LIVE SPENT HEAVY FOWL

Prices are trending steady to weak. Demand is light to moderate for the moderate to heavy supplies of spent hens. Processing schedules for next week are reduced due to the New Year's Day holiday. Sales of finished product are light to moderate. Market activity is slow. Retail activity is moderate with the best interest being in the Northeast region.

Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading: Price Range Wtd Avg
Prices in cents per pound. 3.0 - 8.5 7.86

(Southeast Region broiler breeder hens generally for processing, 7 lbs. and up; under 7 lbs. subject to discount.)

Southeast Region = AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN, AND VA.

LIVE SPENT LIGHT FOWL

Prices are trending steady. Demand is light for the light to moderate offerings of spent hens. Processing schedules for next week are reduced due to the New Year's Day holiday. Finished product sales are light to fair. Market activity is slow. The majority price for removal costs are unchanged at 0-7 cents per head. Feature activity is light.

(live hens are predominately egg-layers averaging about 3.5 lbs. live weight per bird.) Eastern region = AL, CT, DE, GA, KY, MA, MD, ME, MS, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, TN, VA, VT, and WV; North Central = IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI; South Central = AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX.

READY-TO-COOK FOWL

Midwest Region Negotiated Prices to First Receivers

(cents/lb.delivered to first receivers; US Grade A and Plant Grade)

Price Range

Ice Packed (12/box): 80.0 - 86.0 Vacuum Packed (6-9/box): 85.0 - 90.0

Midwest region = IL, IN, MI, MO, OH, and WI

LIVE FOWL AUCTIONS

Hackettstown, NJ - Tue Dec. 24

Price Range Avg.

Heavy Fowl each:

per pound:

Graystone Small Animal, Manheim, PA - Tue Dec. 24

Red Fowl 5-6 lbs: per pound

4-5 lbs: per pound

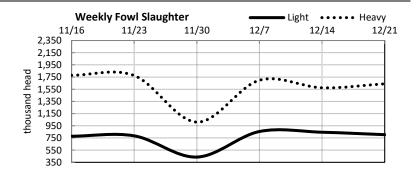
Crossbred Fowl 5-9 lbs: per pound

LIVE FOWL SLAUGHTER

Weekly Fowl Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection Week ending 12-21-19

	Head Av	/g Wt	RTC Wt	Dress%
Light Hens:	804	3.52	1,528	54%
Heavy Hens:	1,639	8.30	8,842	65%
Total Hens:	2,443	6.73	10,370	

(head and ready-to-cook weight in thousands; avg. wght in lbs.)



RETAIL FOWL FEATURING

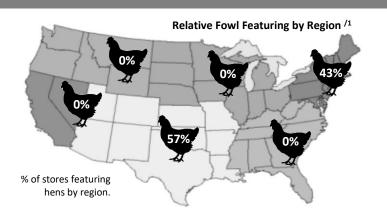
Supermarket featuring during the week of 12/27 to 01/02

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(ad prices in \$/lb)	Light Hens			Heavy Hens				
Region	Stores	res Wtd Avg		Stores	Wtd Avg			
	16	1.19		71	1.35			
Northeast				62	1.39			
Southeast				3	1.13			
Midwest								
South Central	16	1.19		6	1.06			
Southwest								
Northwest								

 $^{^{1\!/}\,}$ %'s reflect feature activity relative to the sample size of each region.

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