

Weekly Poultry Report

Eastern Pennsylvania
And New Jersey

Fogelsville
July 2, 1968

Prices of light type hens unchanged, however in instances, bids as high as 7c were reported in effect to stimulate movement. Demand generally good for light offerings. Heavy type demand light and unaggressive. Offerings very spotty but adequate for needs. Prices paid @ farms: Light type hens 5-6%, mostly 6-6%. Heavy type hens TFEWR.

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

Light Hens 5-9, mostly 5-6; Heavy Hens 8-26, mostly 8-18; Roasters 30-33; Tom Turkeys 10-21, mostly 19-21; Hen Turkeys 28-32; Rabbits 20-32½; Guineas 1.02; Pigeons (per pair) 75-1.20; Jumbo Squab 85-95.
Total coops sold — 256.

Eastern Shore Exchange

Broiler and fryer live prices averaged 17.39 cents a pound this holiday week. Prices paid ranged from a high of 18.5 cents a pound on Wednesday to a low of 16.8 cents a pound on Monday. Total sales for the three days were 654,200 head, down 194,100 head from last week.

● Auction

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CALVES 74 — Vealers mostly steady, slaughter calves slow weak to \$1.00 lower.

VEALERS — Good \$36.50-39.50, few Choice \$40.50-43.50; Standard \$34.00-37.00; Utility \$32.50-35.50; Cull 95-120 lb. \$29.00-33.00.

SLAUGHTER CALVES — Good 230-300 lb. \$32.00-35.00; Standard \$29.00-33.00.

HOGS 123 — Barrows and gilts steady to 25 higher.

BARROWS AND GILTS — US 1-2 210-235 lb. \$24.50. US 2-3 195-245 lb. \$23.25-24.00.

SHEEP 15 — Insufficient volume of anyone class for a market test, few Utility 45-70 lb. spring slaughter lambs \$23.50.

● Vintage

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50; Good 36.50-39.00; Standard 33.50-37.00; Utility 32.50-35.00; Cull 95-120 lbs. 30.50-32.50. 70-90 lbs. 26.50-31.00.

HOGS 177—Barrows and gilts steady to weak.

BARROWS AND GILTS—US 2-3 190-230 lbs. 23.10-23.85; US 2, 200-225 lbs. 24.10-24.25; US 3-4 270 lbs. 18.50; US 4, 290-315 lbs. 17.50-17.75.

SHEEP 32 — Spring lambs weak to \$1.00 lower. Ewes steady.

SPRING LAMBS — Good 45-90 lbs 24.00-27.50; Utility 22.50-25.00.

SLAUGHTER EWES—Utility and Good 6.00-8.00.

Rich Soil Needed

Vine crops, such as cucumbers, squash, pumpkins, and muskmelons, require rich loam soil containing much organic matter, says James O. Dutt, extension vegetable specialist at The Pennsylvania State University. Vine crops also need plenty of fertilizer and insect control. If irrigation is needed, water during the day.

USDA Food Donations Up Nearly 20 Percent 1st 9 Months Of 1968

It's general knowledge that use of convenience foods is increasing, but the U.S. Department of Agriculture found some surprises in comparing use of 32 convenience foods in 1955 and 1965.

Low-income households increased their use of the 32 convenience foods more than high-income households. The money value of convenience foods used by the low-income group increased by 47 percent, while the increase for the high-income group was about 28 percent. The average for all households was 34 percent.

Fresh, commercial fruit juice was one of the biggest gainers in the 10-year period, with nearly a 3-fold increase. Powdered fruit ades and punches registered a 200 percent increase in quantity used, in spite of a 9-fold increase in cost value.

The data on convenience foods were gathered as part of a comprehensive survey of food consumption in U.S. households in the spring of 1965. This and a similar survey in 1955 were conducted by food economists in USDA's Agricultural Research Service. Data were collected on all foods used during a 1-week period, including the 32 commonly used convenience foods reported here.

The combined money value of these 32 convenience foods purchased during the 1 week survey period increased 33 percent — from \$6.15 per household in 1955 to \$8.13 in 1965. The increase per person was from \$1.84 to \$2.47 — up about 34 percent.

Use of all commercially processed soups went up, but the gain was greatest for dehydrated

Weekly New York Egg Mkt.

From Monday, July 1st to Wednesday, July 3rd

	Mon.	Tues	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
WHITE					
Fcy. Ex. Large	36-37	36-37	37-38		
Fcy. Large	33	33	33½-34		
Fcy. Mediums	29	29½-30	30		
Fcy. Pullets	20	20	20		
Fcy. Peewees	14	14	14		
BROWN					
Fcy. Large	33	33	36		
Fcy. Mediums	29	29½-30	30		
Fcy. Pullets	20	20	20		
Fcy. Peewees	14	14	14		
Standards	31	31	28-31		
Checks	18½	18½	18½		

Trend — No trend was reported this week due to the two day holiday, Thursday and Friday.

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ed soups. Use of dehydrated soups increased 100 percent, compared with 30 percent for canned, condensed soups.

Ready-to-eat breakfast cereals scored an increase of more than 30 percent in quantity of use, in spite of their increase in price reflected in their 90 percent greater money value in 1965.

Instant coffee consumption rose by 125 percent, while its money value increased only about 33 percent.

Rural farm families increased their use of convenience foods,

in money value terms, by 61 percent between 1955 and 1965. Even so, the money value of convenience foods used per person per week was still less for farm families (\$1.98) than the average for the U.S. (\$2.47). Although urban families' use of convenience foods changed less in money value than the U.S. average (because their use of these foods was fairly high in 1955), they were using convenience foods with an average money value per person per week of \$2.58 — more than the U.S. average.

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