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## NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady in the East, steady elsewhere. Retail demand was light to good, mostly fair to moderate with hopes of increased buyer activity for upcoming holiday weekend. Food service demand was light to moderate, best into fast food. Supplies ranged adequate to limited to satisfy current trade needs. Floor stocks were fully adequate to closely balanced. In the parts structure movement was fair to fairly good for mid week trading. Breast items were fully adequate to tight with tenders in the best position and moving satisfactorily. Wings varied but were mostly sufficient. Dark meat items were mostly balanced. In production areas live supplies were moderate. Weights were mostly desirable to light.

**GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES** The Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for next week's trading advanced .25 cents to 89.00 cents based on full truck load lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 87.50 cents last year on July 2, 2008.

GA f.o.b. dock quoted prices on ice-packed parts for next week's trading.

ITEM	DOCK PRICE (CENTS PER POUND)
LINE RUN TENDERS	178.00
BREASTS - B/S	165.50
BREASTS - WHOLE	98.50
THIGH MEAT - B/S	125.50
THIGHS	64.00
DRUMSTICKS	65.00
LEG QUARTERS	52.50
WINGS	137.50

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

**SOUTHERN REGION** Trade sentiment was at least steady. Demand for mid week business was fair to moderate for upcoming holiday weekend. Supplies of all sizes were sufficient to satisfy trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was moderate to fairly good for midweek trading. Breast items were well cleared to tight with tenders in the strongest position and moving satisfactorily. Wings and most dark meat items were adequate. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable to lighter weights.

**NORTHEAST REGION** Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers remained fair to fairly good during midweek trading. Offerings of 3 pound and lighter sizes were generally sufficient for current needs; heavier sizes were in good balance. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair to moderate. The market tone was steady to fully steady. In the parts complex, boneless skinless breast and tenders were well cleared to tight; bone-in breasts were balanced to adequate. Wings and most dark meat cuts were sufficient for current needs.

**MIDWEST REGION** Whole broiler/fryer market tone was steady. Offers remained limited. Retail demand was light to good with increased consumer activity noted in most market centers. Food service trade was light to moderate. Floor stocks were closely balanced to fully adequate; weights desirable to light. Parts clearance was fairly good and broad based for retail cuts and limited to more front portion cuts in food service trade. Supplies of breast cuts were tight, wings varied but showing more, and dark meat cuts were adequate. Trade sentiment was steady to firm on breast cuts, steady on wings and steady to weak on dark meat lines.

**WESTERN REGION** The whole fryer and WOG market tone was mostly steady with offers light to adequate. Retail demand moderate to good. Food service demand was mostly moderately light to good. Floor stocks were instances fully adequate to light. Weights generally desirable. Supplies of most parts were adequate to light with dark meat more available. The market tone was steady to firm on breast items and steady on the balance of parts.

## BROILER -TYPE EGGS SET IN 19 SELECTED STATES DOWN 4 PERCENT

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 201 million eggs in incubators during the week ending June 27, 2009. This was down 4 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 85 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

## BROILER CHICKS PLACED DOWN 5 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 170 million chicks for meat production during the week ending June 27, 2009. Placements were down 5 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 28, 2008 through June 27, 2009 were 4.37 billion, down 6 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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

WEEK ENDING 06/27/09	2009	2008	PERCENT CHANGE PREVIOUS YEAR
	<i>Thousand</i>		
EGGS SET	201,225	210,187	-4
CHICKS PLACED	170,499	179,182	-5

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 08-Aug-09 is estimated at 157.0 million head. This compares to 157.1 million head the previous week and to 168.7 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 169.4 million head and the composite weighted average price was 78.41 cents per pound.

JUNE 30

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

JULY 01

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			WTD	ITEM	POUNDS			WTD
	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	AVG		(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	AVG
BREAST - B/S	388	142.00-207.00	-	150.23	BREAST - B/S	484	141.00-205.00	-	149.64
TENDERLOINS	266	137.00-202.00	-	148.68	TENDERLOINS	213	145.00-200.00	-	152.51
BREAST - LINE RUN	116	90.00-94.00	-	93.22	BREAST - LINE RUN	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT				FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				LEGS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	440	43.00-51.00	47-48	47.95	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	451	43.00-50.00	47-48	48.42
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	742	46.00-53.00	49-51	50.01	LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	682	47.00-52.00	49-51	50.01
WINGS (WHOLE)	180	132.00-139.00	-	134.89	WINGS (WHOLE)	130	130.00-138.00	-	132.42
WINGS (CUT)	205	145.00-162.00	-	151.07	WINGS (CUT)	219	147.00-159.00	-	150.74
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
B/S 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	RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
64.50 - 70.00	67.76	62.50 - 69.00	66.71	66.76

