

# Poultry Market Reports

## Delmarva

Wednesday, December 16

Ready-to-cook movement fairly good where feature activity involved; otherwise often disappointing. Offerings ample and in instances forced for quick sale. Less than trucklot prices generally unchanged on both Plant and U.S. Grade A. Advance negotiations very limited as buyers interest shifts to other Holiday items. Live supplies ample with weights generally continuing to be heavier than desired. Undertone fully steady.

Pool trucklot prices for Thursday arrival in the New York Area:

U.S. Grade A 23-25, Mostly 24-25.

Plant Grade 22-23½, Mostly 23-23½.

Special packs including 1¾-2, 3½# sizes TFEWR.

## Chicago Cattle Weekly Review

Monday - Wednesday  
December 14 - December 16

**CATTLE** — Compared last weeks close, slaughter steers mostly 50 lower. Slaughter heifers 25-50 lower. Cows strong. Bulls steady.

Increased receipts locally and a decline in wholesale beef prices appeared to be factors contributing to the downturn in slaughter steer and heifer prices. Buyers representing Canadian packers were fairly aggressive again and through Wednesday purchased more than 800 head of High Good to Low Choice 1000-1150 lb. slaughter steers for shipment to Canada.

Receipts 77 percent slaughter steers, 20 percent heifers, balance mainly cows. Overall finish of slaughter steers was not as attractive as last week with 17 percent Prime and 77 percent Choice. This compared with 23 percent Prime and 73 percent Choice last week, and 16 percent Prime and 71 percent Choice last year. Average cost and weight of slaughter steers, estimated at 2750 and 1170 lbs. compared with 2715 and 1170 lbs. last week, and 2872 and 1155 lbs. last year. Heifer supply mainly High Good to Low Prime weighing 850-1075 lbs.

**SLAUGHTER STEERS** — On Monday, Prime 1150-1375 lbs. Yield Grade 3 and 4 2800-2825, seven loads at latter price. On Wednesday, Prime 1200-1400 lbs. 2775-2800, six loads at latter price including three loads High Choice and Prime 1000-1075 lbs. High Choice and Prime 1025-1350 lbs 2725-2775, Choice 950-1350 lbs Yield Grade 2 to 4 2675-2750, Mixed Good and Choice 2625-2675, Good 2500-2625, Standard and Low Good 2400-2500.

**SLAUGHTER HEIFERS** — High Choice and Prime 950-1075 lbs. Yield Grade 3 and 4 2650-2700, load Prime 1075 lbs. Monday at 2725. Choice 850-1025 lbs. Yield Grade 2 to 4 2575-2650, Mixed Good and Choice 2525-2600, Good 2400-2550.

## Fogelsville

Tuesday, December 15

(Prices paid dock weights, cents per lb, except where noted)  
Hens, heavy type 5-17, mostly 7-12, Pullets 11-29, M 20-27, Roasters 9-32, M 20-26½, Capons 28½-44½, M 35-42, Ducks 15-30, M 20-27, Drakes 20½-49, M 37-43, Geese 27-43, M 35-40; Turkeys, Toms 14½-25½, M 20-23, Turkeys, Hens 28-36½, M 28-32, Rabbits 15-41, M 33-41, Guineas 66-70, Pigeons (per pair) 80-135. Total coops sold 870.

## Eastern Pa. and N. J.

Wednesday, December 16

Prices of light type hens unchanged to ¼ higher. Advance bookings often heavy, however, current supplies short of a good processor call. Plants generally only work part time. Demand for heavy type hens light. Offerings ample. Live turkeys fully adequate for a fairly good call for ice-packed needs. Prices paid at farm. Light Type Hens 46. Mostly 5½-5¾, Heavy Type Hens TFEWR.

## Weekly UEP Egg Market

Prices to the Producer

Tuesday, December 15 and Thursday, December 17

Region	Large		Medium		Small	
Northeast	44½	44½	34	34	28	28
Northwest	38	38	31	31	21	21
Central West	36	36	29	29	21	21
Southwest	35	35	28	28	21	21
Midwest	40½	40½	31	31	19½	19½
Southeast	41	41	33	33	27	27
National Average	41	41	32	32	24	24

## Weekly New York Egg Mkt.

From Monday, December 14th to Friday, December 18th

		Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
<b>WHITE</b>						
Fcy Ex Lg	44½-45½	44½-45½	44½-45½	44½-45½	44½-45½	44½-45½
Large	44½	44½	44½	44½	44½	44½
Mediums	40	40	40	40	40	40
Pullets	32	30	30	30	30	30
Peeweess	23	20	20	20	20	20
<b>BROWN</b>						
Fcy Large	44	44	44	43	43	43
Mediums	Unquoted					
Pullets	Unquoted					
Peeweess	Unquoted					
Standards	40½	40½	40½	40½	40½	40½
Checks	22½-23	23-24	23-24	24	24	24

Tone — Holiday orders building up but overall supply ample.

