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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Whole broiler/fryer prices are steady in all areas. Offerings are light to moderate for current trade needs. Final majority prices are unchanged overall when compared to last week prices. Retail and food service demand is light to moderate with best movement on featured items and into fast food channels. Floor stocks range light to heavy. Market activity is slow to moderate. In the parts structure, movement is light for early week trading. Prices are trending steady to weak on breast items, tenders and dark meat cuts. Wings prices are trending steady. Supplies of wings are light to moderate with good movement. Breast items and dark meat items are moderate to heavy and slow to clear. Market activity for parts is slow to moderate. In production areas, live supplies are moderate; weights are mixed at 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 08-Oct-2012

	Grade A		Composite	
	Majority	Wtd Avg	Wtd Avg	Loads
Delivered to First Receivers 1/:				
Boston/New England	TFEWR		80.92	12
Ohio Cities	TFEWR		77.96	13
Denver	TFEWR		96.35	7
Detroit	TFEWR		72.00	23
Los Angeles	105.00	102.47	16 : 87.43	48
New York	80.00-83.00	81.57	21 : 82.70	42
Philadelphia	79.50-81.00	80.50	12 : 80.90	25
Pittsburgh	79.00-82.00	80.58	12 : 85.03	51
St. Louis	TFEWR		77.00	15
San Francisco	105.50	103.79	7 : 90.81	18

Delivered to First Receivers 1/:

	Whole Body 2/:		Composite	
	Majority	Wtd Avg	Wtd Avg	Loads
Chicago	66.00-78.00		76.38	57

Composite Weighted Average 3/:

Loads	10/08/12	Change Last Wk	10/01/12	10/10/11
311	82.85	.29	82.56	72.29

WOG broiler 4/:	Majority	Wtd Avg	Loads
Eastern	84.00-86.00	85.41	34
Central	68.00-76.00	73.28	75
Western	79.00-85.00	80.80	43

FOB Dock Equivalent 5/:

Mississippi	82.00-86.00	83.32	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 95.75 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

LOADS	RANGE	MONDAY FINAL FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT PRELIM. WTD. AVG.
973	78.00-100.01	94.98

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	205.50	1,737
BREASTS - B/S	165.50	7,378
BREASTS - WHOLE	102.00	1,460
THIGH MEAT - B/S	130.00	1,231
THIGHS	73.50	1,417
DRUMSTICKS	75.00	1,417
LEG QUARTERS	53.00	9,486
WINGS	183.00	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 for most sizes. Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers is light as dealers assess market conditions for early week trading. Offerings of all sizes are at least sufficient for current needs. Trade activity is slow. In the parts complex, supplies of tenders and drums are available and slow to clear; boneless skinless breast and other dark meat cuts are moderate for current needs; wings and bone-in breast are light to moderate and clearing satisfactorily.

SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYER Prices are holding steady for whole broiler/fryers. Offerings are sufficient for current trade needs with trading usually limited to regular commitments. Demand into retail and food service channels is moderate following the holiday the weekend. Market activity is moderate. In the parts structure, movement is light for early week business. Prices are steady for wings, steady to weak for breast items, tenders and dark meat items. Offerings of wings are light to moderate. Breast items are light to heavy with b/s breast ranging light to moderate. Whole breast, tenders and dark meat items are moderate to heavy. Market activity for parts is mostly slow. 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 fryers and WOGs is steady. Offerings are light. Retail demand moderate, sometimes good where features are a factor. Food service demand is light to moderate. Floor stocks moderate. Whole fryer and WOG activity is moderate. Parts demand is light to moderate, instances good. The market activity on parts is mostly moderate. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average is 79.47 cents, up .21 cents on 30 loads.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYERS - Final majority prices are unchanged. Whole bird prices are steady. Offers are light to moderate. Retail and food service demand is light to moderate with best movement on featured items and into fast food channels. Floor stocks ranged light to heavy. Sizes are in a desirable range. Whole bird market activity is slow to moderate. Supplies of wings are light with breast cuts and dark meat items moderate to heavy. Prices trended steady to weak on breast cuts and dark meat items and steady on wings. Market activity for parts is slow to moderate.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Less-than-trucklot asking prices remained unchanged at 83 to 92 cents with a steady trending undertone. Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds is light to moderate for early week trading. Offerings of all sizes are sufficient for present trade needs. Live supplies are moderate; weights are mixed, but noted as mostly desirable. Processing schedules are moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. In the parts complex, wings are light to moderate and the balance of parts are moderate to heavy.

