



National Broiler Market-at-a-Glance

Whole broiler/fryer prices are steady to firm in the East, steady elsewhere. Offerings are light to moderate for current trade needs. Demand is light to good, mostly light to moderate for mid-week business. Floor stocks are closely balanced. Market activity is mostly moderate. In the parts structure, movement is light to moderate. Prices are trending steady to firm for wings, steady for all remaining parts except boneless skinless breast which is no better than steady. Supplies cover the full range, mostly moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. In production areas, live supplies are moderate with weights in a full range.



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 86.50 cents last year on Oct. 20, 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, Wings.

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

Northeast Region Prices are trending steady to firm for most sizes. Trucklot buying activity for ready-to-cook whole broiler fryers is light to moderate for midweek trading. Offerings of all sizes are sufficient for current needs. Trade activity is moderate. In the parts complex, offerings of wings are moderate and clearing satisfactorily; breast items and most dark meat cuts are at least sufficient for existing trade needs.

Midwest Region Whole bird prices were steady with offers light to moderate. Demand was light to moderate at best into retail and food service channels. Floor stocks were light to moderate. Weights were desirable to light. Market activity for whole birds was light to moderate. Supplies of wings were tight with breast cuts and dark meat items light to mostly moderate. Parts prices trended steady on breast cuts and dark meat items with wings firm. Parts market activity was best on wings with remainder of parts light to moderate.

Western Region Whole broiler fryer prices trended steady. Additional offers were light to moderate for the moderate demand. Retail and food service demand was light to moderate with best movement on wings and retail features. Floor stocks were closely balanced. Sizes were desirable to heavy. Parts supplies were light on wings and light to moderate on breast cuts and dark meat items. Prices trended firm on wings and about steady on the balance of parts. Market activity was light to moderate on parts.

Southern Region Whole broiler/fryer prices are steady. Supplies are moderate with trading usually limited to regular commitments. Demand is moderate for current trade needs. Market activity is moderate. In the parts structure, movement is light to mostly moderate. Prices are trending steady to firm for wings, steady to at times weak for breast items and dark meat cuts. Supplies of wings are light with smaller wings in the best position, breast items and dark meat items are moderate to heavy with b/s breast and thighs in the weakest position. Market activity is slow to moderate. In production areas, live supplies are moderate. Weights are mixed, but mostly desirable.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set Down 7 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 183 million eggs in incubators during the week ending October 15, 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 8 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 156 million chicks for meat production during the week ending October 15, 2011. Placements were down 8 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 2, 2011 through October 15, 2011 were 6.86 billion, down 2 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 10/15/11, 2011, 2010, Percent Change Previous Year. Rows include Eggs Set, Chicks Placed, Selected States: AL, AR, DE, FL, GA, KY, LA, MD, MS, NC, OK, PA, SC, TX, VA, CA, MO, TN, & WV. Source: USDA, NASS.

Weekly Fryers Available for Marketing Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 26-Nov-11 is estimated at 140.8 million head. This compares to 140.1 million head the previous week and to 156.0 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 166.0 million head and the composite weighted average price was 81.65 cents per pound.

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SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

OCT 19

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		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)	444	42.00-50.00	-	45.64	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	534	44.00-50.00	-	46.10
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	732	49.00-52.00	-	51.22	LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	787	50.00-52.00	-	50.96
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
51.00 – 56.50	53.47	52.00 – 56.50	53.35	52.05

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 no better than steady for boneless skinless breast; generally steady for the balance of items. Trucklot buying activity is light to moderate for midweek trading. Supplies are moderate to heavy for boneless skinless, thighs and thigh meat; sufficient 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.

OCT 18 ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG	VOL/LBS	OCT 19 ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	135	121.30	852,000	BREAST - B/S	135	114.78	807,720
TENDERLOINS	125	124.01	250,840	TENDERLOINS	125	122.20	110,280
BREAST - WITH RIBS	73-74	86.59	74,102	BREAST - WITH RIBS	73-74	86.72	36,733
BREAST - LINE RUN	73	76.27	73,400	BREAST - LINE RUN	73	76.33	74,543
LEGS	68-69	69.46	135,840	LEGS	68-69	70.16	100,400
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	48-49	52.52	298,840	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	48-49	50.35	207,100
DRUMSTICKS	60-61	70.75	79,040	DRUMSTICKS	60-61	70.93	60,120
THIGHS	70-71	75.21	57,040	THIGHS	70-71	72.09	52,760
B/S THIGHS	132-133	133.08	84,400	B/S THIGHS	132-133	135.12	64,840
WINGS (WHOLE)	112-113	117.95	171,320	WINGS (WHOLE)	112-113	122.14	203,160
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	17.21	10,170	BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	16.66	11,417
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	50-55	52.46	18,860	LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	50-55	52.13	11,760
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	65-70	70.00	23,840	GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	65-70	67.98	27,560

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		ACTUAL		AVG WTS		ACTUAL		AVG WTS	
	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	
Alabama	3,366	3,816	3,761	4,211	5.82	5.51	1,488	5.73	5.73	
Arkansas	4,733	4,738	4,799	3,784	5.76	5.57	4,699	5.76	5.76	
Delmarva	1,969	2,110	1,899	1,964	6.38	6.27	2,161	6.42	6.42	
KY-LA-TN	2,423	2,428	2,391	2,537	5.35	5.33	1,841	5.35	5.35	
Mississippi	2,967	2,990	2,964	2,998	6.11	6.22	2,932	6.15	6.15	
North Carolina	2,628	2,685	2,544	2,781	7.33	7.17	2,605	7.34	7.34	
Texas	2,263	2,382	2,400	2,601	6.10	6.00	2,322	5.95	5.95	
Total	20,349	21,149	20,758	20,876	6.06	5.95	18,048	6.04	6.04	
Mon-Wed	62,751 (A)				59,816 (A)					

