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Whole broiler/fryer prices are 3 cents lower into the East and Midwest, but unchanged in the West. Offerings are mixed, but at least moderate to cover trade needs. Retail and food service demand entering the weekend is light to moderate. Floor stocks are light to sufficient. Market activity is slow to moderate. In the parts structure, movement is light to moderate. Prices are higher for wings, steady to firm for tenders, lower for b/s breasts, and steady for the remaining items. Supplies of wings are light, b/s breasts are heavy, and all other items are available. In production areas, live supplies are moderate. Weights are mixed, but mostly desirable.

<u>Preliminary Report</u> Prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook broiler/fryers FOB and delivered to first receivers at major market areas (cents per lb) Week of 12-Sep-2011

	Majority	Range	Wtd Avg	Loads
Delivered to	First Receivers:			
US Grade A	1/			
New York	66.00-69.00			
Los Angeles	98.00			
Whole Body	2/			
Chicago	63.00-69.00	53.00-90.00	65.65	35
FOB Dock Ed	quivalent 3/:			
Mississippi	83.00-86.00	67.00-89.00	83.20	27

- 1/: Includes branded product.
- 2/: Whole Body category includes whole body birds with or without giblets, all grades, brands, and packaging.
- 3/: Southeast area

Georgia Fob Dock Prices The Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is **89.00** cents based on icepacked USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

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		Preliminary f.o.b. Dock or Equivalent
Loads	Range	Prelim. Wtd Avg
733	85.26-98.45	88.26
Georgia	f.o.b. dock conf	irmed preliminary weighted average price
on ice-p	acked parts:	

	Wtd Avg	Volume
Item	(Cents per Pound)	(000 Pounds)
Line Run Tenders	186.00	1,060
Breasts - B/S	152.50	4,890
Breasts - Whole	85.00	998
Thigh Meat - B/S	127.50	860
Thighs	71.50	785
Drumsticks	69.50	790
Leg Quarters	53.00	6,000
Wings	90.00	2,412

This info is supplied by the GA Dept. of Ag/Poultry Market News Service.

Western Region The Loa Angeles preliminary majority is 98 cents, unchanged from last Monday's final. The market on whole fryers is steady at best. The WOG market is steady to weak with trading unchanged to lower for next week, however, some spot premiums were reported on under 3 lb. sizes. Offerings light to moderate. Retail and foodservice demand light to good, mostly moderate. Floor stocks adequate to instances longer than desired. Weights desirable. Prices on boneless skinless breasts are unchanged to lower, bone-in breasts and tenderloins steady and wings higher for next week's shipments. The market on dark items is mostly steady for next week with some spot softness reported on fresh leg quarters, legs and leg meat for next week's deliveries. Demand light to good, mostly moderate. Offerings of boneless skinless breasts moderate to heavy, bone-in breasts light to moderate, wings and tenderloins light. Offerings of dark items light to moderate. Movement light to good, mostly moderate.

<u>Midwest Region</u> Preliminary majority prices were 3 cents lower into Chicago and TFEWR elsewhere. Whole bird prices are barely steady to close the week. Additional offers were light to moderate for the light to moderate buyer interest. Demand into retail and food service channels was light to moderate instances good. Floor stocks were light to mostly moderate. Weights were desirable to heavy. Whole bird market activity was light to moderate. Supplies of boneless breasts were available and wings were light and dark meat items were balanced to long. Most parts prices were trending steady while wings were firm. Market activity on parts was light to moderate.

Northeast Region Prices are trending steady to weak for all sizes. Trucklot buying activity for ready-to-cook whole broiler fryers is light entering the weekend with dealers limiting orders to regular commitments. Offerings of all sizes are moderate to heavy at discounted levels. Trade activity is slow. In the parts complex, supplies of wings are seasonally light and clearing well; tenders, thighs and drums are light to moderate. Other items are mostly sufficient for current needs.

