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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Whole broiler fryer prices are trending barely steady to weak in the Midwest, weak to lower in the East, and steady to lower in the West. Offerings of all sizes are light to heavy, mostly moderate to heavy and competitively prices. Retail and food service demand is light to moderate, fast food orders are normal to fairly good. In parts of the Midwest, snowy weather is playing havoc with business. Floor stocks are moderate. The market activity is slow to moderate. In the parts structure, movement is light to moderate for mid-week business. Prices are trending firm to higher for tenders, thighs and legs. Steady to weak for boneless skinless breast. All other parts are steady. Offerings are light for tenders, light to moderate for dark meat items and moderate for wings with larger wings in the best position and clearing well. Market activity is slow to moderate. In production areas, live supplies are moderate for mixed, but mostly desirable weights.

GEORGIA FOB DOCK The quoted price on broilers/fryers for next week's trading remained unchanged at 86.25 cents based on full truckload lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 84.75 cents last year on March 24, 2010.

Quoted prices on ice-packed parts for next week's trading.

ITEM	DOCK PRICE (CENTS PER POUND)
LINE RUN TENDERS	191.50
BREASTS - B/S	158.50
BREASTS - WHOLE	90.00
THIGH MEAT - B/S	118.50
THIGHS	59.50
DRUMSTICKS	60.00
LEG QUARTERS	46.00
WINGS	95.00

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

NORTHEAST REGION Prices are trending weak to lower for most sizes. Trucklot buying activity for ready-to-cook whole broiler fryers is light for midweek trading as dealers saw no need to extend floor stocks beyond regular commitments. Offerings are moderate to heavy and competitively priced. Trade activity is slow. In the parts complex, supplies of tenders, thighs and thigh meat are light and clearing satisfactorily; heavy for boneless skinless breast and generally sufficient for the balance of items.

MIDWEST REGION Whole bird prices are barely steady. Whole bird offerings are light to mostly moderate. Snowy weather in Michigan and upper Wisconsin is again playing havoc with business. Demand into retail outlets is light to moderate, while food service demand was light; fast food demand as normal to at times good. Weights are desirable to light. Market activity on whole birds is light to moderate at best. Parts prices are mixed with bone in breasts, jumbo wings and leg items steady, and barely steady to weak on small wings and boneless breast. Supplies of all parts are balanced to tight for current needs. Buyer demand is light to moderate for all parts items. Market activity is moderate for parts with leg items and jumbo wings receiving the most interest.

SOUTHERN REGION Whole broiler/fryer prices are trending weak. Offerings are moderate to heavy for current trade needs. Demand is light to moderate for mid-week business. Market activity is slow to moderate. In the parts structure, movement is light to moderate. Breast items are trending steady to weak with boneless skinless in the weakest position. Tendere are trending firm to higher, and dark meat items are trending firm. Wings are mostly steady. Offerings for tenders, thighs, and legs are light and moving well. Boneless skinless breast are heavy and slow to clear. All other parts are moderate. The market activity is slow to moderate. In production areas, live supplies are moderate. Weights are mostly desirable.

WESTERN REGION The Los Angeles delivered quote is 95 cents, unchanged from last week. The market on whole broiler/fryers is steady at best, WOGs steady to weak. Offerings light to moderate with lower trending offering prices reported on WOGs. Retail and foodservice demand light to good, mostly light to moderate with best activity where conventions are a factor. Floor stocks moderate. Weights desirable. The market on bone-in breasts and tenderloins is steady to firm with tenderloins in the strongest position, boneless skinless breasts steady to weak in response to lower trending offering prices and wings steady to fully steady. The market on dark items is steady to firm with boneless items continuing to be in the strongest position. Domestic demand light to good, mostly light to moderate. Offerings of wings are light to moderate, boneless skinless breasts light to instances moderately heavy, tenderloins very light to light and bone-in breasts light to moderate. Offerings of dark items are very light to instances moderate. Movement light to good, mostly light to moderate.

BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET UP 1 PERCENT

Commercial hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 208 million eggs in incubators during the week ending March 19, 2011. This was up 1 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.

BROILER-TYPE CHICKS PLACED UP SLIGHTLY

Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 170 million chicks for meat production during the week ending March 19, 2011. Placements were up slightly from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 2, 2011 through March 19, 2011 were 1.85 billion, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET AND BROILER CHICKS PLACED 19 SELECTED STATE TOTAL

Week Ending 03/19/11	2011		2010	PERCENT CHANGE
	(thousand)			PREVIOUS YEAR
EGGS SET	208,444	207,381		+01
CHICKS PLACED	170,393	169,930		0

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

WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 30-Apr-11 is estimated at 156.8 million head. This compares to 155.5 million head the previous week and to 159.6 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 165.0 million head and the composite weighted average price was 81.21 cents per pound.

