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Over a dozen live chickens and ducks are tied to a motorcycle in Ho Chi Minh City's Chinatown. Small livestock raised on nearby farms are delivered to market this way so that customers can buy them alive. The buyers can choose the healthiest birds, keep the animals alive until they are needed for food, and be assured of purchasing "fresh meat."

These kinds of livestock transport and storage methods are practical in Southeast Asia where refrigeration is not readily available. The ducks and chickens, however, appear less than comfortable as they are tied in every direction across the top of the motorcycle.



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