.00 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

LOADS	RANGE	MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT
979	63.00-86.03	81.33

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

ITEM	WTD. AVG. (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	171.00	1,637
BREASTS - B/S	135.50	6,929
BREASTS - WHOLE	77.00	1,560
THIGH MEAT - B/S	96.50	1,276
THIGHS	49.50	1,149
DRUMSTICKS	60.50	1,229
LEG QUARTERS	37.50	9,302
WINGS	159.00	3,467

This information is supplied by the Ga Dept. of Ag/Poultry Market News Service.

NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was generally fair entering the week. Offerings of all sizes were at least sufficient for current needs. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair to moderate. The market tone was mostly steady. In the parts complex, supplies of breast items, tenders and most dark meat cuts were moderate; wings were light and clearing satisfactorily.

SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYER The market tone was steady. Demand following the weekend was fair the moderate. Supplies of all sizes were sufficient to satisfy trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was mostly moderate. Supplies of wings were light and moving satisfactorily. Breast items and dark meat items were light to moderate for early week trading. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at desirable weights.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Final majority prices were unchanged from last weeks prices. Offers of whole birds and WOGs were light but adequate. Retail and food service demand light to moderate. Sizes desirable. Floor stocks adequate. The Los Angeles negotiated Wog weighted average was 1 cent higher from last week to 70.62 cents on 35 loads. Trading was noted on boneless skinless breasts at 112-122, bone-in breasts 66-92, jumbo wings 158-164, thighs 42-52, boneless thighs 85-93, legs 52-66, drums 50-63, and leg quarters - bulk 36-44 and 4-10 38-40 cents delivered.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYERS Final majority delivered prices into the Chicago market area were unchanged; Ohio cities, Detroit, and St. Louis markets were TFEWR. The market tone was steady on whole fryers. Retail and food service movement was light to fairly good, best into family style restaurants, sports bars and some retail centers. Floor stocks were adequate; weights desirable. Wing supplies were limited, breast cuts available and leg quarters were in balance. Trade sentiment was steady on leg and breast cuts, and fully steady to firm on wings.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was usually fair entering the week as dealers assess current market conditions. Seller offerings were sufficient for current trade requirements. Live supplies were moderate; weights were reported as desirable. Processing schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 67 to 80 cents. The market tone was steady. In the parts complex, supplies of wings were light with good movement. Breast items and most dark meat cuts were light to moderate and moving satisfactorily.

BOILER/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	66-87
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operation.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Trucklot buying activity was generally fair as dealers assess market conditions entering the week. Offerings of breast items, tenders and leg cuts were mostly moderate for current needs. Wings were light and clearing. Retail and distributive movement was fair to moderate. The market tone was fully steady for wings; steady to at least steady for the balance of items.

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

ITEM	NEGOTIATED	CURRENT	WTD	VOLUME
	TRADING*		AVG**	/LBS
BREAST - B/S	125-130	119.94	119.94	528,609
TENDERLOINS	130-135	131.71	131.71	91,360
BREAST - WITH RIBS	69-70	77.33	77.33	91,160
BREAST - LINE RUN	69	71.33	71.33	59,400
LEGS	55-56	49.27	49.27	204,400
LEG QRTRS (BULK)	35-36	36.45	36.45	235,574
DRUMSTICKS	48-49	56.18	56.18	73,356
THIGHS	39-40	47.20	47.20	50,240
B/S THIGHS	94-95	98.58	98.58	45,800
WINGS (WHOLE)	154-155	162.72	162.72	148,600
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	13-15	15.00	15.00	13,000
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	45-50	46.92	46.92	9,240
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	65-70	65.86	65.86	6,760

NEW YORK CITY METROPOLITAN AREA, northern NJ, MA, CT, RI, & 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.

