

N.E. Weekly Shell Egg Report

December 30, 1997

Report Supplied by USDA

PRICES PAID PER DOZEN GRADE "A" BROWN EGGS IN CARTONS DELIVERED TO RETAIL STORES:

	EX. LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
MAINE	1.25	1.14	.85	.68
NEW HAMPSHIRE	1.18-1.22	1.07-1.11	.78-.82	.61-.65
MOSTLY	1.20-1.21	1.09-1.10	.80-.81	.63-.64
RHODE ISLAND	1.24-1.28	1.13-1.17	.84-.88	.67-.71
MOSTLY	1.24	1.13	.84	.67
VERMONT	1.25-1.28	1.15-1.17	.88-.89	
MOSTLY	1.28	1.17	.88	

Delmarva Broiler

ATLANTA, GA
DECEMBER 30, 1997
DELMARVA BROILER/FRYER MARKET. FEDERAL-STATE
Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds

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was generally noted as good and sufficient to keep seasonally reduced offerings cleared satisfactorily. Live supplies were about moderate; weights were mostly desirable to heavy. Processing schedules were moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were 1 cent higher at 47 to 61 cents. Trade sentiment was fully steady to firm. In the parts complex, boneless skinless breasts remained available and slow to clear. Inquiry continued to build for the fully adequate supply of bone-in breasts. Leg items were fully adequate for a mostly fair demand. Wings were short of an active demand.

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER/FRYERS IN DELMARVA (000)

ESTIMATED ACTUAL AVG. WEIGHT ACTUAL AVG. WEIGHT
12/30 12/26 12/26 12/23 12/19
2,428 2,422 5.04 2,457 4.87

*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA BRANDED U.S. GRADE A RANGE 44-62 WEIGHTED AVERAGE 49.34 NO. OF BOXES 7,685

*7 of 9 plants reporting.

National Egg Market ATLANTA, GA

DECEMBER 30, 1997

NATIONAL EGG MARKET - AT A GLANCE:

Prices were unchanged to lower in the South for extra large and large and other prices remained the same. The market tone was cautiously steady to weak. Demand was mixed and ranged from light to good, best in retail outlets where holiday shopping and winter storms were a factor. Supplies of graded eggs were adequate to tight and ungraded eggs were adequate to ample. Breaking stock supplies were adequate to ample for the light demand. Light type hen offerings were at least adequate.

Heinsey's Poultry

Roots, East Petersburg
Tuesday, December 23, 1997

Report supplied by USDA

Muscovy duck drakes 1.30-1.64, hens, 1.20-1.32.
Pekin ducks .60-.74.
Red fowl 4-4 1/2 .50-.82, 5-6 lbs. .60-.94.
Crossbred fowl 5-9 lbs. .50-.82.
Crossbred roosters 4-6 lbs. .90-1.14, 7-11 lbs. .80-1.12.
Guinea fowl, not enough.
Banty roosters 4.00-6.75 ea., hens 1.50-3.25.
Leghorn hens .18-.34.
Leghorn Roosters, not enough.
Silkies 3.00-3.50 ea.
Geese 9-14 lbs., not enough.
Pigeons 2.00-2.50 ea.
White pigeons 5.25-6.10 ea.
Rabbits 4-6 lbs. 1.30-1.62, 7-11 lbs. 1.30-1.56.
Bunnies 2.50-6.00 ea.
Guinea pigs 2.00-5.00 ea.
Goats, not enough.
Kid goats, not enough.
Doves, not enough.
Chukars, not enough.
Pullets, not enough.
Total coops 144.

NE Chicken

Parts 1&2
ATLANTA, GA

DECEMBER 30, 1997

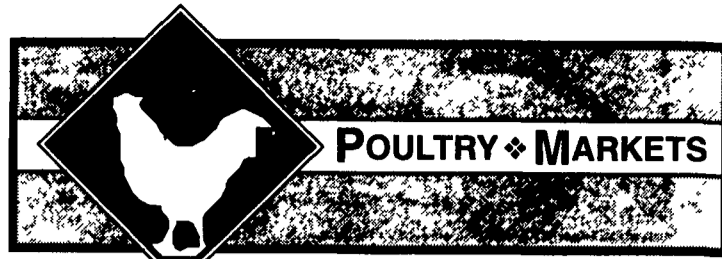
NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS - PART I FEDERAL-STATE

Trucklot buying activity varied depending upon specific needs at each location. Offerings were affected by adverse weather in some areas, but overall were adequate on all but wings. Demand was irregular with most consumer activity centering around New Year holiday needs. The market tone was cautiously steady. PRICES PAID PER POUND, ICE PACKED AND CO2 PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES.

