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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Majority prices were 2 cents lower in the Midwest, unchanged elsewhere when compared to last week. The market tone was steady to barely steady in the Midwest, steady to instances weak in the West, and steady in the East. Retail and food service demand was slow to moderate, mostly moderate with some anticipating improved activity as the week progresses for the holiday weekend. Supplies of all sizes were mostly moderate to satisfy current trade needs. Floor stocks were adequate to long. In the parts structure, movement was fair to moderate. Breast items and wings were moderate to instances heavy with discounting noted on boneless skinless. Dark meat items were mostly moderate and clearing well. 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 24-MAY-2010

	Grade A		Loads	Composite	
	Majority	Wtd Avg		Wtd	Loads
Delivered to First Receivers 1/:					
Boston/New England	TFEWR		:	85.60	15
Ohio Cities	TFEWR		:	83.66	9
Denver	95.50	95.50	4 :	92.83	9
Detroit	TFEWR		:	84.42	42
Los Angeles	96.00	97.56	34 :	90.34	95
New York	89.00-92.00	90.74	23 :	90.00	45
Philadelphia	88.50-90.00	89.73	11 :	89.20	23
Pittsburgh	88.00-91.00	90.83	12 :	89.42	53
St. Louis	TFEWR		:	86.32	21
San Francisco	96.50	97.67	18 :	89.07	45

Delivered to First Receivers 1/:

	Whole Body 2/:		Loads	Composite	
	Majority	Wtd Avg		Wtd	Loads
Chicago	84.00-86.00		:	87.29	54

Composite Weighted Average 3/:

Loads	05/24/10	Change Last Wk	05/17/10	05/25/09
411	88.52	-.92	89.44	86.09

WOG broiler 4/:	Majority	Wtd Avg	Loads
Eastern	92.00-93.00	92.48	32
Central	83.00-89.00	86.11	79
Western	90.00-94.00	93.01	53

FOB Dock Equivalent 5/:

Mississippi	83.00-86.00	85.09	53
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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 86.75 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

LOADS **RANGE** **MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG**
FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT

ITEM	WTD. AVG. (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	197.00	1,819
BREASTS - B/S	184.00	7,864
BREASTS - WHOLE	104.00	1,636
THIGH MEAT - B/S	88.00	1,296
THIGHS	48.00	1,179
DRUMSTICKS	62.50	1,251
LEG QUARTERS	41.00	10,707
WINGS	121.00	3,834

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 light to fair as dealers assess market developments entering the week. Offerings of all sizes were at least sufficient for current needs. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair to moderate. The market tone was steady. In the parts complex, supplies of breast items, tenders and wings were moderate to instances heavy. Dark meat cuts were light to moderate.

SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYER The market tone was steady. Demand following the weekend was moderate with trading usually limited to regular commitments. Supplies of all sizes were balanced to satisfy current trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was mostly moderate. Breast cuts were moderate to instances heavy. Wings were moderate to more available and dark meat items were 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 fryers were mostly steady and WOGs steady to instances weak. Offers mixed. Retail and foodservice demand slow to moderate. Floor stocks adequate. Sizes mostly desirable. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average was down 5.04 cents from last week to 91.00 cents on 40 loads. Trading was noted on fresh, CVP and IQF boneless skinless breasts 147-192; bone-in breasts 98-122; tenderloins 167-172; wings 105-130, frozen 96; legs 53-65; leg quarters bulk 38-47, 4/10 43; drums 48-72; thighs 46-72; fresh thigh meat 85-94; leg meat 82-94 cents delivered.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYERS Final majority delivered prices into the Chicago market decreased 2 cents; Ohio cities, Detroit, and St. Louis were TFEWR. Whole broiler/fryer market tone was steady. Offers were light to moderate on whole birds. Retail and food service demand was slow to moderate with some anticipation of improved market activity for upcoming holiday. Floor stocks were adequate to fully adequate; weights desirable to light. Supplies of tenders and bagged leg quarters were light and all other parts moderate. The trade sentiment was steady on all parts.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was light to moderate as dealers assess current market conditions for the upcoming holiday. Offerings were sufficient for trade needs. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mixed, but noted as mostly desirable. Processing schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 91 to 99 cents. The market tone was steady. In the parts complex, breast items and wings were moderate to instances heavy. Most dark meat cuts were 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	86-105
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operation.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Trucklot buying activity was light to fair as dealers assess market conditions entering the week. Offerings of breast items, tenders and wings were at least sufficient for current needs. Dark meat cuts were about adequate to adequate and clearing satisfactorily. Retail and distributive movement was fair to moderate. The market tone was steady for most items.

