



National Broiler Market-at-a-Glance

Whole broiler/fryer prices are barely steady to weak in the Midwest, weak to lower in the East, and steady to weak in the West. Offerings are available and competitively priced in the East, light to moderate elsewhere. Retail and food service demand is light to moderate for mid-week business. Floor stocks are moderate. Market activity is mostly slow to moderate. In the parts structure, movement is light to moderate as trading centered mainly on committed product and the lackluster demand warranted a cautious and selective posture. 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.



Georgia F.O.B. Dock The quoted price on broilers/fryers for next week's trading remains unchanged at 89.00 cents based on full truck load lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 87.50 cents last year on Sep. 22, 2010.

Table with 2 columns: Item, Dock Price (Cents per Pound). Rows include Line Run Tenders, Breasts - B/S, Breasts - Whole, Thigh Meat - B/S, Thighs, Drumsticks, Leg Quarters, and Wings.

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

Northeast Region Prices continue to trend weak to lower for all sizes. Trucklot buying activity for ready-to-cook whole broiler fryers is light and unaggressive as dealers limited orders to regular commitments. Offerings of all sizes are available and competitively priced. Trade activity is slow. In the parts complex, supplies of wings are seasonally light and continue to clear well; boneless skinless breast and tenders are readily available and often discounted to stimulate additional buyer interest. Other items are moderate for current needs.

Midwest Region Whole bird prices continue to be barely steady to weak. Additional offers were moderate for the light buyer interest. Demand into retail and food service channels was light. Floor stocks were generally moderate. Weights were desirable to heavy. Whole bird market activity was light. Supplies of breast cuts were moderate to heavy, wings tight, and dark meat items were light to moderate. Parts prices trended firm on wings, steady on dark meat items, and weak to lower on breast cuts. Market activity on parts was light to moderate.

Western Region The Wednesday Los Angeles delivered quote is 98 cents, unchanged from last week. The market on whole fryers is steady at best. The market on WOGs is steady to weak with offerings prices unchanged to lower when compared to last week's. Offerings light to moderate. Retail and foodservice demand light to moderate. Floor stocks adequate. Weights desirable. The market on boneless skinless breasts is weak, tenderloins steady to weak, wings steady to firm and bone-in breasts steady. The market on dark items is steady and gaining strength with some retail buyers finding higher trending offering prices on leg quarters and drums. Demand light to moderate. Offerings of boneless skinless breasts and tenderloins moderate to heavy with the discounted supplies not as freely offered as last week. Offerings on bone-in breasts light to moderate and wings light at best. Offerings of dark items light to moderate. Some buyers are finding fresh leg quarters and drums less readily available and held with more confidence. Movement light to moderate.

Southern Region Whole broiler/fryer prices are weak. Offerings are moderate to heavy for current trade needs. Demand is mostly light to moderate for mid-week business. The market activity is slow. In the parts structure, movement is light to moderate. Prices for wings continue higher with good movement. Breast items and tenders are weak to lower and slow to clear. Dark meat items are steady. Supplies of wings are light, dark meat is moderate, breast items and tenders are moderate to mostly heavy. The market activity is slow to moderate. In production areas, live supplies are moderate; weights are mixed, but noted as mostly desirable.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set Down 7 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 182 million eggs in incubators during the week ending September 17, 2011. This was down 7 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 85 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler-Type Chicks Placed Down 5 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 162 million chicks for meat production during the week ending September 17, 2011. Placements were down 5 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 2, 2011 through September 17, 2011 were 6.24 billion, down 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set and Broiler Chicks Placed 19 Selected State Total

Table with 4 columns: Week Ending 09/17/11, 2011, 2010, Percent Change Previous Year. Rows include Eggs Set and Chicks Placed. Includes a list of selected states and source information.

Weekly Fryers Available for Marketing Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 29-Oct-11 is estimated at 148.7 million head. This compares to 148.6 million head the previous week and to 160.1 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 164.5 million head and the composite weighted average price was 80.03 cents per pound.

