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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

The market tone was overall steady to fully steady. Retail and food service demand was light to moderate, best for promotions. Supplies were light to moderate for trade needs. Floor stocks were adequate to long. In the parts structure, movement was light to moderate for mid week business. Wings were light to moderate and moving satisfactorily. Breast items and dark meat items were moderate to available. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were mixed, but mostly desirable.

GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES

The Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for next week's trading declined .25 cents to 82.50 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 October 22, 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	168.00
BREASTS - B/S	125.50
BREASTS - WHOLE	75.00
THIGH MEAT - B/S	97.50
THIGHS	51.00
DRUMSTICKS	61.00
LEG QUARTERS	38.00
WINGS	153.50

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

SOUTHERN REGION

The market tone was steady. Demand was fair to moderate with trading usually limited to regular commitments. Supplies of all sizes were sufficient to satisfy current trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was fair to moderate for mid week trading. Supplies of wings were light with good movement. Breast items and most dark meat items were moderate to available. In production areas live supplies were moderate; at mixed, but mostly desirable weights.

MIDWEST REGION

Whole broiler/fryer market tone was steady to fully steady. Whole bird offers continue light for limited trade inquiry. Retail and food service movement light to moderate. Floor stocks were adequate to long; weights mixed. Part offerings were light on wings and portion sized boneless/ skinless breast; all other items were fully adequate for trade needs. The market tone on wings was steady to firm, and mostly steady on the balance.

WESTERN REGION

Trade sentiment on whole birds was steady. Additional offers of whole birds adequate for the limited buyers needs. Retail and food service demand slow to moderate. Sizes desirable. Floors stocks adequate. Supplies of wings tight, balance of parts items adequate to available. The market tone on wings was fully steady to firm, balance of parts items steady.

NORTHEAST REGION

Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was fair to moderate during midweek trading. Offerings of all sizes were mostly adequate for current needs. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair to moderate. The market tone was steady to fully steady. In the parts complex, supplies of wings were well cleared and held with confidence. Bone-in breasts and most dark meat cuts were at least sufficient for trade needs. Tenders and boneless skinless breasts were available with light movement.

BROILER –TYPE EGGS SET IN 19 SELECTED STATES DOWN 1 PERCENT

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 187 million eggs in incubators during the week ending October 17, 2009. This was down 1 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 DOWN 2 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 160 million chicks for meat production during the week ending October 17, 2009. Placements were down 2 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 28, 2008 through October 17, 2009 were 7.02 billion, down 5 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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

WEEK ENDING 10/17/09	2009	2008	PERCENT CHANGE PREVIOUS YEAR
	Thousand		
EGGS SET	187,232	188,802	-1
CHICKS PLACED	159,997	163,207	-2

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 28-Nov-09 is estimated at 145.5 million head. This compares to 145.6 million head the previous week and to 151.9 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 118.3 million head and the composite weighted average price was 81.37 cents per pound.

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.

OCT 20, 2009 ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	369	102.00-169.00	-	110.65
TENDERLOINS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	421	27.00-36.00	-	32.49
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	589	30.00-38.00	33-36	35.13
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 OCT 20, 2009 -- F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE
42.50 - 49.00	46.02

OCT 21, 2009 ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	382	102.00-171.00	-	114.81
TENDERLOINS	223	104.00-178.00	-	120.55
BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	421	27.00-36.00	-	32.49
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	829	30.00-38.00	-	35.02
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	85	89.00-100.00	-	93.82

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS TRADING FOR OCT 21, 2009 -- F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
42.50 - 49.50	46.36	45.74

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 PARTS Trucklot buying activity was mostly fair during midweek trading as dealers were content to limit orders to normal commitments. Offerings of boneless skinless breast was noted as slightly more available than the previous week; bone-in breast and most dark meat cuts were at least sufficient for current needs. Wings were light to moderate with good movement. Retail and distributive movement was fair to moderate with best interest centering around scattered feature activity. The market tone was about steady for bone-in breast and dark meat cuts; barely steady for boneless skinless breasts and fully steady for wings.