ARKANSAS BROILER PARTS FOB 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	RANGE	MAJ	WTD
	(000)			AVG
BREAST - B/S	1,589	109.00-151.00	115-120	118.19
TENDERLOINS	724	118.00-202.00	123-126	124.27
BREAST - WITH RIBS	128	58.00-70.00	-	65.01
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QRTRS (BULK)	2,627	30.00-34.00	31-32	31.03
LEG QRTRS (4/10)	1,108	31.00-35.00	31-34	33.17
WINGS (WHOLE)	341	150.00-171.00	150-158	157.03
DRUMSTICKS	463	45.00-55.00	45-49	47.31
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (In thousands)

	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	ACTUAL	AVG WTS
	12/07	12/03	12/03	11/30	11/26
Alabama	4,119	3,758	5.58	4,130	(A)
Arkansas	5,270	5,345	5.44	5,189	(Holiday)
Delmarva	2,228	2,201	6.04	2,204	(Holiday)
KY-LA-TN	2,392	2,119	5.03	2,353	(A)
Mississippi	2,827	2,899	5.86	2,878	(Holiday)
North Carolina	2,365	2,679	6.97	2,597	(A)
Texas	2,730	2,748	5.34	2,717	(Holiday)
Total	21,931	21,749	5.72	22,068	6.01
Mon	21,931 (B)			22,068 (B)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 07-Dec 2009 is estimated to be 32,811,000 down 0.92 percent from a week ago and up 5.0 percent from a year ago.

(last week 33,115,000 last year 31,241,000)

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.

ITEM	POUNDS	RANGE	MAJ	WTD
	(000)			AVG
BREAST - B/S	442	106.00-191.00	-	117.21
TENDERLOINS	149	120.00-195.00	-	132.76
BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QRTRS (BULK)	540	34.00-35.00	-	34.19
LEG QRTRS (4/10)	486	32.00-36.00	-	34.68
WINGS (WHOLE)	140	136.00-156.00	-	147.71
WINGS (CUT)	128	164.00-169.00	-	165.80
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
B/S THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		

Index Based on Southern States Parts Trading for Dec 07, 2009 -- F.O.B. Dock

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
49.50 - 54.00	50.85	50.83

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.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER PARTS

ICE-PACKED POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES DELIVERED TO: IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, AND WI WEEK OF 07- Dec -2009 TO 11-Dec-2009, CENTS PER POUND

	Price per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	99.00-124.00	109.00 -120.00
TENDERLOINS	123.00-136.00	133.00 -137.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	69.00- 90.00	70.00 - 75.00
LEGS	48.00- 54.00	-
LEG QRTRS (BULK)	31.00- 39.00	33.00 - 34.00
LEG QRTRS (4/10)	33.00- 42.00	36.00 - 38.00
DRUMSTICKS	46.00- 69.00	-
THIGHS	40.00- 46.00	-
B/S THIGHS	95.00- 98.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	140.00-161.00	150.00 -166.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	12.00- 30.00	-
LIVERS	32.00- 51.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40.00- 58.00	-

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

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	94-112
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	98-116
FROZEN DUCKS	
FROZEN SQUABS	

DELIVERED TO RETAILERS

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	DRY PACK 170
	ICE PACK 159
ROASTERS 4# & UP	DRY PACK 117
	ICE PACK
HENS OVER 5#	DRY PACK 116
	ICE PACK 125
DUCKS	262-265

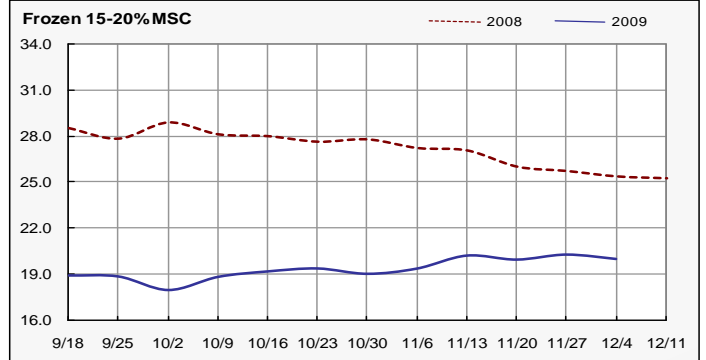
National Mechanically Separated Chicken

(FOB Shipper Dock or equiv., negotiated prices in trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes reported in thousand lb. quantities, cents/lb.; delivery within 2 weeks.)

