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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Whole broiler/fryer prices are weak to lower in the East, barely steady to weak in the Midwest, steady to instances weak in the West. Preliminary majority prices are 5 cents lower in the Midwest, 3 lower in the East, and unchanged in the West when compared to early week prices. Offerings are available and often discounted in an attempt to stimulate additional buyer interest. Retail and food service demand is light to moderate entering the weekend. Floor stocks are moderate to heavy. Market activity is mostly slow to moderate. In the parts structure, movement is light to moderate for late week business. Prices are steady to higher for wings, weak for tenders and boneless skinless breast. Dark meat items are steady. Supplies of wings are light, b/s breasts and tenders are moderate to mostly 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.

Preliminary Report

Prices negotiated for truck lot sales of ready-to-cook broiler/fryers FOB Dock and delivered to first receivers at major market areas week of 26-Sept-2011 (cents per lb)

AREAS	US GRADE A MAJORITY	RANGE	AVG	WTD LOADS
Delivered to First Receivers				
New York	63.00-66.00			
Los Angeles	98.00			
Whole Body 2/ Chicago	55.00-61.00	43.00-72.00	58.41	43
FOB Dock Equivalent 3/:				
Mississippi	81.00-85.00	65.00-87.00	81.80	25

1/: Includes branded product.

2/: Whole Body category includes whole body birds with or without giblets, all grades, brands, and packaging.

3/: Southeast area

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES

The 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.

PRELIMINARY FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT FRIDAY PRELIM. WTD. AVG

LOADS	RANGE	WTD AVG
731	85.34 - 98.66	88.11

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

ITEM	WTD AVG (CENTS PER LB)	VOL (000 LBS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	184.00	1,096
BREASTS - B/S	149.00	4,926
BREASTS - WHOLE	85.00	1,034
THIGH MEAT - B/S	129.50	932
THIGHS	71.50	785
DRUMSTICKS	69.50	790
LEG QUARTERS	53.00	6,072
WINGS	104.50	2,484

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

MIDWEST BROILER/FRYER Preliminary majority prices were 5 cents lower into Chicago and TFEWR elsewhere. Whole bird prices continued to be barely steady to weak. Additional offers were light to moderate for the fair buyer interest. Demand into retail and food service channels was light to moderate at best. Floor stocks were moderate to heavy. Weights were desirable to heavy. Whole bird market activity was light to instances moderate. 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 on breast cuts. Market activity on parts was light to moderate.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER Prices continue to trend weak to lower for all sizes. Trucklot buying activity for ready-to-cook whole broiler fryers is light entering the weekend as dealers exercised caution and only acquired product to cover most immediate needs. Offerings of all sizes are available and often discounted in an attempt to stimulate additional buyer interest. Trade activity is slow. In the parts complex, offerings of wings is light to moderate and continue to clear well; boneless skinless breast and tenders are readily available and competitively priced. Other items are sufficient for current needs.

SOUTHERN BROILER/FRYER Whole broiler/fryer prices are weak to lower. Offerings are moderate to mostly heavy for current trade needs. Demand is mostly light to moderate for late week business as discounting continue to be noted to help clear. The market activity is slow. In the parts structure, movement is light to at times moderate. Prices for wings continue higher with good movement. Boneless skinless breast and tenders are weak to lower and slow to clear. All other parts are steady approaching the weekend. Supplies of wings are light, dark meat items are 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.

WESTERN BROILER/FRYER The Los Angeles preliminary majority is 98 cents, unchanged from last Monday's final. The market on whole fryers is steady to instances weak. The market on WOGs is steady to weak with prices unchanged to lower for next week's shipments. Offerings light to moderate with supplies exceeding the limited buyer interest. Retail and foodservice demand light to moderate. Floor stocks adequate to longer than desired. Weights desirable. The market on boneless skinless breasts and tenderloins is weak with boneless skinless breasts weakest and prices on both trending lower for next week. The wing market is firm with prices higher for next week and bone-in breasts steady. The market on dark items is generally steady with spot caution reported on fresh jumbo bone-in product. Demand light to moderate. Offerings of fresh boneless skinless breasts and tenderloins moderate to heavy, bone-in breasts light to moderate and wings light at best. A few industry members were finding fresh medium sized tenderloins short of needs. Offerings of dark items light to moderate with thigh meat not as tight as previous weeks. Movement light to moderate.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Less-than-trucklot asking prices are 1 cent lower at 67 to 76 cents, with a weak to lower trending undertone. Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds is light entering the weekend for the unaggressive buyer demand. Offerings are moderate to heavy and remained discounted to help move. Live supplies are moderate; weights are mixed and ranged from desirable to heavy. Processing schedules are moderate. Market activity is slow. In the parts complex, offerings of b/s breasts and tenders are heavy and competitively priced. Wings are seasonally light and continued to move well. The balance of parts are moderate for current trade needs.