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

OCT 20, 2009 ITEM	CURRENT NEGOTIATED TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOLUME /LBS
BREAST - B/S	120-125	113.73	545,000
TENDERLOINS	125-130	123.94	173,280
BREAST - WITH RIBS	67-68	72.29	161,920
BREAST - LINE RUN	67	68.98	104,800
LEGS	53-54	43.02	213,400
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	34-35	33.46	313,248
DRUMSTICKS	51-52	54.04	78,480
THIGHS	41-42	49.28	59,650
B/S THIGHS	94-95	95.17	55,200
WINGS (WHOLE)	147-148	154.99	167,160
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	13-15	15.00	31,640
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	45-50	47.00	15,080
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	65-70	68.42	25,680

OCT 21, 2009 ITEM	CURRENT NEGOTIATED TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOLUME /LBS
BREAST - B/S	120-125	110.51	440,440
TENDERLOINS	125-130	127.41	85,440
BREAST - WITH RIBS	67-68	75.29	118,520
BREAST - LINE RUN	67	68.92	101,800
LEGS	53-54	50.52	89,800
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	34-35	34.05	201,320
DRUMSTICKS	51-52	57.96	53,800
THIGHS	41-42	54.47	42,840
B/S THIGHS	94-95	94.31	45,480
WINGS (WHOLE)	147-148	157.68	147,200
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	13-15	15.00	20,360
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	45-50	47.35	7,440
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	65-70	68.42	18,120

INCLUDES NEW YORK CITY METROPOLITAN AREA, NORTHERN NJ, MA, CT, RI, AND 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.

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS

	ESTIMATED (1,000)		ACTUAL (1,000)		AVG WTS		ACTUAL (1,000)	AVG WTS
	10/21	10/20	10/19	10/16	10/19	10/16	10/14	10/12
Alabama	3,982	3,995	3,855	3,794	5.50	5.43	3,737	5.65
Arkansas	5,231	5,213	5,017	3,938	5.55	5.42	4,795	5.57
Delmarva	2,247	2,249	2,167	2,222	6.01	5.95	2,165	5.99
KY-LA-TN	2,414	2,426	2,364	2,675	5.16	5.26	2,156	5.20
Mississippi	2,850	2,908	2,922	2,854	5.98	5.77	2,853	5.88
North Carolina	2,799	2,794	2,686	2,896	7.20	6.92	2,672	7.24
Texas	2,719	2,726	2,690	2,709	5.55	5.35	2,796	5.52
Total	22,242	22,311	21,701	21,088	5.81	5.70	21,174	5.82
Mon-Wed	66,923 (A)						64,644 (A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.
Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 21-Oct-09 is estimated to be 33,277,000 head up 4.73 percent from a week ago and up 2.18 percent from a year ago.
(Last week 31,774,000, last year 32,567,000)

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY, DELIVERED 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, 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

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 24-OCT-09

	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	10/24/09 (1)	10/17/09
Class	---------- Thousand head ---------	
Broiler/fryer	168,057(2)	165,043
Light hens	1,257	1,265
Heavy hens	1,538	1,581
Total	170,852	167,889

(1)ESTIMATED

2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 24-Oct-09 is 156.4 million head compared to 165.3 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 168.4 million head or 12.0 million more than estimated available. For the week of 31-Oct-09 the estimated available is 156.1 million head.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS-SELECTED STGE CENTERS

(INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEY LBS	PROCESSED POULTRY LBS
AM 10/19/09	152,879	59,964
AM 10/01/09	186,075	63,072
CHG	-33,196	-3,108
PCT CHG	-18	-5

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEYS			PROCESSED POULTRY		
	10/19/09	10/12/09	10/20/08	10/19/09	10/12/09	10/20/08
PACIFIC COAST	3,990	3,975	761	6,612	6,643	6,864
LOS ANGELES	144	119	311	898	731	1,450

HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES FOR 10/20/09

AI PAPERS REQUIRED TO SELL ALL OUT OF STATE POULTRY

	LOW	HIGH	AVG		LOW	HIGH	AVG
HEAVY FOWL lb.	.60	1.00	.74	HEAVY FOWL ea.	3.75	5.50	4.25
LIGHT FOWL lb.	-	-	-	LIGHT FOWL ea.	-	-	-
MIXED FOWL lb.	-	-	-	MIXED FOWL ea.	-	-	-
BANTAMS lb.	-	-	-	BANTAMS ea.	3.50	5.00	4.17
BROILERS lb.	-	-	-	BROILERS ea.	-	-	-
ROASTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROASTERS ea.	-	-	-
FRYERS lb.	-	-	-	FRYERS ea.	-	-	-
CHICKS lb.	-	-	-	CHICKS ea.	-	-	-
PULLETS lb.	-	-	-	PULLETS ea.	-	-	-
BUNNIES lb.	-	-	-	BUNNIES ea.	-	-	-
ROOSTERS lb.	-	1.80	-	ROOSTERS ea.	8.00	8.50	8.25
GEESE lb.	-	-	-	GEESE ea.	-	-	-
TURKEYS lb.	-	-	-	TURKEYS ea.	-	28.00	-
DUCKS lb.	.60	1.00	.87	DUCKS ea.	-	2.75	-
RABBITS lb.	1.00	1.80	1.60	RABBITS ea.	1.00	1.50	1.16
PIGEONS lb.	-	-	-	PIGEONS ea.	1.75	4.75	3.26
GUINEA FOWL lb.	-	-	-	GUINEA FOWL ea.	-	8.50	-
DUCKLINGS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKLINGS ea.	-	-	-
GUINEA KEETS ea.	-	-	-	CALL DUCKS ea.	-	-	-
SILKIES ea.	-	-	-	GOSLINGS ea.	-	-	-
GUINEA PIGS ea.	-	-	-	TURKEY POULTS ea.	-	-	-
CHUKARS ea.	-	-	-	PEACOCKS ea.	-	-	-
PARTRIDGES ea.	-	-	-	COCKATIELS ea.	-	-	-
DOVES ea.	-	-	-	GUINEAS	-	-	-

TOTAL COOPS 57

MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS-MEXICO CITY

Cents per pound for the week ending October 16, 2009

	Whole Chickens	Breasts	Legs W/Thighs	Necks,Backs & Wings	Livers Gizzards	Hens
RAYON						
Low	55.55	118.05	52.08	17.36	3.47	67.70
High	60.76	124.99	59.02	20.83	6.94	67.70
Mostly	56.25	121.52	55.55	17.36	5.21	67.70
SAN JUAN						
Low	54.86	114.58	48.61	13.89	3.47	65.97
High	60.07	121.52	55.55	17.36	6.94	65.97
Mostly	55.55	118.05	52.08	13.89	3.47	65.97
NEW SAN JUAN						
Low	56.59	121.52	52.08	17.36	6.94	69.44
High	62.50	131.94	59.02	20.83	10.42	69.44
Mostly	57.29	128.46	55.55	19.10	6.94	69.44
BECERRA						
Low	57.29	121.52	59.02	17.36	6.94	69.44
High	63.19	128.46	65.97	20.83	10.42	69.44
Mostly	57.29	128.46	62.50	20.83	8.68	69.44

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 OCTOBER 19, 2009

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

DELMARVA Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds continued fair to moderate for midweek trading. Offerings were sufficient on all sizes for current trade needs. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mixed, but noted as desirable. Processor schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices remained unchanged at 67 to 80 cents. The market tone was steady to at times fully steady. In the parts complex, breast items were moderate with tenders more readily available. Dark meat cuts were moderate. Wings were light to moderate and fully steady to firm.

	BRANDED U.S. GRADE A
RANGE	62-85
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations.

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