

# Weekly Poultry Report

## Delmarva

Ready-to-cook movement generally good for weekend needs, however prices very competitive especially from other producing areas. Less-than-trucklot prices generally unchanged for immediate delivery through much firmer for first of next week. Live supplies ample and much heavier than desired in some quarters while very good in others.

Pool trucklot (Friday arrival at terminal markets): U.S. Grade A 27-29½ M 27-27½c; Plant Grade 26-27½ M 26-26½c. Special packs including 1¾-2, 3½ # sizes 29½-31½c.

## Fogelsville

November 24, 1969

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

HENS, Heavy Type 6-19½; PULLETS 19-27; ROASTERS 20-30; CAPONS 33-43½; DUCKS 24-30½; DRACKES 34-43; TURKEYS, Hens 33-35; RABBITS 32-46; PIGEONS (Per Pair) 80-1.30.

TOTAL COOPS SOLD 455.

## Eastern Pennsylvania And New Jersey

Prices of light type hens unchanged to ¼c higher. Demand good from processing plants. Offerings barely adequate to short of full needs as producers continue to hold for further production at current favorable egg prices. Occasional processor reports filling part of slaughter schedule with heavy colored hens at 15c delivered. Demand for heavy type hens good and generally exceeding limited offerings. Trade advices indicate live supplies of turkeys fully filled needs in most quarters. Supplies of roasters also fully adequate for buying interest. Prices paid at farm: Light Type Hens 8-11¼ M 11¼-11½c in Pennsylvania, mostly 10-10½c in New Jersey. Heavy Type Hens: Tfew.

## Chicago

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Prime and 79 percent choice last week and 13 percent Prime and 76 percent Choice last year. Average cost and weight slaughter steers estimated at 29.20 and 1165 lbs. compared with 28.55 and 1156 lbs. last week and 28.78

## Pa. Livestock Slaughter

(For the week of November 24, 1969)

	Cattle	Hogs	Sheep
First 3 days	340,000	941,000	119,000
Same period last week	332,000	839,000	105,000
Same period last year	351,000	984,000	128,000

## Death Of Dairy Calves Can Be Prevented

Fifteen percent of all dairy calves born, die before they reach two years of age.

You can prevent many of these unnecessary losses, however, says Dr. Robert C. Hammond, Extension veterinarian, University of Maryland, by paying strict attention to the following details.

The first three or four days are the most critical, he continues. To be successful in raising calves, make sure your calf is born in a clean box-stall or lot; that he gets colostrum milk and that he grows up in a place kept clean and free from drafts.

Bacteria, viruses and parasites are all waiting to attack young calves. Calves born in dirty surroundings are so contaminated with disease organisms that they must immediately start the battle for survival against disease. The odds are against them —

and many will lose the battle. Many fatal infections in newborn calves, continues Dr. Hammond, can be prevented by painting the naval with iodine immediately after birth — the sooner the better.

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Dr. Hammond says that if the calf is healthy after these critical first three days, the following suggestions should keep it that way:

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## Weekly New York Egg Mkt.

(From Monday, November 24th to Friday, November 28th)

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
<b>WHITE</b>					
Fcy. Ex Large	62-63	62-63	62-63		62-63
Fcy. Large	62	62	62		62
Fcy. Mediums	61	61	61		61
Fcy. Pullets	52	49	45		44-45
Fcy. Peewees	36	36	36		36
<b>BROWN</b>					
Fcy. Large	63	63	63		63
Fcy. Mediums	59	59	59		59
Fcy. Pullets	52	49	45		44-45
Fcy. Peewees	36	36	36		36
Standards	58	58	58		58
Checks	44	44	44		44

Trend: Over-all clearance on large is surprisingly good. Mediums irregular with supplies available in mid-West and East but still short in South. Pullets irregular with supplies available.

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daily to avoid an accumulation of moisture and manure.

2. Empty the calf barn of all calves occasionally so that it can be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected. It often happens that following a thorough disinfection such as given after a Bangs reactor, the calf infections disappear for a time.

3. When you visit your neighbor's calf barn, be sure you scrub and disinfect your boots before you go back into yours. For that matter, you should always scrub your boots before you go to his place.

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