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	60-86
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)
CUMULATIVE	09/19/11 - 09/23/11 (A)
	09/20/10 - 09/24/10 (A)
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	09/20/10 - 09/24/10 (A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations.

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.
September 22, 2011

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)	494	46.00-50.00	-	47.83
Leg Quarters (4/10)	784	48.00-52.00	-	50.37
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		

September 23, 2011

Item	Pounds (000)	Range	Maj	Wtd Avg	Pounds (000)	Range	Maj	Wtd Avg	Weekly Pounds (000)	Weekly Wtd Avg
Breast - B/S		Too few to report							1,981	114.26
Tenderloins		Too few to report							811	127.19
Breast - Line Run		Too few to report							307	72.16
Front Halves		Too few to report							216	58.56
Legs		Too few to report							TFEWR	
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	391	45.00-50.00	-	47.23	2,030				47.83	
Leg Quarters (4/10)	883	49.00-52.00	-	50.55	3,513				50.57	
Wings (Whole)		Too few to report							325	100.00
Wings (Cut)		Too few to report							510	116.13
Drumsticks		Too few to report							139	57.68
Thighs		Too few to report							TFEWR	
B/S Thighs		Too few to report							359	117.90

Whole Body Index Based on Southern States Parts Trading for September 22, 2011 -- f.o.b. dock.

Whole Body Index Based on Southern States Parts Trading for September 23, 2011 -- f.o.b. dock.

Range	Today's Average
50.50 - 55.00	52.64

Range	Today's Average	5-Day Average
50.00 - 55.00	52.23	53.18

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 Parts Prices are trending steady to firm for wings and weak for boneless skinless breasts and tenders. Other items are mostly steady. Trucklot buying activity is light entering the weekend as dealers found little need to extend floor stocks beyond most immediate requirements. Offerings of boneless skinless breast and tenders are available with continued discounting noted; wings are light to moderate and clearing satisfactorily. Livers, gizzards, backs and necks are seasonally light with good movement. 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.

Item	Current Neg Trading*	Wtd Avg**	Vol /lbs.	Current Neg Trading*	Wtd Avg**	Vol /lbs.	Weekly Wtd Avg	Weekly Vol/lbs.
Breast - B/S	135	125.22	696,280	135	127.14	495,680	127.91	3,339,485
Tenderloins	125	132.98	176,720	125	128.14	93,960	133.81	741,000
Breast - With Ribs	81-82	94.10	56,265	81-82	94.83	40,597	95.39	204,812
Breast - Line Run	81	82.63	68,400	81	82.76	68,400	81.82	389,084
Legs	68-69	70.29	130,920	68-69	71.97	78,200	71.62	531,110
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	48-49	52.86	235,760	48-49	53.85	176,012	52.96	1,063,132
Drumsticks	60-61	74.71	66,720	60-61	69.31	119,913	71.96	390,193
Thighs	72-73	78.41	57,080	72-73	74.61	67,220	77.06	364,800
B/S Thighs	134-135	134.49	129,120	134-135	135.07	63,360	135.08	422,040
Wings (Whole)	106-107	113.80	270,840	106-107	116.55	187,620	113.24	1,096,040
Backs and Necks (Stripped)	15-17	15.00	13,160	16-18	15.00	16,440	15.00	62,726
Livers (5 Pound Tubs)	45-50	50.38	20,880	50-55	50.18	15,900	49.05	81,900
Gizzards (Hearts)	65-70	70.00	20,480	65-70	70.00	18,200	69.71	108,920

Includes: New York City metropolitan area, northern NJ, MA, CT, RI, and 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	
	09/23	09/22	09/21	09/20	09/21	09/20	09/16	09/15	09/16	09/15
Alabama	3,482	3,761	3,783	3,843	5.76	5.87	4,310	5.54		
Arkansas	3,497	4,812	4,837	4,893	5.64	5.51	4,117	5.48		
Delmarva	2,084	2,087	1,907	2,080	6.30	6.34	2,208	6.38		
KY-LA-TN	2,386	2,428	2,505	2,490	5.25	5.34	2,622	5.27		
Mississippi	2,744	2,955	2,784	2,928	5.95	5.99	3,065	5.96		
North Carolina	2,787	2,886	2,774	2,748	7.22	7.33	2,874	7.26		
Texas	4,526	2,678	2,609	2,713	5.91	5.96	2,756	6.01		
Total	21,506	21,607	21,199	21,695	5.96	5.99	21,952	5.91		
Mon-Wed	107,031	(A)					106,855	(A)		
Saturday	136	(included in total for date shown)						1,628		