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 fair to fairly good during midweek trading. Offerings of boneless skinless breasts and tenders were in tight balance; bone-in breasts were closely cleared. Dark meat cuts and wings were adequate to balanced. Retail and distributive movement was at least moderate approaching the holiday weekend. The market tone was fully steady to firm for tenders and breast items; at least steady for the balance of items.

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

JUNE 30	CURRENT NEG	WTD	VOL/LBS	JULY 01	CURRENT NEG	WTD	VOL/LBS
ITEM	TRADING*	AVG		ITEM	TRADING*	AVG	
BREAST - B/S	160-165	148.56	589,990	BREAST - B/S	160-165	151.08	510,525
TENDERLOINS	155-160	148.84	206,394	TENDERLOINS	155-160	146.53	98,040
BREAST - WITH RIBS	94-95	97.86	297,400	BREAST - WITH RIBS	94-95	101.89	98,560
BREAST - LINE RUN	94	96.97	59,400	BREAST - LINE RUN	94	97.06	55,800
LEGS	66-67	58.95	385,160	LEGS	66-67	62.21	294,360
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	50-51	49.75	415,920	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	50-51	51.11	281,160
DRUMSTICKS	59-60	65.25	115,466	DRUMSTICKS	59-60	70.75	79,200
THIGHS	59-60	66.92	84,760	THIGHS	59-60	68.21	56,720
B/S THIGHS	121-122	120.91	63,320	B/S THIGHS	121-122	123.63	46,320
WINGS (WHOLE)	134-135	136.17	242,040	WINGS (WHOLE)	134-135	138.66	210,040
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	13-15	15.00	31,880	BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	13-15	15.00	10,840
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	45-50	47.07	15,360	LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	45-50	46.21	7,160
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	65-70	68.59	18,360	GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	65-70	67.35	21,160

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**

	ESTIMATED		ACTUAL		AVG WTS		ACTUAL		AVG
	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	WTS
	07/01	06/30	06/29	06/26	06/29	06/26	06/24	06/22	
Alabama	3,981	4,097	3,896	4,293	5.41	5.15	3,785	5.30	
Arkansas	5,051	5,211	5,140	3,699	5.11	4.88	5,117	5.19	
Delmarva	2,255	2,272	2,283	3,406	5.98	6.08	2,241	6.01	
KY-LA-TN	2,131	2,184	2,122	2,288	4.86	4.71	2,024	4.99	
Mississippi	2,884	2,851	2,628	2,947	5.70	5.53	2,552	5.94	
North Carolina	2,769	2,746	2,655	3,458	7.02	6.88	2,621	7.01	
Texas	2,678	2,681	2,690	2,672	5.40	5.27	2,592	5.83	
Total	21,749	22,042	21,414	22,763	5.58	5.53	20,932	5.67	
Mon-Wed	65,688	(A)					63,269	(A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 01-Jul-09 is estimated to be 32,539,000 head up 3.59 percent from a week ago and down -5.43 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 31,411,000, last year 34,407,000)

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA)**

**PROCESSED POULTRY, DLVRD TO RETAILERS**

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	109-129
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 159
	DRY PACK 121-159
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK 175
	DRY PACK 127
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK 125
	DRY PACK 128
DUCKS	259-262

**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER**

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 04-Jul-09

Class	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	07/04/09 (1)	06/27/09
	----- Thousand head -----	
Broiler/fryer	152,615(2)	166,893
Light hens	1,248	1,578
Heavy hens	1,428	1,378
Total	155,199	169,849

(1)ESTIMATED

2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 04-Jul-09 is 157.6 million head compared to 148.0 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 152.9 million head or 4.7 million less than estimated available. For the week of 11-Jul-09 the estimated available is 158.4 million head.

**WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS-SELECTED STGE CENTERS**

(INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEY	PROCESSED POULTRY
	LBS	LBS
AM 06/29/09	159,498	63,440
AM 06/01/09	143,595	64,732
CHG	15,903	-1,292
PCT CHG	11	-2

**COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT (IN THOUSANDS)**

	PROCESSED TURKEYS			PROCESSED POULTRY		
	06/29/09	06/22/09	06/30/08	06/29/09	06/22/09	06/30/08
<b>PACIFIC COAST</b>	2,433	2,454	838	8,007	7,992	7,849
<b>LOS ANGELES</b>	201	215	273	1,382	1,302	1,505

**HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES**

**FOR 06/30/09**

AI PAPERS REQUIRED TO SELL ALL OUT OF STATE POULTRY

	LOW HIGH AVG			LOW HIGH AVG		
HEAVY FOWL lb.	.50	.80	.58	HEAVY FOWL ea.	-	-
LIGHT FOWL lb.	-	-	-	LIGHT FOWL ea.	-	-
MIXED FOWL lb.	-	-	-	MIXED FOWL ea.	-	-
BANTAMS lb.	-	-	-	BANTAMS ea.	-	-
BROILERS lb.	-	-	-	BROILERS ea.	-	-
ROASTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROASTERS ea.	-	-
FRYERS lb.	-	-	-	FRYERS ea.	-	-
CHICKS lb.	-	-	-	CHICKS ea.	.50	3.00
PULLETS lb.	-	-	-	PULLETS ea.	6.50	7.00
BUNNIES lb.	-	-	-	BUNNIES ea.	-	3.50
ROOSTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROOSTERS ea.	-	-
GEESE lb.	-	-	-	GEESE ea.	-	-
TURKEYS lb.	-	-	-	TURKEYS ea.	-	-
DUCKS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKS ea.	-	-
RABBITS lb.	.80	1.80	1.46	RABBITS ea.	-	-
PIGEONS lb.	-	-	-	PIGEONS ea.	1.50	4.75
GUINEA FOWL lb.	-	-	-	GUINEA FOWL ea.	8.25	8.75
DUCKLINGS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKLINGS ea.	3.50	5.25
GUINEA KEETS ea.	1.50	4.75	2.94	CALL DUCKS ea.	-	-
SILKIES ea.	-	3.50	-	GOSLINGS ea.	-	-
GUINEA PIGS ea.	-	-	-	TURKEY POULTS ea.	-	-
CHUKARS ea.	-	-	-	PEACOCKS ea.	-	-
PARTRIDGES ea.	-	-	-	COCKATIELS ea.	-	-
DOVES ea.	-	-	-	GUINEAS	-	-
TOTAL COOPS	46					

**MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS-MEXICO CITY**

Cents per pound for the week ending June 26, 2009

	Whole	Legs	Necks,Backs	Livers	Gizzards	Hens
	Chickens	Breasts	W/Thighs	& Wings		
<b>RAYON</b>						
Low	72.05	140.68	89.21	17.16	6.86	46.32
High	78.92	147.54	99.50	24.02	10.29	46.32
Mostly	78.92	144.11	96.07	20.59	8.58	46.32
<b>SAN JUAN</b>						
Low	71.02	137.24	89.21	13.72	6.86	44.60
High	78.92	147.54	99.50	20.59	10.29	44.60
Mostly	78.92	144.11	92.64	17.16	6.86	44.60
<b>NEW SAN JUAN</b>						
Low	72.05	144.11	92.64	17.16	10.29	48.04
High	78.23	150.97	102.93	24.02	13.72	48.04
Mostly	78.23	147.54	99.50	22.30	12.01	48.04
<b>BECERRA</b>						
Low	73.08	144.11	92.64	20.59	10.29	49.75
High	78.92	154.40	99.50	27.45	13.72	49.75
Mostly	78.92	150.97	99.50	24.02	10.29	49.75

**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 JUNE 29, 2009

HENS	ICE PACKED (12 PER BOX)	RANGE
		75-86
	VACUUM PACKED (6-9 PER BOX)	75-95

**DELMARVA** Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was fair to good for mid-week business. Seller offerings were sufficient to well cleared. Live supplies were moderate; weights were desirable to light. Processor schedules ranged moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 83 to 94 cents. Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady. In the parts complex, breast items were closely balanced to tight with tenders and b/s breasts in the best position. Wings and most dark meat cuts were sufficient and moving satisfactorily.

<b>BRANDED U.S. GRADE A</b>	
RANGE	77-99
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations.

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