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## Local Grain

Thursday, December 17

These prices are made up of the average prices quoted by six participating local feed and grain concerns. It should be noted, however, that not every dealer handles each commodity. All prices are per bushel, except for ear corn which is per ton.

The average local grain prices quoted Thursday, December 17, 1970, are as follows:

	Bid	Offered*
Ear Corn	35.00	42.00
Shelled Corn	1.61	1.85
Oats	.88	1.00
Barley	1.20	1.38
Wheat	1.62	1.78

\*Bid is the price the dealer will buy from the farmer delivered to the mill. Offered is the price the dealer will sell for at his mill.

## Green Dragon Dairy Cattle

Friday, December 11

The Green Dragon market reported receipts of 135 head of average quality cattle, well attended, prices lower.

Consignments included:  
Load of Canadian cows, fresh, 500 00-580 00, first calf heifers, purebred and grade, 450 00-480 00

Load of Canadian cows, purebred and grade, fresh, 500 00-580 00, springers, 400 00-480 00

Load of Indiana Springers, 385 00-475 00

Load of Local cows, springers, 325 00-550 00

Five local heifers 282 00 each  
Few colored cows, 530 00-400 00

## HAY PRICES

For Southeastern and South Central Pennsylvania

Monday, December 14

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

Hay & straw steady	
Alfalfa	33 00-40 00
few sales to	45 00
Timothy hay	22 00-33 00
Mixed hay	25 00-35 00
Straw	24 00-35 00
few sales to	40 00
Mulch	16 00-22 00

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

## 4-H Tobacco, Corn

The annual 4-H Tobacco and Corn Exhibit will be held at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec 21, at the Farm and Home Center.

## FUTURES TRADING

(Closing bids as of Thursday, December 17)

	Chicago Cattle	Chicago Hogs	New York Maine Potatoes	Chicago Fresh Eggs
December	27.70	17.50		40.25
January '71				37.05
February	28.10	17.30		35.50
March			2.58	34.80
April	29.05	18.20	2.79	34.10
May			3.23	33.90
June	29.40	20.60		33.90
July		21.57		
August	29.15	21.55		
October	28.75	21.20		
November			2.67	
December	28.57			

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

a-asked b-bid n-nominal

Markets provided by Commodity Dept., Reynolds & Company

## Green Dragon Hay Market

Note: There will not be a sale December 25. Next scheduled sale January 1st.

Friday, December 11

29 loads hay, including alfalfa, 40 50-59 00; clover, few loads, 33 00-55 00. mixed hay, 24 50-46 50, timothy, few loads, 32 50-36 00

26 loads straw, 34 00-42 00  
Oats, one load, 90 cents per bushel

## New Holland Horse Auction

Monday, December 14

Market steady with last week. Two loads Delaware driving horses, 95-110, 80-170

One load Iowa driving horses, 115-190

One load Kansas riding and work horses, work horses single, 225-250, pairs, 450-530, riding horses, 90-160.

One load Indiana driving horses, 240-410

One load Tennessee work horses and mules, single, 190-280, pairs, 550-650, mules, pairs, 810-950.

Locally consigned riding horses, 75-185, driving horses, 110-250; work horses, 125-175, mules, 120-165, killers, 3-5

Mare ponies, 10-30, geldings, 10-20, colts, 5-15, larger ponies, 35-75

## New York Eggs

Wednesday, December 16

Prices are generally unchanged, distributive trading spotty only fair at best and out of town division less active. Receipts moderate from near by areas, light from the south and Midwest. Small lot consignments arrivals tending to increase. Supplies irregularly distributed with large adequate extra large readily available with street sales of whites and browns noted at 42-46 mostly 43-44½c. Peeweess plentiful under light demand with an occasional small lot buyer inquiry as low as 15c. Advance carton orders fair through Monday with many buyers taking a wait and see position before placing additional orders. Undertone is cautious.



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