<u>Southern Region</u> Whole broiler/fryers prices are steady to weak. Supplies of all sizes are moderate to at times heavy with some discounting noted. Demand into all channels is mostly light. Market activity is slow. In the parts structure, movement is light to moderate entering the weekend. Supplies of wings are tight with good movement. Breast items and dark meat cuts are moderate and holding steady. Market activity is slow to moderate. In production areas, live supplies are moderate. Weights are mixed, but mostly desirable.

<u>Delmarva</u> Less-than-trucklot asking prices are unchanged at 70 to 79 cents, with a steady to weak trending undertone. Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds is light to moderate entering the weekend with flooding reported in some areas. Offerings are moderate to heavy with discounting noted. Live supplies are moderate; weights are mixed, but noted as mostly desirable. Processing schedules are moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. In the parts complex, b/s breasts are moderate to heavy. The balance of supplies ranged light to moderate with wings in the tightest position.

*Broiler/fryer current negotiated prices for immediate delivery includes mostly multiple-drop shipments of branded and wing tagged to New York City form Delmarva

	Brande	d U.S. Grade A
Range	(65-94
Weighted Average		(A)
No. Of Boxes		(A)
Cumulative	09/05/11-09/09/11	(A)
	09/06/10-09/10/10	(A)
No. Of Boxes	09/05/11-09/09/11	(A)
	09/06/10-09/10/10	(A)
(A) Not reported to avo	oid disclosing individual	operations.

Southern States Broiler Parts f.o.b. dock or equivalent, iced-packed, prices shown are day of shipment (includes current and prior negotiations),

trucklot and less than trucklot	cklot volume, cents	per pound.

September 08, 2011		• •			Septemb	er 09, 2011			W	eekly
	Pounds			Wtd	Pounds	S		Wtd	Pounds	Wtd
Item	(000)	Range	Maj	Avg	(000)	Range	Maj	Avg	(000)	Avg
Breast - B/S	Too	Few To Report				Too Few To Report			1,494	125.76
Tenderloins	Too	Few To Report				Too Few To Report			529	133.35
Breast - Line Run	Too	Few To Report				Too Few To Report			265	81.60
Front Halves	Too	Few To Report				Too Few To Report			205	60.83
Legs	Too	Few To Report				Too Few To Report			TFEWR	
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	471	42.00-50.00	-	47.24	441	45.00-50.00	-	47.41	1,707	47.61
Leg Quarters (4/10)	882	47.00-52.00	-	50.64	452	49.00-52.00	-	50.61	3,018	50.80
Wings (Whole)	Too	Few To Report				Too Few To Report			260	90.25
Wings (Cut)	Too	Few To Report				Too Few To Report			328	110.22
Drumsticks	Too	Few To Report				Too Few To Report			104	60.77
Thighs	Too	Few To Report				Too Few To Report			TFEWR	
B/S Thighs	Too	Few To Report				Too Few To Report			330	124.48
Whole Body Index Base 2011 f.o.b. dock.	ed on Southern	States Parts Trading	for Septer	mber 08,		Body Index Based on S f.o.b. dock.	outhern State	es Parts Tr	*********** ading for Sep	********* otember 09,

Today's Average 5-Day Average Range Range Today's Average 50.50 - 56.50 54.00 52.50 - 56.00 54.04 54.21

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

Northeast Broiler Parts Prices are trending firm to higher for wings, drums and thighs; steady to firm for tenders and weak to lower for boneless skinless breast. Trucklot buying activity is light to moderate entering the weekend with flooding still noted in parts of the area. Supplies of boneless skinless breast are moderate to heavy; wings, thigh and drums are light. Tenders are light to moderate and other items are sufficient for current needs. Movement is moderate.

Ice packed broiler/fryer parts, delivered to first receivers in pool trucklot and trucklot quantities, cents per pound.

