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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

The market tone was about steady to at least steady in the East, steady elsewhere. Retail demand was light to instances good. Food service demand was light to moderate for mid week trading. Supplies of all sizes were light to at times heavy for current trade needs. Floor stocks were balanced to long. In the parts structure, movement was mostly moderate. Supplies of wings and dark meat items were light to moderate. Breast items were balanced to well cleared with bone-in breast in the best position. 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 83.25 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 21, 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	174.50
BREASTS - B/S	150.00
BREASTS - WHOLE	83.00
THIGH MEAT - B/S	95.50
THIGHS	49.00
DRUMSTICKS	59.50
LEG QUARTERS	38.50
WINGS	178.50

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

SOUTHERN REGION

The market tone was steady. Demand was mostly 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 moderate to good for mid week business. Dark meat items and wings were moderate, but breast items were light to moderate. In production areas live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

MIDWEST REGION

Whole broiler/fryer market tone was steady. Offers were moderate to at times heavy with buyer activity nonaggressive. Fill-in trade noted on 3 up wogs at 77 cents delivered. Retail and food service demand was slow to light. Floor stocks were in balance to long; weights desirable. Supplies of wings remained limited, but floor stocks were increased as resistance build and demand slows. Supplies of all other parts were available and demand slowing, and generally light. The market tone was steady to fully steady on wings, steady on breast cuts, and steady to barely steady on dark meat lines.

WESTERN REGION

The market tone on whole broiler fryers and WOGs was mostly steady. Offerings light to adequate. Retail demand moderate to instances good. Foodservice demand light to moderate. Weights desirable. Floor stocks adequate. Offerings of wings short to light with the balance of white items light to adequate. Dark parts offerings ranged from light on boneless skinless thigh meat to adequate on the balance of items. Parts demand moderate to good, best on wings. The market tone on wings was steady to firm, balance of white items steady to fully steady and dark items mostly steady.

NORTHEAST REGION

Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was mostly fair during midweek business. Offerings of all sizes were sufficient for current needs. Retail and distributive movement was fair to moderate. The market tone was steady. In the parts complex, wings were noted as slightly more available but still adequate for current needs. Breast items were balanced to adequate. Other items were mostly moderate.

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 January 16, 2010. This was down 2 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED DOWN SLIGHTLY

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 167 million chicks for meat production during the week ending January 16, 2010. Placements were down slightly from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 3, 2010 through January 16, 2010 were 334 million, down 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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

WEEK ENDING 01/16/10	2010	2009	PERCENT CHANGE PREVIOUS YEAR
	Thousand		
EGGS SET	200,734	203,806	-02
CHICKS PLACED	167,190	167,727	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 27-Feb-10 is estimated at 153.7 million head. This compares to 154.7 million head the previous week and to 156.9 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 158.1 million head and the composite weighted average price was 80.10 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	350	127.00-185.00	-	135.29
TENDERLOINS	209	129.00-198.00	-	143.00
BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	456	31.00-37.00	35-36	35.10
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	610	35.00-40.00	36-37	36.67
WINGS (WHOLE)	164	161.00-175.00	-	168.22
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 F.O.B. DOCK

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
53.00 – 56.50	55.34	55.20

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 mostly fair during midweek trading. Offerings of breast items were balanced to well cleared with bone-in breast in the best position. Dark meat cuts and tenders were mostly adequate for current needs. Wings were noted as slightly more available and was balanced to adequate. Retail and distributive movement was fair to moderate. The market tone was at least steady for bone-in breast and wings. The balance of items were generally steady.

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

ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	140	131.44	603,560
TENDERLOINS	135	135.52	109,220
BREAST - WITH RIBS	77-78	87.70	66,080
BREAST - LINE RUN	77	80.27	59,920
LEGS	56-57	49.69	267,400
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	36-37	36.66	220,800
DRUMSTICKS	49-50	57.01	77,240
THIGHS	40-41	53.91	49,280
B/S THIGHS	94-95	96.99	60,280
WINGS (WHOLE)	173-174	180.41	153,120
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	13-15	15.00	26,480
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	45-50	47.16	10,400
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	60-65	64.16	25,440

