

Weekly Broiler Report

Broiler Placements Increase 17%

Placements of broiler chicks in Pa. during the week ending Feb. 6 totaled 1,019,000 according to the Pennsylvania Crop Reporting Service. The placements increased 17% from the previous week and 47% from a year ago. Settings for broiler chicks totaling 1,301,000 increased 1% from the previous week but declined 4% from a year earlier. The current 3-week total of eggs set increased 5% from last year. Inshipments of broiler-type chicks during the past 10 weeks totaled 363,000 or 17% below the comparable period in 1963-64. Outshipments (2,313,000) were about 18% above the comparable period a year ago.

Placements in the 22 major-producing states totaling 43,191,000 chicks increased 5% from the previous week and 11% from a year earlier. The 10-week total increased 4% from last year. Settings of 58,526,000 advanced 1% from the previous week and 4% from a year ago. The 3-week total increased 6% from a year ago.

Eastern Pa. & N.J.

Demand for light type hens fair. Supplies increased slightly & were adequate to fully adequate for needs. Movement from New York State to New Jersey processors lighter as some supplies in New York move to Canadian processors. Activity light on heavy type hens. Supplies barely adequate for an only fair buying interest. Occasional flock of 6-6½# hens moved off farms at 16¢. Prices paid at Farms: Light type hens 4-6¢, 5-5½¢; heavy type hens 18-19¢.

Fogelsville

(Prices for dock weight, ¢ per lb. except where noted.)
Hens, light type 6-7½, 6;
Hens, heavy type 8-21½, 13½-18½; Pullets 15-27½, 24-27½;
Roasters 28½-30½; Capons 34-35; Ducks 26-36, 30-36; Drakes 27-40, 36-39; Geese 30½-31; Turkeys, toms 17-25½, 21½-25½; Turkeys, hens 26-35, 31-35; Rabbits 34-52, 42-49; Guineas 37½-55, 42½-52½; Pigeons (per pair) 60-65; Jumbo Squab 85. Total coops sold: 958.

Delmarva

The Delmarva live broiler and fryer price declined slightly. Demand was fair for heavy auction offerings despite widespread extension of pickup dates.

Ready-to-cook demand was mostly fair with very few plants operating Saturday. New interest was non-aggressive and very competitive with other production areas. Delivered prices were mostly ½ cent lower.

Estimated slaughter for Friday and Saturday, 772,000 compared with 725,000 last weekend.

Prices paid and reported purchases for the 24-hour period ending 10:30 a.m. Friday: broilers and fryers, 15.1-16.3; 1,113,300 head, including 523,000 head purchased of 533,000 offered at Eastern Poultry Growers Exchange, Thursday. Thirty-nine % of broilers sold for 15.5-15.9 cents per pound.

The Delmarva broiler-feed ratio for the week ending Feb. 5, 1965 was 3.2, down 1 point from the preceding week. Average mash price per ton was \$102.06 and broilers averaged 16.51 cents per pound.