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 23-Sep-11 and 24-Sep-11 is estimated to be 32,175,000 head down 2.33 percent from a week ago and down -1.02 percent from a year ago. (Last week 32,941,000, last year 32,506,000)

Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the week ending 24-Sep-11 is estimated to be 160,516,000 head up 0.63 percent from a week ago, and down 3.64 percent from a year ago. (Last week 159,518,000, last year 166,576,000)

Actual data incorporated when available.

California Processed Poultry - cents per pound

Southern (Los Angeles 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 & institutions		
		Range
Fresh Fryers	Dry Pack	129-188
	Ice Pack	
Roasters 4# & Up	Dry Pack	124
	Ice Pack	
Ducks		235-279

Young Chickens Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection
W/E 17-Sep-2011 (Preliminary) (in thousands)

	(A) 4.25 lbs. & down	(B) 4.26 - 6.25 lbs.	(C) 6.26 - 7.75 lbs.	(D) 7.76 lbs. & up	Total
Head	39,295	59,179	35,251	25,793	159,518
Avg Live Wgt	3.97	5.53	6.71	8.39	5.87
% of total /1	25%	37%	22%	16%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	31,802	60,909	29,700	19,084	141,495
Avg Live Wgt	3.85	5.43	6.67	8.36	5.73
% of total /1	22%	43%	21%	14%	100%
Year Ago 2/	36,703	81,586	26,025	24,393	168,707
Avg Live Wgt	3.88	5.50	6.78	8.19	5.68
% of total /1	22%	48%	15%	15%	100%
To date/2011*	1,356,227	2,559,698	1,098,837	865,768	5,880,530
To date/2010*	1,469,741	2,912,331	895,667	683,004	5,960,743

/1 May not total to 100% due to rounding. /2 Comparable week.
*Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.
Weight Class Description: (A) This size product is normally marketed bone-in into fast food and food service sectors and may include Cornish hens. (B) This size product is normally marketed into the retail grocery sector in tray pack or bagged forms. (C) This size product is normally marketed either into the retail grocery sector in tray pack and IQF form or is further processed and marketed into various sectors. (D) This size product is normally marketed deboned or as roasters or roasting chicken.

Live Poultry Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection
(Preliminary)
W/E 17-Sep-2011

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
-----Thousands-----					
Head	159,518	1,585	1,602	3,187	443
Avg Wt	5.87	3.21	7.94	5.59	6.73
Last week	141,495	1,293	1,579	2,872	397
Same wk yr ago	168,707	1,487	1,466	2,953	440
Avg Wt	5.68	3.20	8.14	5.65	6.98
To-date/2011*	5,880,530	50,683	57,038	107,721	16,009
To-date/2010*	5,960,743	51,961	52,107	104,068	15,437
% Change YTD	-1%	-2%	9%	4%	4%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	697,596	2,697	8,141	10,838	2,147
Last week	604,021	2,172	7,963	10,135	1,918
Same wk yr ago	713,901	2,522	7,936	10,458	2,211
To-date/2011*	25,067,829	86,710	295,633	382,343	78,140
To-date/2010*	24,688,628	89,231	273,755	362,986	76,350
% Change YTD	2%	-3%	8%	5%	2%

Dressing % 74.5% 53.0% 64.0% 72.0%
(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 154.3 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 161.5 million head, or 7.2 million more than estimated available. (B) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update.
*Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

Estimated U.S. Fryer Slaughter/Fryer Availability Comparison

Week Ending	Million Head Slaughtered	Million Head Available*	Pct	Avg Wt
Aug 13	157.9	159.5	99%	5.63
20	160.7	158.1	102%	5.67
27	159.1	156.0	102%	5.63
Sep 3	163.4	154.6	106%	5.64
10	143.2	153.8	93%	5.73
17	161.5	154.3	105%	5.87
Year to date	5951.9	5901.5	101%	
Sep 24		154.1		
Oct 1		152.9		

*Based on chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier.

Broiler/Cattle/Hog Weekly Estimated Slaughter

Under Federal Inspection (in thousands)

W/E	09/24/11	09/17/11	%chg	09/25/10	%chg
Broilers	160,516	159,518 ¹	+0.63	166,576 ¹	-3.64
Cattle	663	653	+02	665 ²	0
Hogs	2,289	2,287	0	2,199 ²	+04

¹ Actual data incorporated when available.

