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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Whole broiler/fryer prices are barely steady in the Midwest, steady to weak in the East and steady in the West. Final majority prices are 3 cents lower in the Midwest, unchanged in the West when compared to last week prices. Offerings are moderate to heavy in the East, light to moderate elsewhere. Retail and food service demand following the weekend is light to moderate for early week business. Floor stocks are moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. In the parts structure, movement is light to moderate. Prices are firm to higher for wings, steady to weak for tenders and boneless skinless breast. Dark meat items are steady. Supplies of wings are light, b/s breasts and tenders are heavy, and dark meat items are moderate. The market activity is slow to moderate. In production areas, live supplies are moderate. Weights are mixed, but mostly desirable.

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 19-Sep-2011

	Grade A		Composite	
	Majority	Wtd Avg	Wtd Avg	Loads
Delivered to First Receivers 1/:				
Boston/New England	TFEWR		73.36	11
Ohio Cities	TFEWR		72.81	11
Denver	TFEWR		89.50	8
Detroit	TFEWR		62.55	29
Los Angeles	98.00	95.04	24	78.28
New York	66.00-69.00	67.45	20	70.30
Philadelphia	65.50-67.00	66.00	11	68.11
Pittsburgh	65.00-68.00	66.42	12	75.90
St. Louis	TFEWR		66.44	14
San Francisco	98.50	94.72	9	86.15

	Whole Body 2/:		Composite	
	Majority	Wtd Avg	Wtd Avg	Loads
Chicago	60.00-66.00		63.48	48

Composite Weighted Average 3/:				
Loads	09/19/11	Change Last Wk	09/12/11	09/20/10
355	72.73	-3.27	76.00	83.14

WOG broiler 4/:			
	Majority	Wtd Avg	Loads
Eastern	73.00-75.00	73.60	27
Central	49.00-69.00	64.18	85
Western	55.00-75.00	70.93	51

FOB Dock Equivalent 5/:			
	Majority	Wtd Avg	Loads
Mississippi	83.00-86.00	82.67	24

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 89.00 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
992	67.00-98.64	87.14

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	187.50	1,815
BREASTS - B/S	153.50	7,729
BREASTS - WHOLE	85.50	1,560
THIGH MEAT - B/S	128.50	1,276
THIGHS	72.00	1,130
DRUMSTICKS	73.00	1,175
LEG QUARTERS	53.00	10,342
WINGS	97.00	3,767

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

NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYERS Prices are trending steady to weak on all sizes. Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers is light and generally unaggressive as dealers assess market conditions entering the week. Offerings of all sizes are moderate to mostly heavy for current needs. Trade activity is slow. In the parts complex, supplies of wings are seasonally light and clearing well; boneless skinless breast and tenders are readily available and competitively priced. Other items are sufficient for current needs.

SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYER Whole broiler/fryers prices are steady to weak. Supplies of all sizes are moderate to heavy. Demand into all channels is mostly light following the weekend. Market activity is slow to moderate. In the parts structure, movement is light to moderate for early week business. Supplies of wings are tight and moving well. Breast items and tenders are moderate to heavy with boneless skinless in the weakest position and often discounted to help clear. Dark meat cuts are moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. 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. Offerings light. Retail demand light to good, mostly light to moderate with best interest on ad items. Food service demand light to moderate. Floor stocks light to heavy, mostly moderate. Weights desirable. Parts supplies light to moderate. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average is 67.05 cents, down 6.28 cents on 39 loads. Trading: boneless skinless breasts 110-135, tenderloins 140-147, bone-in breasts 78-104, leg quarters 52-61, 4-10 leg quarters 56-83, drums 63-73, thighs 71-85, thigh meat 128-138, leg meat 112-123, wings 100-112 cents delivered.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYERS - Final majority prices were 3 cents lower into the Chicago market; Ohio cities, Detroit and St. Louis were TFEWR. Whole broiler fryer prices were barely steady at best; offers light to moderate. Retail and food service demand was light to moderate at best. Floor stocks were moderate; weights desirable to heavy. Whole bird market activity was fair. Parts supplies were light to moderate. Prices were steady for dark meat items, wings were firm and breast items were weak. Market activity was light to moderate for all parts.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Less-than-trucklot asking prices remained unchanged at 70 to 79 cents, with a steady to weak trending undertone. Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds is light entering the week for the unaggressive buyer demand. Offerings are moderate to heavy. Live supplies are moderate; weights are mixed, but noted as mostly desirable. Processing schedules are moderate. Market activity is slow. In the parts complex, b/s breasts and tenders are moderate to heavy with discounting noted. Wings are seasonally light and continuing to move well. The balance of parts are moderate for trade needs.

