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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Majority prices were 5 cents lower in the Midwest, 2 cents lower in the East, and unchanged in the West when compared to last week prices. The market tone was steady to weak in the West, barely steady to weak elsewhere. Retail demand was very light to moderate following the weekend. Food service demand was light to fairly good. Supplies ranged light to heavy for current trade needs. Floor stocks covered the full range. In the parts structure, movement was very light to good for early week trading. Wings were in the best position and remained light and well cleared. Supplies of breast items were heavy and slow to clear. Dark meat items were moderate to heavy. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mixed, but 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 21-SEP-2009

	Grade A		Loads	Composite	
	Majority	Wtd Avg		Wtd Avg	Loads
Delivered to First Receivers 1/:					
Boston/New England	TFEWR		:	72.06	16
Ohio Cities	TFEWR		:	57.48	10
Denver	93.50	93.50	12 :	91.99	14
Detroit	TFEWR		:	63.98	40
Los Angeles	94.00	88.25	56 :	79.26	122
New York	69.00-72.00	70.52	21 :	72.27	48
Philadelphia	68.50-70.00	69.18	11 :	69.20	22
Pittsburgh	68.00-71.00	69.36	11 :	74.11	51
St. Louis	TFEWR		:	61.15	21
San Francisco	94.50	92.97	30 :	83.09	77

	Whole Body 2/:		Loads	Composite	
	Majority	Wtd Avg		Wtd Avg	Loads
Chicago	48.00-60.00		:	58.82	54

Composite Weighted Average 3/:					
Loads	09/14/09	Change	Last Wk	09/07/09	09/15/08
475	71.89	-1.51		73.40	77.22

	WOG broiler 4/:		Loads
	Majority	Wtd Avg	
Eastern	72.50-73.50	72.74	29
Central	48.00-64.50	57.79	84
Western	62.00-71.00	70.93	47
FOB Dock Equivalent 5/:			
Mississippi	80.00-84.00	81.77	82

- 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 84.75 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
1,044	65.00-86.14	83.38

Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed FINAL weighted average price on ice-packed parts:

ITEM	WTD. AVG. (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	171.50	1,490
BREASTS - B/S	131.50	6,347
BREASTS - WHOLE	81.50	1,551
THIGH MEAT - B/S	103.50	1,239
THIGHS	56.50	1,109
DRUMSTICKS	61.00	1,200
LEG QUARTERS	41.00	9,960
WINGS	141.00	3,304

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 at best as dealers cautiously assess market conditions entering the week. Offerings of all sizes were heavy with limited movement. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair to moderate. The market tone was barely steady to weak. In the parts complex, supplies of breast items were heavy and slow to clear; wings were light and well cleared. Dark meat items were moderate to heavy.

SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYER The market tone was barely steady. Retail and food service demand was light to moderate following the weekend. Supplies of all sizes were more than sufficient to satisfy current trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was light to good for early week trading. Supplies of wings were light with good movement. Breast items were heavy with cutlets in the weakest position. Dark meat items were moderate to heavy. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at desirable weights.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Final majorities were unchanged from last Monday's final majority prices. Offers of whole birds and WOGs were light to ample with **over 3 lb. sizes most available.** The market tone on whole broiler/fryers and Wogs was steady to barely steady. Retail and food service demand light to moderate. Floor stocks mostly adequate. Weights desirable. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average was down .34 cents from last week to 66.49 cents with a volume of 35 loads. Trading was noted on boneless skinless breasts at 105-118, bone-in breasts 68-100, tenderloins 139-143, wings 145-149, legs 56-68, bulk leg quarters 39-47, 4-10 lb. leg quarters 42-51, leg meat 80-96, drums 53-63, thighs 44-59, thigh meat 90-105 cents delivered.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYERS Chicago whole broiler/fryer final majority delivered prices moved sharply lower; Ohio cities, Detroit and St. Louis were TFEWR. The market tone on whole broiler/fryers was barely steady to weak. Offers were more than sufficient for light trade call. Retail demand was very light to moderate at best. Food service was mixed, light to fairly good, best into catering and restaurants. Floor stocks were in full range; weights desirable to heavy. Supplies of wings remained well cleared and short; all other parts were available. The market tone was fully steady to firm on wings, barely steady to weak on breast cuts and about steady on balance of parts.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds ranged light to fair and generally unaggressive. Seller offerings were moderate to heavy for current inquiry as buyers assessed their needs. Live supplies were moderate; weights were desirable. Processing schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were 1 cent lower at 70 to 83 cents. The market tone was barely steady to weak. In the parts complex, breast items were heavy and slow to move. Wings were in the best position and remained light and well cleared. Dark meat cuts were moderate to heavy.

