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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

The market tone was fully steady to firm in the East, steady to fully steady elsewhere. Retail and food service demand was light to instances fairly good as the Midwest area prepares for extreme winter weather conditions. Supplies of all sizes were light to moderate to satisfy current trade needs. Floor stocks were adequate. In the parts structure, movement was moderate to good for mid week trading. Wings were close balanced to tight and moving well. Supplies of breast items and dark meat items were light to moderate. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at 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 advanced .25 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 87.25 cents last year on January 7, 2009.

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	172.00
BREASTS - B/S	137.50
BREASTS - WHOLE	77.00
THIGH MEAT - B/S	96.50
THIGHS	48.50
DRUMSTICKS	58.50
LEG QUARTERS	38.00
WINGS	170.50

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

SOUTHERN REGION

The market tone was firm. Demand was fair to fairly good for mid week trading. Supplies of all sizes were close balanced to short for current trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was moderate to good. Dark meat items were in good balance to well cleared and breast supplies were light to moderate. Wings remained tight and moving seasonally well. In production areas live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

MIDWEST REGION

The trade sentiment on whole broiler fryers steady to fully steady. Offers adequate to barely adequate with lighter weights in the tightest position. Retail and food service demand was light to instances fairly good as area prepares for extreme winter weather. Floor stocks adequate. Sizes were mostly desirable. Supplies of boneless skinless breasts and leg quarters were in close balance, drums and wings were tight, and tenders adequate. The market tone was fully steady to firm on wings and drums, steady to fully steady on boneless skinless breast and steady on tenders and leg quarters.

WESTERN REGION

The market tone on whole broiler fryers and WOGs was steady to fully steady. Offerings light with under 3 lb. sizes the least available. Retail demand moderate to good. Foodservice demand light to moderate with some slowing into amusement parks for post holiday needs. Light export interest was noted on frozen WOGs. Floors stocks light to adequate. Offerings of wings short to light, balance light with to adequate and held with confidence. Parts demand moderate to good, best into retail channels. 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 moderate to fairly good. Offerings of three pound and smaller sizes were about adequate; heavier sizes were in close balance to tight with premiums noted. Retail and distributive movement was fair to moderate. The market tone was fully steady to firm. In the parts complex, wings were balanced to short of current needs. Breast items were noted in better balance and were clearing satisfactorily. Dark meat cuts were light to moderate with drums and thighs in the better balance.

BROILER –TYPE EGGS SET IN 19 SELECTED STATES DOWN SLIGHTLY

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 203 million eggs in incubators during the week ending January 2, 2010. This was down slightly 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 UP SLIGHTLY

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 169 million chicks for meat production during the week ending January 2, 2010. Placements were up slightly from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 28, 2008 through January 2, 2010 were 8.79 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 01/02/10	2009	2008	PERCENT CHANGE PREVIOUS YEAR
	Thousand		
EGGS SET	202,649	202,760	0
CHICKS PLACED	169,258	168,557	0

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 13-Feb-10 is estimated at 154.5 million head. This compares to 154.1 million head the previous week and to 156.4 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 157.6 million head and the composite weighted average price was 80.66 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.

JAN 05 ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	JAN 06 ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	TOO FEW TO REPORT				BREAST - B/S	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
TENDERLOINS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TENDERLOINS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
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)	386	32.00-36.00	-	34.25	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	400	31.00-35.00	-	34.20
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	642	34.00-39.00	-	36.52	LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	692	36.00-39.00	-	36.83
WINGS (WHOLE)	TOO FEW TO REPORT				WINGS (WHOLE)	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
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	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
49.50 – 54.50	51.78	49.50 – 54.00	52.26	52.29

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 fair to moderate as dealers limited orders to normally committed product and kept floor stocks balanced with the generally light demand. Offerings of boneless skinless breasts were noted in better balance and was mostly adequate for current needs. Bone-in breasts were adequate to available. Dark meat cuts were moderate and wings were in close balance to short and commanding premiums. The market tone was firm for wings and mostly steady for the balance.

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

JAN 05 ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG	VOL/LBS	JAN 06 ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	125-130	120.16	750,109	BREAST - B/S	125-130	119.83	354,400
TENDERLOINS	130-135	133.34	213,032	TENDERLOINS	130-135	131.29	85,440
BREAST - WITH RIBS	69-70	82.22	82,160	BREAST - WITH RIBS	69-70	81.76	79,920
BREAST - LINE RUN	69	70.10	104,400	BREAST - LINE RUN	69	70.86	63,240
LEGS	56-57	52.72	212,560	LEGS	56-57	55.10	164,000
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	36-37	36.82	390,320	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	36-37	38.03	254,480
DRUMSTICKS	48-49	56.06	142,800	DRUMSTICKS	48-49	58.64	99,400
THIGHS	40-41	52.69	97,560	THIGHS	40-41	48.62	58,800
B/S THIGHS	94-95	97.53	107,520	B/S THIGHS	94-95	95.94	38,120
WINGS (WHOLE)	165-166	171.01	205,200	WINGS (WHOLE)	166-167	172.89	189,840
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	13-15	15.00	31,480	BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	13-15	15.00	20,960
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	45-50	47.62	11,360	LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	45-50	47.06	12,640
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	60-65	64.56	34,520	GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	60-65	65.03	22,200

