

# Weekly Poultry Report

**Eastern Pennsylvania  
And New Jersey**

No report given due to  
Christmas Holiday.

## Eastern Shore Exchange

Broiler and fryer live prices averaged 14.14 cents a pound this week. Prices paid ranged from a high of 15 1/4 cents a pound on Thursday to a low of 13 cents a pound on Monday. Sales totaled 456,600 head in this three-day Christmas week, down 131,300 head from last week.

## Chicago

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On Tuesday, Prime 1200-1440 lbs. Yield Grade 3 and 4 30.25-32.00, latter the highest since March, 1966, Mixed High Choice and Prime 1100-1375 lbs. 30.00-31.50, Choice 950-1350 lbs. Yield Grade 2 to 4 29.00-30.00, Mixed Good and Choice 28.00-29.00, Good 26.50-28.00, Standard and Low Good 24.50-26.50.

**SLAUGHTER HEIFERS** — On Tuesday Mixed High Choice and Prime 900-1050 lbs. Yield Grade 3 and 4 28.75-29.50, latter the highest since March, 1966, Choice 800-1025 lbs. Yield Grade 2 to 4 27.75-28.75, Mixed Good and Choice 27.00-27.75, Good 25.00-27.00, Standard and Low Good 22.50-25.00.

# Fogelsville

No sale this week because  
of Christmas Holiday.

## Hogs & Pigs on U.S. Farms Up 4 Percent

The number of hogs and pigs on farms December 1 is an estimated 61,025,000 head — up 4 percent from a year earlier. Breeding hogs totaled 9,570,000, an increase of 4 percent from 1967. Hogs and pigs for market totaled 51,455,000, also up 4 percent from a year earlier.

By weight group classification, the number of market hogs and pigs on hand December 1, 1968 and the percentage change from the previous year are: less than 60 pounds, 18,517,000 head, up 3 percent, 60-119 pounds, 13,976,000 head, up 4 percent; 120-179 pounds, 10,576,000 head, up 7 percent, and 180 pounds and heavier, 8,386,000 head up 1 percent.

## Vintage

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Utility 32-37; Cull 95-120 lbs. 23-27 50, 70-90 lbs. 20-24.

**HOGS 260** — Barrows and gilts \$1-1 50 higher.

**BARROWS & GILTS US 1-2** 190-245 lbs. 22 75-22.85. US 2, 190-240 lbs. 22-22.60; US 2-3 200-270 lbs. 21 50-21 85.

**SHEEP 8** — Insufficient volume for a market test.

# Pig Crop Report

## Pa. Fall Pig Crop Up 7%

The 1968 fall pig crop in Pennsylvania totaled 375,000 — an increase of 7 percent from June-November production in 1967. The number of sows farrowed, 50,000, was up sharply from the 45,000 for a year earlier but pigs per litter declined from 7.8 for the 1967 fall crop to 7.5 for June-November 1968.

The spring pig crop at 408,000 head was the same as in 1967. Pigs produced in 1968 totaled 783,000 or 3 percent more than in 1967.

Hogs and pigs on Pennsylvania farms on December 1 are estimated at 547,000, an increase of 10 percent from a year earlier. Hogs kept for breeding totaled 71,000 and 476,000 were classified as market hogs.

Sows to farrow during December 1968 through May 1969 are set at 54,000—an increase of 2 percent from a year earlier.

## June-November Pig Crop up 4%

The June-November 1968 pig crop is an estimated 45,270,000 head, an increase of 4 percent from a year earlier. The Western Corn Belt States led all regions with a 7 percent increase, followed by the North Atlantic at 6 percent; South Atlantic and West, 4 percent; and Eastern

# Weekly New York Egg Mkt.

(From Monday, December 23rd to Friday, December 27th)

	Mon.	Tues	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
<b>WHITE</b>					
Fcy. Ex. Large	49½	49½		49½	49½
Fcy. Large	49½	49½		49½	49½
Fcy. Mediums	47½	47½		47½	47½
Fcy. Pullets	32	35		35	35
Fcy. Peewees	26	27		27	27
<b>BROWN</b>					
Fcy. Large	50	50		50	50
Fcy. Mediums	46½	46½		46½	46½
Fcy. Pullets	32	35		35	35
Fcy. Peewees	26	27		27	27
Standards	46	46		46	46
Checks	29	29		29½	29½

Trend: All grades continue to clear with offerings where available readily moved.

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West, and unchanged in the Corn Belt, 1 percent. A decline of 2 percent occurred in the South Central States.

Average litter size during June-November 1968 was 7.35. Sows farrowing during June-November 1968 totaled 6,156,000 pigs compared with the record head, up 4 percent from a year high for this period 1 year ago earlier. Farrowings were up 8 percent in the North Atlantic States, 7 percent in the Western

A mind reader looking for work around most offices would be seeking part-time employment. Corn Belt, 5 percent in the South Atlantic, 3 percent in the

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