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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

The market tone was steady to barely steady in the East, steady to weak elsewhere. Retail and food service demand covered the full range, but was noted as mostly light to moderate for first of the month business. Supplies of all sizes were adequate to available to satisfy current trade needs. Floor stocks were moderate to heavy. In the parts structure, movement was fair to moderate for mid week trading. Breast items and wings were moderate to heavy with cutlets in the weakest position. Dark meat items were moderate to heavy with some discounting noted to help clear. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at 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 87.25 cents based on full truck load lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 88.00 cents last year on June 03, 2009.

ITEM	DOCK PRICE (CENTS PER POUND)
LINE RUN TENDERS	202.00
BREASTS - B/S	184.00
BREASTS - WHOLE	103.50
THIGH MEAT - B/S	91.00
THIGHS	48.00
DRUMSTICKS	60.50
LEG QUARTERS	41.00
WINGS	121.50

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

SOUTHERN REGION The market tone was steady to about steady. Demand into all channels were fair to moderate with trading usually limited to regular commitments. Supplies of all sizes were at least adequate to satisfy current trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was fair to moderate. Breast items were moderate to heavy with cutlets in the weakest position and often discounted to help clear. Wings were moderate to available and dark meat items were mostly moderate. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were mostly desirable.

MIDWEST REGION The market tone on whole broiler/fryers was steady to weak. Whole bird offers were light to moderate. Trade needs continue light. Retail and food service demand covered the full range, mostly light to moderate. Floor stocks were in balance to ample; weights desirable to light. Parts offerings were heavy on boneless/skinless breast, moderate to heavy on dark meat cuts and large wings. The market tone was steady to weak on all parts.

WESTERN REGION The market on whole broiler fryers was generally steady and WOGs steady to weak. Offerings of whole fryers adequate and WOGs adequate to ample. Retail and food service demand light to moderate. Floor stocks adequate. The market on boneless skinless breasts was steady to weak, balance of items stead at best. Demand light to moderate for first of the month business. Offerings of boneless skinless breasts adequate to heavy, balance mostly adequate.

NORTHEAST REGION Trucklot buying activity for ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was light to fair at best for midweek trading. Offerings of all sizes were at least adequate to available for current needs. Retail and distributive movement was fair to moderate. The market tone was barely steady. In the parts complex, supplies of boneless skinless breasts and wings were available and slow to clear. Dark meat cuts were mostly moderate and bone-in breasts were light to moderate.

BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET IN 19 SELECTED STATES UP 2 PERCENT

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 211 million eggs in incubators during the week ending May 29, 2010. This was up 2 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 84 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED UP 2 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 173 million chicks for meat production during the week ending May 29, 2010. Placements were up 2 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 3, 2010 through May 29, 2010 were 3.54 billion, up slightly from the same period a year earlier.

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

WEEK ENDING 05/29/10	2010	2009	PERCENT CHANGE PREVIOUS YEAR
	Thousand		
EGGS SET	210,766	206,039	+02
CHICKS PLACED	172,685	169,961	+02

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 10-Jul-10 is estimated at 158.1 million head. This compares to 157.7 million head the previous week and to 157.6 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 153.7 million head and the composite weighted average price was 86.00 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	445	147.00-185.00	-	156.56
TENDERLOINS	217	157.00-204.00	-	162.94
BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	396	30.00-36.00	-	33.18
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	722	34.00-39.00	-	37.42
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 F.O.B. DOCK

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
59.50 – 64.50	62.32	63.48

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 light to fair as dealers assess market conditions during midweek trading. Offerings of boneless skinless breasts were readily available and slow to clear; tenders and wings were at least sufficient for current needs. Bone-in breasts were light to moderate with good movement. Dark meat cuts were mostly moderate. Retail and distributive movement was fair to moderate. The market tone was barely steady to weak for boneless skinless breast; generally steady for the balance of items.

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	175	161.32	924,000
TENDERLOINS	165-170	158.68	284,280
BREAST - WITH RIBS	101-102	106.64	157,620
BREAST - LINE RUN	101	101.64	156,402
LEGS	53-54	52.27	271,000
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	37-38	37.06	641,920
DRUMSTICKS	48-49	52.85	80,200
THIGHS	44-45	56.69	87,680
B/S THIGHS	94-95	91.90	101,600
WINGS (WHOLE)	119-120	113.45	210,400
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	13-15	14.95	20,720
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	40-45	42.98	14,640
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	50-55	54.56	28,320

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
	06/02	06/01	05/31	05/28	05/31	05/28	05/26	05/24
Alabama	4,109	4,097	2,048	3,833	4.83	5.45	3,937	5.45
Arkansas	5,046	5,057	929	4,477	4.61	5.10	5,304	5.40
Delmarva	2,317	2,256	Holiday	3,462	Holiday	6.10	2,281	6.10
KY-LA-TN	2,420	2,421	1,430	2,653	5.27	5.30	2,436	5.40
Mississippi	3,081	3,030	2,827	2,994	5.94	5.68	2,995	6.01
North Carolina	2,697	2,699	1,067	4,003	6.76	7.02	2,722	7.26
Texas	2,598	2,534	1,591	2,691	5.71	5.57	2,652	5.71
Total	22,268	22,094	9,892	24,113	5.54	5.76	22,327	5.83
Mon-Wed	56,274 (A)						66,529 (A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.
Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 02-Jun-10 is estimated to be 33,315,000 head down 0.56 percent from a week ago and up 4.59 percent from a year ago.
(Last week 33,504,000, last year 31,854,000)

