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## NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Majority prices were 4 cents higher in the East, 5 cents higher in the Midwest, and unchanged in the West when compared to last week prices. The market tone was fully steady to firm in the East, steady to fully steady in the Midwest, and steady to firm in the West. Retail demand was light to fairly good. Food service demand was moderate to good following the weekend. Supplies of all sizes were adequate to close balanced. In the part structure, movement was mostly moderate for early week trading. Breast items and tenders were in good supply and moving satisfactorily. Wings and dark meat items were light to moderate in production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

**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 10-MAY-2010

Grade A		Loads	Composite	
Majority	Wtd Avg		Wtd	Loads
<b>Delivered to First Receivers 1/:</b>				
Boston/New England	TFEWR	:	80.56	18
Ohio Cities	TFEWR	:	80.06	12
Denver	94.50	94.50	4 :	91.64
Detroit	TFEWR	:	82.38	41
Los Angeles	95.00	91.20	41 :	87.84
New York	85.00-88.00	86.82	22 :	86.30
Philadelphia	84.50-86.00	85.58	12 :	84.93
Pittsburgh	84.00-87.00	86.73	11 :	86.42
St. Louis	TFEWR	:	83.95	20
San Francisco	95.50	96.22	18 :	85.60

Whole Body 2/:		Loads	Composite	
Majority	Wtd Avg		Wtd	Loads
<b>Delivered to First Receivers 1/:</b>				
Chicago	78.00-84.00	:	84.11	42

Loads	05/10/10	Change Last Wk	05/03/10	05/11/09
434	85.27	3.17	82.10	81.90

WOG broiler 4/:	Majority	Wtd Avg	Loads
Eastern	87.00-89.00	88.25	30
Central	79.00-85.00	82.86	77
Western	90.00-93.00	90.42	53

FOB Dock Equivalent 5/:	Majority	Wtd Avg	Loads
Mississippi	84.00-87.00	84.31	48

- 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 86.00 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

LOADS	RANGE	MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG	
		WTD. AVG.	VOLUME
ITEM	(CENTS PER POUND)	(000 POUNDS)	FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT
991	82.00-90.21	85.22	
Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed FINAL weighted average price on ice-packed parts:			
LINE RUN TENDERS	196.50	1,675	
BREASTS - B/S	182.50	7,259	
BREASTS - WHOLE	101.50	1,520	
THIGH MEAT - B/S	88.50	1,236	
THIGHS	48.50	1,109	
DRUMSTICKS	61.00	1,189	
LEG QUARTERS	41.00	9,772	
WINGS	126.50	3,544	

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 mostly good as dealers assess market developments entering the week. Offerings of all sizes were well cleared. Movement through retail and distributive channels was moderate. The market tone was firm. In the parts complex, supplies of breast items, tenders and wings were generally sufficient for current needs. Dark meat cuts were light to moderate and clearing satisfactorily.

**SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYER** The market tone was fully steady to firm. Demand following the Mother's Day holiday was moderate to good. Supplies of all sizes were light to moderate to satisfy current trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was mostly moderate. Breast cuts were light to moderate and moving satisfactorily. Dark meat items and wings were mostly moderate. In production areas live supplies were moderate. Weights were mostly desirable.

**WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS** Final majority prices were unchanged from last Monday's. Whole broiler fryer and WOG market tone was steady to firm. Offers light. Retail and foodservice demand slow to moderate for post Mothers' Day needs. Floor stocks adequate to instances fully adequate. Sizes desirable. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average was up 7.73 cents from last week to 89.78 cents on 39 loads. Trading was noted on boneless skinless breasts 156-178; bone-in breasts 101-121; tenderloins 164-167; wings 108-129; legs 53-63; leg quarters bulk 37-46, 4/10 42-43; drums 47-56; thighs 46-56; thigh meat - fresh 85-93, frozen 82-89; leg meat 85-94 cents delivered.

**MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYERS** Final majority delivered prices into the Chicago market increased 5 cents; Ohio cities, Detroit, and St. Louis were TFEWR. Whole broiler/fryer market tone was steady to fully steady. Offers were light on whole birds with trade inquiry moderate. Retail demand was light to fairly good, while food service activity was moderate to good. Floor stocks were in close balance to adequate; weights desirable to light. Supplies of boneless/skinless breast was available, wings, tenders and dark meat was light to moderate for current trade needs. The trade sentiment was steady on all parts.

**DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS** Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was good entering the week. Seller offerings were closely cleared to short for current trade requirements. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mixed, but mostly desirable. Processor schedules were moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were 1 cent higher at 88 to 96 cents. The market tone was firm. In the parts complex, supplies were light to moderate.

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	88-101
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operation.

**NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS** Trucklot buying activity was fair to mostly moderate entering the week. Offerings of breast items, tenders and wings were generally sufficient for current needs. Dark meat cuts were light to mostly moderate. Retail and distributive movement was fair to moderate. The market tone was at least steady for breast cuts. The balance of items were steady to at least steady.

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

ITEM	NEGOTIATED	CURRENT TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOLUME /LBS
BREAST - B/S		175-180	166.83	501,200
TENDERLOINS		165-170	166.62	92,320
BREAST - WITH RIBS		101-102	110.09	66,962
BREAST - LINE RUN		101	103.86	63,000
LEGS		53-54	50.45	144,840
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)		37-38	37.91	236,600
DRUMSTICKS		48-49	55.97	61,120
THIGHS		44-45	48.64	78,320
B/S THIGHS		94-95	95.55	45,960
WINGS (WHOLE)		119-120	120.75	260,560
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)		13-15	15.00	17,960
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)		40-45	42.00	5,960
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)		50-55	53.08	13,880

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 (000)	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	1,371	132.00-187.00	155-165	159.53
TENDERLOINS	403	158.00-226.00	158-166	164.54
BREAST - WITH RIBS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	3,870	31.00-35.00	31-32	31.67
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,800	36.00-38.00	36-37	37.00
WINGS (WHOLE)	607	93.00-138.00	94-103	104.24
DRUMSTICKS	274	40.00-49.00	40	41.11
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		

**ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (In thousands)**

	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	ACTUAL	AVG WTS
	05/10	05/06	05/06	05/03	04/29
Alabama	4,103	3,826	5.84	3,996	5.53
Arkansas	5,234	5,121	5.59	5,077	5.54
Delmarva	2,309	2,270	5.94	2,222	6.08
KY-LA-TN	2,344	2,309	5.08	2,406	5.11
Mississippi	3,100	3,023	5.85	3,020	6.42
North Carolina	2,782	2,692	7.10	2,567	7.15
Texas	2,601	2,585	5.20	2,688	5.55
Total	22,473	21,826	5.79	21,976	5.86
Mon	22,473 (A)			21,976 (A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 10-May 2010 is estimated to be 33,622,000 up 1.96 percent from a week ago, and up 7.0 percent from a year ago. (last week 32,977,000 last year 31,424,000)

**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 (000)	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	500	155.00-200.00	-	166.74
TENDERLOINS	158	157.00-206.00	-	166.22
BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	421	34.00-37.00	-	35.72
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,002	36.00-39.00	-	37.60
WINGS (WHOLE)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
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 May 10, 2010 -- F.O.B. Dock

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
63.00 - 66.50	64.69	65.38

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 10-MAY-2010 TO 14-MAY-2010, CENTS PER POUND

	Price per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	148.00 - 171.00	160.00 - 168.00
TENDERLOINS	160.00 - 170.00	-
BREAST - LINE RUN	95.00 - 118.00	100.00 - 106.00
LEGS	49.00 - 54.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	35.00 - 41.00	36.00 - 38.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	37.00 - 47.00	38.00 - 42.00
DRUMSTICKS	36.00 - 57.00	-
THIGHS	44.00 - 50.00	-
B/S THIGHS	90.00 - 95.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	90.00 - 125.00	112.00 - 120.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	12.00 - 35.00	-
LIVERS	32.00 - 49.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40.00 - 59.00	-

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

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	98-116
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	102-120
FROZEN DUCKS	
FROZEN SQUABS	
<b>DELIVERED TO RETAILERS</b>	
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 128-184
	ICE PACK
ROASTERS 4# & UP	DRY PACK 117
	ICE PACK
HENS OVER 5#	DRY PACK 118
	ICE PACK 129
DUCKS	265-268

