

# Poultry Market Reports

**Fogelsville**  
November 17

**Delmarva**  
November 18, 1970

**Eastern Pa. and N. J.**  
November 18, 1970

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

HENS, heavy type 7.20, mostly 9.14, PULLETS 15.33, M 28.32, ROASTERS 18.36, M 28.34, CAPONS 35-52, M 46.52; DUCKS 9.36, M 20.28, DRACKES 10.44, M 35.43, GEESE 24.12-40.12, M 36.40, TURKEYS, Toms 25-28.1/2; TURKEYS Hens 25-35. RABBITS 10-45, M 40.43; GUINEAS 69-74; PIGEONS (per pair) 95-3.25, M 95-1.10.

TOTAL COOPS SOLD 907

## Chicago Cattle

### Weekly Review

November 16-18

**CATTLE** — Compared last Friday, High Choice and Prime Slaughter Steers 25.50 lower, Average Choice and Below steady. Slaughter Heifers steady to 25 lower. Cows strong to mostly 25 higher. Bulls unchanged.

Receipts 77 percent Slaughter Steers, 20 percent Heifers, balance mainly cows. Overall finish of Slaughter Steers not as attractive as last week with 13 percent Prime and 80 percent Choice. This compares with 16 percent Prime and 79 percent Choice last week, and 13 percent Prime and 79 percent Choice last year. Average cost and weight of slaughter steers, estimated at 28.35, lowest for any week in two years, and 1170 lbs., heaviest since July, compared with 28.71 and 1158 lbs. last week, and 28.55 and 1156 lbs. a year ago. Heifer supply mainly High Good to Low Prime weighing 850-1075 lbs.

**SLAUGHTER STEERS** — Prime 1200-1400 lbs Yield Grade 3 and 4 29.00-29.50, load 1275 lbs. Monday at 29.75, latter the lowest weekly top since last December. High Choice and Prime 1075-1350 lbs 28.50-29.00. Choice 950-1350 lbs Yield Grade 2 to 4 27.50-28.75, mainly 27.75-28.75 on Wednesday. Mixed Good and Choice late 27.25-27.75, Good 26.00-27.25, Standard and Low Good 25.00-26.00.

**SLAUGHTER HEIFERS** — On Wednesday, High Choice and Prime 950-1075 lbs Yield Grade 3 and 4 27.50-27.75, latter price the lowest weekly top since November, 1968. Choice 850-1050 lbs Yield Grade 2 to 4 26.50-27.50, Mixed Good and Choice 26.00-26.50, Good 24.00-26.00.

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Ready to cook movement slow and disappointing in most quarters. Slaughter schedules sharply reduced in an effort to keep dressed product in line with needs. Less than trucklot prices ranged unchanged to 1/2 cent lower in instances. Advance interest quiet for next week though fair for week of November 30 in some quarters. Live supplies fully adequate. Understone unsettled to generally steady.

Pool trucklot prices for Thursday arrival in New York area.

U S Grade A 26 1/2-28 1/2 M 27-27 1/2. Plant Grade 25 1/2-27 M 26 26 1/2

Special packs including 1 3/4, 2, 3 1/2 pound sizes TFEWR

## Green Dragon Dairy Cattle

November 13

The Green Dragon market reported receipts of 177 head of good quality cattle, fair attendance, prices strong.

Consignments included:

Herd of 35 Pennsylvania cows fresh, 285.00-560.00, springers, 315.00-390.00, milkers, 260.00-370.00.

Herd of 20 Pennsylvania Guernsey cows: One Purebred, 515.00; fresh, 255.00-365.00, milkers, 235.00-300.00.

Load of New York State cows: fresh, 425.00-585.00, springers, 425.00-585.00.

Load of Pennsylvania cows: fresh, 405.00-625.00; springers, 420.00-585.00; one Purebred, 850.00

Load of Maryland cows: fresh, 290.00-382.50; springers, 340.00-440.00

Load of Upstate cows. 445.00-565.00.

## Green Dragon Hay Market

November 13, 1970

13 loads hay, including alfalfa, two loads, 30.50 and 40.00, clover, one load, 37.50, mixed hay 32.50-37.50, one load 42.00, timothy, one load, 38.00 12 loads straw, 39.00-50.00

Prices trended higher within the unchanged range on light type hens. Demand fair good for barely adequate to short supplies. In instances, plants curtailed operating time for lack of birds. Advance interest mixed as slaughter schedules not fully determined for next week due to the Holiday. Offerings of heavy hens ample with occasional lot moving to a cannery pack processor at 8 1/2-9 cents delivered. Demand for ice-pack fairly good but limited. Occasional movement of live turkeys for fresh ice packed noted with sales too few to report prices. Prices paid at farm: Light type hens 3 1/2-5 1/2 M 5 5/4 in Pa mostly 3 1/2-4 in N.J. Heavy type hens TFEWR

## New Holland Dairy Cattle

88 Dairy Cows

Wednesday, November 18, 1970

Market was steady with last week

Load of fresh Wisconsin cows, 490-595

Load of New York State cows, fresh, 440-610, springers, 455-540.

