

LIVE SPENT HEAVY FOWL

Prices are trending steady to instances firm. Supplies are sufficient for the seasonally moderate demand. Processing schedules are less than normal due to the New Years Day holiday. Retail feature activity is very light entering the weekend. Finished product supplies are light to moderate and moving well. Market activity is moderate.

Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading: Price Range Wtd Avg

Prices in cents per pound. 10.0 - 22.0 13.89

(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 generally moderate demand. Offerings of light type hens are light to moderate for current needs. Processing schedules are reduced due to the New Years Day holiday. Movement of finished product sales were moving seasonally well. Market activity is moderate. The majority price for removal costs is 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 Jan. 01

	Price Range	Avg.
Heavy Fowl each:	1.00 - 8.50	4.76
per pound:	0.80	

Graystone Small Animal, Manheim, PA - Tue Jan. 01

Red Fowl 5-6 lbs:		per pound
4-5 lbs:	0.35 - 0.45	per pound
Crossbred Fowl 5-9 lbs:		per pound

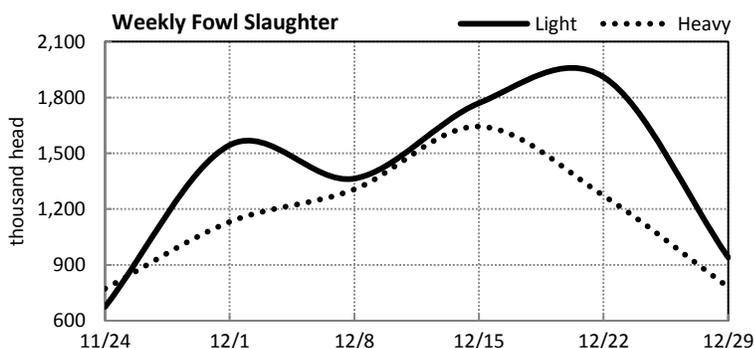
LIVE FOWL SLAUGHTER

Weekly Fowl Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection

Week ending 12-29-12

	Head	Avg Wt	RTC Wt	Dress%
Light Hens:	940	3.04	1,543	54%
Heavy Hens:	780	8.31	4,213	65%
Total Hens:	1,720	5.43	5,756	--

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



RETAIL FOWL FEATURING

Supermarket featuring during the week of 01/04 to 01/10

Region	Light Hens		Heavy Hens	
	Stores	Wtd Avg	Stores	Wtd Avg
	162	1.26		
Northeast	162	1.26		
Southeast				
Midwest				
South Central				
Southwest				
Northwest				

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

Relative Fowl Featuring by Region ^{1/}