BRANDED U.S. GRADE A	
RANGE	51-85
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations.

Northeast Broiler/Fryer Parts Prices are trending firm to higher for wings; weak to lower for tenders and boneless skinless breast; steady for the balance of items. Trucklot buying activity is light to moderate as dealers assess market conditions entering the week. Supplies of boneless skinless breast and tenders are readily available at discounted levels; wings are seasonally light and well cleared. Other items are moderate 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

Item	Current Negotiated Trading*	Wtd Avg**	Volume /lbs.
Breast - B/S	140	131.80	656,560
Tenderloins	130	133.62	106,160
Breast - With Ribs	81-82	94.24	70,679
Breast - Line Run	81	82.50	68,400
Legs	68-69	72.35	119,230
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	48-49	52.69	244,200
Drumsticks	60-61	73.25	58,800
Thighs	72-73	79.69	58,840
B/S Thighs	134-135	136.66	60,040
Wings (Whole)	103-104	110.87	230,400
Backs And Necks (Stripped)	13-15	15.00	13,245
Livers (5 Pound Tubs)	45-50	48.20	8,520
Gizzards (Hearts)	65-70	69.94	18,680

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.

Estimated Slaughter of Broiler/Fryers

	Estimate (1,000)	Actual (1,000)	Avg Wts	Actual (1,000)	Avg Wts
	09/19	09/15	09/15	09/12	09/08
Alabama	3,825	3,536	5.80	3,824	5.60
Arkansas	4,854	4,805	5.55	4,646	5.60
Delmarva	2,126	2,157	6.25	2,176	6.28
KY-LA-TN	2,169	2,283	5.38	2,417	5.18
Mississippi	2,918	2,953	5.82	2,949	5.94
North Carolina	2,620	2,735	7.29	2,693	7.13
Texas	2,701	2,733	5.81	2,724	5.86
Total	21,213	21,202	5.94	21,429	5.89
Mon	21,213(A)			21,429(A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 19-Sep 2011 is estimated to be 31,737,000 down 1.30 percent from a week ago. and down 6.0 percent from a year ago. (last week 32,156,000 last year 33,762,000)

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.

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)	391	45.00-50.00	-	48.09
Leg Quarters (4/10)	482	50.00-52.00	-	50.59
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 September 19, 2011 -- f.o.b. dock

Range	Today's Average	5-Day Average
52.50 - 55.00	54.05	53.39

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, & WI

Week of 19-Sep-2011 to 23-Sep-2011, Cents per Pound

	Price per Lb.	Mostly
Breast - B/S	103.00 - 134.00	105.00 - 122.00
Tenderloins	125.00 - 145.00	127.00 - 137.00
Breast - Line Run	77.00 - 102.00	82.00 - 91.00
Legs	67.00 - 72.00	-
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	43.00 - 56.00	47.00 - 52.00
Leg Quarters (4/10)	51.00 - 59.00	52.00 - 56.00
Drumsticks	52.00 - 65.00	-
Thighs	61.00 - 78.00	-
B/S Thighs	126.00 - 137.00	-
Wings (Whole)	94.00 - 130.00	98.00 - 107.00
Backs and Necks (Stripped)	17.00 - 40.00	-
Livers	32.00 - 49.00	-
Gizzards (Hearts)	39.00 - 59.00	-

California Processed Poultry – cents per pound

Southern (L.A. Area)

Delivered to Restaurants and Institutions

	Range
WOGS 2# & Up - Whole	101-119
WOGS 2# & Up - Cut Up 8 & 9 Pieces	105-120
Frozen Ducks	
Frozen Squabs	

Delivered To Retailers

	Range
Fresh Fryers	109-122
Roasters 4# & Up	129-139
Ducks	
Rabbits-Whole	
Rabbits-Cut Up	

San Francisco

Delivered to Restaurants and Institutions

	Range
Fresh Fryers	Dry Pack 129-188
	Ice Pack
Roasters 4# & Up	Dry Pack 124
	Ice Pack
Ducks	235-279

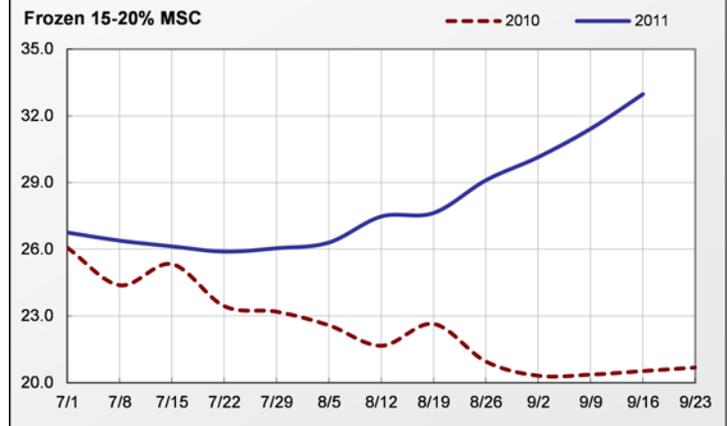
National Mechanically Separated Chicken

(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.)

