

LIVE SPENT HEAVY FOWL

Prices are trending steady to firm. Supplies are sufficient for the mostly moderate demand. Processing schedules are normal following the Fourth-of-July holiday. Retail feature activity is good entering the weekend with the bulk of the interest noted in the Southeast and Northeast regions. Finished product supplies are adequate. Market activity is moderate.

Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading: Price Range Wtd Avg

Prices in cents per pound. 9.5 - 21.0 13.65

(Southeast Region broiler breeder hens generally for processing, 7 lbs. and up; under 7 lbs. subject to discount.)

LIVE SPENT LIGHT FOWL

Prices are trending steady for the light to moderate demand. Offerings of light type hens are about adequate to adequate for current needs. Processing schedules returned to normal following the Fourth-of-July holiday. Market activity is light to moderate. The majority price for removal costs remains unchanged at 0-7 cents per head.

(live hens are predominately egg-layers averaging about 3.5 lbs. live weight per bird.) Eastern region = AL, CT, DE, GA, KY, MA, MD, ME, MS, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, TN, VA, VT, and WV; North Central = IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI; South Central = AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX.

READY-TO-COOK FOWL

Midwest Region Negotiated Prices to First Receivers

(cents/lb.delivered to first receivers; US Grade A and Plant Grade)

	Price Range
Ice Packed (12/box):	80.0 - 86.0
Vacuum Packed (6-9/box):	85.0 - 90.0

Midwest region = IL, IN, MI, MO, OH, and WI

LIVE FOWL AUCTIONS

Hackettstown, NJ - Tue Jul. 10

	Price Range	Avg.
Heavy Fowl each:	1.40 - 10.00	5.70
per pound:		

Graystone Small Animal, Manheim, PA - Tue Jul. 10

Red Fowl 5-6 lbs:	0.50 - 0.55	per pound
4-5 lbs:	0.40 - 0.50	per pound
Crossbred Fowl 5-9 lbs:	0.50 - 0.60	per pound

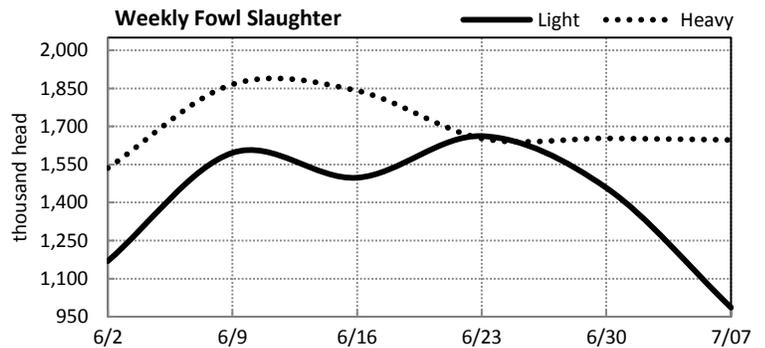
LIVE FOWL SLAUGHTER

Weekly Fowl Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection

Week ending 07-07-12

	Head	Avg Wt	RTC Wt	Dress%
Light Hens:	986	3.26	1,736	54%
Heavy Hens:	1,647	7.77	8,318	65%
Total Hens:	2,633	6.08	10,054	--

(head and ready-to-cook weight in thousands; avg. wght in lbs.)



RETAIL FOWL FEATURING

Supermarket featuring during the week of 07/13 to 07/19

Region	Light Hens		Heavy Hens	
	Stores	Wtd Avg	Stores	Wtd Avg
	100	1.10	100	1.01
Northeast	70	1.12	23	0.99
Southeast	21	0.99	67	0.99
Midwest				
South Central	9	1.19	10	1.19
Southwest				
Northwest				

^{1/} %'s reflect feature activity relative to the sample size of each region.

Relative Fowl Featuring by Region ^{1/}

