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### NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Whole broiler/fryer prices are steady to weak in all areas. Retail and food service demand is light to instances good on retail entering the weekend. Offerings are light to heavy, mostly moderate to heavy for current trade needs. Floor stocks balanced to short. Market activity is slow to moderate with some anticipating business improving towards the end of next week for Super Bowl. In the parts structure, movement is light to moderate with many noted issues with truck availability for the West Coast (trucks can't find backhauls). Prices are trending firm to higher for wings and whole breast, steady to at least steady for the balance of items. Supplies of wings are in close balance to instances short of full needs. Whole breast are light and clearing well. Other items are sufficient. Market activity is slow to active. In production areas, live supplies are moderate; weights are mixed, but noted as mostly desirable.

<u>GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK WHOLE BIRD PRICES</u> The Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is **99.25** cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

PRELIMINARY FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT

 LOADS
 RANGE
 PRELIM. WTD. AVG

 964
 94.98-105.00
 99.21

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

ITEM	WTD AVG	VOL
	(CENTS PER LB)	(000 LBS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	192.00	1,608
BREASTS - B/S	166.00	6,733
BREASTS - WHOLE	104.50	1,243
THIGH MEAT - B/S	137.50	1,156
THIGHS	73.50	1,327
DRUMSTICKS	72.00	1,167
LEG QUARTERS	53.50	8,699
WINGS	198.00	3,483

### **NATIONAL WHOLE BROILER/FRYER**

## NATIONAL COMPOSITE WEIGHTED AVERAGE

	Wtd Avg		Change	1,000 lbs.
This Week:	101.23	1	2.58	12,255
Last Week:	103.81			11,824
Last Year:	84.04	1	17.19	13,960

### **Monthly Composite Weighted Average**

Wtd Avg		1,000 lbs.
Dec	97.63	47,943

### **EASTERN REGION**

	THIS WEEK						Γ WEEK
	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Whole Body:	74.00 - 126.00	98.00 - 105.00	102.90	<b>J</b> 1.66	5,647	104.56	5,875
WOGS:	92.00 - 122.00	98.00 - 105.00	102.15	<b>4</b> 1.17	1,349	103.32	1,386
NEW YORK							
Whole Body:	93.25 - 108.00	100.00 - 105.00	102.96	0.74	1,438	103.70	1,508

## **CENTRAL REGION**

,			LAST	Γ WEEK			
	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Whole Body:	83.00 - 111.00	89.00 - 98.00	95.55	<b>4</b> 2.77	3,707	98.32	3,470
WOGS:	83.00 - 111.00	89.00 - 97.00	93.92	<b>4</b> 3.58	2,824	97.50	2,720
CHICAGO							
Whole Body:	83.00 - 108.25	89.00 - 98.00	95.16	1.92	1,955	97.08	1,683

### **WESTERN REGION**

		LAST	T WEEK				
	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Whole Body:	88.00 - 128.00	98.00 - 108.00	105.25	4.47	2,901	109.72	2,479
WOGS:	88.00 - 111.00	98.00 - 104.00	100.39	7.68	1,650	108.07	1,648
LOS ANGELES							
Whole Body:	88.00 - 128.00	98.00 - 108.00	105.84	<b>4</b> 3.19	2,041	109.03	1,799

Negotiated prices in trucklot and less-than-trucklot quantities of ready-to-cook whole body broiler/fryers delivered to first receivers; prices in cents per pound; volume in thousands of pounds.

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

Central Region: AR,CO,IA, IL,IN,KS,KY,LA,MI,MN,MO,NE,NM,OK,OH,SD,TX,WI. Western Region: AZ,CA,ID,MT,NV,OR,UT,WA,WY.

Source: USDA AMS Poultry Market News & Analysis; www.ams.usda.gov/pymnhomepage

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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 VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