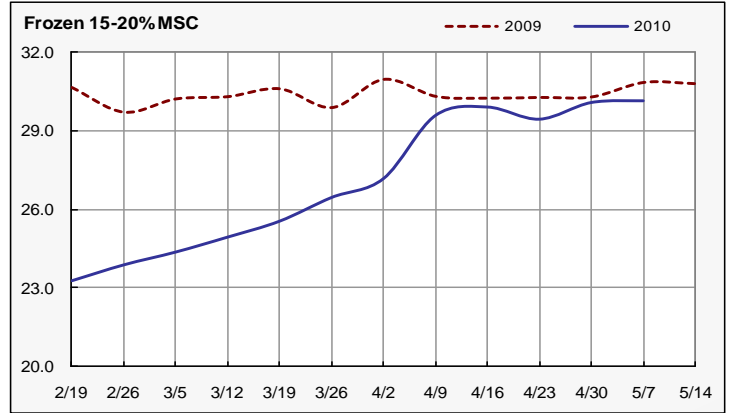
**National Mechanically Separated Chicken**

(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 market tone was steady to fully steady for all fat contents of fresh and frozen MSC. Supplies of fresh and frozen 15-20% were adequate to closely balanced; generally sufficient on the remainder. Supplies of raw materials were light and clearing. The marketplace was steady, but unsettled and unpredictable. Export and domestic demand on frozen 15-20% was moderate to instances good with some slowed interest and price resistance noted; fresh 15-20% was fair to moderate. MSC continues to move best into Caribbean and Central American channels; spotty movement into Mexico with some noting improvements and others struggling with finished product sales. Schedules were normal to irregular. Frame values were steady with trading levels ranging 8-11 cents FOB.

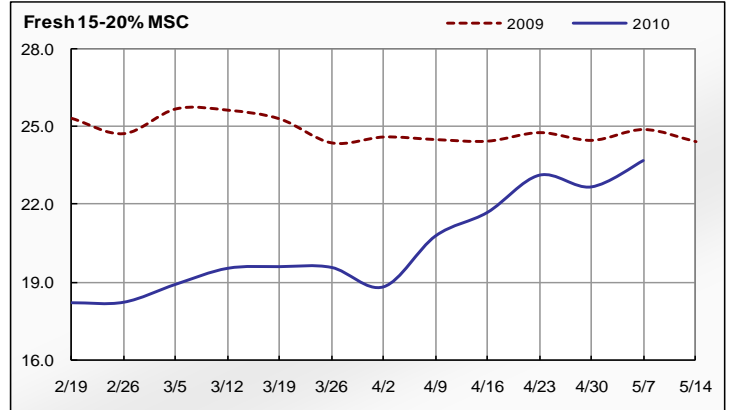
**Weekly MSC Weighted Average Prices (cents/pound) and Volumes (1,000 pounds)**

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	7-May-10	Last Week	Last Year	7-May-10	Last Week	Last Year
<b>15% or Less</b>						
Price Range			-	26.00	26.00	28.00-30.00
Wtd Avg Price			-	26.00	26.00	29.22
Volume Traded	-	-	-	296	91	276
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	50	54
<b>15-20%</b>						
Price Range	27.00 - 33.00	27.00 - 33.00	27.00-35.00	18.00 - 30.00	18.00 - 30.00	22.00-28.00
Wtd Avg Price	30.16	30.09	30.88	23.68	22.66	24.87
Volume Traded	1,886	1,758	1,318	5,222	5,467	3,085
Volume Exported	1,766	1,558	1,038	1,306	367	1,387
<b>20% or More</b>						
Price Range	-	-	-	22.00	22.00	22.00
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	22.00	22.00	22.00
Volume Traded	-	-	-	41	41	82
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-



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

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	Apr 2010	Mar 2010	Apr 2009	Apr 2010	Mar 2010	Apr 2009
<b>15% or Less</b>						
Wtd Avg Price	31.00	25.00	33.00	26.18	23.30	28.65
Volume Traded	120	40	40	679	408	937
Volume Exported	-	-	-	100	-	215
<b>15-20%</b>						
Wtd Avg Price	29.13	25.48	30.61	21.83	19.37	24.54
Volume Traded	10,639	5,689	11,295	22,877	14,453	12,147
Volume Exported	9,319	4,937	10,263	1,795	1,958	1,795
<b>20% or More</b>						
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	20.20	18.50	22.00
Volume Traded	-	-	-	204	245	408
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-



**LIVE HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)\***

FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 10-MAY-10

**SOUTH CENTRAL LIVE HEAVY-TYPE HENS**

Trading levels were TFEWR. Demand was moderate for at least adequate offerings of spent heavy hens. finished sales were slow to fair. Schedules were reduced. Trade sentiment was at least steady.

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

**SOUTHEAST LIVE HEAVY-TYPE HENS**

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

AT FARM BUYER LOADING RANGE MAJORITY WTD AVG  
8-16 12.26  
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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