September 08, 2011				September 09, 2011				
	Current Neg	Wtd	Vol	Current Neg	Wtd	Vol	Weekly	Weekly
Item	Trading*	Avg**	/lbs.	Trading*	Avg**	/lbs.	Wtd Avg	Vol/lbs.
Breast - B/S	150-155	134.58	714,640	150	135.51	643,480	135.45	2,413,600
Tenderloins	135-140	138.61	114,800	135-140	139.60	156,200	139.83	511,920
Breast - With Ribs	81-82	93.89	55,279	81-82	95.99	64,186	94.72	230,332
Breast - Line Run	81	82.42	73,353	81	82.87	74,585	82.73	288,845
Legs	68-69	71.91	121,680	68-69	74.67	45,360	71.05	527,560
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	48-49	52.73	225,208	48-49	53.28	269,240	53.15	1,008,620
Drumsticks	59-60	70.90	90,880	60-61	70.63	159,893	71.13	445,333
Thighs	71-72	79.91	65,360	72-73	78.09	104,120	76.80	363,960
B/S Thighs	134-135	132.12	92,320	134-135	132.69	94,600	131.42	354,240
Wings (Whole)	94-95	100.68	184,040	95-96	104.20	199,880	98.94	829,360
Backs And Necks (Stripped)	13-15	15.00	11,696	13-15	15.00	13,937	15.00	54,087
Livers (5 Pound Tubs)	45-50	47.28	9,420	45-50	47.73	11,310	47.58	37,300
Gizzards (Hearts)	60-65	64.25	22,320	60-65	63.78	37,440	63.89	103,800

Includes: New York City metropolitan area, northern NJ, MA, CT, RI, and PA (northeast of Harrisburg).

^{**} Weighted average price of all grades and brands of product shipped, or to be shipped as of 1:30 p.m.

Estimated Slaughter of Broiler-Fryers								
E	Estimate (1,000)		Actua (1,000		Avç	y Wts	Actual (1,000)	Avg Wts
	09/09	09/08	09/07	09/06	09/07	09/06	09/02	08/31
Alabama	3,732	3,775	3,829	3,799	5.79	5.78	4,104	5.68
Arkansas	4,499	4,261	4,469	4,289	5.68	5.72	3,901	5.64
Delmarva	2,095	2,077	2,195	2,104	6.29	6.37	2,667	6.28
KY-LA-TN	3,023	2,481	2,494	2,306	5.36	5.34	2,548	5.17
Mississippi	3,330	2,794	2,960	2,878	6.00	6.07	3,612	5.94
North Carolina	3,976	2,742	2,762	2,651	7.18	7.29	3,257	7.15
Texas	3,394	2,696	2,580	2,669	5.89	5.91	2,848	5.73
Total	24,049	20,826	21,289	20,696	5.99	6.03	22,937	5.89
Mon-Fri	95,242	(A)					108,018 (١)
Saturday	3,405	(include	d in total	for date	shown)		2,802	
Saturday 3,405 (included in total for date shown) 2,802 (A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above. Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 09-Sep-11 and 10-Sep-11 is estimated to be 35,980,000 head up 4.54 percent from a week ago and down -3.53 percent from a year ago.								

е (Last week 34,419,000, last year 37,298,000)

Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the week ending 10-Sep-11 is estimated to be 141,535,000 head down 12.32 percent from a week ago, and down 5.01 percent from a year ago. (Last week 161,414,000, last year 149,002,000) Actual data incorporated when available.

California Processed Poultry - cents per pound Southern (Los Angeles area) - delivered to retailers

Range Fresh Fryers 109-122 Roasters 4# & Up 129-139 Ducks Rabbits-Whole Rabbits-Cut Up

San Francisco - delivered to restaurants & institutions

		Range
Fresh Fryers	Dry Pack	129-188
	Ice Pack	
Roasters 4# & Up	Dry Pack	124
	Ice Pack	
Ducks		235-279

^{*}Today's negotiated sales as of 11:30 a.m.