Jan 17, 2013					Jan 18, 2013				WEEKLY	WEEKLY
P	OUNDS			WTD	POUNDS			WTD	POUNDS	WTD
ITEM	(000)	RANGE	MAJ	AVG	(000)	RANGE	MAJ	AVG	(000)	AVG
BREAST - B/S	168	126.00-146.00	-	132.90	<sub>I</sub> 188	126.00-146.00	-	132.70	1,172	132.28
TENDERLOINS	252	137.00-150.00	-	139.21	292	137.00-150.00	-	139.04	904	139.27
BREAST - LINE RUN	TO	O FEW TO REPORT			TOO	FEW TO REPORT			75	88.40
FRONT HALVES	TO	O FEW TO REPORT			TOO	FEW TO REPORT			270	85.33
LEGS	TO	O FEW TO REPORT			TOO	FEW TO REPORT			TFEWR	
LEG QUARTERS (BULK	() 185	44.00-49.00	-	46.84	200	44.00-49.00	-	46.63	1,043	47.04
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	216	48.00-52.00	-	48.85	229	48.00-52.00	-	48.80	1,316	49.11
WINGS (WHOLE)	TO	O FEW TO REPORT			TOO	FEW TO REPORT			95	195.42
WINGS (CUT)	TO	O FEW TO REPORT			TOO	FEW TO REPORT			75	212.20
DRUMSTICKS	TO	O FEW TO REPORT			TOO	FEW TO REPORT			60	54.00
THIGHS	TO	O FEW TO REPORT			T00	FEW TO REPORT			75	64.00
B/S THIGHS	TO	O FEW TO REPORT			TOO	FEW TO REPORT			75	123.20

Whole Body Index Based on Southern States Parts Trading for Jan 17, 2013 -f.o.b. dock.

**RANGE** TODAY'S AVERAGE 62.00 - 69.50 65.92 Whole Body Index Based on Southern States Parts Trading for Jan 18, 2013 -f.o.b. dock. RANGE **TODAY'S AVERAGE 5-DAY AVERAGE** 62.00 - 70.00 66.07

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 and bone-in breast; steady to at least steady for the balance of items. Trucklot buying activity improved slightly under normal weekend demand and is noted as moderate overall. Supplies of wings are in close balance to instances short of full needs; bone-in breast are light and clearing well. Other items are sufficient for current needs. Movement is mostly moderate.

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ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND.

Jan 17, 2013				Jan 18, 2013				
CU	IRRENT NEG	WTD	VOL	<b>CURRENT NEG</b>	WTD	VOL	WEEKLY	WEEKLY
ITEM	TRADING*	AVG**	/LBS.	TRADING*	AVG**	/LBS.	WTD AVG	VOL/LBS.
BREAST - B/S	160	137.22	1,096,800	160	139.09	702,440	137.15	4,403,440
TENDERLOINS	150	151.99	181,280	150	149.20	179,800	149.68	905,120
BREAST - WITH RIBS	97-98	108.62	56,286	98-99	107.43	68,146	108.52	294,088
BREAST - LINE RUN	97	101.68	78,953	98	102.50	72,000	101.65	327,330
LEGS	68-69	67.66	135,400	68-69	70.15	90,520	68.03	583,200
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	47-48	49.79	367,893	47-48	50.31	160,720	50.07	1,272,587
DRUMSTICKS	54-55	59.12	141,220	54-55	65.07	76,520	58.50	653,325
THIGHS	70-71	80.39	39,760	70-71	81.57	36,280	81.71	258,320
B/S THIGHS	128-129	128.53	99,880	128-129	129.97	69,200	128.09	427,120
WINGS (WHOLE)	204-205	207.43	288,560	204-205	211.11	216,000	206.55	1,214,240
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPP	ED) 16-18	18.00	5,799	16-18	18.00	5,600	18.00	28,888
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60	59.00	2,310	55-60	56.59	8,910	56.95	48,040
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	75-80	79.83	16,400	75-80	79.08	22,920	79.62	99,100
INCLUDES NEW YORK CITY ME	TROPOLITAN ARE	EA, NORTHE	RN NJ, MA, CT, I	RI, AND PA (NORTHEA	ST OF HARRI	ISBURG).		

\*TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M. \*\* WTD AVG PRICE OF ALL GRADES & BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

**ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS** 

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	<b>ESTIMATED</b>		AC <sup>-</sup>	ACTUAL		AVG WT		AVG
	(1,	(000	(1,	(1,000)				WT
	01/18	01/17	01/16	01/15	01/16	01/15	01/11	01/09
Alabama	4,076	3,755	3,398	3,670	5.78	5.69	3,466	5.74
Arkansas	4,016	4,673	4,476	4,605	5.60	5.42	3,626	5.84
Delmarva	2,379	2,077	1,840	2,032	6.26	6.33	2,053	6.32
Ky-LA-TN	2,366	2,379	2,213	2,204	5.14	5.17	2,288	5.22
Mississippi	2,760	2,774	2,772	2,873	6.14	6.18	2,254	6.21
North Carolina	3,106	2,889	2,806	2,820	7.42	7.42	3,425	7.40
Texas	2,510	2,434	2,401	2,298	5.65	5.69	2,301	5.69
Total	21,213	20,981	19,906	20,502	5.98	5.94	19,413	6.05
Mon-Friday	105,450	(A)					101,934 (	4)
Saturday	2.279	(included	in total t	for date s	hown)		1.059	•

