LIVE SPENT HEAVY FOWL

Prices are trending steady to firm. Offerings are at least moderate for the moderate to good demand. Processing schedules are normal to less than normal as processors continue to monitor labor issues. Sales of finished product are adequate. Market activity is moderate to good. Retail activity is moderate with the majority of interest being in the Northeast regions.

Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading: Price Range Wtd Avg
Prices in cents per pound. 10.0 - 16.0 11.91

(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 mostly steady. Offerings are moderate for the mostly light to moderate demand. Processing schedules are normal to less than normal as many operations continue to monitor the labor situation. Finished product are moderate for trade needs. Market activity is slow to moderate. The majority price for removal cost are unchanged at 0-5 cents per head. Feature activity is moderate to good.

(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. 13

Crossbred Fowl

		Price Range		Avg.	
Heavy Fowl	each:	6.50	10.00	8.65	
	per pound:				

Graystone Small Animal, Manheim, PA - Tue Dec. 13

Red Fowl 5-6 lbs: 1.30 1.50 per pound

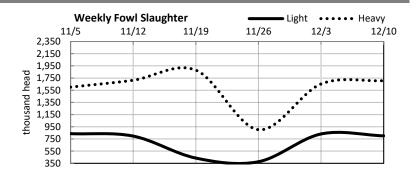
4-5 lbs: 1.25 1.50 per pound 5-9 lbs: 1.10 1.25 per pound

LIVE FOWL SLAUGHTER

Weekly Fowl Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection Week ending 12-10-22

	Head A	√g Wt	RTC Wt	Dress%
Light Hens:	801	3.65	1,579	54%
Heavy Hens:	1,707	8.19	9,087	65%
Total Hens:	2,508	6.74	10,666	

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



RETAIL FOWL FEATURING

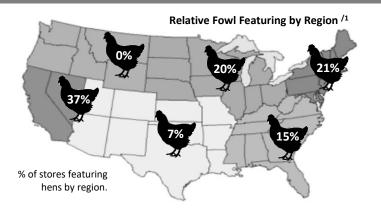
Supermarket featuring during the week of 12/16 to 12/22

(ad prices in \$/lb)	Light Hens		Heavy Hens		
Region	Stores	Wtd Avg	Stores	Wtd Avg	
	406	3.26	164	1.85	
Northeast	68	7.99	155	1.89	
Southeast	181	1.26	3	1.13	
Midwest					
South Central	28	1.42	6	1.06	
Southwest	129	3.99			
Northwest					

^{1/ %&#}x27;s reflect feature activity relative to the sample size of each region.

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