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## NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Whole broiler fryer prices are about steady in the Midwest, steady to about steady in the East, and steady in the West when compared to last week prices. Final majority prices are unchanged to 1 cent higher in the Midwest, unchanged elsewhere. Offerings are light to moderate for trade needs. Demand is light to moderate, best where weekend needs increased and for sports bars preparing for the Super Bowl. Snowstorms in the Midwest affected schedules with many distributors down midweek, but trying to regain momentum today. Market activity is slow to moderate, good in the Midwest. In the parts structure, movement is light to moderate following the weekend. Prices are lower for wings, steady for breast items, and steady to higher for dark meat cuts. Availability is heavy for wings, light to moderate for dark meat, and sufficient for breast items. Market activity is slow to moderate. In production areas, live supplies are moderate. Weights are mixed, but mostly desirable to heavy.

**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 07-FEB-2011

	Grade A			Composite	
	Majority	Wtd Avg	Loads	Wtd Avg	Loads
<b>Delivered to First Receivers 1/:</b>					
Boston/New England	TFEWR		:	70.66	13
Ohio Cities	TFEWR		:	66.05	12
Denver	TFEWR		:	91.56	9
Detroit	TFEWR		:	67.91	22
Los Angeles	94.00	92.42	24 :	79.40	81
New York	72.00-75.00	73.57	23 :	73.59	42
Philadelphia	71.50-73.00	72.25	12 :	71.28	23
Pittsburgh	71.00-74.00	72.55	11 :	76.25	52
St. Louis	TFEWR		:	67.69	12
San Francisco	94.50	92.38	12 :	85.82	25

	Whole Body 2/:			Composite	
	Majority	Wtd Avg	Loads	Wtd Avg	Loads
Chicago	58.00-65.00		:	65.12	43

Composite Weighted Average 3/:					
Loads	02/07/11	Change Last Wk	01/31/11	02/08/10	
334	74.17	-.88	75.05	79.74	

WOG broiler 4/:			
	Majority	Wtd Avg	Loads
Eastern	73.00-74.00	73.52	29
Central	56.00-65.00	64.88	69
Western	66.00-75.00	73.72	51

FOB Dock Equivalent 5/:  
Mississippi 79.00-84.00 80.52 31  
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 85.00 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

LOADS	RANGE	MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT
1,005	67.00-89.94	83.98

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

ITEM	WTD. AVG. (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	169.50	1,745
BREASTS - B/S	139.00	7,599
BREASTS - WHOLE	78.50	1,520
THIGH MEAT - B/S	94.00	1,236
THIGHS	51.50	1,109
DRUMSTICKS	59.00	1,189
LEG QUARTERS	40.00	10,502
WINGS	106.00	3,707

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

**NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYERS** Prices are trending steady on all sizes. Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers is moderate as dealers assess market conditions entering the week. Offerings are sufficient for current needs. Trade activity is slow to moderate. In the parts complex, supplies of breast items and tenders are light to moderate and clearing satisfactorily. Other items are moderate for current needs.

**SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYER** Prices are steady to about steady. Supplies of all sizes are at least moderate to satisfy current trade needs. Demand following the weekend is light to moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. In the parts structure, movement is light to moderate for early week trading. Prices for dark meat items are trending higher and clearing well. Wings are steady to instances lower, and breast items are steady. Supplies of wings are moderate to heavy, breast items are available, and dark meat is light to moderate with leg cuts in the best position. In production areas, live supplies are moderate. Weights are mixed but mostly desirable.

**WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS** Final majority prices are unchanged from last Monday's. Offerings light to moderate. Demand into retail and food service light to mostly moderate. Floor stocks adequate. Weights desirable. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average is 69.80 cents, up .57 cents on 40 loads. Trading: boneless skinless breasts 109-187, tenderloins 103-120, bone-in breasts 80-97, legs 59-67, leg quarters 37-46, 4-10 leg quarters 42-46, drums 40-51, thighs 45-59, thigh meat 90-102, jumbo wings 79-116, leg meat 83-101 cents delivered.

**MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYERS** - Final majority delivered prices were unchanged to 1 cent higher into the Chicago market; Ohio cities, Detroit and St. Louis were TFEWR. Whole broiler/fryer prices were about steady. Whole bird offers were light to moderate. Floor stocks moderate; weights desirable to light. Prices on all parts were steady, except wings were weak. Supplies of wings ample, boneless/skinless breast and leg items were balanced. Trade activity on whole birds and parts was light to moderate. Fast food movement light; other food service and retail demand slow to moderate at best.

**DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS** Less-than-trucklot asking prices is unchanged at 74 to 89 cents, with a steady trending undertone. Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds is moderate entering the week as dealers assess current market conditions. Offerings are moderate for trade needs. Live supplies are moderate; weights are mixed and noted as desirable. Processing schedules are moderately heavy. Market activity is slow to moderate. In the parts complex, supplies ranged light to moderate.

BOILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA.

	BRANDED U.S. GRADE A
RANGE	63-97
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operation.

**NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS** Prices are trending steady to firm for leg cuts and tenderloins; steady for the balance of items. Trucklot buying activity was noted as light to mostly moderate entering the week. Offerings of leg cuts and tenders are light to moderate and clearing well. The balance of items are sufficient for trade needs. Trade activity is slow to moderate.

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

ITEM	NEGOTIATED TRADING*	CURRENT	WTD AVG**	VOLUME /LBS
BREAST - B/S	125-130		114.58	601,080
TENDERLOINS	110-115		110.71	164,929
BREAST - WITH RIBS	75-76		83.27	86,222
BREAST - LINE RUN	75		76.41	70,463
LEGS	55-56		53.84	245,460
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	36-37		35.79	328,724
DRUMSTICKS	41-42		48.44	83,840
THIGHS	46-47		53.98	61,920
B/S THIGHS	100-101		98.43	70,840
WINGS (WHOLE)	101-102		105.02	119,600
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	13-15		15.00	19,520
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	45-50		47.15	7,500
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	60-65		61.62	16,360

NEW YORK CITY METROPOLITAN AREA, northern NJ, MA, CT, RI, & PA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG).

\* TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

\*\* WTD AVG PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

**ARKANSAS BROILER PARTS** FOB 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.

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
TENDERLOINS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
BREAST - WITH RIBS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
WINGS (WHOLE)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		

**ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (In thousands)**

	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	ACTUAL	AVG WTS
	02/07	02/03	02/03	01/31	01/27
Alabama	4,148	3,681	5.50	4,036	5.41
Arkansas	5,054	3,961	5.77	4,974	5.53
Delmarva	2,249	2,321	5.90	2,062	5.95
KY-LA-TN	2,284	2,179	5.04	2,205	5.09
Mississippi	2,911	2,901	5.81	2,967	5.97
North Carolina	2,782	2,714	7.06	2,686	7.24
Texas	2,742	2,252	5.57	2,759	5.68
Total	22,170	20,009	5.81	21,689	5.80
Mon	22,170 (A)			21,689 (A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 07-Feb 2011 is estimated to be 33,169,000 up 1.91 percent from a week ago, and up 8.6 percent from a year ago. (last week 32,547,000 last year 30,541,000)

**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.

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJ	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)	430	32.00-37.00	-	34.12
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	762	36.00-38.00	-	37.42
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		

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Whole Body Index Based on Southern States Parts Trading for FEB 07, 2011 -- F.O.B. Dock

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
52.00 - 56.00	53.99	53.88

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.

**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, AND WI WEEK OF 07-FEB-2011 TO 11-FEB-2011, CENTS PER POUND

	Price per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	102.00 - 124.00	106.00 - 113.00
TENDERLOINS	102.00 - 118.00	109.00 - 114.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	70.00 - 89.00	75.00 - 80.00
LEGS	50.00 - 52.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	32.00 - 44.00	35.00 - 37.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	37.00 - 45.00	37.00 - 39.00
DRUMSTICKS	37.00 - 59.00	-
THIGHS	46.00 - 59.00	-
B/S THIGHS	92.00 - 103.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	70.00 - 115.00	-
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	12.00 - 40.00	-
LIVERS	32.00 - 49.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	38.00 - 59.00	-

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY, DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	97-115
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	101-119
FROZEN DUCKS	
FROZEN SQUABS	

**DELIVERED TO RETAILERS**

FRESH FRYERS	109-122
ROASTERS 4# & UP	125-135
HENS UNDER 5#	
HENS OVER 5#	
DUCKS	
RABBITS-WHOLE	
RABBITS-CUT UP	

**SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY, DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

FRESH FRYERS	DRY PACK	124-180
	ICE PACK	
ROASTERS 4# & UP	DRY PACK	124
	ICE PACK	
HENS OVER 5#	DRY PACK	118
	ICE PACK	129
DUCKS		274-279

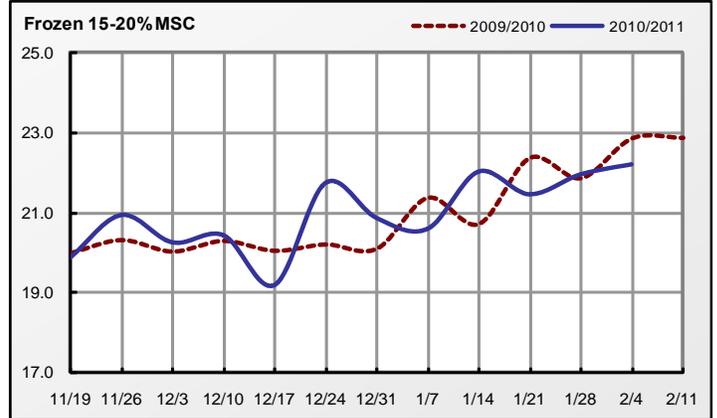
**National Mechanically Separated Chicken**

(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.)