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 18-Jan-13 and 19-Jan-13 is estimated to be 31,737,000 head up 8.95 percent from a week ago and up 2.64 percent from a year ago. (Last week 29,131,000, last year 30,920,000)

Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the week ending 19-Jan-13 is estimated to be 157,765,000 head down 0.69 percent from a week ago, and up 7.25 percent from a year ago. (Last week 158,856,000, last year 147,103,000) Actual data incorporated when available.

#### **NATIONAL FOWL MARKET**

LIVE SPENT HEAVY FOWL Prices are trending steady to instances firm. Supplies are generally sufficient for the mostly moderate demand. Processing schedules are normal. Retail feature activity is moderate entering the weekend with the bulk of interest being in the South Central regions Finished product supplies are light to moderate and moving well. Market activity is moderate.

Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading: Price Range Wtd Avg Prices in cents per pound. 10.0-22.0 13.90 (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 for the light to mostly moderate demand. Offerings of light type hens are sufficient for current needs. Processing schedules are normal. Movement of finished product sales were clearing satisfactorily. Market activity is moderate. The majority price for removal costs is 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.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION							
		ek ending 12			•		
(Preliminary)			-Thousands				
	(A) 4.25 lbs.	(B) 4.26 -	(C) 6.26 -	(D) 7.76 lbs.			
	& down	6.25 lbs.	7.75 lbs.	& up	Total		
Head	35,944	60,443	32,127	30,342	158,856		
Avg Live Wgt	3.80	5.47	6.77	8.49	5.93		
% of total /1	23%	38%	20%	19%	100%		
Comparisons							
Last week	35,031	42,702	30,490	22,350	130,573		
Avg Live Wgt	3.83	5.32	6.77	8.72	5.84		
% of total /1	27%	33%	23%	17%	100%		
Year Ago 2/	32,200	69,744	34,507	17,471	153,922		
Avg Live Wgt	3.75	5.26	6.73	8.57	5.65		
% of total /1	21%	45%	22%	11%	100%		
To date/2013*	70,975	103,145	62,617	52,692	289,429		
To date/2012*	62,782	129,715	59,619	37,021	289,137		
% Change YTD	13%	-20%	5%	42%	0%		

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

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.

## WEEKLY POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

(Preliminary) Week ending 12-Jan-2013

(	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
		Tho	ousands		_
Head	158,856	1,730	1,595	3,325	475
Avg Wt	5.93	3.36	7.94	5.56	6.58
Head sltr comparisons	3				
Last week	130,573	1,368	1,130	2,498	349
Same wk yr ago	153,922	1,818	1,558	3,376	409
Avg Wt	5.65	3.20	7.34	5.11	6.47
To-date/2013*	289,429	3,098	2,725	5,823	824
To-date/2012*	289,137	3,193	2,923	6,116	813
% Change YTD	0%	-3%	-7%	-5%	1%
Ready-to-Cook Weigh	nt and Dressing	g Percentag	е		
Current week	715,932	3,081	8,485	11,566	2,219
Last week	579,535	2,226	5,103	7,329	1,938
Same wk yr ago	652,244	3,025	7,719	10,744	1,905
To-date/2013*	1,295,467	5,307	13,588	18,895	4,157
To-date/2012*	1,231,302	5,277	14,860	20,137	3,727
% Change YTD	5%	1%	-9%	-6%	12%
Dressing %	76.0%	53.0%	67.0%		71.0%

<sup>(</sup>A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 146.7 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 160.8 million head, or 14.1 million more than estimated available.

EST. U.S. FRYER SLAUGHTER/FRYER AVAILABILITY COMPARISON								
Week	Million Head	Million Head		Avg				
Ending	Slaughtered	Available*	Pct	Wt				
12/08	155.1	146.8	106%	5.94				
12/15	154.2	145.2	106%	5.83				
12/22	157.4	145.2	108%	5.64				
12/29	116.8	143.1	82%	5.64				
01/05	132.2	139.0	95%	5.84				
01/12	160.8	146.7	110%	5.93				
Year to date	293.0	285.7	103%					
01/19		142.8						
01/26		150.0						
*Based on chick	placements 6 to 7 w	veeks earlier.						