Prices trended firm to higher on all fat contents. Supplies of MSC were light to moderate. Schedules were normal. Demand was good into both domestic and export channels. The spot marketplace remains strong despite traditional seasonal patterns. Current good demand and higher prices have been receiving heavy influence from strong export interest, good finished product sales domestically and abroad, increased production preparations for the hurricane season, traditional increases into pet food channels, limited MSC availability due to industry cutbacks, high grain prices, and others. Industry is closely monitoring spot marketplace activity the next few weeks, especially in regards to Mexico, in order to help gauge the potential of the market for the remainder of 2011 and into 2012. Many hope it will lend some direction for the 2012 contract season. Market activity was active with a majority of buyers seeking fresh 15-20%. Supplies of raw materials were tight. Frames traded between 12-16 cents FOB, mostly 13-15 cents FOB.

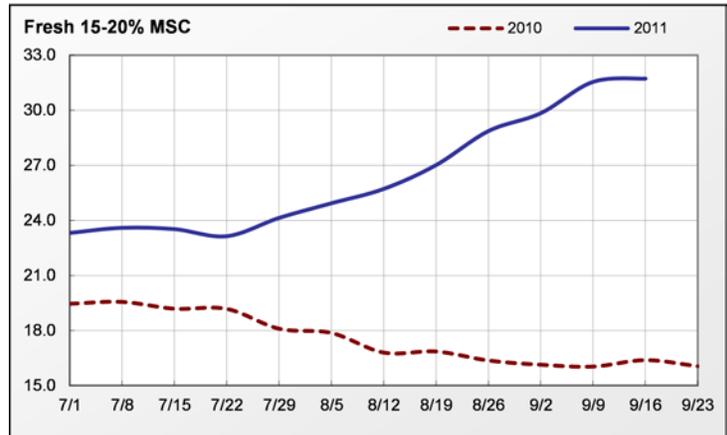
Weekly MSC Weighted Average Prices (cents/pound) and Volumes (1,000 pounds)

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	16-Sep-11	Last Week	Last Year	16-Sep-11	Last Week	Last Year
15% or Less						
Price Range			-	30.00 - 32.00	32.00	19.00
Wtd Avg Price			-	31.60	32.00	19.00
Volume Traded	-	-	-	204	163	122
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-20%						
Price Range	30.00 - 36.00	29.00 - 35.00	15.50-24.00	27.00 - 35.00	27.00 - 36.00	13.00-19.00
Wtd Avg Price	32.97	31.41	20.52	31.72	31.55	16.39
Volume Traded	1,576	1,502	1,506	4,131	2,499	2,652
Volume Exported	1,576	1,442	1,466	1,265	734	449
20% or More						
Price Range	-	-	-	-	-	18.00
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	-	-	18.00
Volume Traded	-	-	-	-	-	41
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-



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

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	Aug 2011	Jul 2011	Aug 2010	Aug 2011	Jul 2011	Aug 2010
15% or Less						
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	27.24	24.43	21.51
Volume Traded	-	-	-	592	571	628
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	200
15-20%						
Wtd Avg Price	27.62	26.21	21.80	26.57	23.56	16.91
Volume Traded	6,288	8,116	6,995	16,134	22,513	12,159
Volume Exported	5,888	7,486	6,067	2,489	2,122	2,122
20% or More						
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	20.67	20.00	18.57
Volume Traded	-	-	-	245	408	286
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-



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

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LIVE SPENT HEAVY FOWL

Prices are trending steady to firm when compared to the previous week. Offerings are sufficient for the mostly moderate demand. Processing schedules are back to normal following the Labor Day holiday. Feature activity was noted as moderate. Finished product supplies are moderate to heavy for current needs. Market activity is moderate to active.

Final prices at Farm Buyer Loading: Price Range Wtd Avg
 Prices in cents per pound. 8.5 – 19.5 13.30

(Southeast Region broiler breeder hens generally for processing, 7 lbs. and up; under 7 lbs. subject to discount.)

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