

Weekly Broiler Report

Hatcherymen in the Keystone State placed 862,000 chicks for commercial broiler production during the week, according to the Pennsylvania Crop Reporting Service. This was an increase of 20 per cent over the previous week and 10 per cent above the comparable a year ago.

The 10-week total was 7 per cent below a year earlier. Egg set, totaling 1,228,000, were 6 per cent above a week ago but 7 per cent below the comparable period last year. The 3-week total was 3 per cent below a year ago.

Inshipments of broiler-type chicks for the past 10 weeks totaled 491,000 or 33 per cent above last year. Outshipments of 1,288,000 were down 35 per cent.

Egg settings in the 22 major producing states totaled 60,167,000, 1 per cent above a week earlier, but 1 per cent below last year. The 3-week total was 1 per cent below a year ago. Placements were 2 per cent above the previous week but down 1 per cent from last year. The 10-week total remained the same as a year ago.

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Demand fair for the increased offerings of heavy type hens. Offerings of light type hens barely adequate. However,

increased available supplies were noted from Southeast U. S. Processor demand only fair. Demand by further processors for dressed light type hens fair in some instances, light in others. Few lots of roasters sold at 22¢. Prices paid at farms for heavy type hens 15-16 mostly 15¢, light type hens 7-7½¢.

FOGELSVILLE AUCTION May 19

(Prices for dock weights. cents per lb. except where noted.)

Hens, lgt type, 7½-11½, M 8-9; Hens, heavy type, 18-24½, M 20-22; Pullets, 12½-34, M 26-32; Roasters, 11½-29; M 20-25; Fryers, 18-21; Drakes, 25-31; Turkeys, hens, 26-30; Rabbits, 32-42, M 37-41; Guineas, 50-55; Pigeons (per pair), 62-80; M 62-65; Jumbo Squab (per pound), 85; Total coops sold: 812.

Lancaster

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17.50, around 10 head 18.00, U. S. 1-3, 185-250 lbs. 16.50-17.00, U. S. 2-3, early 230-270 lbs. 15.50-16.00.

SOWS: U. S. 1-3, 300-450 lbs. 11.50-12.50, U. S. 2-3, 400-600 lbs. 10.50-11.50.

SHEEP: 425. Compared with 352 head last week. Fairly Ac-

Delmarva Heavy Volume; Prices Advance

Live broiler prices in Delmarva advanced nearly a quarter cent during the 24 hour period ending 10:30 Friday morning. The demand was good for heavy auction offerings.

Ready to cook demand was irregular, mostly fair but good in instances. Delivered prices were as much as a half cent higher in an unchanged range. Low side of the range was for prior commitments.

Live prices at farms during the period ranged 14.6 to 15.5 on reported purchases of 1,201,200 head including 589,600 head offered and sold at Thursday's auction in Selbyville, Del. Estimated slaughter by eastern shore processors for the weekend was 769,000 head compared to the 780,000 head last weekend.

The Delmarva broiler-feed ratio for the week ending May 15 was up one point at 2.9. Broilers during the week averaged 14.63 per pound and mash cost the grower \$101.00 per ton.

tive, Spring slaughter lambs steady to 1.00 lower. Choice 60-90 lbs. 25.00-27.00, few to 28.00, Good 21.00-25.00, Utility to Choice No. 2 and 3 pelt, Shorn slaughter ewes 4.00-7.00.

Weekly New York Egg Mkt.

From Monday, May 18th to Friday, May 22nd

| | Mon. | Tues. | Wed. | Thurs. | Fri. |
|--------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| WHITE | | | | | |
| Ex. | | | | | |
| Fcy. Hywts. | 28½ | 28½ | 28½ | 28½ | 28½ |
| Fcy. Hywts. | 28½ | 28½ | 28½ | 28½ | 28½ |
| Fcy. Med. | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 |
| No. 1 Med. | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 |
| Pullets | 19½ | 19½ | 19-19½ | 18½ | 18-18½ |
| Peewees | 16 | 16 | 16 | 15 | 15 |
| BROWN | | | | | |
| Ex. | | | | | |
| Fcy. Hywts. | 28½-29 | 28½-29 | 28½-29 | 28½ | 28½ |
| Fcy. Hywts. | 28½ | 28½ | 28½ | 28½ | 28½ |
| Fcy. Med. | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 |
| Pullets | 21 | 21 | 20 | 19 | 18½ |
| Peewees | 16 | 16 | 16 | 15 | 15 |
| MIXED | | | | | |
| Fcy. Hywts. | 28½ | 28½ | 28½ | 28½ | 28½ |
| No. 1 Med. | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 |
| Pullets | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Standards | 28 | 28 | 28 | 27½ | 27½ |
| Checks | 26 | 26 | 24-24½ | 24-24½ | 24½ |

TREND: Market appears in slightly better balance though midwestern paying prices for breaking stock reported easing further.

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