² Totals adjusted to reflect USDA, NASS revisions.

Eastern Region Misc. Poultry Delivery Week of 19-Sep-11

Ducklings: Prices Negotiated by First Receivers, US Grade A, 4-5 lbs. Delivered in Trucklot and Pool Trucklot Quantities, Cents/lb.

Origin	Frozen	Fresh
Long Island	211-215	216-222
Midwest	191-206	196-210

Roasters: Prices Negotiated by First Receivers, US Grade A & Plant Grade, 5 Lbs & Up, Delivered, Cents/lb.

	Range	Mostly
Ice Packed (12 per box)	69.00- 73.25	71.00-73.00
Vacuum Packed (6-9 per box)	72.00-76.00	73.00-75.00

Squabs: New York Area Wholesale Prices, Frozen, Plant Grade, Dollars/Dozen, 1 to 10 Boxes

11 oz.	72.00-90.72
13 oz.	80.64-104.64
15 oz.	87.84-109.63

Eastern Region: CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT & WV

Central Region Ducklings Prices continue steady with a steady to instances fully steady undertone. Demand and supplies are mostly moderate. Market activity is moderate. Processing schedules are full-time. Prices paid, first receivers for 10-18 oz. boneless breast at \$7.70-8.70, bone in legs at \$2.75-3.10, gizzards at \$1.20-1.50, wings at \$.75-.90, livers at \$1.25-2.05, and feet at \$.75-1.45 cents per lb.

Prices Negotiated by First Receivers for US Grade A Delivered in Trucklot & Pool Trucklot Quantities, 4-5 lbs., cents/lb. Week of 19-Sep-11

Origin	Frozen	Fresh
Midwest and Others	192-210	194-210

Graystone Small Animal Auction Date of Auction: 09/20/11

All Papers Required to Sell All Out of State Poultry

Prices Paid per lb., Except as Noted

	Range
Muscovy Ducks - Drakes	1.05 - 1.20 lbs.
Cockateals	15.00 - 31.00 ea.
Pekin Ducks	4.50 - 5.50 ea.
Pullets 4-6LBS	- 1.15 lbs.
Red Fowl 5-6LBS	.80 - .85 lbs.
Red Fowl 4-5LBS	.60 - .80 lbs.
Leghorn Roosters	- .75 ea.
Crossbred Roosters 7-11LBS	.45 - .60 lbs.
Crossbred Roosters 4-6LBS	.75 - 1.05 lbs.
Crossbred Fowl 5-9LBS	.65 - .75 lbs.
Banty Roosters	2.75 - 3.00 ea.
Banty Hens	2.50 - 3.00 ea.
Guinea Pigs	.10 - .15 ea.
Guinea Fowl	1.20 - 1.30 lbs.
Geese 9-14LBS	1.40 - 1.50 lbs.
Pigeons	3.20 - 3.40 ea.
White Pigeons	3.00 - 3.50 ea.
Chukars	- 2.75 ea.
Rabbits 6-9LBS	1.60 - 1.80 lbs.
Rabbits 4-6LBS	1.90 - 2.20 lbs.
Leghorn Hens	- 1.00 ea.
Bunnies	2.00 - 4.00 ea.
Doves	3.00 - 3.25 ea.
Silkies	3.00 - 3.25 ea.
Quail	- 2.50 ea.
Love Birds	- 27.00 ea.
Parakeets	6.00 - 12.00 ea.
Finch	4.00 - 4.50 ea.
Muscovy Ducks - Hens	1.00 - 1.20 lbs.
Parrot	- 290.00 ea.
Total Coops Sold	3232

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LIVE SPENT HEAVY FOWL

Prices continue to trend steady to firm when compared to the previous week. Offerings are sufficient for the moderate demand. Processing schedules are noted as normal. Retail feature activity was noted as moderate to mostly good. Finished product supplies are adequate to fully adequate for current needs. Market activity is moderate to active.

Final prices at Farm Buyer Loading:	Price Range	Wtd A
Prices in cents per pound.	8.5 – 19.5	13.32

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

LIVE SPENT LIGHT FOWL

Prices are trending steady. Demand is light to moderate for the about adequate to adequate offerings of light type hens. Processing schedules are normal.

Market activity is slow to moderate. The majority of removal costs was unchanged ranging 0-7 cents per head.

(live hens are predominately egg-layers averaging about 3.5 lbs. live weight per bird.) Eastern region = AL, CT, DE, GA, KY, MA, MD, ME, MS, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, TN, VA, VT, and WV; North Central = IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI; South Central = AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX.

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