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

ITEM	NEGOTIATED	CURRENT	WTD	VOLUME
	TRADING*		AVG**	/LBS
BREAST - B/S	175-180	175-180	169.50	314,580
TENDERLOINS	165-170	165-170	167.10	111,480
BREAST - WITH RIBS	101-102	101-102	110.35	64,677
BREAST - LINE RUN	101	101	102.77	55,800
LEGS	53-54	53-54	52.39	116,080
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	37-38	37-38	38.24	258,640
DRUMSTICKS	48-49	48-49	56.74	47,080
THIGHS	44-45	44-45	49.27	51,840
B/S THIGHS	94-95	94-95	96.83	40,960
WINGS (WHOLE)	119-120	119-120	124.82	151,560
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	13-15	13-15	15.00	10,120
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	40-45	40-45	42.69	6,800
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	50-55	50-55	55.00	9,000

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	RANGE	MAJ	WTD
	(000)			AVG
BREAST - B/S	1,495	145.00-199.00	146-154	153.62
TENDERLOINS	488	161.00-236.00	162-167	167.55
BREAST - WITH RIBS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	3,742	30.00-36.00	31-32	31.52
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,758	35.00-41.00	36-37	36.80
WINGS (WHOLE)	1,353	92.00-124.00	92-96	97.58
DRUMSTICKS	756	40.00-52.00	40-41	41.10
THIGHS	1,532	36.00-49.00	37-38	38.76

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (In thousands)

	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	ACTUAL	AVG WTS
	24-May	20-May	20-May	17-May	13-May
Alabama	4,121	3,895	5.5	4,114	5.62
Arkansas	5,275	5,300	5.35	5,032	5.38
Delmarva	2,276	2,334	6.06	2,281	6.06
KY-LA-TN	2,409	2,432	5.19	2,363	5.16
Mississippi	3,067	2,982	5.86	3,011	5.87
North Carolina	2,725	2,696	7.04	2,486	7.14
Texas	2,625	2,684	5.58	2,610	5.71
Total	22,498	22,323	5.73	21,897	5.79
Mon	22,498 (A)			21,897 (A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 24-May 2010 is estimated to be 33,660,000 up 2.44 percent from a week ago and up 153.3 percent from a year ago.

(last week 32,859,000 last year 13,290,000)

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	RANGE	MAJ	WTD
	(000)			AVG
BREAST - B/S	441	153.00-191.00	-	159.29
TENDERLOINS	178	157.00-205.00	-	163.00
BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	371	32.00-37.00	-	34.47
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,082	37.00-39.00	-	37.65
WINGS (WHOLE)	160	96.00-126.00	-	108.25
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 24, 2010 -- F.O.B. Dock

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
62.00 - 67.50	64.36	64.92

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 24-MAY-2010 TO 28-MAY-2010, CENTS PER POUND

	Price per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	150.00 - 180.00	155.00 - 165.00
TENDERLOINS	162.00 - 170.00	-
BREAST - LINE RUN	98.00 - 116.00	100.00 - 108.00
LEGS	49.00 - 54.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	35.00 - 40.00	35.00 - 37.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	37.00 - 47.00	38.00 - 42.00
DRUMSTICKS	44.00 - 57.00	-
THIGHS	44.00 - 50.00	-
B/S THIGHS	85.00 - 93.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	90.00 - 125.00	113.00 - 119.00
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	99-117
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	102-121
FROZEN DUCKS	
FROZEN SQUABS	
DELIVERED TO RETAILERS	
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

