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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Whole broiler/fryer prices are trending steady to firm in the East, steady elsewhere. Offerings are light to moderate and clearing satisfactorily. Final majority prices are unchanged when compared to last week prices. Retail and food service demand is light to instances good best where retail promotions are in progress. Floor stocks are light to instances long. Market activity is moderate. In the parts structure, movement is moderate for early week business. Prices for wings are trending firm to higher; steady to firm for b/s breast with good movement. All other parts are steady. Offerings of wings and b/s breast are light and held with confidence. Remaining parts are moderate. Market activity is mostly moderate. In production areas, live supplies are moderate at mixed, but mostly desirable weights.

FINAL BROILER FRYER prices negotiated for trucklot sales of RTC broiler/fryers delivered to first receivers and FOB at major market areas (cents per lb) week of 09-Jan-2012 Grade A Composite

per ib) week or 09-3	an-2012 Grau	e A		COII	iposite
	Majority	Wtd	Loads	Wtd	Loads
		Avg		<u>Avg</u>	
Delivered to First F	Receivers 1/:				
Boston/New Engla	nd TFEWR		:	77.39	16
Ohio Cities	TFEWR		:	78.23	16
Denver	TFEWR		:	77.50	22
Detroit	TFEWR		:	76.52	23
Los Angeles	99.00	97.48	25 :	91.63	65
New York	76.00-79.00	78.05	20:	79.56	39
Philadelphia	75.50-77.00	76.18	11:	76.52	21
Pittsburgh	75.00-78.00	77.36	11:	82.19	52
St. Louis	TFEWR		:	75.54	17
San Francisco	99.50	97.44	8:	88.82	41
Delivered to First F	Receivers 1/:				
	Whole B	3ody 2/:		Com	posite

	Whole B	Whole Body 2/:			posite
	Majority	Wtd Avg	Loads	Wtd <u>Avg</u>	Loads
Chicago	72.00-76.00	Ū	:	74.71	42

Composite Weighted Average 3/:

Loads	01/09/12	Change Last Wk	01/02/12	01/10/11
354	81.33	37	81.70	77.25
WOG br	oiler 4/:	Majority	Wtd Avg	Loads
Eastern		80.00-82.00	80.92	26
Central		71.00-79.00	75.05	78
Western		71.00-77.00	83.03	38
FOB Do	ck Equivalent	: 5/:		
Mississi	opi .	82.00-86.00	83.68	19

1/: Includes branded product. 2/: Whole Body category includes whole body birds with or without giblets, all grades, brands, and packaging. 3/: Includes all whole birds shipped into listed cities including Chicago. 4/: Delivered first receiver, trucklot and less than trucklot volumes. 5/: Southeast area

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES

Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 90.00 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

		MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG
LOADS	RANGE	FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT
964	74 00-99 02	89 53

Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed FINAL weighted average price on ice-packed parts:

· ·	WTD. AVG.	VOLUME	
ITEM	(CENTS PER POUND)	(000 POUNDS)	
LINE RUN TENDERS	192.50	1,700	
BREASTS - B/S	149.50	7,468	
BREASTS - WHOLE	83.50	1,460	
THIGH MEAT - B/S	119.00	1,219	
THIGHS	72.00	1,098	
DRUMSTICKS	72.50	1,277	
LEG QUARTERS	53.00	9,557	
WINGS	171.50	3,735	

This information is supplied by the Georgia Department of Agriculture's Poultry Market News Service.

NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYERS Prices are trending steady to firm for most sizes. Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers is moderate as dealers assess market conditions entering the week. Offerings of all sizes are light to moderate for current needs and clearing satisfactorily. Trade activity is moderate. In the parts complex, supplies of wings are light with good movement and premiums noted; breast items are light to moderate and dark meat cuts are sufficient for current needs with drums and thighs noted in the better balance.

SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYER Whole broiler/fryer prices are holding steady. Offerings are moderate to satisfy trade needs. Demand following the weekend is moderate with trading usually limited to regular commitments. Market activity is moderate. In the parts structure, movement is light to moderate for early week trading. Price trend for wings are higher, firm to higher for boneless skinless breast and moderate for remaining parts. Offerings of wings and b/s breast are light and held with confidence. All other parts are moderate. Market activity is moderate. In production areas, live supplies are moderate. Weights are mixed, but mostly desirable.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Final majorities are unchanged from last Monday. The market is mostly steady. Offers light. Retail demand mostly light to moderate. Foodservice demand light to moderate. Floor stocks light to moderate. Sizes moderate. Parts supplies light to moderate with wings. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average is 81.46 cents, down 1.14 cents on 26 loads. Trading: boneless skinless breasts 124-135, tenders 141-170, bone-in breasts 81-102, legs 73-82, leg meat 110-122, leg quarters bulk 52-61, 4-10 leg quarters 54-66, drums 57-70, thighs 63-85, thigh meat 122-129, wings 166-179 cents delivered.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYERS - Final majority prices were unchanged into the Chicago market; Ohio cities, Detroit and St. Louis were TFEWR. Whole broiler fryer prices trended steady with offerings light to moderate. Retail and food service demand was light to moderate; fast food normal. Floor stocks were balanced to instances long. Sizes were in a full range. Whole bird market activity was light to moderate. Supplies of wings were tight with the balance parts light to moderate. Prices trended firm on wings and boneless breast, steady on the balance of parts. Market activity for parts was light with most interest on wings and boneless breasts.

