



NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE



Whole broiler/fryer prices are trending steady in all areas with offerings light to moderate for current trade needs. Retail and food service demand is light to moderate for first of the month business. Floor stocks are balanced to heavier than desired. Market activity is seasonally slow to moderate. In the parts structure, movement is light to moderate for mid-week trading. Prices are trending steady for bone-in breast and most dark meat items. Wings are mixed ranging steady to weak. Boneless skinless breast and tenders are trending weak to lower and slow to clear. Offerings for parts cover the full range. Market activity is slow to moderate. In production areas, live supplies are moderate at mixed, but mostly desirable weights.

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK The quoted price on broilers/fryers for next week's trading is unchanged at 90.75 cents based on full truck load lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 85.00 cents last year on Feb. 01, 2011.

Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted prices on ice-packed parts for next week's trading.

Table with 2 columns: ITEM and 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 are trending steady for most sizes. Trucklot buying activity for ready-to-cook whole broiler fryers is light to moderate. Offerings of all sizes are moderate for current needs. Trade activity is seasonally slow to moderate. In the parts complex, offerings of bone-in breast are light to moderate and clearing well. Boneless skinless and tenders are available and slow to clear. Wings and most dark meat cuts are moderate to heavy for current needs.

MIDWEST REGION Whole bird prices are steady with offers light to moderate. Retail and food service demand is light to instances moderate. Floor stocks are balanced. Sizes are desirable to heavy. Whole bird market activity is light to moderate at best. Supplies of wings and boneless breast are moderate to heavy and dark meat items light to moderate. Prices trended barely steady to weak on wings and boneless breasts, steady on bone in breast and barely steady on leg items. Parts market activity is light to moderate with wings interest slowing.

WESTERN REGION The Los Angeles delivered quote is 100 cents, unchanged from last Wednesday. The market on whole fryers is steady with some spot unsettledness reported. The WOG market is steady. Offerings light to moderate. Retail and foodservice demand light to moderate. Floor stocks moderate to sometimes heavier than desired. Weights desirable. The market on boneless skinless breasts is steady to weak with offering prices unchanged to lower, bone-in breasts steady to instances weak with isolated discounted offers reported, tenderloins and wings steady at best with a steady to weak undertone. The market on dark items is steady at best. Demand light to moderate. Offerings of wings and bone-in breasts light to moderate, instances moderately heavy; boneless skinless breasts moderate to heavy and tenderloins at least moderate. Offerings of dark items light to moderately heavy, mostly moderate.

SOUTHERN REGION Whole broiler/fryer prices are steady. Offerings of all sizes are moderate. Demand is light to moderate for first of the month business. Market activity is slow to mostly moderate. In the parts structure, movement is light to moderate for mid-week business. Dark meat prices are trending steady to weak with discounting noted to help clear. Prices are trending steady for wings and bone-in breast. Boneless skinless breast prices are trending weak to lower and slow to clear. Offerings are light to moderate for bone-in breast, moderate to heavy for tenders and boneless skinless breast. Market activity is slow to moderate. In production areas, live supplies are moderate at mixed, but mostly desirable weights.

BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET DOWN 5 PERCENT

Commercial hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 195 million eggs in incubators during the week ending January 28, 2012. This was down 5 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 4 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 161 million chicks for meat production during the week ending January 28, 2012. Placements were down 4 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 1, 2012 through January 28, 2012 were 647 million, down 4 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 01/28/12, 2012, 2011, and Percent Change Previous Year. Rows include Eggs Set and Chicks Placed. Includes source information: USDA, NASS.

WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING

Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 10-Mar-12 is estimated at 148.4 million head. This compares to 149.1 million head the previous week and to 158.0 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 161.5 million head and the composite weighted average price was 79.25 cents per pound.

JAN 31

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

FEB 01

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)	577	49.00-50.00	-	49.53	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	561	47.00-50.00	-	49.01
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	469	49.00-52.00	-	50.98	LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	482	49.00-52.00	-	50.71
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
56.50 - 59.00	58.37	55.50 - 59.00	57.87	58.13

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 steady for bone-in breasts, wings and most dark meat cuts; weak to lower for drums and boneless skinless breast and weak for tenders. Trucklot buying activity is light to moderate for mid-week trading. Offerings of bone-in breast are light to moderate and clearing satisfactorily. Boneless skinless breast and drums are available for the mostly lackluster buyer interest. Tenders are heavy and wings are at least 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.

JAN 31 ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG	VOL/LBS	FEB 01 ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	145	130.07	745,960	BREAST - B/S	140-145	127.42	578,080
TENDERLOINS	150	154.13	205,440	TENDERLOINS	150	150.13	140,400
BREAST - WITH RIBS	89-90	101.06	63,391	BREAST - WITH RIBS	89-90	100.43	53,415
BREAST - LINE RUN	89	91.47	70,459	BREAST - LINE RUN	89	91.48	74,566
LEGS	72-73	75.37	87,800	LEGS	72-73	70.43	189,280
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	48-49	52.49	302,720	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	48-49	51.63	143,333
DRUMSTICKS	56-57	72.16	62,040	DRUMSTICKS	55-56	69.73	33,600
THIGHS	71-72	79.20	60,040	THIGHS	71-72	75.49	45,400
B/S THIGHS	125-126	125.47	94,280	B/S THIGHS	125-126	125.24	69,720
WINGS (WHOLE)	182-183	188.75	174,800	WINGS (WHOLE)	182-183	189.20	191,000
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	18.00	6,784	BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	18.00	6,699
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	50-55	53.00	10,380	LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	50-55	51.89	11,070
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	70-75	69.97	23,680	GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	70-75	73.77	21,880