EASTERN REGION MISC. POULTRY

For delivery the week of JANUARY 14, 2013

**DUCKLINGS:** PRICES NEGOTIATED BY FIRST RECEIVERS, US GRADE A, 4-5 LBS, DELIVERED IN TRUCKLOT & POOL TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS/LB

ORIGIN	FROZEN	FRESH
LONG ISLAND	226-230	231-237
MIDWEST	197-212	202-218

ROASTERS: PRICES NEGOTIATED BY FIRST RECEIVERS,

US GRADE A AND PLANT GRADE, 5 LBS & UP, DELIVERED, CENTS/LB

RANGE MOSTLY

ICE PACKED (12/BOX) 87.00-110.25 90.00-104.00 VACUUM PACKED (6-9/ BOX) 89.00-111.00 92.00-105.00

**SQUABS:** NY AREA WHOLESALE PRICES, FROZEN, PLANT GRADE, DOLLARS/DOZ, 1-10 BOXES

**11 oz. 13 oz. 15 oz.** 74.88-99.79 82.80-114.54 90.00-120.34

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

CENTRAL REGION DUCKLINGS Reported prices are steady. Demand ranges moderate to good as buyers work to secure needs for the upcoming Chinese New Year. Supplies are mostly moderate. Market activity is moderate to active. Prices paid, first receivers for 10-18 oz. boneless breast at \$5.52-8.80, bone in legs at \$3.10-3.62, gizzards at \$1.20-1.80, wings at \$.80-.95, livers at \$1.25-2.05, and feet at \$.95-1.45 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 14-Jan-2013

ORIGIN	FROZEN	FRESH	
MIDWEST & OTHERS	170_210	181-224	

## BROILER/CATTLE/HOG WEEKLY ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER

Under Fed	erai inspectio	n (in thousand	as)		
W/E	01/26/13	01/19/13	% chg	01/27/12	% chg
<b>Broilers</b>	157,765	158,856 <sup>1</sup>	-0.69	147,103 <sup>1</sup>	+7.25
Cattle	615	624	-01	619 <sup>2</sup>	-01
Hogs	2,227	2,284	-02	$2,217^{2}$	0
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Actual data incorporated when available.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Totals adjusted to reflect USDA, NASS revisions.

GRAYSTONE SMALL ANIMAL AUCTION ***AI PAPERS REQUIRED TO SELL ALL OUT OF STATE POULTRY***							
	DATE OF A	UCTION: 01-15-13 - F	PRICES PAID PER	LB., EXCEP	T AS NOTED		
	RANGE		RANGE			RANGE	
Muscovy Ducks - Drakes	.50 - 0.90 lbs.	Guinea Pigs	2.50 -	8.00 ea.	Silkies	3.00 -	3.25 ea.
Fancy Pigeons	8.00 - 10.00 ea.	Guinea Fowl	1.30 -	2.00 lbs.	Quail	.60 -	1.00 ea.
Pekin Ducks	4.25 - 5.00 ea.	Kid Goats	50.00 -	72.00 ea.	Broilers	- 08.	1.05 lbs.
Pullets 4-6LBS	<ul> <li>0.90 lbs.</li> </ul>	Geese 9-14LBS	1.10 -	1.20 lbs.	Peacocks	25.00 -	30.00 ea.
Red Fowl 4-5LBS	.35 - 0.40 lbs.	Pigeons	3.50 -	4.00 ea.	Pheasants	-	11.00 ea.
Leghorn Roosters	1.75 - 2.00 ea.	White Pigeons	-	4.00 ea.	Goose Eggs	2.50 -	5.00 ea.
Crossbred Roosters 7-11LBS	.60 - 0.75 lbs.	Rabbits 6-9LBS	1.50 -	1.85 lbs.	Laying Pullets	-	5.00 ea.
Crossbred Roosters 4-6LBS	1.00 - 1.30 lbs.	Rabbits 4-6LBS	1.70 -	2.05 lbs.	Fancy Bantams	6.00 -	7.00 ea.
Crossbred Fowl 5-9LBS	.45 - 0.55 lbs.	Leghorn Hens	.15-	1.00 ea.	Muscovy Ducks - Hens	.50 -	1.00 lbs.
Banty Roosters	3.00 - 3.25 ea.	Bunnies	3.00 -	5.00 ea.	•		
Banty Hens	1.00 - 2.00 ea.	Doves	-	3.25 ea.	Total Coops Sold 3885		

<sup>\*</sup>Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

<sup>(</sup>B) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update.

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