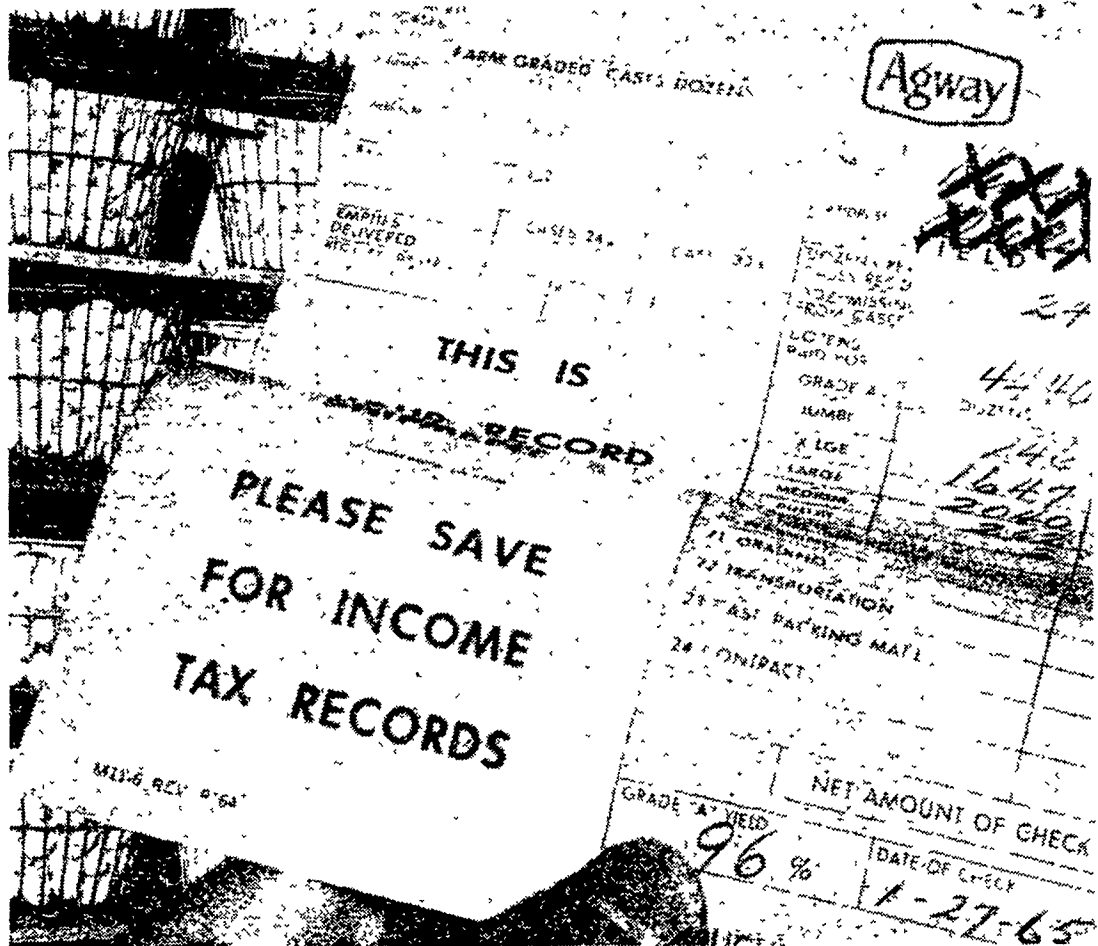
Weekly New York Egg Mkt.

From Monday, February 8th to Friday, February 12th

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.
WHITE					
Ex. Fcy. Hywts.	33	33	33	32½-33	
Fcy. Hywts.	31	31½	31½	31½	
Fcy. Med.	26½	26½	27½	29	
No. 1 Med.	25-26	26	26½	27½	
Pullets	24	25	26	26	
Peewees	19½-20	20-21	22	22	
BROWN					
Ex. Fcy. Hywts.	35	35	35	35	
Fcy. Hywts.	32½	32½	32½	32½	
Fcy. Med.	27	27	28	29	
Pullets	25	26	27	27	
Peewees	19½-20	20-21	22	22	
MIXED					
Fcy. Hywts.	31	31½	31½	31½	
Standards	29	29	29	29	
Checks	21½-22	22	22	22	

TREND: Fancy large not clearing with some shading in the effort to attract broader demand. Medium and small, active and firmer with limited receipts.

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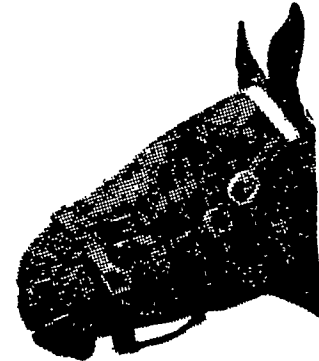
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