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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Final majority prices for whole birds are trending unchanged into the East and West, but unchanged to lower in the Midwest when compared to last week. Whole bird prices are steady to weak. Offerings are moderate to heavy with larger sizes in the longest balance. Demand into all channels is light to moderate at best following the weekend. Floor stocks are moderate to closely balanced with purchasing limited to regular commitments. Market activity is slow to moderate. In the parts structure, demand is light to moderate. Prices are steady to firm for wings and tenders, cautiously steady for boneless skinless breasts, and steady for all other items. Supplies are light for wings and tenders, moderate to heavy for boneless skinless breasts, and sufficient for all other parts. Market activity for parts is light. In production areas, live supplies are moderate at mixed, but mostly desirable weights.

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 23-July-2012

	Grade A		Composite	
	Majority	Wtd Avg	Wtd Avg	Loads
Delivered to First Receivers 1/:				
Boston/New England	TFEWR		76.94	12
Ohio Cities	TFEWR		75.67	11
Denver	TFEWR		93.00	11
Detroit	TFEWR		72.35	25
Los Angeles	104.00	101.88	85.97	66
New York	80.00-83.00	81.77	82.15	38
Philadelphia	79.50-81.00	80.13	80.17	23
Pittsburgh	79.00-82.00	81.09	85.41	51
St. Louis	TFEWR		75.64	14
San Francisco	104.50	102.39	93.31	18

Delivered to First Receivers 1/:

	Whole Body 2/:		Composite	
	Majority	Wtd Avg	Wtd Avg	Loads
Chicago	65.00-81.00		74.14	60

Composite Weighted Average 3/:

Loads	07/23/12	Change Last Wk	07/16/12	07/25/11
329	81.89	-2.03	83.92	79.78

WOG broiler 4/:	Majority	Wtd Avg	Loads
Eastern	83.00-84.50	83.32	28
Central	65.00-76.00	71.84	83
Western	70.00-80.00	79.15	54

FOB Dock Equivalent 5/:

Mississippi	82.00-86.00	83.16	19
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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 94.75 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

LOADS	RANGE	FRIDAY PRELIMINARY FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT PRELIM. WTD. AVG.
903	77.00-99.97	93.88

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	210.00	1,737
BREASTS - B/S	160.00	7,378
BREASTS - WHOLE	102.00	1,460
THIGH MEAT - B/S	132.50	1,231
THIGHS	74.50	1,417
DRUMSTICKS	74.00	1,417
LEG QUARTERS	51.00	9,486
WINGS	187.50	3,870

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

NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYERS Prices are trending steady for most sizes. Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers is light to moderate as dealers assess market conditions entering the week. Offerings of all sizes are sufficient for current needs. Trade activity is slow to moderate. In the parts complex, supplies of wings and tenders are light to moderate and clearing well; breast cuts and most dark meat cuts are sufficient for current needs.

SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYER Prices for whole broiler/fryers are trending steady to slightly lower. Offerings of all sizes are readily available for limited trade needs. Demand into all channels is moderate at best. Market activity is light to moderate. In the parts structure, movement is light to moderate following the weekend. Prices are trending steady to firm for wings and tenders, and steady for the remaining items. Offerings are light for wings and tenders, moderate to heavy for breast items, and moderate for dark meat cuts. Market activity for parts is light to moderate. In production areas, live supplies are moderate; weights are mixed, but noted as mostly desirable.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Final majorities are unchanged from last Monday's prices. The market on whole broilers are steady. The market on WOGs is steady to weak. Retail demand is light to good, mostly light to moderate. Food service demand is moderate. Floor stocks are moderate. Parts demand mostly moderate. Sizes are desirable. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average is 76.00 cents, down 5.78 cents on 40 loads.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYERS - Final majority prices are unchanged to lower. Whole bird prices are steady to weak with offers light to moderate. Retail and food service demand is light to moderate at best. Fast food is light to moderate. Floor stocks are closely balanced. Sizes are light to heavy. Whole bird market activity is light. Supplies of wings and tenders are light, dark meat items and bone-in breasts light to moderate, and boneless skinless breasts moderate. Parts prices trended steady to firm on wings and tenders with the remainder of parts generally steady. Market activity for parts is light.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Less-than-trucklot asking prices are unchanged at 83 to 91 cents with a steady to at least steady trending undertone. Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds is light to moderate entering the week as dealers assess current market conditions. Offerings are readily available for present trade needs. Live supplies are moderate at mixed, but mostly desirable weights. Processing schedules are moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. In the parts complex, supplies ranged light to moderate with wings and tenders in the best position.