<u>DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS</u> Less-than-trucklot asking prices are 1 cent higher at 80 to 86 cents with a steady trending undertone. Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds is mostly moderate as dealers assess market conditions entering the week. Offerings are sufficient for current trade needs. Live supplies are moderate; weights are mixed, but noted as mostly desirable. Processing schedules are moderate. Market activity is moderate. In the parts complex, offerings of wings are tight. The balance of parts ranged light to moderate.

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(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations.

Northeast Broiler/Fryer Parts Prices are trending firm to higher for wings and breast items; steady to firm for drums and generally steady for the balance of items. Trucklot buying activity is moderate as dealers assess market conditions entering the week. Offerings of wings are short of full needs and commanding premiums; other items are light to moderate and clearing satisfactorily. Movement is moderate to instances active.

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

Item	Current Negotiated Trading*	Wtd Avg**	Volume /lbs.
Breast - B/S	150-155	127.35	717,360
Tenderloins	155-160	157.98	103,960
Breast - With Ribs	80-81	93.31	62,172
Breast - Line Run	80	83.66	72,961
Legs	70-71	72.06	129,520
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	57-58	52.95	270,520
Drumsticks	56-57	73.62	67,720
Thighs	70-71	78.61	57,240
B/S Thighs	124-125	126.46	66,720
Wings (Whole)	172-173	173.87	166,840
Backs And Necks (S	Stripped) 16-18	18.00	5,160
Livers (5 Pound Tub	os) 50-55	55.00	8,769
Gizzards (Hearts)	70-75	74.49	16,280
New York City Metror	oolitan Area, northern NJ	. MA. CT. RI.	&

PA (northeast of Harrisburg).

Estimated Slaughter of Broiler/Fryers

E	stimate	Actual	Avg	Actual	Avg
	(1,000)	(1,000)	Wts	(1,000)	Wts
	01/09	01/05	01/05	01/02	12/29
Alabama	3,842	3,698	5.42	(A)	5.52
Arkansas	4,759	4,786	5.60	(A)	5.63
Delmarva	2,038	1,993	6.28	(A)	6.32
KY-LA-TN	2,472	2,461	5.27	(A)	5.23
Mississippi	2,777	2,929	6.07	(A)	6.06
North Carolina	2,636	2,530	7.22	(A)	7.18
Texas	2,440	2,454	5.97	(A)	5.85
Total	20,964	20,851	5.90	6,162	5.88
Mon	20,964(B)			6,162(B)	

⁽A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 09-Jan 2012 is estimated to be 31,364,000 up 239.18 percent from a week ago, and up 67.9 percent from a year ago. (last week 9,247,000 last year 18,685,000)

<u>Southern States Broiler/Fryer Parts</u> F.O.B. Dock or equivalent, iced-packed, prices shown are day of shipment (includes current and prior negotiations), trucklot and less than trucklot volume, cents per pound.

,	Pounds		•	Wtd
Item	(000)	Range	Maj	Avg
Breast - B/S	Too	Few to Report		
Tenderloins	Too	Few to Report		
Breast - Line Run	Too	Few to Report		
Front Halves	Too	Few to Report		
Legs	Too	Few to Report		
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	585	48.00-50.00	-	48.70
Leg Quarters (4/10)	779	49.00-52.00	-	51.22
Wings (Whole)	Too	Few to Report		
Wings (Cut)	Too	Few to Report		
Drumsticks	Too	Few to Report		
Thighs	Too	Few to Report		
B/S Thighs	Too	Few to Report	*****	*****

Whole Body Index Based on Southern States Parts Trading for January 09, 2012 -- f.o.b. dock

Range	Today's Average	5-Day Average
55.00 - 57.00	55.69	55.57

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

Midwest Region Broiler/Fryer Parts

Ice-Packed Pool Trucklot and Trucklot Quantities
Delivered To: IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, & WI
Week of 09-Jan-2012 to 13-Jan-2012, Cents per Pound

