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## NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

Whole broiler/fryer prices are trending steady to firm in the Midwest, steady to instances firm in the East, and steady in the West. Retail and food service demand is light to moderate at best; fast food moderate to good for mid-week business. Offerings are light to moderate. Floor stocks are balanced to purposely short. Market activity is slow to moderate. In the parts structure, movement is light to moderate as parts of the Northeast brace for snowy weather conditions later in the week. Prices are trending steady to firm for breast items and tenders; steady to weak for wings and mostly steady for the balance of parts. Supplies of wings and thigh meat are moderate to heavy, breast items are light to moderate with good movement and the balance of items are sufficient. Market activity is slow to moderate. In production areas, live supplies are moderate; weights are mixed, but mostly desirable.

**GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK** The quoted price on broilers/fryers for next week's trading advanced .25 cents to 100.00 based on full truck load lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 91.00 cents last year on February 08, 2012.

Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted prices on ice-packed parts for next week's trading.

| ITEM | DOCK PRICE (CENTS PER POUND) |
|---|---|
| LINE RUN TENDERS | 185.50 |
| BREASTS - B/S | 161.50 |
| BREASTS - WHOLE | 105.00 |
| THIGH MEAT - B/S | 135.50 |
| THIGHS | 72.00 |
| DRUMSTICKS | 64.00 |
| LEG QUARTERS | 54.00 |
| WINGS | 204.00 |

Information supplied by the GA Dept. of Ag's Poultry Market News Service.

## NATIONAL FOWL MARKET

**Ready-to-Cook**

**Midwest Region Negotiated Prices to First Receivers**

(cents/lb. delivered to first receivers; U.S. Grade A and Plant Grade)

| | | Price Range |
|---|---|---|
| Hens | Ice Packed (12 per Box) | 80.0 - 86.0 |
| | Vacuum Packed (6-9 per Box) | 85.0 - 90.0 |

Midwest region = IL, IN, MI, MO, OH, and WI

## ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

Under Federal Inspection for Week Ending 09-Feb-13

| Class | CW: 02/09/13(1) | PW: 02/02/13 |
|---|---|---|
| | ---------- Thousand head --------- | |
| Broiler/fryer | 153,312(2) | 151,750 |
| Light hens | 1,569 | 1,743 |
| Heavy hens | 1,530 | 1,492 |
| Total | 156,411 | 154,985 |

(1)Estimated

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 09-Feb-13 is 153.7 million head compared to 151.6 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 153.6 million head or -0.1 million less than estimated available. For the week of 16-Feb-13 the estimated available is 155.4 million head.

## MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS – MEXICO CITY

Cents per pound for the week ending February 01, 2013

| | Whole Chickens | Breasts | Legs W/Thighs | Necks, Backs & Wings | Livers/ Gizzards | Hens |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **RAYON** | | | | | | |
| Low | 96.34 | 179.73 | 89.87 | 35.95 | 7.19 | 115.03 |
| High | 98.85 | 190.52 | 100.65 | 46.73 | 10.78 | 115.03 |
| Mostly | 97.06 | 186.92 | 93.46 | 43.14 | 7.19 | 115.03 |
| **SAN JUAN** | | | | | | |
| Low | 95.26 | 176.14 | 86.27 | 35.95 | 7.19 | 115.03 |
| High | 97.06 | 186.92 | 97.06 | 43.14 | 10.78 | 115.03 |
| Mostly | 97.06 | 183.33 | 89.87 | 39.54 | 7.19 | 115.03 |
| **NEW SAN JUAN** | | | | | | |
| Low | 97.06 | 179.73 | 89.87 | 35.95 | 10.78 | 97.06 |
| High | 99.93 | 194.11 | 104.25 | 50.33 | 14.38 | 99.93 |
| Mostly | 97.06 | 190.52 | 97.06 | 46.73 | 10.78 | 97.06 |
| **BECERRA** | | | | | | |
| Low | 97.78 | 179.73 | 93.46 | 35.95 | 10.78 | 118.63 |
| High | 100.65 | 197.71 | 107.84 | 53.92 | 14.38 | 118.63 |
| Mostly | 97.78 | 194.11 | 100.65 | 50.33 | 10.78 | 118.63 |

## WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS - Selected Centers

(INC. GOV'T STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

| | Processed Turkeys LBS | Processed other Poultry LBS |
|---|---|---|
| AM 02/04/13 | 125,643 | 107,418 |
| AM 01/01/13 | 95,985 | 76,228 |
| CHG | 29658 | 31190 |
| PCT CHG | 31% | 41% |

Based on the historical relationship of the preliminary U.S. Cold Storage holdings report of December 31, 2012 and the selected centers storage report, the expected U.S. holdings on February 1, 2013 are:

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Processed Turkeys | 386 | MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS | 5% |
| Processed Other Poultry | 957 | MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS | 5% |

## COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT – (in thousands)

| | Processed Turkeys | | | Processed other Poultry | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 02/04/13 | 01/28/13 | 02/06/12 | 02/04/13 | 01/28/13 | 02/06/12 |
| **PACIFIC COAST** | 304 | 328 | 278 | 1,895 | 1,857 | 1,305 |
| **LOS ANGELES** | 84 | 134 | 199 | 1,038 | 1,043 | 595 |

## WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING

Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 16-Mar-13 is estimated at 149.8 million head. This compares to 150.2 million head the previous week and to 151.4 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 152.1 million head and the national weighted average price was 94.08 cents per pound.

