Weekly National Fowl Market (Fri)

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LIVE SPENT HEAVY FOWL

Prices are trending steady to mostly weak. Demand is light for the the at least moderate offerings of spent hens. Processing schedules for next week are normal. Sales of finished product are moderate. Market activity is slow. Retail activity is fair with the majority of interest being in the Midwest region.

Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading:	**Price Range**	**Wtd Avg**
Prices in cents per pound.	2.0 – 7.0	6.63

(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 for the mostly light demand. Offerings of spent hens are moderate to heavy. Processing schedules for next week are noted as normal. Finished product sales are sufficient. Market activity is slow to moderate. The majority price for removal costs are unchanged at 0-7 cents per head.

(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 Feb. 18

		Price Range		**Avg.**
Heavy Fowl	each:	2.75	10.50	4.43
	per pound:			

Graystone Small Animal, Manheim, PA - Tue Feb. 18

Red Fowl	5-6 lbs:			per pound
	4-5 lbs:	0.40	0.60	per pound
Crossbred Fowl	5-9 lbs:	0.70	0.90	per pound

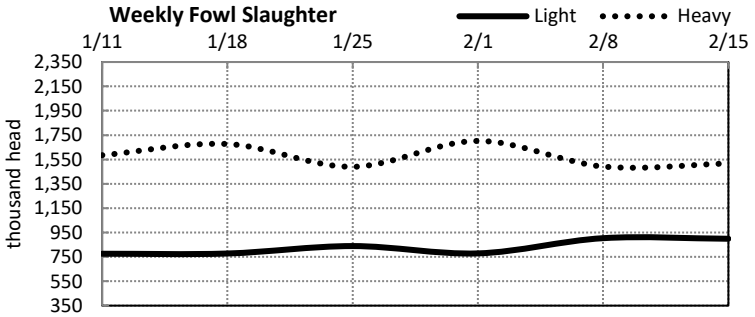
LIVE FOWL SLAUGHTER

Weekly Fowl Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection

Week ending 02-15-20

	Head	**Avg Wt**	**RTC Wt**	**Dress%**
Light Hens:	899	3.61	1,753	54%
Heavy Hens:	1,517	8.31	8,194	65%
Total Hens:	2,416	6.56	9,947	--

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



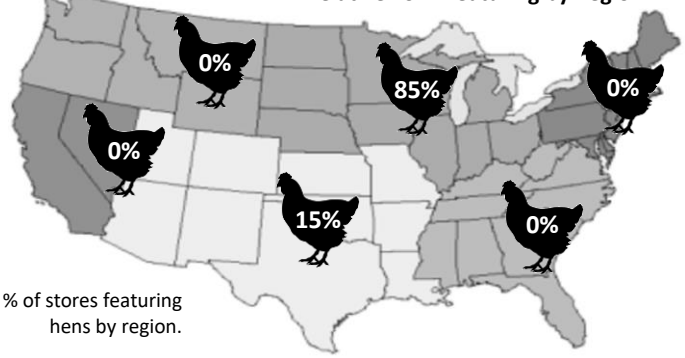
RETAIL FOWL FEATURING

Supermarket featuring during the week of 02/21 to 02/27

(ad prices in $/lb)	**Light Hens**		**Heavy Hens**	
Region	Stores	Wtd Avg	Stores	Wtd Avg
			98	1.27
Northeast				
Southeast			3	1.13
Midwest			89	1.29
South Central			6	1.06
Southwest				
Northwest				

[1/] %'s reflect feature activity relative to the sample size of each region.

Relative Fowl Featuring by Region [1]



% of stores featuring hens by region.

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