	(10-9) BRANDED U.S. GRADE A	(10-8) BRANDED U.S. GRADE A
Range	78-102	70-102
Weighted Average	(A)	(A)
No. Of Boxes	(A)	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Prices are trending at least steady for wings and boneless skinless breast; weak for tenders and bone-in breast. Dark meat cuts are steady to weak with drums and thighs in the longest position. Trucklot buying activity is light for early week trading. Offerings are light to moderate for wings and boneless skinless breast; moderate to heavy for tenders, bone-in breast, drums and thighs. Movement is slow.

ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND

ITEM	NEGOTIATED	CURRENT TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOLUME /LBS.
BREAST - B/S	140-145	140-145	130.46	1,061,320
TENDERLOINS	165-170	165-170	169.49	206,560
BREAST - WITH RIBS	92-93	92-93	107.84	61,005
BREAST - LINE RUN	92	92	94.18	70,830
LEGS	68-69	68-69	71.63	93,640
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	47-48	47-48	51.20	422,920
DRUMSTICKS	57-58	57-58	65.30	112,120
THIGHS	68-69	68-69	83.24	53,240
B/S THIGHS	127-128	127-128	128.40	105,680
WINGS (WHOLE)	185-186	185-186	190.12	276,320
BACKS & NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	16-18	16.00	135,241
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	50-55	50-55	53.12	15,220
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	70-75	70-75	75.00	33,080

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BREAST - B/S	140-145	140-145	132.79	647,240
TENDERLOINS	165-170	165-170	173.14	77,360
BREAST - WITH RIBS	92-93	92-93	109.13	48,597
BREAST - LINE RUN	92	92	93.73	45,563
LEGS	68-69	68-69	71.24	96,800
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	47-48	47-48	51.79	295,880
DRUMSTICKS	57-58	57-58	65.78	110,653
THIGHS	68-69	68-69	82.94	63,360
B/S THIGHS	127-128	127-128	129.10	67,760
WINGS (WHOLE)	185-186	185-186	194.11	168,520
BACKS & NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	16-18	16.52	198,758
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	50-55	50-55	53.49	9,310
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	70-75	70-75	75.87	20,480

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
	10/09	10/05	10/05	10/02	09/28
Alabama	3,755	3,923	5.53	3,521	5.69
Arkansas	4,878	3,923	5.53	4,665	5.50
Delmarva	1,950	2,003	6.19	1,984	6.12
Ky-LA-TN	2,451	2,727	5.15	2,456	5.23
Mississippi	2,881	3,264	6.32	2,893	6.10
North Carolina	2,583	2,976	7.13	2,594	7.41
Texas	2,353	2,801	6.28	2,432	6.08
Total	20,851	21,617	5.98	20,545	5.97
Mon-Tue	41,837(A)			40,971(A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 09-Oct 2011 is estimated to be 31,195,000 up 1.18 percent from a week ago, and up 2.2 percent from a year ago. (last week 30,830,000 last year 30,519,000)

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)	285	46.00-49.00	-	47.35
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	299	48.00-51.00	-	49.16
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 OCT 09, 2012 -- F.O.B. DOCK

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE
62.50 - 65.50	64.01

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 08-OCT-2012 TO 12-OCT-2012, CENTS PER POUND

	Price Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	118.00 - 153.00	119.00 - 131.00
TENDERLOINS	165.00 - 197.00	165.00 - 175.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	93.00 - 110.00	93.00 - 106.00
LEGS	63.00 - 68.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	46.00 - 62.00	48.00 - 51.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	50.00 - 62.00	50.00 - 53.00
DRUMSTICKS	48.00 - 63.00	-
THIGHS	62.00 - 83.00	-
B/S THIGHS	121.00 - 134.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	157.00 - 187.00	-
BACKS & NECKS (STRIPPED)	17.00 - 45.00	-
LIVERS	32.00 - 50.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	42.00 - 65.00	-

CALIFORNIA PROCESSED POULTRY – cents per pound

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

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	110-132
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	114-133
FROZEN DUCKS	
FROZEN SQUABS	

DELIVERED TO RETAILERS

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	120-135
ROASTERS 4# & UP	137-149
DUCKS	
RABBITS-WHOLE	
RABBITS-CUT UP	

DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS IN SAN FRANCISCO

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK
ROASTERS 4# & UP	DRY PACK 126-190
DUCKS	ICE PACK 126
	DRY PACK 217-295

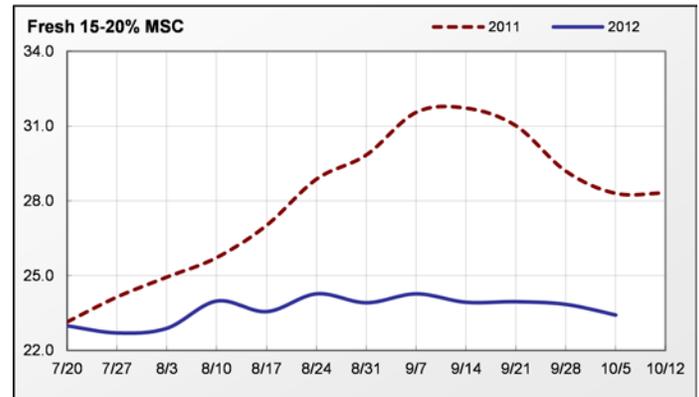
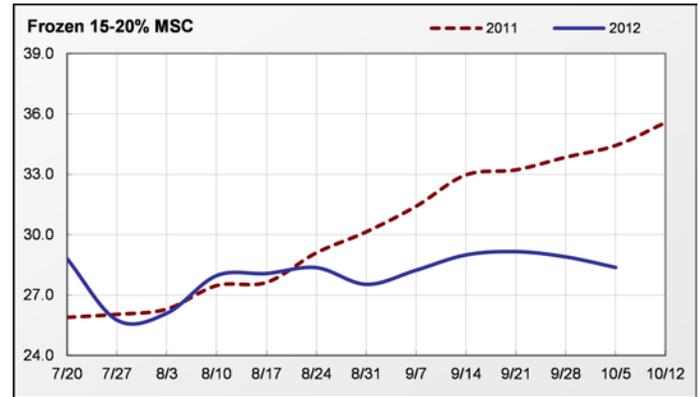
National Mechanically Separated Chicken

(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 on all fat contents trended steady. Supplies are moderate to at times heavy. Schedules are seasonally normal. Domestic and export demand is light to moderate. Demand for stews, soups, potted meats, and other hurricane provisional items is moderate to good, although it has slowed into other finished goods such as hot dogs and deli items among others, which is typical. This week the spot marketplace has slowed both domestically and into export channels, and producers reacted by selling frames and staying out front on spot sales of MSC if able. Industry as a whole maintains a close eye on production, demand, the spot marketplace, and grain markets looking for future market direction. Contract negotiations for 2013 persist with some progress to note. Market activity is slow. Supplies of raw materials are moderate to heavy. Spot frames traded between 11-14 cents FOB, mostly 11-12 FOB.

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

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	5-Oct-12	Last Week	Last Year	5-Oct-12	Last Week	Last Year
15% or Less						
Price Range			-	24.00 - 25.00	24.00 - 26.00	32.00
Wtd Avg Price			-	24.57	25.56	32.00
Volume Traded	-	-	-	143	184	82
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-20%						
Price Range	27.00 - 31.00	26.00 - 31.00	32.00-38.00	18.00 - 26.00	19.00 - 26.00	24.00-33.00
Wtd Avg Price	28.37	28.90	34.43	23.42	23.84	28.30
Volume Traded	1,965	2,250	2,065	4,610	4,672	3,600
Volume Exported	1,325	2,090	1,745	326	408	408
20% or More						
Price Range	-	-	-	22.00	22.00	-
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	22.00	22.00	-
Volume Traded	-	-	-	82	82	-
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-



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

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	Sep 2012	Aug 2012	Sep 2011	Sep 2012	Aug 2012	Sep 2011
15% or Less						
Wtd Avg Price	30.00	30.00	-	25.50	25.65	32.06
Volume Traded	80	40	-	653	877	839
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-20%						
Wtd Avg Price	28.84	27.43	32.48	24.00	23.70	30.69
Volume Traded	8,600	11,085	8,432	17,085	21,571	17,023
Volume Exported	8,080	10,205	7,872	2,203	1,468	4,406
20% or More						
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	22.29	22.20	-
Volume Traded	-	-	-	286	408	-
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-

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

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