

LIVE SPENT HEAVY FOWL

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Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading: Price Range Wtd Avg

Prices in cents per pound. 11.0 - 22.5 14.29
 (Southeast Region broiler breeder hens generally for processing, 7 lbs. and up; under 7 lbs. subject to discount.)
 Southeast Region = AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN, AND VA.

LIVE SPENT LIGHT FOWL

Prices are trending at least steady for the moderate to good demand. Offerings of light type hens are sufficient for current needs. Processing schedules returned to normal following the holiday. Movement of finished product is sufficient. Market activity is mostly moderate. The majority price for removal costs continued unchanged at 0-7 cents per head. Retail features are moderate, best in the Southeast.

(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 Dec. 09

	Price Range	Avg.
Heavy Fowl each:	0.50 2.25	1.04
per pound:		

Graystone Small Animal, Manheim, PA - Tue Dec. 09

Red Fowl 5-6 lbs:	0.80 0.95	per pound
4-5 lbs:	0.50 0.70	per pound
Crossbred Fowl 5-9 lbs:	0.75 1.05	per pound

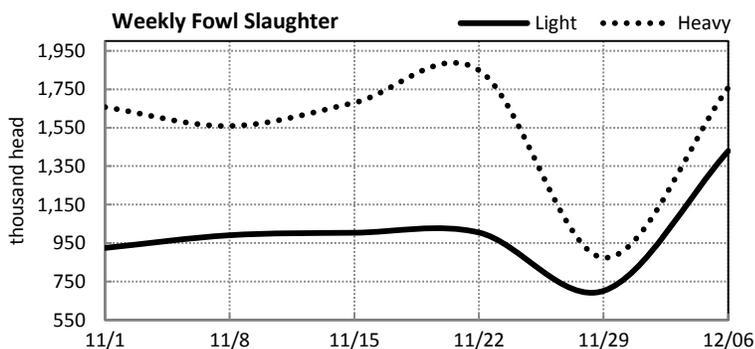
LIVE FOWL SLAUGHTER

Weekly Fowl Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection

Week ending 12-06-14

	Head	Avg Wt	RTC Wt	Dress%
Light Hens:	1,429	3.27	2,523	54%
Heavy Hens:	1,758	8.03	9,176	65%
Total Hens:	3,187	5.90	11,699	--

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



RETAIL FOWL FEATURING

Supermarket featuring during the week of 12/12 to 12/18

Region	Light Hens		Heavy Hens	
	Stores	Wtd Avg	Stores	Wtd Avg
	108	1.06	151	1.97
Northeast				
Southeast	73	1.19	25	1.06
Midwest			90	2.49
South Central	35	0.79	36	1.28
Southwest				
Northwest				

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

Relative Fowl Featuring by Region ^{1/}