BRANDED U.S. GRADE A

Range	71-101
Weighted Average	(A)
No. Of Boxes	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Prices are trending firm for tenders and wings; steady for breast items and most dark meat cuts. Trucklot buying activity is light to moderate as dealers assess market conditions entering the week. Offerings of tenders are light and clearing well; light to moderate for wings and moderate for breast items and most dark meat cuts. 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	155-160	139.73	652,120
TENDERLOINS	150-155	149.53	130,720
BREAST - WITH RIBS	95-96	112.08	48,024
BREAST - LINE RUN	95	96.90	65,293
LEGS	68-69	67.65	88,680
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	46-47	49.29	255,705
DRUMSTICKS	67-68	76.70	61,840
THIGHS	72-73	82.17	47,320
B/S THIGHS	125-126	130.49	54,520
WINGS (WHOLE)	186-187	184.85	202,840
BACKS & NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	18.00	6,560
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	50-55	54.42	5,810
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	70-75	75.04	10,000

INCLUDES NEW YORK CITY METROPOLITAN AREA, NORTHERN NEW JERSEY, MASSACHUSETTS, CONNECTICUT, RHODE ISLAND, AND PENNSYLVANIA (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
	07/23	07/19	07/19	07/16	07/12
Alabama	3,756	3,790	5.68	3,660	5.68
Arkansas	4,654	4,746	5.16	4,480	5.57
Delmarva	2,036	2,101	6.05	1,858	6.10
Ky-LA-TN	2,538	2,468	5.06	2,456	5.13
Mississippi	2,895	2,862	5.90	2,852	5.89
North Carolina	2,675	2,679	7.10	2,666	7.05
Texas	2,363	2,384	5.86	2,363	5.86
Total	20,917	21,030	5.76	20,335	5.85
Mon	20,917(A)			20,335(A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler- fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 23-Jul 2011 is estimated to be 31,294,000 up 2.55 percent from a week ago. and up 2.2 percent from a year ago. (last week 30,515,000 last year 30,633,000)

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)	340	42.00-48.00	-	45.60
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	282	47.00-50.00	-	47.87
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 JUL 23, 2012 -- F.O.B. DOCK

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
62.00 - 66.00	64.30	64.24

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 23-JUL-2012 TO 27-JUL-2012, CENTS PER POUND

	Price Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	126.00 - 161.00	132.00 - 143.00
TENDERLOINS	142.00 - 169.00	150.00 - 155.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	91.00 - 116.00	95.00 - 106.00
LEGS	60.00 - 68.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	43.00 - 61.00	47.00 - 52.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	49.00 - 58.00	50.00 - 54.00
DRUMSTICKS	49.00 - 75.00	-
THIGHS	65.00 - 83.00	-
B/S THIGHS	114.00 - 132.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	181.00 - 195.00	-
BACKS & NECKS (STRIPPED)	17.00 - 45.00	-
LIVERS	32.00 - 49.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	35.00 - 59.00	-

CALIFORNIA PROCESSED POULTRY – cents per pound

IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	106 -129
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	112 -130
FROZEN DUCKS	
FROZEN SQUABS	

DELIVERED TO RETAILERS

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	108-123
ROASTERS 4# & UP	128-140
DUCKS	
RABBITS-WHOLE	
RABBITS-CUT UP	

IN SAN FRANCISCO DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	DRY PACK 138-188
	ICE PACK
ROASTERS 4# & UP	DRY PACK 126
	ICE PACK
DUCKS	217-295