## BROILER HATCHERY

**Week Ending 02/02/13**

### BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET UP 3 PERCENT

Commercial hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 198 million eggs in incubators during the week ending February 2, 2013. This was up 3 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 84 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

**19 Selected States Total** (1,000 eggs)

| | 2013 | 2012 | % PY |
|---|---|---|---|
| Eggs Set | 198,084 | 193,162 | +03 |

### BROILER-TYPE CHICKS PLACED UP 1 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 162 million chicks for meat production during the week ending February 2, 2013. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2012 through February 2, 2013 were 814 million, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

**19 Selected States Total** (1,000 chicks)

| | 2013 | 2012 | % PY |
|---|---|---|---|
| Chicks Placed | 162,256 | 160,767 | +01 |

Selected States: AL, AR, CA, DE, FL, GA, KY, LA, MD, MO, MS, NC, OK, PA, SC, TX, VA, TN, & WV

Source: USDA, NASS


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**SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER 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.

| FEB 05 ITEM | POUNDS (000) | RANGE | MAJORITY | WTD 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) | 200 | 47.00-49.00 | - | 48.00 |
| LEG QUARTERS (4/10) | 240 | 49.00-51.00 | - | 49.56 |
| 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 | | | |

| FEB 06 ITEM | POUNDS (000) | RANGE | MAJORITY | WTD AVG |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| BREAST - B/S | 203 | 128.00-146.00 | - | 132.85 |
| TENDERLOINS | 83 | 136.00-150.00 | - | 139.52 |
| BREAST - LINE RUN | TOO FEW TO REPORT | | | |
| FRONT HALVES | TOO FEW TO REPORT | | | |
| LEGS | TOO FEW TO REPORT | | | |
| LEG QUARTERS (BULK) | 260 | 47.00-49.00 | - | 48.10 |
| LEG QUARTERS (4/10) | 299 | 48.00-51.00 | - | 49.33 |
| 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 F.O.B. Dock

| RANGE | TODAY'S AVERAGE | RANGE | TODAY'S AVERAGE | 5-DAY AVERAGE |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 67.50 – 70.00 | 68.75 | 66.50 – 70.00 | 68.16 | 68.76 |

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/FRYER PARTS** - Prices are trending steady to firm for breast cuts and tenders; weak to lower for wings and generally steady for the balance of items. Trucklot buying activity is light to moderate for mid-week trading as parts of the area brace for snowy weather conditions later in the week. Offering of breast cuts are light to moderate and moving well; wings are available and slow to clear. Other items are sufficient for current needs. Movement is slow to moderate.

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

| FEB 05 ITEM | CURRENT NEG TRADING* | WTD AVG** | VOL/LBS |
|---|---|---|---|
| BREAST - B/S | 160 | 138.27 | 1,100,480 |
| TENDERLOINS | 150 | 151.85 | 236,200 |
| BREAST - WITH RIBS | 99-100 | 112.30 | 74,654 |
| BREAST - LINE RUN | 99 | 102.90 | 77,471 |
| LEGS | 68-69 | 67.67 | 133,680 |
| LEG QUARTERS (BULK) | 47-48 | 50.28 | 381,160 |
| DRUMSTICKS | 54-55 | 59.49 | 139,333 |
| THIGHS | 70-71 | 73.51 | 110,320 |
| B/S THIGHS | 128-129 | 129.41 | 114,200 |
| WINGS (WHOLE) | 206-207 | 208.58 | 349,760 |
| BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED) | 16-18 | 18.00 | 4,120 |
| LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS) | 55-60 | 56.11 | 17,160 |
| GIZZARDS (HEARTS) | 75-80 | 77.59 | 30,000 |

| FEB 06 ITEM | CURRENT NEG TRADING* | WTD AVG** | VOL/LBS |
|---|---|---|---|
| BREAST - B/S | 160 | 140.68 | 659,040 |
| TENDERLOINS | 150 | 147.72 | 179,000 |
| BREAST - WITH RIBS | 99-100 | 112.32 | 67,720 |
| BREAST - LINE RUN | 99 | 102.80 | 79,383 |
| LEGS | 68-69 | 67.43 | 93,000 |
| LEG QUARTERS (BULK) | 47-48 | 51.50 | 225,144 |
| DRUMSTICKS | 54-55 | 63.24 | 95,400 |
| THIGHS | 70-71 | 74.46 | 66,440 |
| B/S THIGHS | 128-129 | 131.06 | 96,680 |
| WINGS (WHOLE) | 204-205 | 211.61 | 221,560 |
| BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED) | 16-18 | 18.00 | 5,402 |
| LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS) | 55-60 | 57.02 | 10,190 |
| GIZZARDS (HEARTS) | 75-80 | 79.11 | 23,040 |

Includes New York City Metropolitan Area, Northern NJ, MA, CT, RI, & PA (Northeast of Harrisburg).