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above. Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 19-Oct-11 is estimated to be 30,444,000 head up 12.41 percent from a week ago and down -6.30 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 27,083,000, last year 32,491,000)

**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 22-Oct-11

Class	CURRENT WEEK		PREVIOUS WEEK	
	10/22/11 (1)	10/15/11	Thousand head	
Broiler/fryer	154,803 (2)	153,435		
Light hens	1,292	1,322		
Heavy hens	1,605	1,693		
Total	157,700	56,450		

(1) ESTIMATED

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 22-Oct-11 is 151.9 million head compared to 164.5 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 155.1 million head or 3.2 million more than estimated available. For the week of 29-Oct-11 the estimated available is 151.9 million head.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS - Selected Centers

(Including government stocks) (In thousands)

	PROCESSED TURKEYS		PROCESSED POULTRY	
		LBS		LBS
AM 10/17/11	133,747	42,309		
AM 10/01/11	163,766	43,391		
CHG	-30,019	-1,082		
PCT CHG	-18%	-2%		

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT (In Thousands)

	PROCESSED TURKEYS			PROCESSED POULTRY		
	10/17/11	10/10/11	10/18/10	10/17/11	10/10/11	10/18/10
PACIFIC COAST LOS ANGELES	252	356	925	2,114	2,019	3,113
	159	150	207	605	615	763

HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES

FOR 10/18/11

All Papers Required To Sell All Out of State Poultry

	LOW HIGH AVG				LOW HIGH AVG		
HEAVY FOWL lb.	-	.75	-	HEAVY FOWL ea.	-	4.00	-
LIGHT FOWL lb.	-	-	-	LIGHT FOWL ea.	-	-	-
MIXED FOWL lb.	-	-	-	MIXED FOWL ea.	2.25	7.00	3.78
BANTAMS lb.	-	-	-	BANTAMS ea.	1.75	4.25	1.84
BROILERS lb.	-	-	-	BROILERS ea.	-	-	-
ROASTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROASTERS ea.	-	-	-
FRYERS lb.	-	-	-	FRYERS ea.	-	-	-
CHICKS lb.	-	-	-	CHICKS ea.	-	-	-
PULLETS lb.	-	-	-	PULLETS ea.	-	5.50	-
BUNNIES lb.	-	-	-	BUNNIES ea.	1.50	5.50	2.95
ROOSTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROOSTERS ea.	2.50	5.50	3.63
GEESE lb.	-	-	-	GEESE ea.	-	-	-
TURKEYS lb.	-	-	-	TURKEYS ea.	-	-	-
DUCKS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKS ea.	4.50	6.00	5.25
RABBITS lb.	1.65	2.25	1.94	RABBITS ea.	-	4.25	-
PIGEONS lb.	-	-	-	PIGEONS ea.	1.50	5.00	2.19
GUINEA FOWL lb.	-	-	-	GUINEA FOWL ea.	6.00	9.50	7.86
DUCKLINGS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKLINGS ea.	-	-	-
GUINEA KEETS ea.	-	-	-	CALL DUCKS ea.	-	-	-
SILKIES ea.	5.00	9.00	6.60	GOSLINGS ea.	-	-	-
GUINEA PIGS ea.	-	6.25	-	TURKEY POULTS ea.	-	-	-
CHUKARS ea.	-	-	-	PEACOCKS ea.	-	-	-
PARTRIDGES ea.	-	-	-	COCKATEALS ea.	-	-	-
DOVES ea.	-	-	-	PHEASANTS ea.	9.50	25.00	14.36
QUAIL ea.	2.50	3.75	2.95	FERRETS ea.	-	-	-
CHINCHILAS ea.	-	-	-	MICE ea.	-	-	-
PEAFOWL ea.	-	-	-				

TOTAL COOPS 58

MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS-MEXICO CITY

Cents per pound for the week ending Oct 14, 2011

	Whole Chickens		Legs	Necks, Backs & Wings	Livers/ Gizzards	Hens
	Breasts	W/Thighs				
RAYON						
Low	66.98	133.28	75.18	27.34	6.83	68.35
High	69.03	146.95	82.02	34.17	10.25	68.35
Mostly	68.35	143.53	78.60	30.76	6.83	68.35
SAN JUAN						
Low	64.93	133.28	71.77	23.92	6.83	68.35
High	68.35	143.53	78.60	30.76	10.25	68.35
Mostly	68.35	140.12	75.18	27.34	6.83	68.35
NEW SAN JUAN						
Low	67.32	136.70	78.60	30.76	6.83	71.77
High	70.06	153.79	85.44	37.59	10.25	71.77
Mostly	68.35	146.95	82.02	34.17	8.54	71.77
BECERRA						
Low	68.35	136.70	78.60	27.34	10.25	71.77
High	70.74	153.79	88.85	41.01	13.67	71.77
Mostly	68.35	150.37	85.44	37.59	10.25	71.77

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 unchanged at 68 to 77 cents with a steady trending undertone. Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds is moderate for mid-week business. Offerings of all sizes are moderate for current trade needs. Live supplies are moderate; weights are mixed, but noted as mostly desirable. Processing schedules are moderate. Market activity is moderate. In the parts complex, wings are light to moderate. Dark meat and breast items ranged moderate to heavy.

*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	59-83
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations.

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