Load of Vermont cows, fresh, 520-620, springers, 440-525

Load of Franklin County cows, fresh, 525-550, springers, 410-510

Locally consigned cows, mostly fresh, 325-625.

Four heifers, 270-330, one bull, 220.

## HAY PRICES

For Southeastern and South Central Pennsylvania

November 16, 1970

All hay No 2 and better prices paid by dealers at the farm, price per ton

Hay steady to \$2 higher; and straw mostly steady.

Alfalfa 32.00-40.00

few sales to 45.00

Timothy hay 20.00-30.00

Mixed hay 25.00-35.00

Straw 24.00-35.00

few sales to 40.00

Mulch 15.00-20.00

Reported by Bureau of Markets Pa. Dept. of Agriculture.

## FUTURES TRADING

(Closing bids as of Thursday, Nov 19, 1970)

	Chicago Cattle	Chicago Hogs	New York Maine Potatoes	Chicago Fresh Eggs
December	28.07	16.95		36.90
January '71				36.20
February	28.45	17.35		35.05
March			2.60	
April	29.20	18.37	2.81	
May			3.27	
June	29.70	21.00		
July		21.80		
August	29.55	21.90		
October	29.15			
December	29.05			

Trend — Cattle are weaker. Hogs fractionally lower. Potatoes stronger, and Eggs weaker.

a-asked b-bid n-nominal

Markets provided by Commodity Dept., Reynolds & Company

## Weekly UEP Egg Market

Prices to the Producer

Tues., November 17 and Thurs., November 19, 1970

Region	Large	Medium	Small
Northeast	37 1/2 37 1/2	34 1/2 34 1/2	29 1/2 27 1/2
Northwest	34 35	30 30	18 1/2 22
Central West	32 33	28 28	18 1/2 22
Southwest	31 32	27 27	18 1/2 22
Midwest	34 34	31 31	18 1/2 17
Southeast	34 1/2 34 1/2	31 1/2 31 1/2	28 27 1/2
National Average	34 1/2 35	31 1/2 31 1/2	24 23 1/2

## Weekly New York Egg Mkt.

From Monday, November 16th to Friday, November 20th

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed	Thurs.	Fri.
<b>WHITE</b>					
Fcy Ex Large	44	44	44	44	44
Large	41	41	41	41	41
Mediums	38	38	38	38	38
Pullets	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2
Peewees	25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2
<b>BROWN</b>					
Fcy Large	45	45	45	45	45
Mediums	Unquoted				
Pullets	Unquoted				
Peewees	Unquoted				
Standards	37	37	37	37	37
Checks	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2

Tone—Large whites show an irregular position with supplies generally adequate to ample. Other grades usually closely cleared.

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## Mortality Decline Ups Egg Supply, UEP Says

The statistical department of United Egg Producers has just completed an analysis which provides evidence of a change in the egg supply problem.

Gene Masters, Director of Statistical Information for the nationwide cooperative, has evidence that the average fowl mortality has been reduced during the past year. The reduced mortality rate is adding to the producers' problem of attempting to get the laying flock size down to the level recommended by the USDA guidelines.

It was pointed out that on October 1, 1970, the USDA reported that laying flock size was 321 million as compared to 313 million on the same date last year. About 57 million pullets are expected to reach 6 months of age during October and November of this year. This large number of pullets entering the laying flock is the result of the high level of chick placements in April and May and of the reduced mortality rates.

Add to this the present and expected future increases in feed costs and the outlook is gloomy, Masters said.

The UEP statistical department sees a close correlation between the increased use of the vaccine starting last spring and the present reduced mortality level.

Masters said the obvious solution to the present flock size increase is to continue to follow the "Action Now" program. It is pointed out that the 23 percent reduction in chicks placed in August will help reduce the flock size in early 1971.

Another point in the "Action Now" program is to hold placements to 1969 levels for the rest of the year. Increased placements during the rest of the year combined with reported increases which have occurred since August could offset the August hatch reduction, he said.

Another point in the "Action Now" program which is vital to reducing the present build-up in egg flock size is to increase the rate of slaughter.

## New York Eggs

November 18, 1970

Prices, compared to yesterday, were generally unchanged. Receipts up slightly from yesterday. Country point offerings to ship increased from Southern areas; steady to lighter from nearby. Offerings of large and extra large whites liberal with extra large in longest position. Medium inventories continue to improve while smalls are now in good balance with needs. Demand continues slow and unaggressive. Pricing is not a factor in many quarters as very attractive offering prices on both extra large and large were failing to stimulate interest. Packing for Holiday carton orders continues to improve at out of town points but still unaggressive locally.

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