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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



The market tone was steady to firm in the Midwest, fully steady to firm in the East and steady to fully steady in the West. Retail and food service demand was light to good, mostly moderate to good, best demand into fast food and restaurants. Supplies of all sizes were balanced to tight to satisfy current trade needs. Floor stocks were closely balanced to fully adequate. In the part structure, movement was moderate to good for mid week trading. Breast items were moderate to mostly light with tenders in the strongest position. Wings were adequate to available and dark meat items were light to moderate and moving well. 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 .50 cents to 86.00 cents based on full truck load lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 86.50 cents last year on May 06, 2009.

ITEM	DOCK PRICE (CENTS PER POUND)
LINE RUN TENDERS	193.00
BREASTS - B/S	181.00
BREASTS - WHOLE	102.00
THIGH MEAT - B/S	91.00
THIGHS	48.00
DRUMSTICKS	58.50
LEG QUARTERS	41.50
WINGS	128.50

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

SOUTHERN REGION The market tone was fully steady to mostly firm. Demand was moderate to good. Supplies of all sizes were light to satisfy current trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was moderate to good for midweek trading. Breast items were light with tenders in the strongest position. Wings were moderate and dark meat items were light to moderate with good movement. In production areas live supplies were moderate. Weights were mostly desirable.

MIDWEST REGION Whole broiler/fryer market tone was steady to firm. Offers of whole birds very light on moderate to fairly good buyer interest. Retail and food service trade was light to good. Best demand was noted into fast food and restaurants. Floor stocks were short of current call to fully adequate; weights mostly desirable. Supplies of wings were available, breast cuts were in close balance to short of trade needs and leg cuts were in balance. The market tone was steady on wings and steady to firm on the balance of parts.

WESTERN REGION The market tone on whole broiler fryers and WOGs was steady to fully steady, instances firm on WOGs. Offerings light to adequate. Retail and food service demand light to moderate. Increased retail interest was starting to be noted on wings at lower trending price levels for features. Floor stocks adequate. Offerings of wings and drums adequate to fully adequate, breast items short to light, balance of dark items mostly adequate. The market tone on wings and drums was steady to barely steady, dark items steady and breast items steady to fully steady.

NORTHEAST REGION Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was fairly good to good. Offerings of all sizes were balanced to well cleared. Retail and distributive movement was moderate. The market tone was firm. In the parts complex, supplies of tenders and breast cuts were balanced to tight. Dark meat items were light to moderate with drums and thighs in the best position. Wings were moderate to heavy for current needs.

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

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 207 million eggs in incubators during the week ending May 1, 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 172 million chicks for meat production during the week ending May 1, 2010. Placements were up 2 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 3, 2010 through May 1, 2010 were 2.86 billion, down slightly from the same period a year earlier.

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

WEEK ENDING 05/01/10	2010	2009	PERCENT CHANGE PREVIOUS YEAR
	Thousand		
EGGS SET	206,590	201,582	+02
CHICKS PLACED	172,263	169,262	+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 12-Jun-10 is estimated at 157.3 million head. This compares to 156.0 million head the previous week and to 158.7 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 162.4 million head and the composite weighted average price was 86.72 cents per pound.

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SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

MAY 05

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	608	151.00-203.00	-	164.76	BREAST - B/S	446	158.00-205.00	-	166.26
TENDERLOINS	213	153.00-212.00	-	157.05	TENDERLOINS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
BREAST - LINE RUN	TOO FEW TO REPORT				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)	381	34.00-38.00	-	35.78	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	457	34.00-37.00	-	35.68
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	952	36.00-39.00	-	37.75	LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	902	36.00-39.00	-	37.39
WINGS (WHOLE)	TOO FEW TO REPORT				WINGS (WHOLE)	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
WINGS (CUT)	TOO FEW TO REPORT				WINGS (CUT)	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
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
64.00 - 67.00	65.45	63.50 - 66.50	65.38	64.90

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 moderate to fairly good for midweek trading. Offerings of boneless skinless breasts were light; bone-in breasts and tenders were in close balance to tight for current needs. Dark meat cuts continued light to moderate with drums and thighs in the better balance. Wings were at least sufficient. Retail and distributive movement was moderate. The market tone was fully steady to firm for tenders and breast cuts; about steady for wings. Other items were at least steady.