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	64-91
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 at best as dealers assess market conditions entering the week. Offerings of breast items were mostly heavy and slow to clear. Dark meat cuts were moderate to heavy and wings were light and well cleared. Retail and distributive movement was fair to moderate. The market tone was barely steady to weak for breast items; barely steady for most dark meat cuts. Wings were firm.

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

ITEM	NEGOTIATED TRADING*	CURRENT	WTD AVG**	VOLUME /LBS
BREAST - B/S	125	112.56	112.56	346,300
TENDERLOINS	135	136.13	136.13	93,080
BREAST - WITH RIBS	75-76	83.57	83.57	73,280
BREAST - LINE RUN	75	75.60	75.60	81,160
LEGS	56-57	51.88	51.88	175,760
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	38-39	40.04	40.04	159,560
DRUMSTICKS	52-53	57.85	57.85	43,760
THIGHS	45-46	56.48	56.48	38,960
B/S THIGHS	104-105	105.81	105.81	34,120
WINGS (WHOLE)	142-143	148.44	148.44	167,280
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	13-15	15.00	15.00	13,680
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	45-50	47.60	47.60	6,040
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	65-70	69.12	69.12	20,760

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	1,968	95.00-174.00	100-108	106.30
TENDERLOINS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
BREAST - WITH RIBS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	372	26.00-40.00	30-34	30.54
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,259	34.00-45.00	38-40	38.79
WINGS (WHOLE)	570	141.00-154.00	141-143	142.99
DRUMSTICKS	434	48.00-60.00	48-50	49.48
THIGHS	640	29.00-38.00	37-38	36.94

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (In thousands)

	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	ACTUAL	AVG WTS
	09/21	09/17	09/17	09/14	09/10
Alabama	4,099	4,026	5.42	4,140	5.36
Arkansas	5,276	5,133	5.44	5,300	5.36
Delmarva	2,253	2,326	5.81	2,266	6.01
KY-LA-TN	2,393	2,361	5.05	2,370	5.07
Mississippi	2,930	2,925	5.79	2,949	5.90
North Carolina	2,745	2,635	6.90	2,654	6.96
Texas	2,603	2,571	5.67	2,713	5.34
Total	22,299	21,977	5.68	22,392	5.65
Mon	22,299 (A)			22,392 (A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 21-Sep 2009 is estimated to be 33,362,000 down 0.71 percent from a week ago and up 3.3 percent from a year ago. (last week 33,601,000 last year 32,298,000)

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	331	104.00-175.00	-	111.05
TENDERLOINS	216	120.00-181.00	-	129.63
BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	460	30.00-40.00	-	35.39
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	692	33.00-41.00	-	36.98
WINGS (WHOLE)	176	131.00-142.00	-	136.95
WINGS (CUT)	174	152.00-164.00	-	156.44
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
B/S THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		

Index Based on Southern States Parts Trading for Sep 21, 2009 -- F.O.B. Dock

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
43.50 - 50.00	46.86	47.87

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 21-Sep-2009 TO 25-Sep-2009, CENTS PER POUND

	Price per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	94.00 - 130.00	104.00 - 112.00
TENDERLOINS	134.00 - 139.00	-
BREAST - LINE RUN	66.00 - 83.00	76.00 - 82.00
LEGS	51.00 - 59.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	31.00 - 48.00	32.00 - 36.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	36.00 - 46.00	36.00 - 38.00
DRUMSTICKS	48.50 - 62.00	-
THIGHS	46.00 - 61.00	-
B/S THIGHS	100.00 - 105.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	131.00 - 149.00	140.00 - 145.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	12.00 - 29.00	-
LIVERS	32.00 - 49.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40.00 - 61.00	-

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

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	97-115
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	100-119
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 170
	ICE PACK 159
ROASTERS 4# & UP	DRY PACK 117
	ICE PACK
HENS OVER 5#	DRY PACK 116-125
	ICE PACK
DUCKS	262-265

