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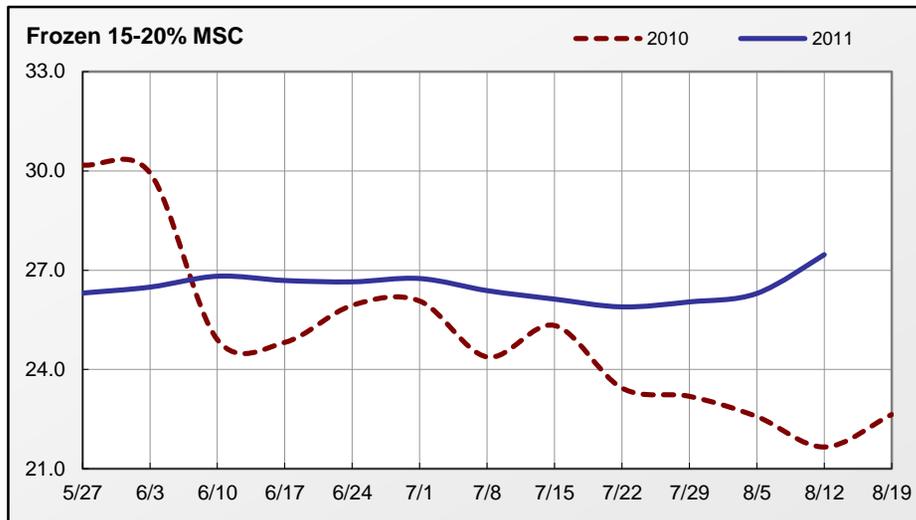
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(F.O.B. Shipper Dock or equivalent; negotiated prices in trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes reported in thousand pound quantities, cents/pound; delivery within 2 weeks.)

Prices trended steady to higher on all fat contents. Supplies of MSC were light to moderate at best. Schedules were mostly normal. Demand was moderate to good into both domestic and export channels. The future of the spot marketplace remains unpredictable due to a variety of factors including sustained high temps the past few weeks, lighter bird weights, higher bird mortality rates, production cutbacks, high grain costs, strong finished product sales domestically, improved export interest, and others. Many in industry have begun to think about the fast approaching and expectedly challenging contract season ahead; however most will not begin discussions until late September or October at earliest. Market activity was active with most buyer interest and movement on fresh 15-20%, especially into Mexico. Raw material supplies remain tight and sought after. Frame values are trading mostly 13-15 cents FOB.

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

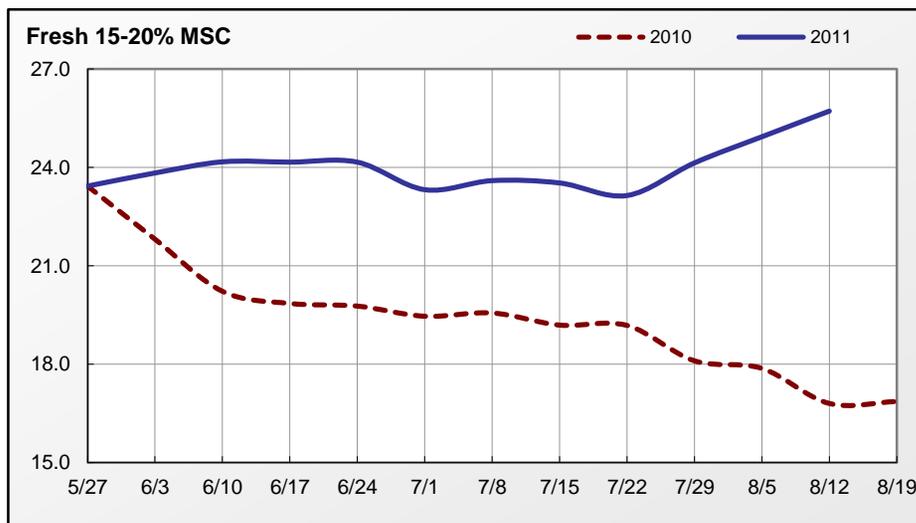
Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	12-Aug-11	Last Week	Last Year	12-Aug-11	Last Week	Last Year
15% or Less						
Price Range			-	25.00	25.00 - 29.00	19.00
Wtd Avg Price			-	25.00	26.50	19.00
Volume Traded	-	-	-	82	163	41
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-20%						
Price Range	25.00 - 32.00	24.00 - 29.00	18.00-24.00	22.00 - 28.25	23.00 - 27.00	13.00-23.00
Wtd Avg Price	27.47	26.30	21.66	25.72	24.94	16.80
Volume Traded	1,537	1,579	1,479	3,977	4,396	2,463
Volume Exported	1,297	1,459	1,271	694	571	326
20% or More						
Price Range	-	-	-	20.00 - 21.00	20.00	18.00
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	20.50	20.00	18.00
Volume Traded	-	-	-	82	82	82
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-



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

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	Jul 2011	Jun 2011	Jul 2010	Jul 2011	Jun 2011	Jul 2010
15% or Less						
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	24.00	24.43	25.65	25.25
Volume Traded	-	-	270	571	755	1,738
Volume Exported	-	-	270	-	-	912
15-20%						
Wtd Avg Price	26.21	26.66	24.61	23.56	24.09	19.06
Volume Traded	8,116	6,656	7,249	22,513	17,625	16,393
Volume Exported	7,486	5,816	6,629	2,122	898	1,775
20% or More						
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	20.00	20.00	21.33
Volume Traded	-	-	-	408	408	367
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-

Note: Volume exported refers to that portion of the total volume that is destined for export markets.



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