

Processed Chicken: National Mechanically Separated Chicken (Fri.) Agricultural Marketing Service

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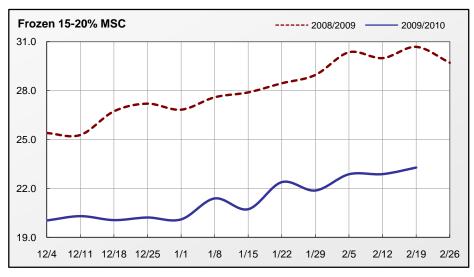
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(F.O.B. Shipper Dock or equivalent; negotiated prices in trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes reported in thousand pound quantities, cents/pound; delivery within 2 weeks.)

The market tone on frozen 15-20% was fully steady to firm with the balance of fat contents mostly steady. Supplies of frozen 15-20% were balanced to close, fresh 15-20% adequate, and about adequate on the remainder. Supplies of raw materials continue barely adequate to close. Export and domestic demand was fair to moderate on fresh 15-20% and moderate to fairly good on frozen 15-20%. Continued good interest and movement into the Caribbean and Central American countries; Mexico was seasonally quiet with the beginning of Lent. Schedules were generally back to normal after a few weeks of irregularity due to recent storm activity.

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

	Frozen			Fresh			
Fat Content	19-Feb-10	Last Week	Last Year	19-Feb-10	Last Week	Last Year	
15% or Less							
Price Range			-	20.00 - 21.00	19.00 - 21.00	27.00-29.00	
Wtd Avg Price			-	20.14	19.90	28.01	
Volume Traded	-	-	-	286	406	257	
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	55	
15-20%							
Price Range	19.50 - 28.00	20.00 - 28.00	26.00-34.00	15.00 - 21.00	16.00 - 21.00	23.00-29.00	
Wtd Avg Price	23.28	22.88	30.68	18.22	17.70	25.30	
Volume Traded	2,003	1,893	1,467	4,620	5,720	3,496	
Volume Exported	1,763	1,245	1,047	1,816	1,244	898	
20% or More							
Price Range	-	-	-	16.00	16.00 - 17.00	22.00	
Wtd Avg Price			-	16.00	16.50	22.00	
Volume Traded	-	-	-	82	82	80	
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-	



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

	Frozen			Fresh		
Fat Content	Jan 2010	Dec 2009	Jan 2009	Jan 2010	Dec 2009	Jan 2009
15% or Less						
Wtd Avg Price	24.00	-	-	18.78	18.55	27.67
Volume Traded	80	-	-	1,689	894	1,524
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	274
15-20%						
Wtd Avg Price	21.31	20.14	27.92	17.57	17.84	23.48
Volume Traded	6,700	6,781	5,100	15,974	12,366	12,494
Volume Exported	5,940	5,659	4,268	2,162	3,060	2,613
20% or More						
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	16.08	16.18	22.99
Volume Traded	-	-	-	530	449	284
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-

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