MAR 22

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

MAR 23

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			WTD AVG	ITEM	POUNDS			WTD AVG
	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY			(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	
BREAST - B/S		TOO FEW TO REPORT			BREAST - B/S	617	125.00-187.00	-	132.58
TENDERLOINS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			TENDERLOINS	285	145.00-230.00	-	153.70
BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT			BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT			FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	386	42.00-43.00	-	42.51	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	476	41.00-45.00	-	42.98
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	802	43.00-45.00	-	44.70	LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	642	43.00-45.00	-	44.44
WINGS (WHOLE)		TOO FEW TO REPORT			WINGS (WHOLE)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
WINGS (CUT)		TOO FEW TO REPORT			WINGS (CUT)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
B/S 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
58.00 - 60.50	58.80	57.00 - 61.50	59.37	59.15

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 firm to higher for tenders, thighs and thigh meat; steady to firm for leg cuts and steady to weak for boneless skinless breast. Trucklot buying activity was light to moderate for midweek trading. Offerings are light for tenders; moderate to heavy for boneless skinless breast and light to moderate for the balance of items. Movement is slow to moderate.

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

MAR 22	CURRENT NEG	WTD		MAR 23	CURRENT NEG	WTD	
ITEM	TRADING*	AVG	VOL/LBS	ITEM	TRADING*	AVG	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	155	137.66	690,320	BREAST - B/S	150-155	136.44	588,640
TENDERLOINS	155	151.72	183,840	TENDERLOINS	155-160	147.42	120,640
BREAST - WITH RIBS	87-88	96.32	99,873	BREAST - WITH RIBS	87-88	95.80	54,756
BREAST - LINE RUN	87	90.08	74,595	BREAST - LINE RUN	87	90.31	76,664
LEGS	64-65	65.25	138,960	LEGS	65-66	62.86	159,760
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	42-43	43.94	351,200	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	42-43	42.33	210,610
DRUMSTICKS	49-50	58.46	95,920	DRUMSTICKS	49-50	57.14	55,480
THIGHS	60-61	65.51	97,360	THIGHS	61-62	67.25	68,920
B/S THIGHS	119-120	119.01	71,680	B/S THIGHS	120-121	118.75	75,600
WINGS (WHOLE)	85-86	82.00	233,240	WINGS (WHOLE)	85-86	86.17	191,560
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	13-15	15.00	22,520	BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	13-15	15.00	20,240
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	45-50	48.18	12,960	LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	45-50	47.00	13,620
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	60-65	64.08	32,920	GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	60-65	63.00	23,800

INCLUDES NY CITY METRO. AREA, NORTHERN NJ, MA, CT, RI, & PA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG). * TODAY'S NEG. 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.

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS

	ESTIMATED		ACTUAL		AVG WTS		ACTUAL		AVG
	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	WTS
	03/23	03/22	03/21	03/18	03/21	03/18	03/16	03/14	
Alabama	4,107	4,110	3,783	3,725	5.70	5.36	3,922	5.71	
Arkansas	4,502	5,061	4,959	4,546	5.41	5.40	4,722	5.59	
Delmarva	2,258	2,252	2,036	2,144	5.99	5.94	2,186	6.06	
KY-LA-TN	2,382	2,361	2,338	2,239	5.25	5.23	2,311	5.19	
Mississippi	2,574	2,956	2,936	2,636	5.94	5.86	2,821	6.04	
North Carolina	2,731	2,827	2,565	2,583	7.12	6.96	2,512	7.32	
Texas	2,698	2,700	2,460	2,529	6.92	5.97	2,529	6.92	
Total	21,252	22,267	21,077	20,402	5.96	5.76	21,003	6.04	
Mon-Wed	65,544	(A)					64,409	(A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 23-Mar-11 is estimated to be 31,795,000 head up 0.88 percent from a week ago and up 6.74 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 31,517,000, last year 29,788,000)

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY, DLVRD TO RETAILERS

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	109-122
ROASTERS 4# & UP	129-139
HENS UNDER 5#	
HENS OVER 5#	
DUCKS	
RABBITS-WHOLE	
RABBITS-CUT UP	

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY DLVRD TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK
ROASTERS 4# & UP	DRY PACK
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK
DUCKS	DRY PACK

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 26-Mar-11

Class	CURRENT WEEK		PREVIOUS WEEK	
	03/26/11 (1)	Thousand head	03/19/11	Thousand head
Broiler/fryer	159,886 (2)		163,126	
Light hens	1,643		1,559	
Heavy hens	1,508		1,507	
Total	163,037		166,192	