	Price per Lb.	Mostly
Breast - B/S	120.00 - 140.00	124.00 - 130.00
Tenderloins	149.00 - 179.00	158.00 - 163.00
Breast - Line Run	73.00 - 107.00	79.00 - 86.00
Legs	65.00 - 73.00	-
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	47.00 - 56.00	50.00 - 54.00
Leg Quarters (4/10)	51.00 - 59.00	52.00 - 56.00
Drumsticks	52.00 - 69.00	-
Thighs	61.00 - 78.00	-
B/S Thighs	119.00 - 131.00	-
Wings (Whole)	162.00 - 177.00	167.00 - 173.00
Backs and Necks (Stripped)	17.00 - 40.00	-
Livers	32.00 - 49.00	-
Gizzards (Hearts)	40.00 - 59.00	-

California Processed Poultry - cents per pound

Southern (L.A. Area) Delivered to Restaurants and Institutions	Range	San Francisco Delivered to Restaurants and Insti	itutions	Range
WOGS 2# & Up - Whole WOGS 2# & Up - Cut Up 8 & 9 Pieces	102-120 106-121	•	Ory Pack ce Pack	113-185
Frozen Ducks Frozen Squabs		•	Ory Pack ce Pack	124
Delivered To Retailers		Ducks		217-285
Fresh Fryers	109-122			
Roasters 4# & Up Ducks Rabbits-Whole Rabbits-Cut Up	129-139			

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

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

⁽B) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

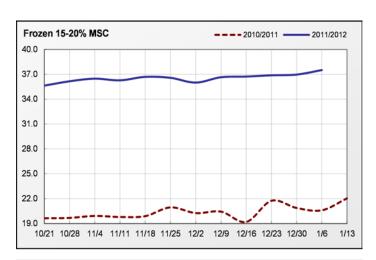
National Mechanically Separated Chicken

(FOB Shipper Dock or equiv., negotiated prices in trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes reported in thousand lb. quantities, cents/lb.; delivery within 2 weeks.)

Prices for all MSC fat contents trended steady to firm. Supplies were light to moderate. Schedules were reduced for the New Year's Day holiday. Domestic demand was moderate. Export demand was moderate to good with good interest into Mexico, Central America, and the Caribbean. The spot marketplace remained strong coming off of the holiday; yet many wonder what the next few weeks will bring once things settle into a regular routine, especially since many buyers built up inventories in late 2011. After concluding the first week of new and significantly higher priced contracts, preparations paid off for most with smooth transitions. However many continue to be cautious both in the short and long term, vigilantly watching market developments in these unique and uncertain times. Market activity was moderate to active. Supplies of raw materials were light and sought after. Spot frame trading for this week was between 15-17 cents FOB.

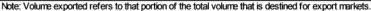
Weekly MSC Weighted Average Prices (cents/pound) and Volumes (1,000 pounds)

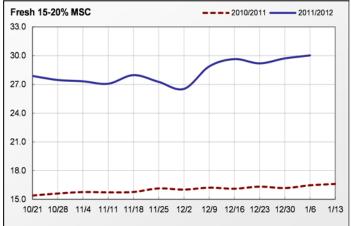
	Frozen			Fresh			
Fat Content	6-Jan-12	Last Week	Last Year	6-Jan-12	Last Week	Last Year	
15% or Less							
Price Range			-	32.00	32.00	18.00-19.00	
Wtd Avg Price			-	32.00	32.00	18.50	
Volume Traded	-	-	-	184	163	245	
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-	
15-20%							
Price Range	35.50 - 40.00	34.00 - 40.00	15.00-26.00	27.00 - 34.00	26.00 - 33.00	13.00-20.50	
Wtd Avg Price	37.51	36.97	20.60	30.02	29.71	16.47	
Volume Traded	1,597	1,157	1,730	3,437	4,330	3,723	
Volume Exported	1,517	1,037	1,450	530	938	408	
20% or More							
Price Range	-	-	-	22.50	22.50	18.00-20.00	
Wtd Avg Price			-	22.50	22.50	19.00	
Volume Traded	-	-	-	82	41	163	
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-	



Monthly MSC Weighted Average Prices (cents/pound) and Volumes (1,000 pounds)

	Frozen			Fresh			
Fat Content	Dec 2011	Nov 2011	Dec 2010	Dec 2011	Nov 2011	Dec 2010	
15% or Less							
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	31.89	31.74	18.48	
Volume Traded	-	-	-	714	469	592	
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-	
15-20%							
Wtd Avg Price	36.64	36.48	20.34	28.89	27.39	16.16	
Volume Traded	6,422	6,588	7,720	19,182	13,433	17,110	
Volume Exported	5,542	5,465	6,300	5,183	2,285	2,938	
20% or More							
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	22.59	22.55	19.29	
Volume Traded	-	-	-	449	408	571	
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-	





LIVE SPENT HEAVY FOWL

Prices are trending no better than steady when compared to the previous week. Supplies are moderate to heavy for the light to moderate demand. Processing schedules are reduced due to the New Year's Day holiday. Retail feature activity is moderate to instances good. Finished product supplies are moderate to heavy. Market activity is slow to moderate.

Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading: Price Range Wtd Avg

Prices in cents per pound. 8.0 - 14.5 13.10

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

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