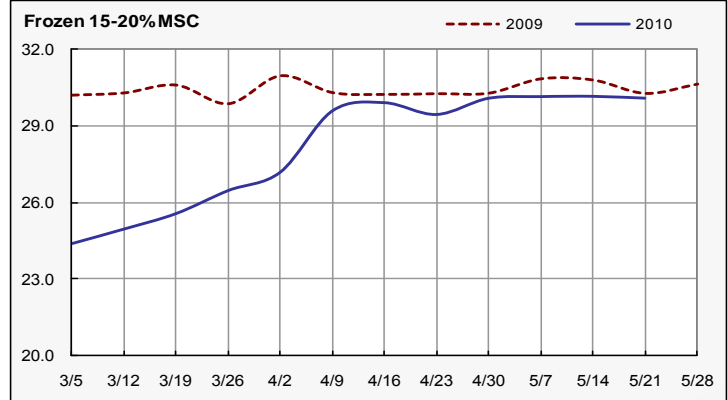
National Mechanically Separated Chicken

(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 mostly steady on all fat contents. Supplies of fresh and frozen 15-20% were adequate with the remainder of fat contents sufficient to balanced. Raw material supplies were generally adequate. The marketplace was status quo as the entire protein complex was making last minute preparations for the fast approaching Memorial Day holiday next week. Some buyers were noting and anticipating seasonally good movement of finished products domestically for the present and upcoming holiday weekend. Export and domestic demand on frozen 15-20% was fair to instances good and light to moderate on fresh 15-20% with price resistance noted on both. MSC moved best into Central American channels with light and spotty interest into Mexico. Schedules were seasonally normal. Frame values were steady with trading levels ranging 8-11 cents FOB.

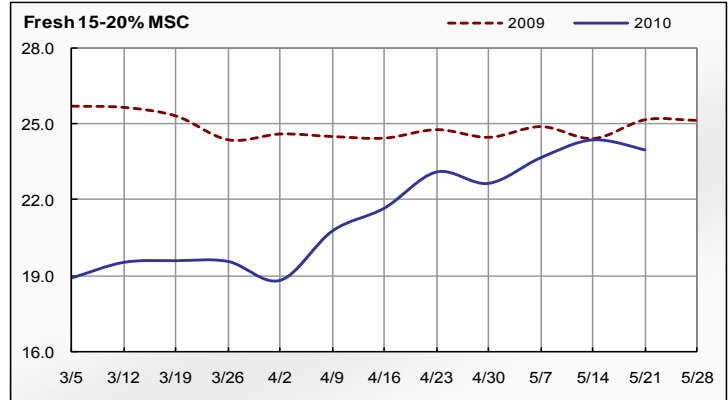
Weekly MSC Weighted Average Prices (cents/pound) and Volumes (1,000 pounds)

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	21-May-10	Last Week	Last Year	21-May-10	Last Week	Last Year
15% or Less						
Price Range			-	26.00	26.00	28.00-31.00
Wtd Avg Price			-	26.00	26.00	29.19
Volume Traded	-	-	-	153	56	315
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	50	54
15-20%						
Price Range	28.00 - 33.00	28.00 - 33.00	27.00-34.00	20.50 - 30.00	19.50 - 30.00	22.00-28.00
Wtd Avg Price	30.10	30.17	30.30	23.99	24.38	25.14
Volume Traded	1,591	2,166	1,821	3,311	4,508	3,484
Volume Exported	1,591	1,886	1,581	163	898	1,918
20% or More						
Price Range	-	-	-	22.00	22.00	22.00
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	22.00	22.00	22.00
Volume Traded	-	-	-	41	82	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
15% or Less						
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
15-20%						
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
20% or More						
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	20.20	18.50	22.00
Volume Traded	-	-	-	204	245	408
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-



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

**LIVE HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)*
FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 24-MAY-10**

SOUTH CENTRAL LIVE HEAVY-TYPE HENS

Trading is TFEWR. Demand for spent heavy fowl is light. Offerings are fully adequate for needs. Slaughter schedules are as desired. Finished sales were slow. Trade sentiment was about steady.

**WTD
RANGE MAJORITY AVG
TOO FEW TO REPORT**

AT FARM BUYER LOADING

SOUTHEAST LIVE HEAVY-TYPE HENS

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

**WTD
RANGE MAJORITY AVG
12.24**
AT FARM BUYER LOADING 8-16
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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