*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.

**DAILY ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS**

| | ESTIMATED (1,000) 02/06 | ESTIMATED (1,000) 02/05 | ACTUAL (1,000) 02/04 | ACTUAL (1,000) 02/01 | AVG WTS 02/04 | AVG WTS 02/01 | ACTUAL (1,000) 01/30 | AVG WTS 01/28 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Alabama | 3,731 | 3,787 | 3,716 | 3,927 | 5.48 | 5.52 | 3,357 | 5.70 |
| Arkansas | 4,883 | 4,824 | 4,533 | 3,465 | 5.84 | 5.44 | 4,917 | 5.72 |
| Delmarva | 1,905 | 2,061 | 2,037 | 2,350 | 6.28 | 6.15 | 1,894 | 6.28 |
| KY-LA-TN | 2,381 | 2,480 | 2,373 | 2,490 | 5.33 | 5.02 | 2,349 | 5.26 |
| Mississippi | 2,797 | 2,657 | 2,720 | 2,916 | 6.40 | 5.77 | 2,726 | 6.16 |
| North Carolina | 2,813 | 2,886 | 2,836 | 2,941 | 7.52 | 7.30 | 2,834 | 7.57 |
| Texas | 2,349 | 2,370 | 2,056 | 2,326 | 5.58 | 5.60 | 2,004 | 5.69 |
| Total | 20,859 | 21,065 | 20,271 | 20,415 | 6.04 | 5.82 | 20,081 | 6.02 |
| Mon-Wed | 62,529 | (A) | | | | | 61,894 | (A) |

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 06-Feb-13 is estimated to be 31,207,000 head up 3.56 percent from a week ago and up 4.64 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 30,134,000, last year 29,822,000)

**HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES** FOR 02/05/13

AI Papers Required To Sell All Out of State Poultry

| | LOW | HIGH | AVG | | LOW | HIGH | AVG |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| HEAVY FOWL lb. | - | .30 | - | HEAVY FOWL ea. | 1.75 | 3.00 | 2.10 |
| LIGHT FOWL lb. | - | - | - | LIGHT FOWL ea. | - | - | - |
| MIXED FOWL lb. | - | - | - | MIXED FOWL ea. | - | 1.50 | - |
| BROILERS lb. | - | - | - | BROILERS ea. | - | - | - |
| ROASTERS lb. | - | - | - | ROASTERS ea. | - | - | - |
| FRYERS lb. | - | - | - | FRYERS ea. | - | - | - |
| CHICKS lb. | - | - | - | CHICKS ea. | - | - | - |
| PULLETS lb. | - | - | - | PULLETS ea. | - | - | - |
| BUNNIES lb. | - | - | - | BUNNIES ea. | 2.50 | 3.25 | 2.85 |
| ROOSTERS lb. | - | - | - | ROOSTERS ea. | 5.00 | 5.50 | 5.25 |
| GEESE lb. | - | - | - | GEESE ea. | - | - | - |
| TURKEYS lb. | - | - | - | TURKEYS ea. | - | - | - |
| DUCKS lb. | - | 2.10 | - | DUCKS ea. | - | - | - |
| RABBITS lb. | 1.40 | 2.50 | 1.88 | RABBITS ea. | - | - | - |
| PIGEONS lb. | - | - | - | PIGEONS ea. | - | 2.50 | - |
| GUINEA FOWL lb. | - | - | - | GUINEA FOWL ea. | - | - | - |
| DUCKLINGS lb. | - | - | - | DUCKLINGS ea. | - | - | - |
| GUINEA KEETS ea. | - | - | - | CALL DUCKS ea. | - | - | - |
| SILKIES ea. | - | - | - | GOSLINGS ea. | - | - | - |
| GUINEA PIGS ea. | - | - | - | TURKEY POULTS ea. | - | - | - |
| CHUKARS ea. | - | - | - | PEACOCKS ea. | - | - | - |
| PARTRIDGES ea. | - | - | - | COCKATIELS ea. | - | - | - |
| DOVES ea. | - | - | - | PHEASANTS ea. | - | - | - |
| QUAIL ea. | 1.50 | 1.75 | 1.63 | FERRETS ea. | - | - | - |
| CHINCHILAS ea. | - | - | - | MICE ea. | - | - | - |
| PEAFOWL ea. | - | - | - | GUINEA FOWL EGGS(doz ) | | - | - |
| QUAIL EGGS ea. | - | - | - | QUAIL EGGS ea. | - | - | - |
| EMU ea. | - | - | - | HAMPSTERS ea. | - | - | - |

TOTAL PIECES SOLD 121