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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Majority prices are unchanged in the West, but unchanged to lower elsewhere. Prices for whole broilers/fryers are steady in the West, steady to weak in the East and Midwest. Offerings of all sizes are moderate to heavy for current trade needs. Demand is light to moderate with best interest into fast food, catering services, and where local fairs and festivals are present. Floor stocks are closely balance to long. Market activity is mostly slow. In the parts structure, demand is light. Prices are steady to firm for wings and tenders, steady to weak for boneless skinless breasts, and steady for the remaining parts. Supplies are light to moderate for wings and tenders and at least sufficient for all other items. Market activity for parts is slow to moderate. 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 30-July-2012

	Grade A		Composite	
	Majority	Wtd Avg	Wtd Avg	Loads
Delivered to First Receivers 1/:				
Boston/New England	TFEWR	:	75.93	14
Ohio Cities	TFEWR	:	75.28	11
Denver	TFEWR	:	93.44	9
Detroit	TFEWR	:	73.69	23
Los Angeles	104.00	101.30	20:	82.60
New York	77.00-80.00	78.41	22:	79.94
Philadelphia	76.50-78.00	76.91	11:	77.15
Pittsburgh	76.00-79.00	76.92	12:	82.94
St. Louis	TFEWR	:	72.89	14
San Francisco	104.50	101.72	9:	91.79

	Whole Body 2/:		Composite	
	Majority	Wtd Avg	Wtd Avg	Loads
Chicago	64.00-82.00	:	73.14	62

Composite Weighted Average 3/:				
Loads	07/30/12	Change Last Wk	07/23/12	08/01/11
333	79.87	-2.02	81.89	79.98

WOG broiler 4/:	Majority	Wtd Avg	Loads
Eastern	79.00-81.00	80.64	31
Central	65.00-74.00	72.14	85
Western	69.00-76.00	76.76	56

FOB Dock Equivalent 5/:
Mississippi 82.00-85.00 83.18 22

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.
929	75.00-99.96	93.81

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	201.50	1,773
BREASTS - B/S	160.00	7,414
BREASTS - WHOLE	102.50	1,496
THIGH MEAT - B/S	130.00	1,231
THIGHS	74.00	1,417
DRUMSTICKS	73.50	1,417
LEG QUARTERS	51.00	9,486
WINGS	188.00	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 to weak for most sizes. Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers is light and generally unaggressive as dealers assess market conditions entering the week. Offerings of all sizes are available and competitively priced. Trade activity is slow. In the parts complex, supplies of wings and tenders are light to moderate and clearing well; breast cuts and most dark meat cuts are at least sufficient for current needs.

SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYER Prices for whole broiler/fryers are steady to weak. Offerings of all sizes are moderate to heavy for trade needs. Retail and distributive demand is light following the weekend. Market activity is mostly slow. In the parts structure, movement is light to moderate. Prices are holding steady for all parts with a fully steady undertone for wings and tenders. Offerings of wings are light, tenders are light to moderate, and all other items are available. Market activity for parts is slow to moderate. In production areas, live supplies are moderate at mixed but mostly desirable weights.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Final majorities are unchanged from last Monday's prices. The market on whole broilers is steady. The market on WOGs is steady to weak. Retail demand is light to good, mostly light to moderate. Food service demand is light to moderate. Floor stocks are moderate. Parts demand light to moderate. Sizes are desirable. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average is 73.58 cents, down 2.42 cents on 42 loads.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYERS - Final majority prices are unchanged to lower. Whole bird prices are steady to weak with offers moderate to heavy. Retail and food service demand is light to moderate with best movement into fast food, catering, and local fairs and festivals. Floor stocks are closely balanced to long. 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 to heavy. Parts prices trended steady to firm on wings and tenders, weak on boneless skinless breasts, and steady on the balance. Market activity for parts is light.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Less-than-trucklot asking prices are unchanged at 80 to 88 cents with a steady to weak trending undertone. Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds is light entering the week as dealers assess current market conditions. Offerings are readily available to handle trade needs. Live supplies are moderate; weights are mixed, but noted as mostly desirable. Processing schedules are moderate. Market activity is slow. In the parts complex, wings and tenders are light to moderate. Dark meat and breast items are moderate to heavy.

BRANDED U.S. GRADE A	
Range	69-100
Weighted Average	(A)
No. Of Boxes	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Prices are trending steady to firm for tenders and wings; steady to weak for boneless skinless breast and weak to lower for drumsticks. Bone-in breasts and other dark meat cuts are no better than steady. Trucklot buying activity is light to moderate as dealers assess market conditions entering the week. Offerings of tenders and wings are light to moderate and clearing satisfactorily. Boneless skinless breast and most dark meat cuts are moderate to heavy with drums noted as slightly more available. 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	150-155	135.85	760,320
TENDERLOINS	155	151.58	159,600
BREAST - WITH RIBS	95-96	105.03	58,855
BREAST - LINE RUN	95	96.14	63,000
LEGS	68-69	64.52	135,320
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	46-47	48.85	224,059
DRUMSTICKS	64-65	76.74	51,440
THIGHS	72-73	85.46	55,760
B/S THIGHS	125-126	131.32	53,640
WINGS (WHOLE)	186-187	190.55	192,280
BACKS & NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	18.00	9,100
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	50-55	52.62	8,930
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	70-75	74.73	11,240

