Weekly National Fowl Market (Fri)

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LIVE SPENT HEAVY FOWL

Prices are trending steady. Supplies are sufficient for the mostly moderate demand. Processing schedules are normal.. Finished product supplies are adequate. Market activity is moderate.

Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading:	**Price Range**	**Wtd Avg**
Prices in cents per pound.	10.0 – 21.0	13.87

(Southeast Region broiler breeder hens generally for processing, 7 lbs. and up; under 7 lbs. subject to discount.)
Southeast Region = AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, NT, AND VA.

LIVE SPENT LIGHT FOWL

Prices are trending steady for the mostly light to moderate demand. Offerings of light type hens are sufficient for current needs. Processing schedules are normal. Movement of finished product sales are fair. Market activity is moderate. The majority price for removal costs remained unchanged at 0-7 cents per head.

(live hens are predominately egg-layers averaging about 3.5 lbs. live weight per bird.) Eastern region = AL, CT, DE, GA, KY, MA, MD, ME, MS, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, TN, VA, VT, and WV; North Central = IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI; South Central = AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX.

READY-TO-COOK FOWL

Midwest Region Negotiated Prices to First Receivers

(cents/lb.delivered to first receivers; US Grade A and Plant Grade)

	Price Range
Ice Packed (12/box):	80.0 – 86.0
Vacuum Packed (6-9/box):	85.0 – 90.0

Midwest region = IL, IN, MI, MO, OH, and WI

LIVE FOWL AUCTIONS

Hackettstown, NJ - Tue Oct. 15

		Price Range		**Avg.**
Heavy Fowl	each:	4.50	7.50	5.50
	per pound:	0.70	1.70	1.22

Graystone Small Animal, Manheim, PA - Tue Oct. 15

Red Fowl	5-6 lbs:	0.70	– 0.80	per pound
	4-5 lbs:	0.65	– 0.75	per pound
Crossbred Fowl	5-9 lbs:	0.75	– 0.80	per pound

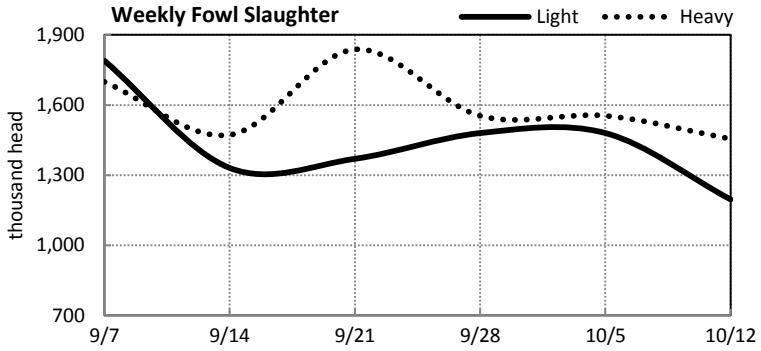
LIVE FOWL SLAUGHTER

Weekly Fowl Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection

Week ending 10-12-13

	Head	**Avg Wt**	**RTC Wt**	**Dress%**
Light Hens:	1,196	3.08	1,989	54%
Heavy Hens:	1,455	8.28	7,831	65%
Total Hens:	2,651	5.93	9,820	--

(head and ready-to-cook weight in thousands; avg. wght in lbs.)



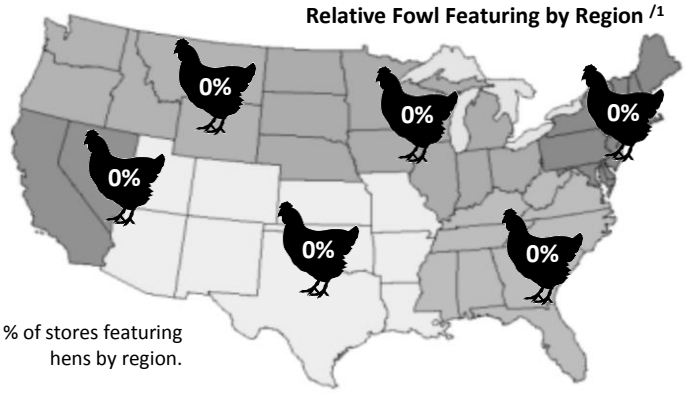
RETAIL FOWL FEATURING

Supermarket featuring during the week of 10/18 to 10/24

(ad prices in $/lb)	**Light Hens**		**Heavy Hens**	
Region	Stores	Wtd Avg	Stores	Wtd Avg
Northeast	0	0.00	0	0.00
Southeast	0	0.00		
Midwest				
South Central	0	0.00		
Southwest				
Northwest				

[1/] %'s reflect feature activity relative to the sample size of each region.

Relative Fowl Featuring by Region [1]



% of stores featuring hens by region.