SEPT 20

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

SEPT 21

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	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S		TOO FEW TO REPORT			BREAST - B/S		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
TENDERLOINS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			TENDERLOINS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
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)	340	45.00-50.00	-	48.05	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	414	46.00-50.00	-	47.99
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	762	49.00-52.00	-	50.85	LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	602	48.00-52.00	-	50.50
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
52.50 - 56.00	54.23	50.50 - 55.00	52.75	53.27

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 continue to trend firm to higher for wings and weak to lower for tenders and boneless skinless breasts. Other items are generally steady. Trucklot buying activity is light as trading centered mainly on committed product and the lackluster demand warranted a cautious and selective posture. Supplies of boneless skinless breast and tenders are readily available and attractively priced; wings are seasonally light and continued to clear well. Livers and gizzards are no more than adequate. 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.

SEPT 20	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG	VOL/LBS	SEPT 21	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	135-140	128.02	911,245	BREAST - B/S	135-140	127.20	579,720
TENDERLOINS	125-130	137.58	223,200	TENDERLOINS	125-130	132.81	140,960
BREAST - WITH RIBS	81-82	101.00	17,600	BREAST - WITH RIBS	81-82	99.32	19,671
BREAST - LINE RUN	81	79.83	115,484	BREAST - LINE RUN	81	82.76	68,400
LEGS	68-69	70.59	140,080	LEGS	68-69	74.86	62,680
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	48-49	52.63	311,200	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	48-49	53.34	95,960
DRUMSTICKS	60-61	71.31	89,920	DRUMSTICKS	60-61	74.10	54,840
THIGHS	72-73	76.96	88,400	THIGHS	72-73	76.42	93,260
B/S THIGHS	134-135	134.37	105,480	B/S THIGHS	134-135	135.95	64,040
WINGS (WHOLE)	104-105	113.22	208,000	WINGS (WHOLE)	105-106	112.13	199,180
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	13-15	15.00	9,755	BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	13-15	15.00	10,126
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	45-50	47.00	24,930	LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	45-50	50.13	11,670
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	65-70	69.95	30,720	GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	65-70	68.62	20,840

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.

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS

	ESTIMATED (1,000)		ACTUAL (1,000)		AVG WTS		ACTUAL (1,000)		AVG WTS
	09/21	09/20	09/19	09/16	09/19	09/16	09/14	09/12	
Alabama	3,735	3,754	3,656	4,310	5.78	5.57	3,650	5.82	
Arkansas	4,819	4,879	4,817	4,117	5.78	5.70	4,636	5.68	
Delmarva	1,927	2,134	2,100	2,208	6.45	6.29	1,994	6.49	
KY-LA-TN	2,432	2,400	2,159	2,622	5.24	5.20	2,419	5.42	
Mississippi	2,790	2,923	2,915	3,065	6.03	5.98	2,998	6.03	
North Carolina	2,867	2,797	2,706	2,874	7.33	7.22	2,642	7.38	
Texas	2,535	2,713	2,672	2,756	5.98	5.79	2,492	5.99	
Total	21,105	21,600	21,025	21,952	6.05	5.92	20,831	6.06	
Mon-Wed	63,918	(A)					63,701	(A)	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Weekly cumulative for states listed above. Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 21-Sep-11 is estimated to be 31,575,000 head up 1.01 percent from a week ago and down -5.97 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 31,259,000, last year 33,581,000)

PROCESSED POULTRY SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA)

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

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

Under Federal Inspection for Week Ending 24-Sep-11

Class	CURRENT WEEK		PREVIOUS WEEK	
	09/24/11 (1)	09/17/11	09/17/11	
	----- Thousand head -----			
Broiler/fryer	164,434 (2)	162,748		
Light hens	1,234	1,589		
Heavy hens	1,784	1,492		
Total	167,452	165,829		

(1) ESTIMATED

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 24-Sep-11 is 154.1 million head compared to 168.6 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 164.8 million head or 10.7 million more than estimated available. For the week of 01-Oct-11 the estimated available is 152.9 million head.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS - Selected Centers

(Including government stocks) (In thousands)

