LIVE SPENT HEAVY FOWL

Prices are trending steady to firm. Demand is moderate for the generally sufficient offerings of heavy type hens. Processing schedules for next week are noted as normal to less than normal due to the Religious holiday. Sales of finished product are moderate. Market activity is light to moderate. The undertone is steady. Retail activity is very light.

Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading: Price Range Wtd Avg
Prices in cents per pound. 6.0 - 11.0 8.15

(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 continue to trend steady. Supples are moderate for the light to moderate demand. Processing schedules are to less than normal due to teh religious holiday. Market activity is light to moderate. The majority price for removal cost are unchanged at 0-5 cents per head. Feature activity is moderate with best interest noted in the Northeast and Southeast regions.

(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 Mar. 26

		FIICE	Avg.	
Heavy Fowl	each:	4.00	13.00	6.48

Graystone Small Animal, Manheim, PA - Tue Mar. 26

Red Fowl 5-6 lbs: 3.75 4.25 per pound

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4-5 lbs: 3.00 4.00 per pound

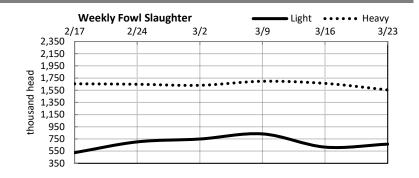
Crossbred Fowl 5-9 lbs: 7.00 9.00 per pound

LIVE FOWL SLAUGHTER

Weekly Fowl Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection Week ending 03-23-24

	Head A	√g Wt	RTC Wt	Dress%
Light Hens:	665	3.56	1,278	54%
Heavy Hens:	1,555	8.35	8,440	65%
Total Hens:	2,220	6.91	9,718	

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



RETAIL FOWL FEATURING

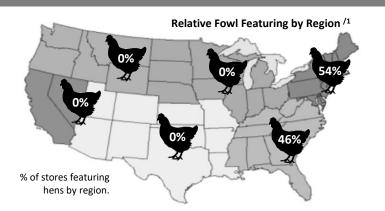
Supermarket featuring during the week of 03/29 to 04/04

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	(ad prices in \$/lb)	Light Hens			Heavy Hens		
	Region	Stores	Wtd Avg	St	ores	Wtd Avg	
		103	1.92		9	1.08	
	Northeast	48	1.99				
	Southeast	55	1.85		3	1.13	
	Midwest						
	South Central				6	1.06	
	Southwest						
_	Northwest						

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

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