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) 01/06	01/05	ACTUAL (1,000) 01/04	01/01	AVG WTS 01/04	01/01	ACTUAL (1,000) 12/30	AVG WTS 12/28
Alabama	3,959	3,999	3,943	(A)	5.54	(A)	3,848	5.68
Arkansas	5,299	5,369	5,179	(A)	5.78	(A)	5,298	5.84
Delmarva	2,257	2,257	2,363	(A)	5.99	(A)	2,191	5.88
KY-LA-TN	2,421	2,709	2,272	(A)	5.25	(A)	2,325	5.29
Mississippi	2,874	2,969	3,921	(A)	5.96	(A)	2,780	6.04
North Carolina	2,645	2,789	2,557	(A)	7.17	(A)	2,713	7.29
Texas	2,720	2,730	2,702	(A)	5.59	(A)	2,675	5.46
Total	22,175	22,822	22,937	6,253	5.87	5.73	21,830	5.91
Mon-Wed	67,116 (B)						65,764 (B)	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.
(B) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.
Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 06-Jan-10 is estimated to be 33,176,000 head up 1.28 percent from a week ago and down -11.39 percent from a year ago.
(Last week 32,758,000, last year 37,439,000)

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	125
	DRY PACK	116
DUCKS		262-265

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 09-Jan-10

	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	01/09/10 (1)	01/02/10
Class	---------- Thousand head ---------	
Broiler/fryer	161,853(2)	126,980
Light hens	1,549	1,401
Heavy hens	1,210	916
Total	164,612	129,297

(1)ESTIMATED

2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 09-Jan-10 is 153.7 million head compared to 168.8 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 162.2 million head or 8.5 million more than estimated available. For the week of 16-Jan-10 the estimated available is 145.7 million head.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS-SELECTED STGE CENTERS

(INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEY LBS	PROCESSED POULTRY LBS
AM 01/04/10	78,307	57,052
AM 12/01/09	73,050	56,224
CHG	5,257	828
PCT CHG	7	1

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEYS			PROCESSED POULTRY		
	01/04/10	12/28/09	01/05/09	01/04/10	12/28/09	01/05/09
PACIFIC COAST	**2**,879	4,460	546	7,869	10,188	7,207
LOS ANGELES	91	97	271	781	832	1,092

HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES FOR 01/05/09

AI PAPERS REQUIRED TO SELL ALL OUT OF STATE POULTRY

	LOW	HIGH	AVG		LOW	HIGH	AVG
HEAVY FOWL lb.	-	.60	-	HEAVY FOWL ea.	-	-	-
LIGHT FOWL lb.	-	-	-	LIGHT FOWL ea.	-	-	-
MIXED FOWL lb.	-	-	-	MIXED FOWL ea.	-	-	-
BANTAMS lb.	-	-	-	BANTAMS ea.	-	-	-
BROILERS lb.	-	-	-	BROILERS ea.	-	-	-
ROASTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROASTERS ea.	-	-	-
FRYERS lb.	-	-	-	FRYERS ea.	-	-	-
CHICKS lb.	-	-	-	CHICKS ea.	-	-	-
PULLETS lb.	-	-	-	PULLETS ea.	-	5.00	-
BUNNIES lb.	-	-	-	BUNNIES ea.	-	-	-
ROOSTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROOSTERS ea.	-	-	-
GEESE lb.	-	-	-	GEESE ea.	-	-	-
TURKEYS lb.	-	-	-	TURKEYS ea.	-	-	-
DUCKS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKS ea.	-	-	-
RABBITS lb.	1.00	1.60	1.48	RABBITS ea.	1.25	2.25	1.71
PIGEONS lb.	-	-	-	PIGEONS ea.	1.25	3.25	2.11
GUINEA FOWL lb.	-	-	-	GUINEA FOWL ea	. -	-	-
DUCKLINGS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKLINGS ea.	-	-	-
GUINEA KEETS ea.	-	-	-	CALL DUCKS ea.	-	-	-
SILKIES ea.	-	-	-	GOSLINGS ea.	-	-	-
GUINEA PIGS ea.	-	1.00	-	TURKEY POULTS ea.	-	-	-
CHUKARS ea.	-	-	-	PEACOCKS ea.	-	-	-
PARTRIDGES ea.	-	-	-	COCKATIELS ea.	-	-	-
DOVES ea.	-	-	-	PHEASANTS ea.	-	-	-

TOTAL COOPS 27

MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS-MEXICO CITY

Cents per pound for the week ending January 1, 2009

	Whole Chickens	Breasts	Legs W/Thighs	Necks,Backs & Wings	Livers Gizzards	Hens
RAYON						
Low	65.07	137.18	70.35	14.07	3.52	52.76
High	66.83	147.73	84.42	17.59	7.03	52.76
Mostly	66.83	144.22	80.90	17.59	7.03	52.76
SAN JUAN						
Low	64.02	133.66	66.83	14.07	3.52	52.76
High	65.78	144.22	80.90	17.59	7.03	52.76
Mostly	65.78	140.70	77.38	15.83	7.03	52.76
NEW SAN JUAN						
Low	64.72	137.18	73.87	17.59	7.03	54.52
High	67.53	147.73	80.90	21.10	10.55	54.52
Mostly	66.83	147.73	80.90	19.35	8.79	54.52
BECERRA						
Low	65.42	140.70	77.38	17.59	7.03	54.52
High	68.59	151.25	84.42	21.10	10.55	54.52
Mostly	66.83	147.73	80.90	21.10	10.55	54.52

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 JANUARY 4, 2010

		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 moderate to fairly good for midweek trading. Seller offerings were closely balanced to tight for current trade needs. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mixed, but noted as desirable. Processor schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 80 to 92 cents. The market tone was fully steady. In the parts complex, breast items were adequate to available. Dark meat cuts ranged light to moderate. Wings were in close balance to short.

	BRANDED U.S. GRADE A
RANGE	82-97
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations.

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