

## Processed Chicken: National Mechanically Separated Chicken (Fri.)

Agricultural Marketing Service

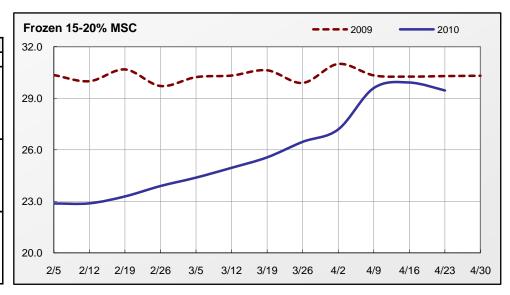
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(F.O.B. Shipper Dock or equivalent; negotiated prices in trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes reported in thousand pound quantities, cents/pound; delivery within 2 weeks.)

The market tone for frozen 15-20% was fully steady to firm, fresh 15-20% was steady to fully steady, mostly steady on the balance. Supplies of frozen 15-20% were adequate to instances close, fresh 15-20% adequate to available, and about adequate for the balance. Supplies of raw materials were adequate to fully adequate. The spot marketplace remains unsettled and continues to see price and supply fluxuations attributed to production disruptions creating short term opportunities. Export and domestic demand on frozen 15-20% was moderate to instances good; fresh 15-20% was light to moderate. Best movement to countries in Central America and the Caribbean. Mexico was light with some reduced demand noted as a result of slowed finished product sales, with some situations improving in the coming weeks. Schedules were normal to irregular with some shifts in operation schedules and logistics noted for the next few weeks due to some recent plant disruptions. Frame values were barely steady with trading levels ranging 7-11 cents FOB, mostly about 8 cents FOB.

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

	Frozen			Fresh		
Fat Content	23-Apr-10	Last Week	Last Year	23-Apr-10	Last Week	Last Year
15% or Less						
Price Range	32.00	30.00	-	25.00 - 26.00	25.00	28.00-30.00
Wtd Avg Price	32.00	30.00	-	25.77	25.71	28.46
Volume Traded	40	40	-	213	173	174
Volume Exported	-	ı	-	50	1	54
15-20%						
Price Range	24.50 - 33.00	24.00 - 33.00	27.00-34.00	18.00 - 30.00	16.25 - 30.00	22.00-28.00
Wtd Avg Price	29.45	29.92	30.29	23.11	21.69	24.75
Volume Traded	1,838	2,036	1,471	6,833	3,998	2,300
Volume Exported	1,718	1,716	1,161	408	1	571
20% or More						
Price Range	-	-	-	20.00	20.00	22.00
Wtd Avg Price			-	20.00	20.00	22.00
Volume Traded	-	-	-	41	41	122
Volume Exported	=	-	-	-	-	-



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

	Frozen			Fresh			
Fat Content	Mar 2010	Feb 2010	Mar 2009	Mar 2010	Feb 2010	Mar 2009	
15% or Less							
Wtd Avg Price	25.00	24.50	-	23.30	19.93	28.56	
Volume Traded	40	40	-	408	1,182	1,208	
Volume Exported	=	-	-	=	-	217	
15-20%							
Wtd Avg Price	25.48	23.18	30.27	19.37	17.96	25.26	
Volume Traded	5,689	7,348	6,474	14,453	18,692	11,295	
Volume Exported	4,937	5,815	5,620	1,958	4,039	2,815	
20% or More							
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	18.50	16.63	22.00	
Volume Traded	-	-	-	245	326	326	
Volume Exported		-	-	-	-	-	

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