Young Chickens Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection W/E 03-Sep-2011 (Preliminary) (in thousands)

(A) 4.25 lbs. (B) 4.26 -(C) 6.26 -(D) 7.76 lbs. & down 6.25 lbs. 7.75 lbs. Total & up 20,494 Head 41,794 70,018 29,108 161,414 Avg Live Wgt 3.88 5.50 6.72 8.22 5.64 % of total /1 100% 26% 43% 18% 13% Comparisons Last week 40,756 65,632 32,533 18,302 157,223 Avg Live Wgt 5.63 3.80 5.51 6.75 8.16 % of total /1 26% 42% 21% 11% 100% Year Ago 2/ 37,718 93,342 22,221 18,815 172,096 Avg Live Wgt 3.85 5.42 6.84 8.11 5.55 % of total /1 22% 54% 11% 13% 100% To date/2011* 820,891 1,285,130 2,439,610 1,033,886 5,579,517 To date/2010* 1,400,973 2,751,774 851,047 639,240 5,643,034

/1 May not total to 100% due to rounding. /2 Comparable week.

*Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

Weight Class Description: (A) This size product is normally marketed bone-in into fast food and food service sectors and may include Cornish hens. (B) This size product is normally marketed into the retail grocery sector in tray pack or bagged forms. (C) This size product is normally marketed either into the retail grocery sector in tray pack and IQF form or is further processed and marketed into various sectors. (D) This size product is normally marketed deboned or as roasters or roasting chicken.

Live Poultry Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection							
	Young	Light	Heavy	Total			
W/E 03-Sep-2011	Chickens	Hens	Hens	Hens	Ducks		
·			Thousar	nds			
Head	161,414	1,387	1,379	2,766	441		
Avg Wt	5.64	3.34	7.41	5.37	6.77		
Last week	157,223	1,231	1,438	2,669	412		
Same wk yr ago	172,096	1,329	1,432	2,761	421		
Avg Wt	5.55	3.24	8.10	5.76	6.91		
To-date/2011*	5,579,517	47,805	53,857	101,662	15,169		
To-date/2010*	5,643,034	49,510	49,340	98,850	14,602		
% Change YTD	-1%	-3%	9%	3%	4%		
Ready-to-Cook We	ight and Dress	ing Percer	ntage				
Current week	678,229	2,455	6,540	8,995	2,150		
Last week	659,448	2,160	7,344	9,504	2,020		
Same wk yr ago	711,574	2,282	7,713	9,995	2,095		
To-date/2011*	23,766,212	81,841	279,529	361,370	74,075		
To-date/2010*	23,360,861	85,043	258,846	343,889	72,191		
% Change YTD	2%	-4%	8%	5%	3%		
Dressing %	74.5%	53.0%	64.0%		72.0%		

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 154.6 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 163.4 million head, or 8.8 million more than estimated available. (B) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update. *Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

Estimated U.S. Fryer Slaughter/Fryer Availability Comparison

,	Week	Million Head	Million Head		Avg
E	nding	Slaughtered	Available*	Pct	Wt
July	30	161.0	160.2	100%	5.72
Aug	6	160.6	159.5	101%	5.62
	13	157.9	159.5	99%	5.63
	20	160.7	158.1	102%	5.67
	27	159.1	156.0	102%	5.63
Sep	3	163.4	154.6	106%	5.64
Year t	o date	5647.2	5593.4	101%	
Sep	10		153.8		
•	17		154.3		
*Based	d on chic	k placements 6 to 7	7 weeks earlier.		

Broiler/Cattle/Hog Weekly Estimated Slaughter

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Under Fede	eral Inspection	(in thousand	ds)		
W/E	09/10/11	09/03/11	%chg	09/11/10	%chg
Broilers	141,535	161,414 ¹	-12.32	149,002 ¹	-5.01
Cattle	577	661	-13	583 ²	-01
Hogs	2,004	2,129	-06	1,924 ²	+04

¹ Actual data incorporated when available.

Eastern Region Misc. Poultry Delivery Week of 05-Sep-11

Ducklings: Prices Negotiated by First Receivers, US Grade A, 4-5 lbs. Delivered in Trucklot and Pool Trucklot Quantities, Cents/lb.