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
	07/30	07/26	07/26	07/23	07/19
Alabama	3,681	3,724	5.57	3,682	5.68
Arkansas	4,510	4,538	5.69	4,433	5.16
Delmarva	2,084	2,012	6.08	2,042	6.05
Ky-LA-TN	2,493	2,502	5.19	2,486	5.06
Mississippi	2,865	2,845	5.91	2,873	5.90
North Carolina	2,630	2,604	7.11	2,637	7.10
Texas	2,361	2,727	5.86	2,389	5.86
Total	20,624	20,952	5.88	20,542	5.76
Mon	20,624(A)			20,542(A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler- fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 30-Jul 2011 is estimated to be 30,856,000 up 0.10 percent from a week ago. and down 3.3 percent from a year ago. (last week 30,825,000 last year 31,922,000)

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)	190	40.00-48.00	-	44.84
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	369	47.00-50.00	-	47.79
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 30, 2012 -- F.O.B. DOCK

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
60.00 - 65.00	62.92	64.09

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 30-JUL-2012 TO 03-AUG-2012, CENTS PER POUND

	Price Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	122.00 - 161.00	125.00 - 136.00
TENDERLOINS	145.00 - 173.00	150.00 - 159.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	95.00 - 112.00	97.00 - 108.00
LEGS	60.00 - 68.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	44.00 - 54.00	47.00 - 50.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	49.00 - 58.00	49.00 - 52.00
DRUMSTICKS	51.00 - 75.00	-
THIGHS	64.00 - 83.00	-
B/S THIGHS	114.00 - 132.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	170.00 - 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

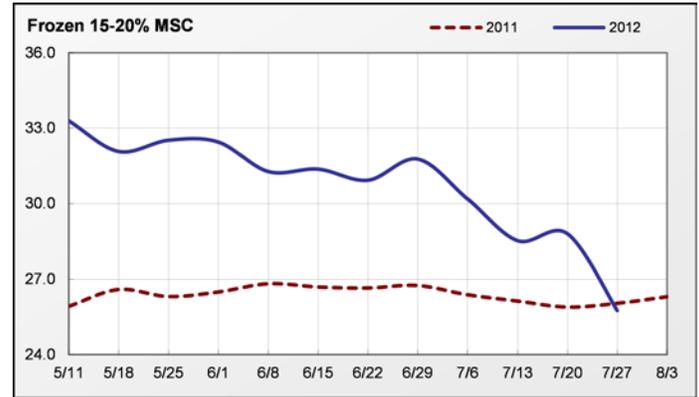
National Mechanically Separated Chicken

(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.)

MSC prices are trending steady to weak on fresh and frozen 15-20% with the balance of fat contents steady. Demand into domestic and export channels is light to moderate at best. Supplies are moderate to heavy. Schedules are normal. Summer has been disappointing for many, falling short of seasonal expectations in regard to interest and movement of both MSC and finished goods. Industry continues to stay out front on spot MSC sales and move more spot frames to avoid the production and sale of additional MSC. Many maintain a watchful eye on the marketplace with some already beginning to contemplate the possible dynamics of the approaching contract season. Market activity is light. Supplies of raw materials are moderate to heavy. Spot frames traded between 10-15 cents FOB, mostly 12 FOB.

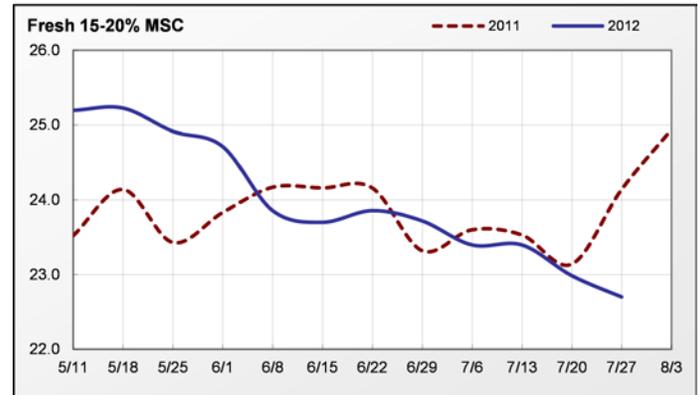
Weekly MSC Weighted Average Prices (cents/pound) and Volumes (1,000 pounds)

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	27-Jul-12	Last Week	Last Year	27-Jul-12	Last Week	Last Year
15% or Less						
Price Range	-	-	-	25.00 - 26.00	25.00 - 26.00	23.00-25.00
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	25.71	25.75	24.33
Volume Traded	-	-	-	143	163	122
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-20%						
Price Range	18.00 - 32.00	21.00 - 33.00	24.00-28.00	18.00 - 26.00	19.00 - 26.00	19.00-26.00
Wtd Avg Price	25.75	28.80	26.04	22.70	22.99	24.14
Volume Traded	3,124	1,405	2,097	3,641	4,865	4,661
Volume Exported	2,124	1,229	1,837	41	449	653
20% or More						
Price Range	-	-	-	22.00	22.50	20.00
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	22.00	22.50	20.00
Volume Traded	-	-	-	82	82	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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