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
	01/20	01/19	01/18	01/15	01/18	01/15	01/13	01/11
Alabama	3,955	4,027	2,508	4,400	5.28	5.36	3,894	5.52
Arkansas	5,141	5,429	4,735	4,176	5.59	5.48	5,109	5.60
Delmarva	2,252	2,256	(A)	2,762	(A)	5.84	2,158	6.15
KY-LA-TN	2,410	2,412	1,731	2,944	4.69	5.02	2,233	5.27
Mississippi	2,779	2,584	(A)	2,650	(A)	6.26	2,577	5.85
North Carolina	2,778	2,795	1,938	4,026	7.37	6.92	2,747	7.21
Texas	2,666	2,745	2,681	2,719	5.47	5.60	2,702	5.44
Total	21,981	22,248	15,282	23,677	5.66	5.79	21,420	5.83
Mon-Wed	57,842 (B)						64,946 (B)	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.
(B) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.
Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 20-Jan-10 is estimated to be 32,886,000 head up 2.31 percent from a week ago and up 13.33 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 32,143,000, last year 29,018,000)

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

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ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER
UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 23-Jan-10

	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	01/23/10 (1)	01/16/10
Class	---------- Thousand head ---------	
Broiler/fryer	157,237(2)	167,194
Light hens	1,650	1,831
Heavy hens	1,893	1,479
Total	160,780	170,504

(1)ESTIMATED
2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 23-Jan-10 is 156.8 million head compared to 150.4 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 157.6 million head or 0.8 million more than estimated available. For the week of 30-Jan-10 the estimated available is 157.8 million head.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS-SELECTED STGE CENTERS (INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEY LBS	PROCESSED POULTRY LBS
AM 01/18/10	89,679	57,376
AM 01/01/10	73,050	56,224
CHG	16,629	1,152
PCT CHG	23	2

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEYS			PROCESSED POULTRY		
	01/18/10	01/11/10	01/19/09	01/18/10	01/11/10	01/19/09
PACIFIC COAST	2,883	2,880	540	7,480	7,665	7,334
LOS ANGELES	95	90	235	809	811	962

HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES FOR 01/19/09

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	LOW	HIGH	AVG		LOW	HIGH	AVG
HEAVY FOWL lb.	.35	.80	.47	HEAVY FOWL ea.	-	2.75	-
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.	-	-	-
BUNNIES lb.	-	-	-	BUNNIES ea.	3.00	5.00	3.75
ROOSTERS lb.	1.80	2.20	2.01	ROOSTERS ea.	-	-	-
GEESE lb.	-	-	-	GEESE ea.	-	-	-
TURKEYS lb.	-	-	-	TURKEYS ea.	-	19.00	-
DUCKS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKS ea.	-	-	-
RABBITS lb.	.50	1.70	1.34	RABBITS ea.	-	-	-
PIGEONS lb.	-	-	-	PIGEONS ea.	3.00	4.00	3.74
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.	-	-	-	PHEASANTS ea.	-	-	-

TOTAL COOPS 44

MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS-MEXICO CITY
Cents per pound for the week ending January 15, 2010

	Whole Chickens	Breasts	Legs W/Thighs	Necks,Backs & Wings	Livers Gizzards	Hens
RAYON						
Low	65.18	143.24	85.95	17.91	3.58	76.99
High	68.04	153.99	96.69	21.49	7.16	76.99
Mostly	68.04	150.40	89.53	19.70	7.16	76.99
SAN JUAN						
Low	64.46	139.66	85.95	17.91	3.58	75.20
High	67.32	150.40	93.11	21.49	7.16	75.20
Mostly	67.32	146.82	85.95	17.91	5.37	75.20
NEW SAN JUAN						
Low	65.89	146.82	89.53	17.91	7.16	78.78
High	68.76	157.57	100.27	21.49	10.74	78.78
Mostly	68.76	153.99	93.11	21.49	8.95	78.78
BECERRA						
Low	66.61	150.40	93.11	21.49	7.16	80.57
High	69.47	161.15	103.85	25.07	10.74	80.57
Mostly	68.04	157.57	96.69	25.07	10.74	80.57

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 18, 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 fair to moderate for midweek trading. Seller offerings were adequate for current trade needs. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mixed, but reported as desirable. Processor schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices remained unchanged at 83 to 93 cents. The market tone was about steady to steady. In the parts complex, breast items were in good balance to tight. Dark meat cuts were light to moderate. Wings were in close balance, but becoming more available.

	BRANDED U.S. GRADE A
RANGE	76-98
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations.

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