

Weekly Broiler Report

Hatcherymen in the Commonwealth placed 907,000 chicks for commercial broiler production during the week ending August 15, according to the Pennsylvania Crop Reporting Service. This was a decrease of 3 per cent from the previous week but 28 per cent above a year earlier. The 10-week total was 6 per cent above the comparable period last year. Eggs set for commercial broiler production totaled 1,162,000, down 7 per cent from a week earlier, but 8 per cent above last year. The 3-week total was 13 per cent above a year ago. Shipments of broiler-type chicks past 10 weeks totaled 677,000 or 47 per cent above the comparable period last year. Outshipments of 1,399,000 were down 13 per cent. Placements in the 22 major producing states totaled 39,566,000 chicks, only slightly below a week earlier, but 7 per cent above a year ago. The 10-week total was 3 per cent above last year. Settings at 50,612,000 eggs, were 3 per cent below the previous week, but 7 per cent above a year earlier. The 3-week total of 155,694,000 eggs set was 8 per cent above last year.

Eastern Pa. & New Jersey
Demand for heavy type hens good. Movement moderate & seasonally heavy. Supplies

barely adequate. Offerings of light type hens adequate for a fair demand. Some lots of Bronze type hen turkeys moved off farms at 22-24¢ & few tom turkeys at 24¢. Prices at farms for light type hens ranged 7-8¢ mostly 7½¢, heavy type hens 13-15¢ mostly 14-14½¢.

Fogelsville, Pa., August 18
(Prices for dock weights, ¢ per lb except where noted.)
HENS, light type 7½-10, mostly 8-9; **HENS**, heavy type 8-16½, mostly 13-15½, **PULLETS** 15½-31, mostly 24-30; **ROASTERS** 8-28½, mostly 23-27½; **DUCKS** 10-26, mostly 16-18, **RABBITS** 18½-26½, mostly 20-25½; **GUINEAS** 82-82½; **PIGEONS** (per pair) 35-87½, mostly 70-87½, **JUMBO SQUAB** 45-75, mostly 75. Total coops sold 1190.

• New Holland

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335 hogs and 35 shoats brought steady to 25¢ higher prices. Retail hogs to local butchers brought 18 75-19 50; grades 1 to 3 went to the packers at 17 75-18 25, and heavyweight hogs sold for 17 25-17 75. Shoats brought 10-14, and sows were 11.50-14 00.

Vealers sold steady at the August 17 auction as 145 head were on offer. Choice and

• Delmarva

Live broiler prices in Delmarva remained steady with a good demand for light auction offerings. Prices on high side of range during the 24 hour period ending 10:30 Friday morning.

Ready to cook demand spottily ranging from fair to good. Prices for next week fair and competitive in other production areas, with delivered prices unchanged.

Estimated slaughter by eastern short processors for the weekend was 829,000 head compared to the 810,000 head last weekend.

Live prices at farms during the period ranged from 15 9 to 16 7 on reported purchases of 819,700 head including 453,800 head offered and sold at Thursday's auction at the Eastern Shore Poultry Growers Exchange.

Forty-six per cent of the auction sales were at 16.0 to 16.4.

The Delmarva broiler-feed ratio for the week ending August 14 was down one point from last week at 3 2. Broilers averaged 15.76 per pound and mash cost the grower \$98.43 per ton.

prime vealers were 32 50-35 00, good and low choice 28-32.50; standard 25-28, and cull and common 18 50-25. Lambs brought 20-23 50.

Weekly New York Egg Mkt.

From Monday, August 17th to Friday, August 21st


| | Mon. | Tues. | Wed. | Thurs. | Fri. |
|--------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| WHITE | | | | | |
| Ex. | | | | | |
| Fcy. Hywts. | 43 | 44½ | 44½ | 44½ | 44½ |
| Fcy. Hywts. | 41 | 41½-42 | 41½-42 | 42 | 42 |
| Fcy. Med. | 32½ | 34 | 34 | 34 | 32-34 |
| No. 1 Med. | 31 | 32 | 32 | 32 | 32 |
| Pullets | 21 | 23½ | 23½ | 21 | 19-20 |
| Peewees | 16 | 16-17 | 16-17 | 16-17 | 16 |
| BROWN | | | | | |
| Ex. | | | | | |
| Fcy. Hywts. | 43 | 45 | 45 | 45 | 45 |
| Fcy. Hywts. | 40-41 | 43 | 43 | 43 | 43 |
| Fcy. Med. | 33 | 34 | 34 | 34 | 34 |
| Pullets | 22 | 25 | 25 | 25½-25 | 25 |
| Peewees | 16 | 16-17 | 16-17 | 16-17 | 16 |
| MIXED | | | | | |
| Fcy. Hywts. | 40 | 41½ | 41½ | 41½ | 41½ |
| Standards | 32½ | 32½-34 | 32½-34 | 34 | 34 |
| Checks | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 |

TREND. Market continues to clear very closely on top grades with browns very short, mediums and pullets still quite irregular.

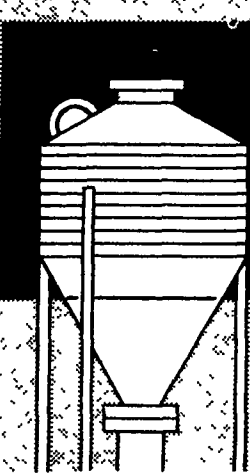
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• Lancaster

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17 50.
Sows U.S. 1-3 300-400 lbs. 12 00-13 00, Few U.S. 1-2 13 00-13 00-22 00
Hogs 1375 Compared with 13 50, U.S. 2-3 400-550 lbs. 11 00-13 05 last week Barrows and 12 00, Few 550-650 lbs. 10 50-11 00
50 lower. Sows mostly 11 00
Sheep 310 Compared with Barrows and Gilts: U.S. 1-2 272 last week Spring lambs 190-240 lbs 18 25-18 75, U.S. 1, fairly active, about steady. 190-230 lbs 18 75-19 50, U.S. Spring lambs Choice 65-100 1-3 185-250 lbs 17 50-18 00, U. lbs 22 50 24 50, few 25 00, Good S 2-3 230-270 lbs. 17 00-17 50, 20 00-22 50, Utility 18.00-20 00. few U.S. 1-3 170-190 lbs. 16 50-



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