Origin	Frozen	Fresh
Long Island	211-215	216-222
Midwest	191-206	196-210

Roasters: Prices Negotiated by First Receivers, US Grade A & Plant Grade, 5 Lbs & Up, Delivered, Cents/lb.

	Kange	WOSHY
Ice Packed (12 per box)	73.00-77.25	73.00-75.00
Vacuum Packed (6-9 per box)	74.00-76.00	74.00-75.00

Squabs: New York Area Wholesale Prices, Frozen, Plant Grade,

Dollars/Dozen, 1 to 10 Boxes

 11 oz.
 72.00-90.72

 13 oz.
 80.64-104.64

 15 oz.
 87.84-109.63

Eastern Region: CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT & WV

Central Region Ducklings Prices continue steady with a steady undertone. Demand is light to mostly moderate. Supplies are moderate. Market activity remains moderate. Processing schedules were reduced in observance of the Labor Day weekend. Prices paid, first receivers for 10-18 oz. boneless breast at \$7.70-8.70, bone in legs at \$2.75-3.10, gizzards at \$1.20-1.50, wings at \$.75-.90, livers at \$1.25-2.05, and feet at \$.75-1.45 cents per lb.

Prices Negotiated by First Receivers for US Grade A Delivered in Trucklot & Pool Trucklot Quantities, 4-5 lbs., cents/lb. Week of 05-Sep-11

Origin	Frozen	Fresh
Midwest and Others	192-210	194-210

Graystone Small Animal Auction

Al Papers Required to Sell All Out of State Poultry

Prices Paid per lb., Except as Noted

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	R	Rang	ge
Muscovy Ducks - Drakes	1.60	-	1.75 lbs.
Cockatiels		-	13.00 ea.
Pekin Ducks	6.50	-	7.50 ea.
Pullets 4-6LBS		-	1.10 lbs.
Red Fowl 5-6LBS	.80	-	.85 lbs.
Red Fowl 4-5LBS	.60	-	.75 lbs.
Leghorn Roosters	2.00	-	2.50 ea.
Crossbred Roosters 7-11LBS	.65	-	.70 lbs.
Crossbred Roosters 4-6LBS	.85	-	1.10 lbs.
Crossbred Fowl 5-9LBS	.70	-	.80 lbs.
Banty Roosters	4.00	-	4.25 ea.
Guinea Pigs	.50	-	2.00 ea.
Kid Goats	35.00	-	60.00 ea.
Geese 9-14LBS	1.30	-	1.40 lbs.
Pigeons	1.85	-	2.10 ea.
White Pigeons	2.50	-	2.75 ea.
Rabbits 6-9LBS	1.50	-	1.75 lbs.
Rabbits 4-6LBS	1.90	-	2.20 lbs.
Bunnies	2.00	-	11.00 ea.
Doves		-	2.50 ea.
Silkies	2.00	-	3.00 ea.
Quail	2.00	-	2.25 ea.
Love Birds	11.00	-	18.00 ea.
Parakeets	5.00	-	11.00 ea.
Canaries	10.00	-	19.00 ea.
Finch		-	9.50 ea.
Muscovy Ducks - Hens	1.40	-	1.55 lbs.
Ferrets		-	11.00 ea.

Total Coops Sold 2288

² Totals adjusted to reflect USDA, NASS revisions.

LIVE SPENT HEAVY FOWL

Prices continue to trend steady to firm when compared to the previous week. Offerings are sufficient for the mostly moderate demand. Processing schedules are reduced due to the Labor Day holiday. Feature activity was noted as moderate. Finished product supplies are fully sufficient for current needs. Market activity is moderate to active.

Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading:

Price Range

Wtd Avg

Prices in cents per pound.

8.5-19.3

13.28

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

LIVE SPENT LIGHT FOWL

Prices are trending steady. Demand is light to moderate for the mostly moderate offerings of light type hens. Processing schedules are reduced due to the Labor Day holiday and with dealers assessing conditions as some flooding hampers some of the areas. Market activity is slow to moderate. The majority of removal costs range 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.

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