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	
	DRY PACK	128-184
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK	
	DRY PACK	117
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK	129
	DRY PACK	118
DUCKS		265-268

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ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 05-Jun-10

	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	06/05/10 (1)	05/29/10
Class	---------- Thousand head ---------	
Broiler/fryer	154,092 (2)	172,550
Light hens	1,381	1,597
Heavy hens	1,240	1,405
Total	156,713	175,552

(1) ESTIMATED

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 05-Jun-10 is 159.3 million head compared to 162.4 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 154.4 million head or 4.9 million less than estimated available. For the week of 12-Jun-10 the estimated available is 160.8 million head.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS-SELECTED STGE CENTERS

(INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

		PROCESSED TURKEY LBS	PROCESSED POULTRY LBS
AM	05/31/10	147,772	53,629
AM	05/01/10	127,146	49,456
CHG		20,626	4,173
PCT CHG		16%	8%

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEYS			PROCESSED POULTRY		
	05/31/10	05/24/10	06/01/09	05/31/10	05/24/10	06/01/09
PACIFIC COAST	2,942	3,043	1,035	5,063	5,513	7,776
LOS ANGELES	223	322	209	765	721	1,188

HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES FOR 06/03/10

AI PAPERS REQUIRED TO SELL ALL OUT OF STATE POULTRY

	LOW	HIGH	AVG		LOW	HIGH	AVG
HEAVY FOWL lb.	-	-	-	HEAVY FOWL ea.	-	-	-
LIGHT FOWL lb.	-	-	-	LIGHT FOWL ea.	-	-	-
MIXED FOWL lb.	-	-	-	MIXED FOWL ea.	-	-	-
BANTAMS lb.	-	-	-	BANTAMS ea.	-	-	-
BROILERS lb.	-	0.45	-	BROILERS ea.	-	-	-
ROASTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROASTERS ea.	-	-	-
FRYERS lb.	-	-	-	FRYERS ea.	-	-	-
CHICKS lb.	-	-	-	CHICKS ea.	1.00	3.75	2.62
PULLETS lb.	-	-	-	PULLETS ea.	-	6.00	-
BUNNIES lb.	-	-	-	BUNNIES ea.	-	-	-
ROOSTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROOSTERS ea.	-	4.00	-
GEESE lb.	1.20	1.70	1.52	GEESE ea.	-	-	-
TURKEYS lb.	-	1.00	-	TURKEYS ea.	-	-	-
DUCKS lb.	0.80	1.80	0.98	DUCKS ea.	4.00	4.50	4.27
RABBITS lb.	0.85	1.85	1.26	RABBITS ea.	2.50	2.75	2.61
PIGEONS lb.	-	-	-	PIGEONS ea.	2.00	4.75	3.19
GUINEA FOWL lb.	-	-	-	GUINEA FOWL ea.	-	-	-
DUCKLINGS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKLINGS ea.	1.95	2.25	2.09
GUINEA KEETS ea.	-	-	-	CALL DUCKS ea.	-	-	-
SILKIES ea.	-	-	-	GOSLINGS ea.	-	-	-
GUINEA PIGS ea.	-	-	-	TURKEY POULTS ea.	-	-	-
CHUKARS ea.	-	-	-	PEACOCKS ea.	-	-	-
PARTRIDGES ea.	-	-	-	COCKATEALS ea.	-	-	-
DOVES ea.	-	-	-	PHEASANTS ea.	-	-	-
QUAIL ea.	1.75	2.50	2.04				

TOTAL COOPS 36

MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS-MEXICO CITY

Cents per pound for the week ending May 28, 2010

	Whole Chickens	Breasts	Legs W/Thighs	Necks,Backs & Wings	Livers Gizzards	Hens
RAYON						
Low	79.45	141.24	74.15	21.19	7.06	70.62
High	81.92	151.84	88.28	24.72	10.59	70.62
Mostly	81.92	151.84	88.28	22.95	8.83	70.62
SAN JUAN						
Low	78.74	137.71	70.62	21.19	7.06	70.62
High	81.21	148.31	84.75	24.72	10.59	70.62
Mostly	81.21	148.31	84.75	21.19	7.06	70.62
NEW SAN JUAN						
Low	79.80	141.24	77.68	21.19	10.59	70.62
High	82.63	155.37	91.81	28.25	14.12	70.62
Mostly	81.21	155.37	91.81	24.72	10.59	70.62
BECERRA						
Low	81.21	144.77	81.21	24.72	10.59	70.62
High	83.33	158.90	95.34	28.25	14.12	70.62
Mostly	81.21	158.90	95.34	24.72	10.59	70.62

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 MAY 31, 2010.

		RANGE
HENS	ICE PACKED (12 PER BOX)	79-86
	VACUUM PACKED (6-9 PER BOX)	79-90

DELMARVA Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds ranged fair to moderate. Seller offerings were at least sufficient for immediate trade needs. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mixed, but noted as mostly desirable. Processor schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 90 to 98 cents. The market tone was about steady. In the parts complex, b/s breasts and wings were moderate to at times heavy. Bone-in breasts were light to moderate. Dark meat cuts were mostly moderate.

*BROILER/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	82-104
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations.

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