		PROCESSED TURKEYS		PROCESSED POULTRY	
		LBS		LBS	
AM	09/19/11	172,138	42,755		
AM	09/01/11	174,551	48,843		
CHG		-2,413	-6,088		
PCT CHG		-1%	-12%		

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT (In Thousands)

	PROCESSED TURKEYS			PROCESSED POULTRY		
	09/19/11	09/12/11	09/20/10	09/19/11	09/12/11	09/20/10
PACIFIC COAST LOS ANGELES	350	1,017	1,492	2,159	1,989	3,547
	162	213	253	597	622	817

HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES

All Papers Required To Sell All Out of State Poultry

	LOW HIGH AVG				LOW HIGH AVG		
HEAVY FOWL lb.	.15	.60	.45	HEAVY FOWL ea.	5.00	7.50	6.82
LIGHT FOWL lb.	-	-	-	LIGHT FOWL ea.	1.50	3.25	2.46
MIXED FOWL lb.	-	-	-	MIXED FOWL ea.	-	-	-
BANTAMS lb.	-	-	-	BANTAMS ea.	1.50	7.50	3.08
BROILERS lb.	-	-	-	BROILERS ea.	-	-	-
ROASTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROASTERS ea.	-	-	-
FRYERS lb.	-	-	-	FRYERS ea.	-	-	-
CHICKS lb.	-	-	-	CHICKS ea.	-	1.00	-
PULLETS lb.	-	-	-	PULLETS ea.	6.50	8.50	7.19
BUNNIES lb.	-	-	-	BUNNIES ea.	.75	7.00	4.66
ROOSTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROOSTERS ea.	2.00	12.00	3.16
GEESE lb.	-	-	-	GEESE ea.	-	-	-
TURKEYS lb.	-	-	-	TURKEYS ea.	-	-	-
DUCKS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKS ea.	-	-	-
RABBITS lb.	1.50	2.25	1.96	RABBITS ea.	2.50	6.50	4.83
PIGEONS lb.	-	-	-	PIGEONS ea.	1.00	2.25	1.58
GUINEA FOWL lb.	-	-	-	GUINEA FOWL ea.	4.00	6.00	5.32
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.	-	-	-
PEAFOWL ea.	-	-	-				
TOTAL COOPS	62						

MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS-MEXICO CITY

Cents per pound for the week ending Sept 16, 2011

	Whole		Legs W/Thighs	Necks, Backs & Wings	Livers/ Gizzards	Hens
	Chickens	Breasts				
RAYON						
Low	71.31	141.23	68.89	17.22	3.44	82.67
High	74.06	155.01	82.67	20.67	6.89	82.67
Mostly	72.34	151.57	79.23	18.95	6.89	82.67
SAN JUAN						
Low	70.62	141.23	65.45	17.22	3.44	86.12
High	73.03	155.01	79.23	20.67	6.89	86.12
Mostly	72.34	148.12	75.78	17.22	6.89	86.12
NEW SAN JUAN						
Low	71.65	144.68	72.34	17.22	6.89	89.56
High	75.10	159.46	86.12	24.11	10.33	89.56
Mostly	72.34	155.01	82.67	20.67	8.61	89.56
BECERRA						
Low	73.03	144.68	75.78	17.22	6.89	89.56
High	75.78	158.46	89.56	24.11	10.33	89.56
Mostly	73.03	155.01	86.12	22.39	10.33	89.56

NATIONAL FOWL MARKET

Ready-to-Cook

Midwest Region Negotiated Prices to first Receivers

(cents/lb. delivered to first receivers; US Grade A and plant Grade)

	Price Range
Ice Packed (12/box):	80.0 - 86.0
Vacuum Packed (6-9/box):	85.0 - 90.0

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

DELMARVA

Less-than-trucklot asking prices are 1 cent lower at 69 to 78 cents, with a weak to lower trending undertone. Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds is light and unaggressive for mid-week business. Offerings are moderate to heavy with discounting noted to help move. Live supplies are moderate; weights ranged desirable to heavy. Processing schedules are moderate. Market activity is slow. In the parts complex, b/s breasts and tenders are heavy. Wings are seasonally light and clearing well. The balance of parts are moderate.

*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	56-89
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations.

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