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

MAY 04	CURRENT NEG	WTD	VOL/LBS	MAY 05	CURRENT NEG	WTD	VOL/LBS
ITEM	TRADING*	AVG		ITEM	TRADING*	AVG	
BREAST - B/S	175-180	160.60	879,120	BREAST - B/S	175-180	162.19	615,120
TENDERLOINS	160-165	153.91	209,280	TENDERLOINS	165	161.55	114,640
BREAST - WITH RIBS	100-101	108.28	64,614	BREAST - WITH RIBS	101-102	108.72	70,977
BREAST - LINE RUN	100	102.89	71,750	BREAST - LINE RUN	101	104.03	67,078
LEGS	53-54	54.83	199,400	LEGS	53-54	51.08	184,480
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	37-38	37.78	359,320	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	37-38	38.27	194,040
DRUMSTICKS	47-48	54.76	64,280	DRUMSTICKS	48-49	57.01	64,960
THIGHS	44-45	52.13	58,720	THIGHS	44-45	52.18	57,160
B/S THIGHS	92-93	93.66	65,280	B/S THIGHS	92-93	94.14	68,840
WINGS (WHOLE)	119-120	122.31	148,240	WINGS (WHOLE)	119-120	124.11	176,320
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	13-15	15.00	23,560	BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	13-15	15.00	21,840
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	40-45	42.45	14,440	LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	40-45	42.00	10,880
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	50-55	51.71	28,160	GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	50-55	52.17	21,600

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 WTS
	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)
Alabama	4,043	4,065	3,996	4,171	5.66	5.34	3,844	5.52	5.52
Arkansas	5,342	5,315	5,077	4,302	5.60	5.14	5,106	5.64	5.64
Delmarva	2,247	2,215	2,222	2,667	6.03	5.96	2,259	6.12	6.12
KY-LA-TN	2,262	2,381	2,406	2,504	5.29	5.01	2,404	5.26	5.26
Mississippi	2,531	3,072	3,020	3,658	6.00	5.68	3,031	6.01	6.01
North Carolina	2,989	2,978	2,567	2,642	7.26	7.21	2,724	7.34	7.34
Texas	2,626	2,601	2,688	2,599	5.70	5.57	2,675	5.68	5.68
Total	22,040	22,627	21,976	22,543	5.88	5.64	2,043	5.88	5.88
Mon-Wed	67,212	(A)					66,039	(A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 05-May-10 is estimated to be 32,974,000 head down 0.31 percent from a week ago and up 2.98 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 33,078,000, last year 32,020,000)

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

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 08-May-10

Class	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	05/08/10 (1)	05/01/10
	----- Thousand head -----	
Broiler/fryer	167,659 (2)	165,587
Light hens	1,667	1,535
Heavy hens	1,444	1,435
Total	170,770	168,557

(1)ESTIMATED

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 08-May-10 is 159.6 million head compared to 160.9 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 168.0 million head or 8.4 million more than estimated available. For the week of 15-May-10 the estimated available is 158.9 million head.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS-SELECTED STGE CENTERS
(INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

PROCESSED TURKEY		PROCESSED POULTRY	
LBS		LBS	
AM 05/03/10	127,146		49,456
AM 04/01/10	114,546		50,373
CHG	12600		-917
PCT CHG	11%		-2%

Based on the historical relationship of the preliminary U.S. Cold Storage holdings report of March 31, 2010 and the selected centers storage report, the expected U.S. holdings on May 1, 2010 are:

Frozen Eggs	22 MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5%
Processed Turkeys	412 MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5%
Processed Other Poultry	609 MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5%