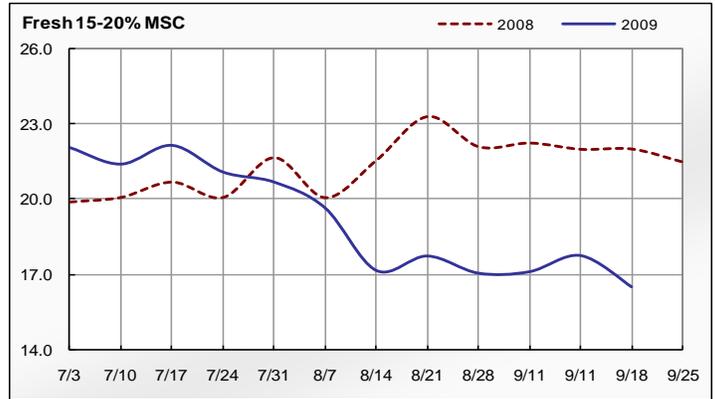
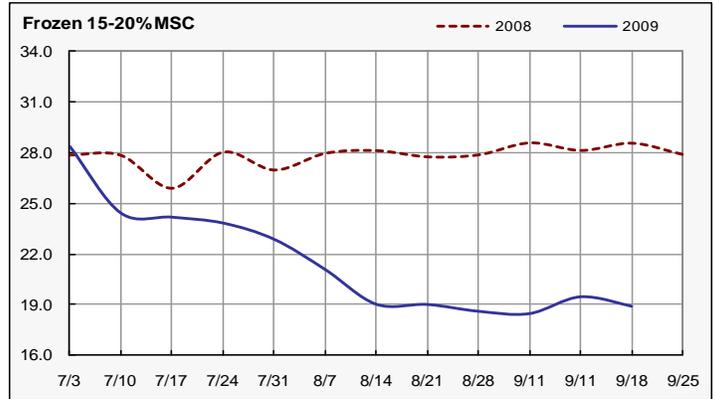
National Mechanically Separated Chicken

(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 remained steady to barely steady on all fat contents. Supplies of fresh and frozen 15-20% ranged adequate to available, mostly fully adequate with the balance being sufficient for current trade requirements. Raw material supplies were available. Export and domestic demand was light to moderate at best with some interest noted from Mexico. Schedules were seasonally normal. Frame values were generally steady ranging mostly 7-9 cents FOB.

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

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	18-Sep-09	Last Week	Last Year	18-Sep-09	Last Week	Last Year
15% or Less						
Price Range			-	19.00 - 20.00	19.00 - 20.00	27.00-27.50
Wtd Avg Price			-	19.25	19.25	27.13
Volume Traded	-	-	-	322	323	302
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-20%						
Price Range	16.00 - 22.50	16.00 - 22.50	25.00-35.00	15.00 - 21.00	15.00 - 21.00	18.00-27.00
Wtd Avg Price	18.92	19.49	28.53	16.49	17.74	21.99
Volume Traded	2,345	1,059	1,926	2,426	3,927	3,209
Volume Exported	2,145	859	1,726	734	1,152	1,223
20% or More						
Price Range	-	-	-	18.00	18.00	21.00
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	18.00	18.00	21.00
Volume Traded	-	-	-	41	82	80
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-



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

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	Aug 2009	Jul 2009	Aug 2008	Aug 2009	Jul 2009	Aug 2008
15% or Less						
Wtd Avg Price	20.00	-	29.00	20.20	25.39	25.52
Volume Traded	216	-	320	981	1,443	1,508
Volume Exported	216	-	280	-	163	-
15-20%						
Wtd Avg Price	19.34	24.66	27.61	17.77	21.53	21.74
Volume Traded	7,073	8,099	7,046	12,115	15,295	14,374
Volume Exported	6,532	7,299	5,761	2,774	4,769	2,757
20% or More						
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	19.66	22.00	21.00
Volume Traded	-	-	-	246	326	522
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 21-SEPTEMBER-09

SOUTH CENTRAL LIVE HEAVY-TYPE HENS

Trading was TFEWR. Demand was moderate for fully adequate offerings of spent hens. Schedules were normal. Finished sales were seasonally active. Trade sentiment was about steady.

RANGE MAJORITY WTD AVG

AT FARM BUYER LOADING TOO FEW TO REPORT

SOUTHEAST LIVE HEAVY-TYPE HENS

Prices were generally unchanged when compared to the previous week. Demand was moderate. Offerings were mostly moderate. Processing schedules were normal. Finished product supplies were generally sufficient for current trade needs. The undertone was at least steady.

RANGE MAJORITY WTD AVG

AT FARM BUYER LOADING 7.25-16.75 11.42
 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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