The trade sentiment on all fat contents was generally steady. Supplies of fresh and frozen 15-20% were available with the balance of fat contents at least sufficient. Many suppliers continue trying to stay ahead by selling product about a week out front. Supplies of raw materials were available. Some contract negotiations persist, especially in regards to Mexico, as many are eager to wrap things up. Most of the industry is generally done contracting for 2010 with pricing and offering levels reported between levels considered normal for the past few years and those of the record 2009 season. Export and domestic demand was seasonally light to fair. Schedules were normal to reduced with some taking time for scheduled maintenance or citing slower sales on finished product. Frame values continued steady ranging 6-9 cents FOB, mostly 7-8 cents FOB.

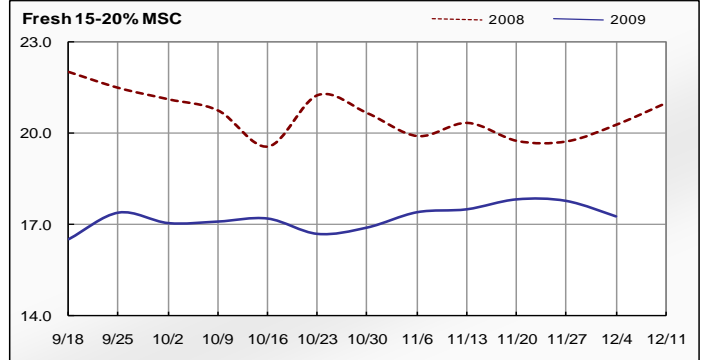
Weekly MSC Weighted Average Prices (cents/pound) and Volumes (1,000 pounds)

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	4-Dec-09	Last Week	Last Year	4-Dec-09	Last Week	Last Year
15% or Less						
Price Range			-	17.50 - 19.00	17.00 - 19.00	22.00-25.50
Wtd Avg Price	20.03	20.32	25.40	18.28	18.55	23.99
Volume Traded	-	-	-	285	449	337
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	116
15-20%						
Price Range	17.00 - 23.00	18.00 - 23.00	24.00-30.00	14.00 - 21.50	15.25 - 21.50	18.00-26.00
Wtd Avg Price	20.03	20.32	25.40	17.24	17.74	20.28
Volume Traded	2,169	1,066	1,472	3,046	3,544	4,685
Volume Exported	1,489	1,026	1,432	979	775	713
20% or More						
Price Range	-	-	-	16.00	16.00	21.00
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	16.00	16.00	21.00
Volume Traded	-	-	-	163	122	82
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-



Monthly MSC Weighted Average Prices (cents/pound) and Volumes (1,000 pounds)

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	Nov 2009	Oct 2009	Nov 2008	Nov 2009	Oct 2009	Nov 2008
15% or Less						
Wtd Avg Price	-	20.00	24.00	18.41	18.69	24.28
Volume Traded	-	80	322	1,502	***1,292***	1,443
Volume Exported	-	-	160	-	-	220
15-20%						
Wtd Avg Price	19.97	18.85	26.34	17.60	16.94	19.96
Volume Traded	5,805	***7,276***	5,394	12,716	***13,396***	11,870
Volume Exported	5,205	***6,435***	4,961	1,754	***2,733***	1,921
20% or More						
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	16.67	17.00	21.00
Volume Traded	-	-	-	367	***328***	366
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-



Note: Volume exported refers to that portion of the total volume that is destined for export markets.

**LIVE HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)*
FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 07-DECEMBER-09**

SOUTH CENTRAL LIVE HEAVY-TYPE HENS

Trading levels were TFEWR. Spent hen offerings were sufficient for the moderate demand. Schedules were normal. Finished sales were seasonally moderate. Trade sentiment was about steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING		TOO FEW TO REPORT	

SOUTHEAST LIVE HEAVY-TYPE HENS

Prices were generally unchanged when compared to the previous week. Demand was seasonally moderate to fairly good for the about adequate offerings of heavy fowl. Processing schedules were normal. Finished product supplies were sufficient for current trade needs. The undertone was at least steady to fully steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	7.75-17.50		12.04
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING		TOO FEW TO REPORT	
FOB PLANT		TOO FEW TO REPORT	

* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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