

Weekly Broiler Report

Broiler Placements Increase 1 Percent

Placements of broiler chicks in the Commonwealth during the week ending March 20, totaled 789,000, according to the Pennsylvania Crop Reporting Service. The placements increased 1 percent from the previous week and 5 percent from a year ago. Settings for broiler chicks totaling 1,401,000 declined 3 percent from the previous week but advanced 34 percent from a year ago. The current 3-week total of eggs set increased 22 percent from last year. Inshipments of broiler-type chicks during the past 10 weeks totaled 627,000 or 80 percent above the comparable period in 1964. Outshipments (2,117,000) were 34 percent above the comparable period a year earlier.

Placements in the 23 major-producing states totaling 46,055,000 increased 1 percent from the previous week and 4 percent from a year earlier. The 10-week total increased 5 percent from last year. Set-

tings of 63,711,000 were up 1 percent from the previous week and 6 percent from a year ago. The 3-week total increased 5 percent from a year ago.

Eastern Pa. & N.J.

Prices held unchanged on light type hens. Demand fair. Offerings barely adequate to occasionally short. Demand fair on heavy type hens. Supplies adequate. Some inquiry developed for roasters with non-contractual offerings scarce. Prices paid at farms: Light type hens 6-7c; Heavy type hens 18 3/4-21c.

Fogelsville

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

Hens, light type 6-9, 6-7. Hens, heavy type 8-26, 16-22. Pullets 17-41, 35-41. Roasters 15-40, 32-38. Ducks 30-35. Drakes 17-39, 36-39. Geese 29-31. Turkeys, toms 27-29. Turkeys, hens 31-40, 37-40. Rabbits 35-50, 46-50. Guineas 43-57, 49-54. Pigeons (per pair) 1 00-1 50, 1 00-1 10. Jumbo Squab 87 1/2. Total coops sold 548.

Delmarva

The Delmarva broiler and fryer live prices declined nearly 1/2 cent; demand only fair despite frequent extension of pickup dates.

Ready-to-cook demand fair; however, practically no plants plan to operate Saturday. Some retail features for next week.

Delivered prices generally unchanged, though trending lower in an unchanged range.

Estimated slaughter for Friday and Saturday, 707,000 head, compared with 700,000 head last weekend.

Prices paid and reported purchases for the 24-hour period ending 10 30 a.m. Friday: broilers and fryers, 15-16 9; 984,200 head, including 421,600 head purchased of 432,600 head offered at Eastern Poultry Growers Exchange, Thursday.

Thirty-eight percent of the broilers and fryers sold for 16 0-16 4 cents per pound.

The Delmarva broiler-feed ratio for the week ending Mar. 19, 1965 was 32, down two points from the preceding week. The average mash price was \$103.06 per ton, and the average broiler price was 16 44 cents per pound.

Weekly New York Egg Mkt.

From Monday, March 22nd to Friday, March 25th

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.
WHITE					
Ex Fcy. Hywts	35	35	35	35	35
Fcy Hywts	34	32 1/2-33	33 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2
Fcy Med	31 1/2	30 1/2	30 1/2	30-30 1/2	30 1/2
No 1 Med	29 1/2	27 1/2	27 1/2-28	28	28
Pullets	27	26-27	26-27	26-27	27
Peeweese	22	22	22	21	21
BROWN					
Ex Fcy Hywts	38 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2
Fcy Hywts	36 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2
Fcy Med	31 1/2	31 1/2	31 1/2	31 1/2	31 1/2
Pullets	28	28	28	28	28
Peeweese	22	22	22	21	21
MIXED					
Fcy. Hywts	34	32 1/2-33	33 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2
Standards	30 1/2	29	29	29 1/2	31
Checks	28 1/2	27	26	26 1/2	27

TREND Market showing rather dull trading in many instances. Mediums clearing here, but available at some outside points. Undergrades are firm.

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Mixed Good and Choice 75-100 lb woolled lambs 25 50-27 50, Good 23 00-25 50, Utility 20 00-23 00, Choice and Prime 35-50 lb Spring lambs 32 00-38 00, Mainly \$35 00-37 00, Lot Choice and Prime 86 lb \$34 00, Utility to Choice Slaughter Ewes \$5 00-9 00

Chicago

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1380 lbs 27 75-28 00, three loads 1325-1380 lbs 28 00, highest since September 30th, high choice and prime 1135-1400 lbs 25 50-27 50, late 26 50-27 50 including two loads 1135 lbs 27-

Lancaster

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Hogs 1175 Moderately Active, Barrows and gilts steady to 25c higher. Sows steady. Barrows and gilts US 1-2 190-240 lbs 18 50-19 25, Early sales 18 50-19 00, US 1, 190-230 lbs 19 00-19 50, US 1-3 180-250 lbs 18 00-18 75, mainly 18 00-18 50, US 2-3 220-240 lbs 17 75-18 00, 240-280 lbs 17 25-17 75. Sows 1-3 300-450 lbs 13 50-14 50, US 2-3 400-550 lbs 13 00-14 00. Sheep 200 Moderately Active, All classes fully steady.

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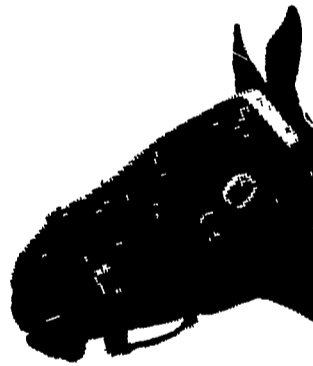
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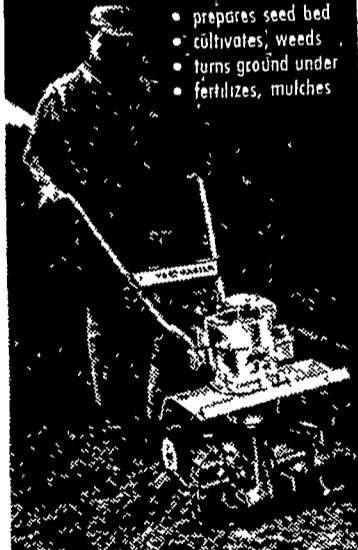
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