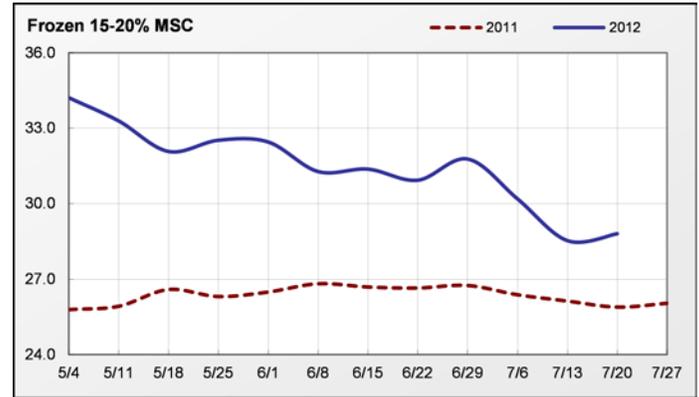
National Mechanically Separated Chicken

(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 for MSC are trending steady to mostly weak on all fat contents. Demand is light to instances moderate for both export and domestic channels. Supplies are moderate to heavy. Schedules are normal. With the seasonal peak behind us, July 4, most in industry feel the bloom is off the rose for MSC. For many the summer has been disappointing, falling short of seasonal expectations regarding interest and movement of both MSC and finished products. Industry continues to closely monitor the marketplace, stay out front on spot MSC sales, and move more spot frames to avoid producing additional MSC. Some buyers and sellers have even started to contemplate the possible dynamics of this Fall's approaching contract season. Market activity is light to moderate. Supplies of raw materials are moderate to heavy. Spot frames traded between 10-15 cents FOB, mostly 10-12 FOB.

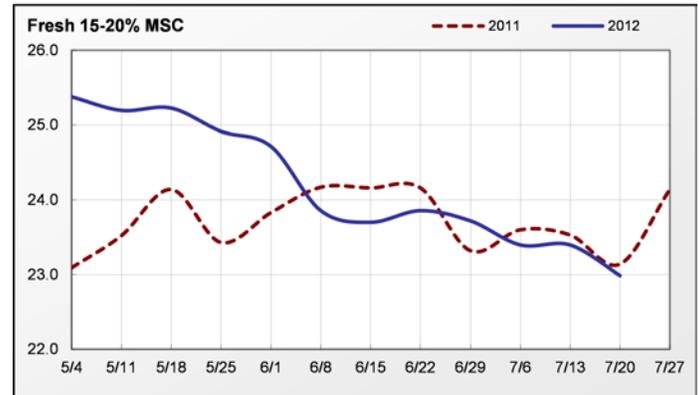
Weekly MSC Weighted Average Prices (cents/pound) and Volumes (1,000 pounds)

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	20-Jul-12	Last Week	Last Year	20-Jul-12	Last Week	Last Year
15% or Less						
Price Range	-	-	-	25.00 - 26.00	25.00-26.00	22.00-25.00
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	25.75	25.60	24.00
Volume Traded	-	-	-	163	102	122
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-20%						
Price Range	21.00 - 33.00	24.00 - 33.00	24.00-28.00	19.00 - 26.00	20.00 - 26.00	18.00-26.50
Wtd Avg Price	28.80	28.52	25.89	22.99	23.40	23.14
Volume Traded	1,405	1,718	1,590	4,865	4,909	4,304
Volume Exported	1,229	1,198	1,430	449	653	571
20% or More						
Price Range	-	-	-	22.50	22.00	20.00
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	22.50	22.00	20.00
Volume Traded	-	-	-	82	41	82
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-



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

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	Jun 2012	May 2012	Jun 2011	Jun 2012	May 2012	Jun 2011
15% or Less						
Wtd Avg Price	32.00	28.60	-	25.24	26.00	25.65
Volume Traded	160	200	-	653	612	755
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-20%						
Wtd Avg Price	31.55	32.87	26.66	23.93	25.17	24.09
Volume Traded	7,367	6,879	6,656	22,914	14,723	17,625
Volume Exported	6,987	5,879	5,816	1,591	1,795	898
20% or More						
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	22.33	22.30	20.00
Volume Traded	-	-	-	367	204	408
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-



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

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