

**National Broiler Market At A Glance**

Atlanta, Ga.  
July 9, 2003

Report Supplied By USDA

Trade sentiment was mixed, but mostly steady. Demand into all channels ranged light to moderate, instances fairly good for retail ads, fast food and restaurants. Supplies were overall sufficient to handle trade requirements. In the parts structure, mid-week movement was light to moderate with regular commitments at times satisfying needs. Wings were adequate to ample, dark meat was balanced to tight, and breast items were mixed, but available. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at irregular, but mostly desirable weights.

**Young Turkey Parts And Bulk Meat**

Des Moines, Iowa  
July 8, 2003

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NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, Frozen, unless specified, cents per lb, delivered first receivers, part and full trucklots, as of July 8. The undertone on white meat was steady at best. Demand was slow to instances moderate with instances of increased activity being noted on frozen white meat. Some increased activity was noted on further processed items with interest noted for the December holidays. Trading centered on a moderate volume of frozen destrapped tenderloins and on a light volume of frozen wing meat with 4 months age. Offerings were generally available.

DOMESTIC TRADING: BREASTS, 4-8 lbs: Grade A - none. Plant Grade - none. DRUMSTICKS: TOM - avg. 26.00; HEN - avg. 24.00. WINGS, FULL CUT: TOM - avg. 22.00; HEN - avg. 21.00. WINGS, V-TYPE: TOM - avg. 25.00; HEN - avg. 17.00. NECKS: TOM - avg. 18.00; HEN - avg. 17.00. BREASTS, B/S: TOM - none; Fresh - avg. 117.80. THIGH MEAT: avg. 52.00. BREAST TRIM MEAT: none. SCAPULA MEAT: none. TENDERLOINS: none. DESTRAPPED TENDERS: avg. 95.08; Fresh - avg. 112.00. WING MEAT WITH SKIN: avg. 32.00. MECHANICALLY SEPARATED: none; Fresh - avg. 16.75.

EXPORT TRADING: DRUMSTICKS: TOMS: avg. 24.59. WINGS, FULL-CUT: TOMS - avg. 20.00. WINGS, V-TYPE, TOMS: avg. 25.00. TAILS: none. MECHANICALLY SEPARATED: avg. 14.50. THIGH MEAT: avg. 50.50.

**Virginia Broilers And Fryers**

Harrisonburg, Va.  
July 8, 2003

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Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was moderate. Demand was moderate. Live supplies were moderate for plant needs with an estimated slaughter of 1,339,000 compared to 1,337,000 last Tuesday. Weights were desirable. Processing schedules were moderate. Supply and demand of leg quarters was moderate.

Negotiated F.O.B. dock prices, 2 pounds and heavier ice-packed broilers and fryers, trucklot sales of US Grade A or equivalent were steady to lower at .56-.68 per pound; less than trucklot sales .54-.70 per pound.

**State's Hogs & Pigs Down 20,000 Head**

Harrisburg, Pa.  
July 1, 2003

Report Supplied By PASS

HARRISBURG (Dauphin co.) — There were 1,050,000 hogs and pigs on Pennsylvania farms on June 1, 2003, according to the Pennsylvania Agricultural Statistics Service (PASS). This estimated inventory was 20,000 head fewer than the previous year's inventory, and 20,000 head fewer than the previous quarter.

Market hog inventory, at 930,000 head, decreased 20,000 head since March 2003 and down 10,000 head from June 2002; while breeding stock inventory, at 120,000 head was unchanged from March of 2003 but down 10,000 head from one year ago.

The March-May 2003 pig crop totaled 456,000 head, down 14,000 head from June a year earlier. There were 49,000 sows farrowed during the quarter, 5,000 fewer than the previous year. The average litter rate was 9.30 pigs per litter, unchanged from the previous quarter, but 0.60 pigs per litter more than the previous year.

Pennsylvania hog farmers intend to have 51,000 sows farrow during the June-August 2003 period and 51,000 for the September-November 2003 quarter, 2,000 less than actually farrowed in June-August and the September-November periods one year ago.

**Eastern Cornbelt Direct Feeder Pig Weekly**

Springfield, Ill.  
July 3, 2003

Report Supplied By USDA

Eastern Corn Belt Direct Feeder Pig Weekly Summary (includes pig prices on negotiated, contract and formula basis) — FEEDER PIGS: Total receipts this week 19,781, negotiated 12,100; last week 15,640. SEW 10 lb pigs sold steady to weak. Feeder pigs sold 1.00-2.00 lower. Trading activity was moderate for moderate offerings.

FOB EASTERN CORNBELT - Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Michigan. Receipts: 8,746; last week 6,913.