(1)ESTIMATED

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 26-Mar-11 is 158.1 million head compared to 159.8 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 160.2 million head or 2.1 million more than estimated available. For the week of 02-Apr-11 the estimated available is 157.8 million head.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS-SELECTED STGE CENTERS

(INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

PROCESSED TURKEY		PROCESSED POULTRY	
	LBS		LBS
AM 03/21/11	116,272		56,695
AM 03/01/11	111,834		59,835
CHG	4,438		-3,140
PCT CHG	4%		-5%

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEYS			PROCESSED POULTRY		
	03/21/11	03/14/11	03/22/10	03/21/11	03/14/11	03/22/10
PACIFIC COAST LOS ANGELES	294	310	3,084	4,201	4,471	7,239
	93	87	249	1,460	1,497	872

HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES

AI PAPERS REQUIRED TO SELL ALL OUT OF STATE POULTRY

	LOW HIGH AVG				LOW HIGH AVG		
HEAVY FOWL lb.	.40	.75	.50	HEAVY FOWL ea.	-	8.50	-
LIGHT FOWL lb.	-	-	-	LIGHT FOWL ea.	-	-	-
MIXED FOWL lb.	-	-	-	MIXED FOWL ea.	-	-	-
BANTAMS lb.	-	-	-	BANTAMS ea.	-	8.25	-
BROILERS lb.	-	-	-	BROILERS ea.	-	-	-
ROASTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROASTERS ea.	-	-	-
FRYERS lb.	-	-	-	FRYERS ea.	-	-	-
CHICKS lb.	-	-	-	CHICKS ea.	-	-	-
PULLETS lb.	-	-	-	PULLETS ea.	9.00	10.00	9.50
BUNNIES lb.	-	-	-	BUNNIES ea.	-	-	-
ROOSTERS lb.	-	.60	-	ROOSTERS ea.	2.50	12.50	6.47
GEESE lb.	-	-	-	GEESE ea.	-	-	-
TURKEYS lb.	-	-	-	TURKEYS ea.	-	-	-
DUCKS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKS ea.	-	-	-
RABBITS lb.	2.20	2.70	2.45	RABBITS ea.	5.25	6.75	5.50
PIGEONS lb.	-	-	-	PIGEONS ea.	-	7.00	-
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.	-	-	-	COCKATEALS ea.	-	-	-
DOVES ea.	-	-	-	PHEASANTS ea.	-	-	-
QUAIL ea.	-	-	-	FERRETS ea.	-	-	-
CHINCHILAS ea.	-	-	-	MICE ea.	-	-	-

TOTAL COOPS 32

MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS-MEXICO CITY

Cents per pound for the week ending March 18, 2011

	Whole		Legs W/Thighs	Necks,Backs & Wings	Livers Gizzards	Hens
	Chickens	Breasts				
RAYON						
Low	76.85	146.93	79.12	22.60	3.77	60.28
High	79.12	154.46	86.65	30.14	7.53	60.28
Mostly	77.98	150.70	82.88	26.37	5.65	60.28

SAN JUAN

Low	75.35	143.16	75.35	18.84	3.77	60.28
High	77.98	150.70	82.88	26.37	7.53	60.28
Mostly	77.98	146.93	79.12	22.60	5.65	60.28

NEW SAN JUAN

Low	77.98	146.93	79.12	26.37	7.53	64.05
High	81.00	158.23	90.42	33.91	11.30	64.05
Mostly	77.98	154.46	86.65	30.14	7.53	64.05

BECERRA

Low	79.12	146.93	82.88	30.14	7.53	64.05
High	81.75	162.00	94.18	37.67	11.30	64.05
Mostly	81.75	158.23	90.42	33.91	9.42	64.05

CENTRAL MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY RTC HENS

READY-TO-COOK PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR DELIVERY TO FIRST RECEIVERS, U.S.GRADE A AND PLANT GRADE,5 LBS AND UP, FOR WEEK OF MAR 21, 2011.

HENS	ICE PACKED (12 PER BOX)	RANGE
	VACUUM PACKED (6-9 PER BOX)	80-86
		85-90

DELMARVA

Less-than-trucklot asking prices are 1 cent lower at 77 to 88 cents, with a weak to lower trending undertone. Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds is light to moderate for mid-week business. Offerings are moderate to heavy for present trade needs. Live supplies are moderate; weights are mixed, but noted as mostly desirable. Processing schedules are moderately heavy. Market activity is slow to moderate. In the parts complex, supplies are moderate to heavy for b/s breasts and light to moderate on the remainder of parts.

*BROILER/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	WEIGHTED AVERAGE	NO. OF BOXES
	(A)	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations.

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