MSC prices trended steady to fully steady on all fat contents. Supplies of all fat contents were light to moderate. Schedules were normal to reduced as a result of weather disruptions. Domestic and export demand was light to moderate with continued interest noted on frozen 15-20% into the Caribbean and Asia. A variety of disruptions in production and delivery were noted due to winter storm activity across much of the country. Many suppliers continue to stay out front on the spot marketplace and exercise their options depending on frame values and opportunities. Supplies of raw materials were moderate to instances heavy. Frame values were generally steady trading mostly 7-8 cents FOB.

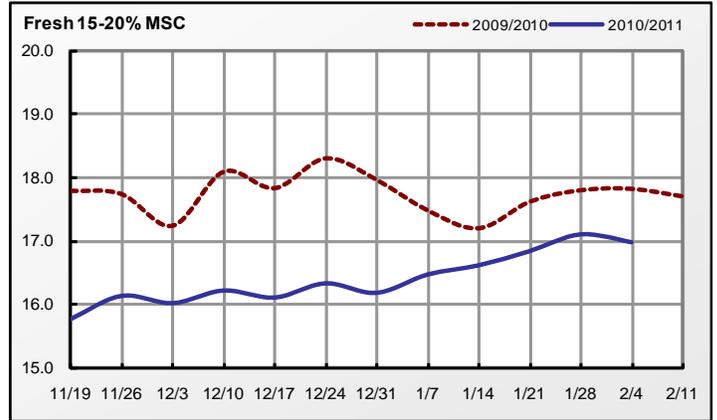
**Weekly MSC Weighted Average Prices (cents/pound) and Volumes (1,000 pounds)**

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	4-Feb-11	Last Week	Last Year	4-Feb-11	Last Week	Last Year
<b>15% or Less</b>						
Price Range			24.50	18.00 - 20.00	18.00 - 19.00	18.00-20.00
Wtd Avg Price			24.50	19.14	18.50	19.00
Volume Traded	-	-	40	286	163	245
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>15-20%</b>						
Price Range	20.00 - 24.00	19.00 - 24.00	20.00-28.00	15.00 - 20.50	15.00 - 20.50	15.75-21.00
Wtd Avg Price	22.22	21.97	22.87	16.98	17.10	17.82
Volume Traded	1,326	1,082	2,045	3,764	3,918	4,743
Volume Exported	1,166	922	1,645	204	204	755
<b>20% or More</b>						
Price Range	-	-	-	18.00 - 20.00	18.00 - 20.00	16.00-17.00
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	19.00	19.00	16.50
Volume Traded	-	-	-	163	163	82
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-



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

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	Jan 2011	Dec 2010	Jan 2010	Jan 2011	Dec 2010	Jan 2010
<b>15% or Less</b>						
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	24.00	18.48	18.48	18.78
Volume Traded	-	-	80	632	592	1,689
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>15-20%</b>						
Wtd Avg Price	21.37	20.34	21.31	16.77	16.16	17.57
Volume Traded	4,805	7,720	6,700	14,210	17,110	15,974
Volume Exported	4,105	6,300	5,940	1,061	2,938	2,162
<b>20% or More</b>						
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	19.07	19.29	16.08
Volume Traded	-	-	-	612	571	530
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-



Note: Volume exported refers to that portion of the total volume that is destined for export markets.

**LIVE HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)\*  
FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 07-FEB-11**

**SOUTH CENTRAL LIVE HEAVY-TYPE HENS**

Trading was TFEWR. Demand was moderate for adequate offerings of spent hens. Schedules were reduced. Finished sales were fair. Trade sentiment was about steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING		TOO FEW TO REPORT	

**SOUTHEAST LIVE HEAVY-TYPE HENS**

Prices are trending steady. Offerings are sufficient for the moderate buyer interest. Processing schedules are noted as normal. Finished product supplies are sufficient. Market activity is moderate.

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	8-18		12.94
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING		TOO FEW TO REPORT	
FOB PLANT		TOO FEW TO REPORT	

\* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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