EARLY WEANED PIGS: 10 LB BASIS, estimated 50-54% lean value: Lot size under 250: 200 head, 25.50; lot size 250-750: 2,791 head, 27.36-31.00, wtd. avg. 29.42; lot size 750 or more: 2,000 head, 26.27. Total Composite: 4,991 head, 25.50-31.00, wtd. avg. price 28.00.

PIGS, 40 LB BASIS, estimated 50-54% lean value: Lot size under 250: 225 head 38.00.

PIGS, 50 LB BASIS, estimated 50-54% lean value: Lot size under 250: 220 head, 42.00; lot size 250-750 lb: 960 head, 41.61-42.00, wtd. avg. \$42.00; lot size 250-750: 960 head, 41.61-42.00, wtd. avg. 41.76; lot 750 or more: 2,350 head, 40.00. Total Composite: 3,530 head, 40.00-42.00, wtd. avg. 40.60.

NOTE: FOB prices quoted on per head basis "picked up" at sellers farm; prices do not include freight.

DELIVERED EASTERN CORNBELT BASIS: Receipts: 11,035; last week 8,727. Volume by state or province of ori-

gin: Oklahoma 52%; Ontario 34%; Ontario 14%.

EARLY WEANED PIGS: 10 LB BASIS, estimated 50-54% lean value: Lot size 750 or more: 5,510 head, 28.93-31.69, wtd. avg. 30.83.

PIGS, 40 LB BASIS, estimated 50-54% lean value: Lot size 750 or more: 4,000 head, 38.00.

PIGS, 55 LB BASIS, estimated 50-54% lean value: Lot size 250-750: 475 head, 44.00; lot size 750 or more: 1,050 head, 43.50. Total Composite: 1,525 head, 43.50-44.00, wtd. avg. 43.66.

Delivered Eastern Cornbelt prices include freight.

Most lots of 40-60 weight pigs have a sliding value from the negotiated weight basis which is calculated on the actual average weight of the lot plus or minus .35-.40 cents per pound. Some lots of early weaned pigs are discounted 1.00-10.00 per head on pigs weighing under 10 pounds. Early weaned pigs are under 19 days old.

Estimated lean value is projected to base slaughter weights with normal confinement feeding conditions.

Vaccination and health program values are not included but health status should be disclosed.

**Eastern Corn Belt Direct Hogs**

Des Moines, Iowa  
July 8, 2003

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EASTERN CORN BELT DIRECT DAILY HOGS, for Tuesday, July 8, as of 1:30 p.m.

CURRENT VOLUME TODAY, ACTUAL: PRODUCER SOLD: Negotiated 18,901; Other Market Formula 5,748;

Swine or Pork Market Formula: 30,894; Other Purchase Arrangement: 18,661. PACKER SOLD (All purchase types): 563.

NEGOTIATED PURCHASES (including packer sold): BARROWS AND GILTS (Carcass Basis): 13,279 head. Compared to prior day's close, .50 to .75 higher. Base Market Hog, 185 lb Carcass Basis, Plant Delivered (-0.9-1.1 inch backfat, 6 sq. in. loin/2.0 depth): Base Price Range: \$53.50 - 63.30, wtd. avg. \$61.02.

5-Day Rolling Average Market Hog: 190.37 lb carcass, plant delivered (0.76 inch backfat, 6.44 sq.in. loin/2.15 inch loin depth). FFLI: 50.82%; price range \$57.50 - 68.38.

Purchase Volume by State of Origin: Alabama 675; Georgia 877; Illinois 28,334; Indiana 19,315; Kentucky 1,919; Maryland 63; Michigan 4,817; Mississippi 559; New York 551; North Carolina 5,873; Ohio 8,758; Pennsylvania 2,531; South Carolina 436; Tennessee 935; Virginia 76; Wisconsin 1,700.



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**Virginia Eggs**  
Harrisonburg, Va.  
July 8, 2003

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Prices were unchanged on all three sizes today. Supplies are moderate for plant needs.

Prices to retailers, in small lots, USDA Grade A and Grade A, dozen cases, white eggs in carton, delivered store door, cents per dozen: Large 93; Medium 77; Small 57.

Trucklot prices to retailers, sales to volume buyers, USDA Grade A and Grade A, dozen cases, white eggs in carton, delivered store door, cents per dozen: Large 74-85, mostly 85; Medium 61-71, mostly 71; Small 43-52 mostly 52.

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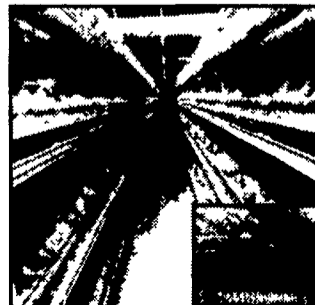
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