ITEM CURRENT NEGOTIATED TRADING*

BREAST - B/S 135-140, BREAST - WITH RIBS 60-61, BREAST - LINE RUN 60, LEGS 41-42, LEG QUARTERS (BULK) 26-27, DRUMSTICKS 31-32, THIGHS 34-35, WINGS (WHOLE) 64-65, BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED) 12-14, LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS) 20-25, GIZZARDS (HEARTS) 50 INCLUDES NEW YORK CITY METROPOLITAN AREA, NORTHERN NEW JERSEY, MASSACHUSETTS, CONNECTICUT, RHODE ISLAND, AND PENNSYLVANIA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG).

* TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.



Weekly New York Egg Market Northeast Quotes Prices Supplied by Urner-Barry

	From Dec. 26-31				
	FRI.	MON.	TUES.	WED.	
WHITE					
JUMBO	.91	.91	.91	.89	C
EX. LARGE	.90	.90	.90	.88	L
LARGE	.87	.87	.87	.85	O
MEDIUM	.71	.71	.71	.71	S
PULLETS	.57	.57	.57	.57	B
BROWN					
EXTRA LARGE	1.07	1.07	1.07	1.07	
LARGE	1.01	1.01	1.01	1.01	
MEDIUM	.72	.72	.72	.72	
UNDERGRADES AND CHECKS	.31	.31	.30	.30	

BREAKING STOCKS: FRI. 42-44 LBS. .36-.38, 48-50 LBS. .44-.46, 50 LBS. AND UP .46-.47; TUES. 48-50 LBS. .43-.45, 50 LBS. AND UP .45-.46.

Belleville Poultry

Belleville, Pa.

Wednesday, December 31, 1997
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Geese: 2.00 ea.
Turkeys: 4.00-7.00.
Guineas: none.
Roosters: 1.00-3.00 ea.
Bantams: .50-1.50 ea.
Heavy hens: none.
Silkies: none.
Muscovy hens: 3.00-4.00.
Muscovy drakes: 5.00-6.50.
Mixed ducks: 4.50 ea.
Barn pigeons: 1.00-1.70 ea.
White birds: 3.50-5.00 ea.
Fancy birds: 1.25.
Peacocks: 16.00.
Pheasants: none.
Doves: none.
Quail: none.
Guinea Pigs: none.
Rabbits: under 4 lbs. .75-3.00 ea., 4-6 lbs. 4.40-6.60 ea., over 6 lbs. 8.00-11.00 ea.
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North Atlantic Shell Eggs

December 31, 1997
Atlanta, Ga.

PRICES TO RETAILERS IN PHILA. WERE UNCHANGED TO LOWER FOR LARGE AND EXTRA LARGE AND PRICES TO PRODUCERS FOR BROWN EGGS IN NEW ENGLAND WERE 2 CENTS LOWER FOR LARGE AND EXTRA LARGE. THE BALANCE OF PRICES WAS UNCHANGED. THE MARKET TONE WAS STEADY TO WEAK. DEMAND RANGED FROM LIGHT TO GOOD. SUPPLIES WERE GENERALLY ADEQUATE WITH GRADED EGGS OCCASIONALLY TIGHT AND UNGRADED OCCASIONALLY SURPLUS. BREAKING STOCK SUPPLIES WERE ADEQUATE TO AMPLE FOR THE LIGHT DEMAND. LIGHT TYPE HENS WERE AT LEAST ADEQUATE.

PHILADELPHIA: PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN, EXTRA LARGE .81-.87; LARGE .79-.85; MEDIUM .65-.66.

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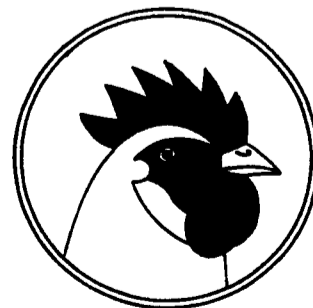
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