

Weekly Broiler Report

Lowest Weekly Placement
Since April 11

Hatcherymen placed 658,000 chicks for commercial broiler production in the State during the week ending September 26, according to the Pennsylvania Crop Reporting Service. This was a decline of 16 per cent from the previous week and the lowest weekly placement since April 11. The 10 week total placements, however, were 14 per cent above a year earlier. Broiler-type eggs set during the week totaled 1,030,000, down 4 per cent from a week earlier and 1 per cent below a year ago. The 3-week total was 3 per cent below a year earlier. In shipments of broiler-type chicks the past 10 weeks totaled 806,000 or 40 per cent above the comparable period last year. Outshipments of 1,254,000 were down 7 per cent. Placements in the 22 major producing states totaled 346 million chicks, down 2 per cent from the previous week, but 3 per cent above a year earlier. The 10-week total placements remained 5 per cent above last year. Settings of 49.2 million eggs were 2 per cent below a week earlier, but 4 per cent above a year ago. The 3-week total continued 5 per cent above last year.

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Supplies of light type hens continue heavy. Demand only fair. Some processors restricting purchases & unable to handle all offerings. Processors also reported difficulty mov-

ing processed birds due to heavy Cold Storage Holdings & price competition from frozen export shipments from dressing plants located in the Midwest. Offerings of heavy type hens adequate for the fair demand. Supplies of heavy type hens turkeys moderate adequate for fair buying interest. An occasional lot of heavy type toms brought 21-22¢ & light type hens turkeys 26¢. Prices paid at farms 9/28-30 for light type hens 6-7¢, heavy type hens 15 1/2¢. Turkeys Hens, heavy type 22-24¢.

Vintage

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At a Special Feeder Sale on Sept. 25, 500 feeders were offered.

Good and Choice (700-1050 lbs) 20.85 to 22.25.

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Good (700 to 1000 lbs) 19.00 to 20.50

Medium (400 to 900 lbs) 15.50 to 18.50. Culls down to 12 cents per pound.

At the Sept 26 Hog Sale, 190 hogs were sold.

160-180 lbs, 17.25, 180-200 lbs 17.75-18.60; 200-220 lbs, 18.00-18.60; 220-240 lbs 17.50-19.25, 240 up, 16.25-17.60; Sows, 12.50-13.85.

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Delmarva

Live broiler and fryer prices continued steady with good demand for light auction offerings.

Ready to cook demand was mostly slow though fair in instances. School lunch commitments were a factor in maintaining movement. Some limited feature activity was noted for next week.

Delivered prices were 1/2 to 3/4 cents lower, and were competitive with other producing areas.

Eastern slaughter for Friday and Saturday was 834,000 head compared to 734,000 head last weekend.

Prices paid and reported purchases for the 24-hour period ending 10.30 A.M. Friday, broilers and fryers 144-151, 1,086,900 head were purchased, including 428,000 head offered and sold at Eastern Poultry Growers Exchange on Thursday.

Thirty-one percent of the auction offerings were sold at 145-149.

The Delmarva broiler-feed ratio for the week ending Sept. 25, 1964 was 3.0. This represented a decline of 2 points from last week. Broilers averaged 15.44 cents per pound, and mash \$101.49 per ton.

GOOD BUY IN MEAT

If you're looking for one to

four pounds of tasty meat, you could buy a boneless smoked shoulder butt, say Penn State extension consumer economics specialists. You may know the cut as a cottage roll. Boneless butt or cottage roll is a nugget of ham-like flavor carved out of the pork shoulder. Because of its convenient size, it's an excellent buy for a small family.

Weekly New York Egg Mkt.

From Monday, September 28th to Friday, October 2nd

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.
WHITE					
Ex Fcy. Hywts	38 1/2	38 1/2-39	39	39	39
Fcy. Hywts	37	37	37	37	37
Fcy Med.	25	25-25 1/2	27	29	29
No 1 Med.	25	25-25 1/2	27	28	28
Pullets	19	19	19	19	19
Peewees	16	16	26	16	16
BROWN					
Ex. Fcy Hywts	41	41	41	42	42
Fcy Hywts.	39	39	39	40	40
Fcy. Med.	27	27	27	27	27
Pullets	19	19-20	20	21	21
Peewees	16	16	16	16	16
MIXED					
Fcy. Hywts.	36	36	36	36	36
Standards	32	32	32	32	32
Checks	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2	23

TREND. Market holds steady under fair clearance of fancy large, and moderately good clearance of medium and small sizes.

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1050 lbs. 24.50-25.00, mostly 24.75-25.00, load prime 1090 lbs 25.50, bulk choice 800-1050 lbs. 23.25-24.50, few loads 24-75, good 21.00-22.25, standard and low good 19.00-21.00

cial closed at 12.00-14.50, few to 15.00, canner and cutter 10.50-13.00.

Bulls. Cutter to commercial closed at 16.50-18.50, early in the week, to 19.00.

Feeders Four loads mixed good and choice 600 lb. steers 21.25, few loads standard and good 600-700 18.50-19.50.

Cows: Utility and commer-



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