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEYS			PROCESSED POULTRY		
	05/03/10	04/26/10	05/04/09	05/03/10	04/26/10	05/04/09
PACIFIC COAST LOS ANGELES	3,040	3,043	578	4,962	4,639	7,925
	317	313	200	883	889	1,327

HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES

AI PAPERS REQUIRED TO SELL ALL OUT OF STATE POULTRY

	LOW HIGH AVG			FOR 05/04/10		
	LOW	HIGH	AVG	LOW	HIGH	AVG
HEAVY FOWL lb.	0.80	2.10	1.46	HEAVY FOWL ea.	-	4.00
LIGHT FOWL lb.	-	-	-	LIGHT FOWL ea.	-	-
MIXED FOWL lb.	-	-	-	MIXED FOWL ea.	-	-
BANTAMS lb.	-	-	-	BANTAMS ea.	-	-
BROILERS lb.	-	-	-	BROILERS ea.	-	-
ROASTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROASTERS ea.	3.00	5.50 3.92
FRYERS lb.	-	-	-	FRYERS ea.	-	-
CHICKS lb.	-	-	-	CHICKS ea.	0.50	4.25 1.47
PULLETS lb.	-	-	-	PULLETS ea.	-	-
BUNNIES lb.	-	-	-	BUNNIES ea.	-	-
ROOSTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROOSTERS ea.	-	-
GEESE lb.	-	-	-	GEESE ea.	-	-
TURKEYS lb.	-	-	-	TURKEYS ea.	23.00	26.00 24.50
DUCKS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKS ea.	-	3.25
RABBITS lb.	1.00	2.10	1.74	RABBITS ea.	5.50	8.50 6.95
PIGEONS lb.	-	-	-	PIGEONS ea.	-	3.00
GUINEA FOWL lb.	-	-	-	GUINEA FOWL ea.	-	-
DUCKLINGS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKLINGS ea.	-	-
GUINEA KEETS ea.	-	-	-	CALL DUCKS ea.	-	-
SILKIES ea.	-	-	-	GOSLINGS ea.	-	-
GUINEA PIGS ea.	-	4.00	-	TURKEY POULTS ea.	-	-
CHUKARS ea.	-	-	-	PEACOCKS ea.	-	-
PARTRIDGES ea.	-	-	-	COCKATEALS ea.	-	-
DOVES ea.	-	-	-	PHEASANTS ea.	-	-

TOTAL COOPS 34

MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS-MEXICO CITY

Cents per pound for the week ending April 30, 2010

	Whole	Legs	Necks,Backs	Livers	Hens
	Chickens	Breasts W/Thighs	& Wings	Gizzards	
RAYON					
Low	81.68	148.51	81.68	22.28	7.43 55.69
High	85.40	163.37	96.53	25.99	11.14 55.69
Mostly	85.40	159.65	92.82	24.13	7.43 55.69

SAN JUAN

Low	81.68	148.51	77.97	18.56	7.43 55.69
High	84.65	159.65	92.82	24.13	11.14 55.69
Mostly	84.65	159.65	89.11	22.28	7.43 55.69

NEW SAN JUAN

Low	82.80	152.23	85.40	22.28	7.43 63.12
High	86.14	163.37	100.25	25.99	11.14 63.12
Mostly	85.40	163.37	96.53	25.99	9.28 63.12

BECERRA

Low	83.17	152.23	89.11	25.99	7.43 63.12
High	86.88	167.08	103.96	29.70	11.14 63.12
Mostly	85.40	167.08	100.25	27.85	11.14 63.12

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 03, 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 was moderate to good for mid-week business. Seller offerings were well cleared to tight for current trade requirements. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mixed, but noted as desirable. Processing schedules ranged moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were 1 cent higher at 85 to 93 cents. The market tone was fully steady to mostly firm. In the parts complex, wings were at least sufficient. Breast items remained closely balanced to tight. Dark meat cuts were light to 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		85-98
WEIGHTED AVERAGE		(A)
NO. OF BOXES		(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations.

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