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)	
Alabama	3,720	3,776	3,842	3,477	5.72	5.50	3,463	5.70	
Arkansas	4,509	4,759	4,741	3,472	5.69	5.24	4,463	5.67	
Delmarva	1,831	1,990	1,986	1,971	6.41	6.08	1,764	6.39	
KY-LA-TN	2,467	2,381	2,385	2,345	4.88	5.09	2,412	5.39	
Mississippi	2,836	3,051	2,801	3,084	6.20	5.89	2,873	6.14	
North Carolina	2,297	2,646	2,282	2,838	7.15	6.99	2,535	7.28	
Texas	2,275	2,425	2,430	2,392	6.01	5.80	2,221	5.97	
Total	19,935	21,028	20,467	19,579	5.94	5.78	19,731	6.00	
Mon-Wed	61,980 (A)						61,090 (A)		

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 01-Feb-12 is estimated to be 29,825,000 head up 0.73 percent from a week ago and up 2.64 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 29,608,000, last year 29,059,000)

**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		RANGE
Delivered to Restaurants and Institutions		RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	DRY PACK	113-185
	ICE PACK	
ROASTERS 4# & UP	DRY PACK	124
	ICE PACK	
DUCKS		217-285

**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER**

Under Federal Inspection for Week Ending 04-Feb-12

Class	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	02/04/12 (1)	01/28/12
	----- Thousand head -----	
Broiler/fryer	154,723 (2)	154,311
Light hens	1,360	1,801
Heavy hens	1,563	1,613
Total	157,646	157,725

(1)ESTIMATED

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 04-Feb-12 is 153.3 million head compared to 158.5 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 155.0 million head or 1.7 million more than estimated available. For the week of 11-Feb-12 the estimated available is 153.0 million head.

**WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS - Selected Centers**

(Including government stocks) (In thousands)

PROCESSED TURKEYS		PROCESSED POULTRY	
LBS		LBS	
AM	01/30/12	98,495	53,622
AM	01/01/12	56,420	51,180
CHG		42,075	2,442
PCT CHG		75%	5%

**COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT (In Thousands)**

	PROCESSED TURKEYS			PROCESSED POULTRY		
	01/30/12	01/23/12	01/31/11	01/30/12	01/23/12	01/31/11
<b>PACIFIC</b>						
<b>COAST</b>	243	256	409	1,652	1,388	4,863
<b>LOS ANGELES</b>	163	170	137	864	630	1,768

**HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES**

All Papers Required To Sell All Out of State Poultry

	LOW HIGH AVG				LOW HIGH AVG		
HEAVY FOWL lb.	.50	.80	.64	HEAVY FOWL ea.	4.00	9.50	6.20
LIGHT FOWL lb.	-	-	-	LIGHT FOWL ea.	-	-	-
MIXED FOWL lb.	-	-	-	MIXED FOWL ea.	8.50	9.00	8.72
BANTAMS lb.	-	-	-	BANTAMS ea.	-	6.00	-
BROILERS lb.	-	-	-	BROILERS ea.	-	-	-
ROASTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROASTERS ea.	-	-	-
FRYERS lb.	-	-	-	FRYERS ea.	-	-	-
CHICKS lb.	-	-	-	CHICKS ea.	-	-	-
PULLETS lb.	-	-	-	PULLETS ea.	-	4.50	-
BUNNIES lb.	-	-	-	BUNNIES ea.	4.50	5.00	4.75
ROOSTERS lb.	-	.90	-	ROOSTERS ea.	-	9.50	-
GEESE lb.	-	-	-	GEESE ea.	-	24.00	-
TURKEYS lb.	-	-	-	TURKEYS ea.	-	22.00	-
DUCKS lb.	-	2.00	-	DUCKS ea.	-	8.50	-
RABBITS lb.	1.60	2.70	2.47	RABBITS ea.	6.00	9.00	8.00
PIGEONS lb.	-	-	-	PIGEONS ea.	7.50	9.00	8.25
GUINEA FOWL lb.	-	-	-	GUINEA FOWL ea.	-	-	-
DUCKLINGS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKLINGS ea.	-	-	-
GUINEA KEETS ea.	-	-	-	CALL DUCKS ea.	-	-	-
SILKIES ea.	-	3.00	-	GOSLINGS ea.	-	-	-
GUINEA PIGS ea.	-	.25	-	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 37

**MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS-MEXICO CITY**

Cents per pound for the week ending Jan 27, 2012

	Whole		Legs	Necks, Backs	Livers/
	Chickens	Breasts	W/Thighs	& Wings	Gizzards
<b>RAYON</b>					
Low	90.63	175.64	98.36	31.62	7.03
High	94.85	189.70	112.41	42.15	10.54
Mostly	94.85	182.67	105.39	35.13	8.78
<b>SAN JUAN</b>					
Low	90.28	175.64	94.85	31.62	7.03
High	94.15	186.18	112.41	42.15	10.54
Mostly	94.15	179.16	101.87	35.13	8.78
<b>NEW SAN JUAN</b>					
Low	91.34	175.64	101.87	35.13	7.03
High	95.55	193.21	115.93	45.67	10.54
Mostly	94.85	186.18	108.90	38.64	8.78
<b>BECERRA</b>					
Low	93.09	175.64	105.39	35.13	10.54
High	96.60	196.72	119.44	45.67	14.05
Mostly	94.85	189.70	115.93	38.64	12.30

**NATIONAL FOWL MARKET** Jan 27, 2012

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 82 to 88 cents with a steady trending undertone. Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds is light to moderate for mid-week trading. Offerings are moderate for current trade needs. Live supplies are moderate; weights are mixed, but noted as mostly desirable. Processor schedules are light. Market activity is seasonally slow to moderate. In the parts complex, bone-in breasts are light to moderate. The balance of 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	69-98
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations.

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