

LIVE SPENT HEAVY FOWL

Prices are trending steady. Supplies are sufficient for the moderate demand. Processing schedules are mostly normal with some down time due to the Religious holiday weekend. Retail feature activity is moderate to good entering the weekend with majority of interest being in the Southeast and South Central regions. Finished product supplies are moderate and clearing well. Market activity is moderate.

Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading: Price Range Wtd Avg

Prices in cents per pound. 10.0 - 22.0 13.90

(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 seasonally light to moderate demand. Offerings of light type hens are sufficient for current needs. Processing schedules are mostly normal. Movement of finished product sales are clearing 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 Mar. 26

	Price Range	Avg.
Heavy Fowl each:	4.00	
per pound:	0.80 - 1.00	0.95

Graystone Small Animal, Manheim, PA - Tue Mar. 26

Red Fowl 5-6 lbs:	0.60 - 0.70	per pound
4-5 lbs:	0.55 - 0.65	per pound
Crossbred Fowl 5-9 lbs:	0.65 - 0.80	per pound

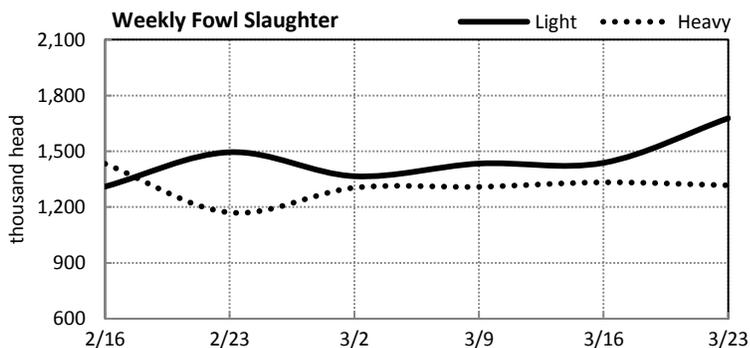
LIVE FOWL SLAUGHTER

Weekly Fowl Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection

Week ending 03-23-13

	Head	Avg Wt	RTC Wt	Dress%
Light Hens:	1,678	3.19	2,891	54%
Heavy Hens:	1,317	8.05	6,891	65%
Total Hens:	2,995	5.33	9,782	--

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



RETAIL FOWL FEATURING

Supermarket featuring during the week of 03/29 to 04/04

Region	Light Hens		Heavy Hens	
	Stores	Wtd Avg	Stores	Wtd Avg
	26	0.99	318	1.17
Northeast	26	0.99	18	1.49
Southeast			198	1.12
Midwest			7	1.19
South Central			95	1.20
Southwest				
Northwest				

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

Relative Fowl Featuring by Region ^{1/}

