

Weekly Broiler Report

Placements of 803,000 chicks for commercial broiler production in the State during the week were up 7 percent from the previous week and 17 percent above a year earlier, according to the Pennsylvania Crop Reporting Service.

The 10-week total placements were 4 percent above a year ago. Eggs set during the week were 1 percent more than a week earlier, but 19 percent less than a year ago. The 3-week total settings were 18 percent below a year ago.

Inshipments of broiler-type chicks for the past 10 weeks totaling 346,000 were 8 percent above a year ago. Outshipments of 1,526,000 were down 26 percent.

Broiler chicks placed in the 22 major producing states were but 2 percent above a year ago. Number of eggs set were up 2 percent from the week previous.

**Fogelsville, Pa.
Auction Report
March 31, 1964**

Prices for dock weights, cents per lb. except where noted).
Hens, lgt Type, 7½-12 M 8-9;
Hens, hvy type, 12-22½ M 14-

19; Pullets, 20-23 M 29-33; Roasters, 25-32 M 29½-32; Turkeys - Toms, 16½-21½; Turkeys - Hens, 22-31½ M 25-30, Rabbits, 17-39 M 31-38, Guineas, 35-52½ M 45-52½; Pigeons (per pair), 50-71 M 60-67½, total coops sold 813.

● Lancaster

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down to 12.00.

Bulls. Utility and commercial 18.50-21.00, Good grade 21.00-22.50.

Feeder Steers Choice 1068-1092 lbs. 20.75-21.10, Choice 777-975 lbs. 22.00-23.00, Good and Choice 750-1017 lbs. 19.85-21.25, Several lots Good 700-850 lbs. 20.50-21.50, Few Good 850-914 lbs. 18.85-19.50, few lots Choice 450-550 lbs. 25.00-26.50.

CALVES: 600. Compared with 499 head last week. Vealers steady. Trading moderately active. Choice and Prime 35.00-39.00, Good grade 31.00-35.00, Standard 27.00-31.00, Utility 23.00-27.00.

HOGS: 1450 Compared with 1463 head last week. Barrows and gilts steady to weak. Sows steady. Trading Active.

Barrows and gilts, U. S. 1-2,

● Delmarva Prices Decline; Demand Fair

Live broiler prices in Delmarva continued to decline by approximately a quarter cent during the 24 hour period ending 10 30 Friday morning. The Demand was only fair for the light auction offerings.

Ready to cook movement was heavy with new business developing for next week. Prices were highly competitive with other producing areas and a half cent higher within the same price range.

Prices ranged 144 to 155 at farms for reported purchases of 1,085,000 head including 425,500 head offered and sold at Thursday's auction in Selbyville, Del. Most of the auction sales were intra-company transfers or were not otherwise reported. Over a quarter of the sales were at 14.5 to 14.9.

190-230 lbs. 16.00-16.75, No. 1, 190-230 lbs. 16.75-17.25, few lots 17.50, U. S. 1-3, 190-240 lbs. 15.50-16.00, U. S. 2-3, 230-260 lbs. 15.00-15.50.

Sows: U. S. 1-3, 300-450 lbs. 12.00-13.00, U. S. 2-3, 450-600 lbs. 11.00-12.00.

SHEEP: 125. Compared with

Weekly New York Egg Mkt.

From Monday, March 30th to Friday, April 3rd

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
WHITE					
Ex					
Fcy. Hywts	34-35	33½	33½	33½	33
Fcy. Hywts	34	33½	33½	33½	33
Fcy. Med.	27½	27½	27½	28½	28½
No 1 Med.	27½	27½	26	27	27
Pullets	25½	25½	25	25	25
Peewees	20-21	19-20	19-20	20	20
BROWN					
Ex					
Fcy. Hywts	33½-34	33½-34	33½-34	33	32
Fcy. Hywts	33	33	33	33	32
Fcy. Med.	27½	27½	26½-27	27½	27½
Pullets	25½	25½	24-25	25	25
Peewees	20-21	19-20	19-20	20	20
MIXED					
Fcy. Hywts.	33-33½	33-33½	33-33½	33-33½	33
No. 1 Med.	27½	27½	26	27	27
Pullets	0	0	0	0	0
Standards	31	31	30½-31	30½-31	30
Checks	27	27	27	27	27

TREND: Market highly irregular, top large in surplus and prices declining further but mediums and other small being taken well and fully supported.

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935 head last week. Trading moderately active. All classes nominally steady.

Few lots Choice and Prime 50-90 lb. spring lambs 28.00-30.50, Lot Choice 90 lb. shorn slaughter lambs carrying No 3 pelts 25.00, few lots Good and Choice woolled slaughter lambs 18.00-23.00.

● Chicago

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loadlots mostly Prime 1175-1325 lbs at 22.75, few loads

Prime 1350-1380 lbs 22.50, on Monday seven loads Prime 1200-1288 lbs. 23.00. Bulk Choice 1100-1325 lbs 21.00-21.75 Good 900-1250 lbs. 19.50-20.75, Mixed Good and Choice 20.75-21.00, Standard and Low Good 17.25-19.50.

Slaughter heifers: Bulk Choice 850-1100 lbs. 21.00-21.50. On Monday few loads High Choice and Prime 930-1000 lbs. 22.00 and part load 900 lbs. 22.25, Good and Choice 20.50-20.75, mostly Good 19.50-20.50.

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