

Weekly Broiler Report

Hatcherymen in the Commonwealth placed 832,000 chicks for commercial broiler production during the week ending August 1, according to the Pennsylvania Crop Reporting Service. This was an increase of 18 percent over the previous week and 6 percent above last year. The 10-week total was 2 percent above the comparable period a year ago. Settings totaled 1,244,000 eggs for commercial broiler production or 3 percent below a week earlier, but remained 14 percent above last year. The 3-week total was 8 percent above a year ago. Inshipments of broiler-type chicks the past 10 weeks totaled 704,000 or 44 percent above the comparable period last year while outshipments of 1,446,000 were down 17 percent.

Placements in the major producing states totaled 40,250,000 chicks, 2 percent below a week earlier, but 3 percent above a year ago. The 10-week total was 2 percent above last year. Settings totaling 52,945,000 eggs, were 2 percent below the previous week, but 8 percent above a year earlier. The 3-week total of 160,718,000 eggs was 6 percent above last year.

Eastern Pa. and New Jersey Live Poultry Report

A divided trade opinion prevailed regarding the heavy type hen market. Some buyers offered lower prices in view of lower ready to cook price levels. In some instances, paying prices moved higher as light supplies fell short of

needs. A number of producers held flocks for either higher live price or production in as much as shell egg markets strengthened. Out of state purchases continued to supplement light local supplies. Ample offerings of light type hens cleared well under a fairly good demand. A few lots of young turkeys brought 25-26c on hens and 22-24c for the toms. Prices paid at farm for light type hens 7-8c, heavy type 14-16c.

Fogelsville Auction Report Sale of August 4

HENS, light type 7-10, M 8-9; HENS, heavy type, 8½-17½, M 12½-15½; PULLETS, 19½-29, M 23-27; ROASTERS, 10-26½, M 22-25; DUCKS, 13½-29, RABBITS, 13½-25, M 17-23, GUINEAS, 25-82½, M 65-82½; PIGEONS (per pair), 60-77½, M 70-77½. Total coops sold 822.

Vintage

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Sheep 50. Spring lambs about steady.

Spring lambs: Choice 80-100 lbs. 21.50-23.50, Good 18.50-21.00.

299 hogs were on offer at the August 1 auction. Hogs weighing 150-160 pounds brought 15.25-15.86, 160-180 pounds 15.50-17.35, 180-200 pounds 17.60-18.25, 200-220 pounds 17.75-18.50, 220-240 pounds 17.60-18.00 and 240 pounds and up 15.00-17.50.

Sows changed hands at 12.85-14.00.

Delmarva

Live broiler prices in Delmarva advance nearly ½ cent during the 24 hour period ending 10 30 Friday morning. The demand was good for moderate auction offerings.

Ready to cook demand ranged from barely fair to good in isolated instances. Movement for next week spotty with many dealers continuing to use wait and see attitude.

Estimated slaughter by eastern shore processors for the weekend was 788,000 head compared to the 845,000 head last weekend.

Live prices at farms during the period ranged 160 to 168 on reported purchases of 987,700 head including 573,900 head offered and sold at Thursday's auction at the Eastern Shore Poultry Growers Exchange.

Forty-one percent of the auction The Delmarva broiler-feed ratio for the week ending July 31 was up one point from the previous week at 32. Broilers averaged 15.48 per pound and mash cost the grower \$97.86 per ton.

Chicago

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1398 lbs. 25.50, equalling the High since last August load Prime 1360 lbs. 25.35, Bulk High Choice and Prime 1125-1400 lbs. 24.50-25.25, including number of loads Prime 1140-1400 lbs at 25.00-25.25, mostly 25.25 late, several loads High Choice and Prime 1409-1451 lbs. 24.50-25.00, Choice 1100-1400 lbs 23.50-24.50, load 1450 lbs 24.00 and couple of loads Choice and Prime 1625 lbs. 22.25-22.50, Choice 900-1100 lbs. 22.75-24.00, few loads

Weekly New York Egg Mkt.

From Monday, August 3rd to Friday, August 7th

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
WHITE					
Ex.					
Fcy. Hywts.	36½	37½	37½	38½	39½
Fcy. Hywts.	34½	35½	35½	36½	38
Fcy. Med.	29	29	30	30	31½
No. 1 Med.	28	28	29	29	30
Pullets	20½	20½-21	20½-21	21	23
Peeweese	14	14	14	15	16
BROWN					
Ex.					
Fcy. Hywts.	40½	40½	40½	41½	42
Fcy. Hywts.	35	36	36	37	38½
Fcy. Med.	30	30	30	30	31½
Pullets	20½-21	20½-21	20½-21	21	23
Peeweese	14	14	14	15	16
MIXED					
Fcy. Hywts.	34-34½	35½	35½	36½	38
Standards	29½	30½	30½	29½-30½	32-32½
Checks	23	23	23	23	23

TREND: Market shows increased firmness especially on fancy of all sizes under shorter supplies and close clearance.

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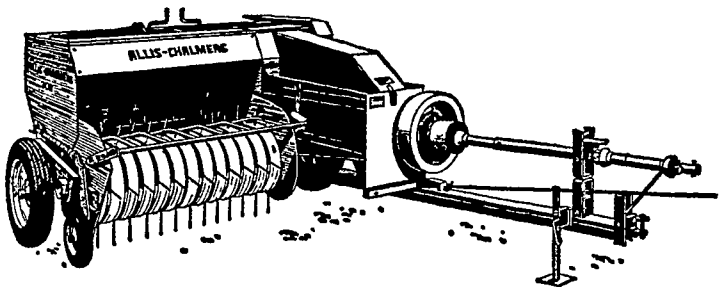
High Choice and Prime 965-1025 lbs 24.00-24.25, Mixed Good and Choice 900-1300 lbs. 22.50-23.25, Good these weights 21.00-22.50, Standard and Low Good 18.00-20.50, load High Standard Holsteins 19.75, few Standard and Low Good Holsteins 20.00-20.50.

Slaughter heifers: Load High Choice and Prime 1025 lbs. 24.00, several loads High Choi-

ce and Prime 890-1000 lbs. 23.25-23.50, part load 23.75, Choice 800-1050 lbs 21.75-23.25, load Choice 1100 lbs. 23.25, load 1200 lbs 22.50 and load Choice 775 lbs. 21.50, Good 18.50-20.50, Good and Choice 20.25-21.50.

Cows: Cutter to Commercial 12.50-14.25, Canner 11.50-12.75. Bulls: Cutter to Commercial 17.00-19.00.

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