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#### **NATIONAL BROILER**

Whole broiler/fryer prices are trending steady to no better than steady in the East, steady to firm in the Midwest and firm in the West. Offerings are light to moderate for current trade needs. Retail and food service demand is light to moderate entering the weekend. Floor stocks are balanced to short as buyers limit orders to immediate needs. Market activity for whole birds is slow to active, mostly moderate. In the parts structure, movement improved slightly under normal weekend and is noted as moderate overall. Prices are trending steady to firm for breast cuts, tenders, and dark meat items; steady for the balance of items. Offerings of breast cuts and legs are in good balance and clearing well; wings are at least sufficient and tenders are light to moderate. Market activity for parts is slow to moderate. In production areas, live supplies are moderate at mixed but mostly desirable weights.

## **GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES**

Wed – 101.50 Fri Preliminary Wtd Avg – 101.58

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

Item	Wtd Avg (cents/lb)	Volume (000 lbs)
Line Run Tenders	187.00	1,437
Breasts - B/S	170.50	6,149
Breasts - Whole	109.50	1,138
Thigh Meat - B/S	137.50	1,045
Thighs	72.00	1,218
Drumsticks	72.50	1,079
Leg Quarters	54.50	7,909
Wings	177.00	3,211

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

	THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK		
	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
CHICAGO							
Whole Body:	95.00 - 118.00	99.00 - 107.00	104.18	<b>1</b> 0.46	2,120	103.72	1,940

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.

#### WEEKLY NATIONAL FROZEN WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS.

Weighted Average Prices, cents per pound, FOB Shipper Dock Basis - Week Ending March 15, 2013

FROZEN Whole Body Turkeys - commodity pack or equivalent; minimum 10,000 lb. lots; current negotiation for delivery within two weeks.

	Current Week		Last Week		Last Year	
U.S. Grade A - FROZEN	wtd avg	volume	wtd avg	volume	wtd avg	volume
	(cents/lb.)	(000 lbs.)	(cents/lb.)	(000 lbs.)	(cents/lb.)	(000 lbs.)
8-16 lb. (Hens)	95.50	30	96.31	13	102.33	60
16-24 lb. (Toms)	95.71	60	98.14	141	104.00	172
<sup>1</sup> based on offers.						

Febru	February Averages				
This	Last	Last			
Month	Month	Year			
95.00	96.27	100.15			
95.30	96.27	100.17			

SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION Week Ending 09-Mar-2013 (Preliminary)						
Live Poul	,		urkeys			
Young Chic		Young Hens	Young Toms			
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Head	153,392	1,740	2,546			
Avg Wt	5.83	17.42	40.93			
Last week	154,389	1,840	2,656			
Same wk yr ago	150,226	1,734	2,559			
Avg Wt	5.79	17.16	40.91			
To-date/2013*	1,512,027	16,832	24,966			
To-date/2012*	1,492,190	17,048	24,537			
Head	1%	-1%	2%			
Ready-to	-Cook Weight a	nd Dressing Perce	ntage			
Current week	679,649	24,249	83,366			
Last week	673,507	25,348	87,096			
Same wk yr ago	652,356	23,801	83,757			
To-date/2013*	6,697,440	230,070	817,560			
To-date/2012*	6,405,563	232,121	815,487			
% Change YTD	5%	-1%	0%			
Dressing %	76.0%	80.0%	80.0%			

#### (A) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update.

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

# **ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER**

Under Federal Inspection for Week Ending 16-Mar-13

Current Week Previous Week

Broiler/fryer 154,574 156,219

### **FRESH BEEF CUTS**

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FOB Negotiated	Price I	Wtd Avg	
112A 3 Rib, ribeye, bnls, heavy	593.00	665.00	622.39
168 3 Round, top inside round	210.00	225.89	213.87
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	487.00	538.00	514.26
Ground Beef 81%	194.00	225.00	207.48
Source: USDA/AMS, Livestock, Pou	try and G	rain Mark	et News