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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

Whole broiler/fryer prices are trending weak to lower in the Midwest, at least steady to steady in the East and steady in the West. Offerings are light to heavy, mostly moderate for current trade needs. Retail and food service demand is light to good, mostly moderate. Floor stocks are balanced to instances heavier than desired. Market activity is slow to moderate while some continue to note issues with trucking. In the parts structure, movement is light to good, mostly moderate for mid-week business. Prices are trending firm to higher for wings, steady to firm for breast items and steady for the balance of parts. Offerings of wings are light and held with confidence. Breast items and thigh meat cuts are light to moderate and clearing well. Other items are at least sufficient. Market activity is moderate to active. In production areas, live supplies are moderate at desirable weights.

The Composite Weighted Average price for 01/04/13 is 104.98 compared to 102.06 a week earlier, and 81.61 a year ago.

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES The Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for next week's trading advanced .50 cents to 99.00 cents based on full truck load lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 90.25 cents last year on 01/12/12. Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted prices on ice-packed parts for next week's trading:

ITEM	DOCK PRICE (CENTS PER POUND)
LINE RUN TENDERS	187.50
BREASTS - B/S	161.50
BREASTS - WHOLE	101.50
THIGH MEAT - B/S	135.00
THIGHS	71.50
DRUMSTICKS	65.00
LEG QUARTERS	53.50
WINGS	193.50

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

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF U.S. BROILER/FRYERS AND FOWL

Under Federal Inspection for Week Ending 12-Jan-13

Class	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	01/12/13 (1)	01/05/13
	-----Thousand head-----	
Broiler/fryer	152,066 (2)	123,502
Light hens	1,667	1,518
Heavy hens	1,600	1,182
Total	155,333	126,202

(1)ESTIMATED

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 12-Jan-13 is 142.9 million head compared to 155.8 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 152.4 million head or 9.5 million more than estimated available. For the week of 19-Jan-13 the estimated available is 144.8 million head.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS

Selected Centers	(Including government stocks)		(In thousands)
	Frozen Eggs Lbs	Proc. Turkeys Lbs	Proc. other Poultry lbs
AM 01/07/13	2,935	97,266	75,660
AM 12/01/12	3,002	76,727	69,836
CHG	-67	20,539	5,824
PCT CHG	-2%	27%	8%

Based on the historical relationship of the preliminary U.S. Cold Storage holdings report of November 30, 2012 and the selected centers storage report, the expected U.S. holdings on January 1, 2013 are:

Frozen Eggs	27	MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5%
Processed Turkeys	322	MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5%
Processed Other Poultry	737	MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5%

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT (In Thousands)

	PROCESSED TURKEYS			PROCESSED POULTRY		
	01/07/13	01/01/13	01/09/12	01/07/13	01/01/13	01/09/12
PACIFIC COAST	247	246	286	1,542	1,508	1,559
ANGELES	109	109	198	902	896	644

WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 15-Feb-13 is estimated at 148.5 million head. This compares to 150.0 million head the previous week and to 153.0 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 151.6 million head and the composite weighted average price was 90.28 cents per pound.

NATIONAL FOWL MARKET Jan 04, 2013 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

MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS-MEXICO CITY

Cents per pound for the week ending Jan 04, 2013

	Whole Chickens	Breasts	Legs W/Thighs	Necks, Backs & Wings	Livers/ Gizzards	Hens
RAYON						
Low	109.74	156.77	103.32	39.19	7.13	110.45
High	112.23	171.02	110.45	53.44	10.69	110.45
Mostly	111.16	163.89	106.89	46.32	7.13	110.45
SAN JUAN						
Low	108.67	153.20	99.76	35.63	7.13	110.45
High	111.16	167.46	110.45	49.88	10.69	110.45
Mostly	111.16	160.33	103.32	42.75	7.13	110.45
NEW SAN JUAN						
Low	110.45	160.33	103.32	42.75	10.69	114.01
High	112.94	174.58	117.58	57.01	14.25	114.01
Mostly	111.16	167.46	106.89	49.88	10.69	114.01
BECERRA						
Low	111.16	163.89	106.89	46.32	10.69	114.01
High	114.01	178.14	117.58	60.57	14.25	114.01
Mostly	111.16	171.02	110.45	53.44	10.69	114.01

BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET UP 2 PERCENT

Commercial hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 196 million eggs in incubators during the week ending January 5, 2013. This was up 2 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 UP 1 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 164 million chicks for meat production during the week ending January 5, 2013. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week a year earlier.

BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET AND BROILER CHICKS PLACED

19 Selected State Total

Week Ending 01/05/2013	2013	2012	PERCENT CHANGE
	Thousand		PREVIOUS YEAR
EGGS SET	196,326	193,220	+02
CHICKS PLACED	163,776	161,868	+01

Selected States: AL, AR, CA, DE, FL, GA, KY, LA, MD, MO, MS, NC, OK, PA, SC, TX, VA, TN, & WV
Source: USDA, NASS

JAN 08

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

JAN 09

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	ITEM	POUNDS			WTD
	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	AVG		(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	AVG
BREAST - B/S	128	132.00-146.00	-	137.88	BREAST - B/S	88	134.00-146.00	-	140.55
TENDERLOINS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			TENDERLOINS	172	138.00-150.00	-	139.53
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)	200	44.00-49.00	-	47.20	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	280	47.00-49.00	-	47.84
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	227	48.00-51.00	-	48.90	LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	224	49.00-51.00	-	49.77
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
62.00 - 68.00	65.76	64.50 - 68.00	66.46	65.95

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 firm to higher for wings; steady to firm for bone-in breast and about steady to steady for the balance of items. Trucklot buying activity is moderate for mid-week trading. Supplies of wings are short of full needs; bone-in breast and thigh meat are light to moderate and clearing satisfactorily. Other items are at least sufficient for current needs. Movement is moderate to instances active.

Ice packed broiler/fryer parts, delivered to first receivers in pool trucklot and trucklot quantities, cents per pound.

JAN 08	CURRENT NEG	WTD	VOL/LBS	JAN 09	CURRENT NEG	WTD	VOL/LBS
ITEM	TRADING*	AVG**		ITEM	TRADING*	AVG**	
BREAST - B/S	160	136.10	912,520	BREAST - B/S	160	138.65	627,080
TENDERLOINS	150	149.98	115,440	TENDERLOINS	150	144.06	82,680
BREAST - WITH RIBS	95-96	110.61	43,844	BREAST - WITH RIBS	95-96	108.26	52,885
BREAST - LINE RUN	95	97.67	81,000	BREAST - LINE RUN	95	97.78	81,000
LEGS	68-69	64.85	158,920	LEGS	68-69	67.47	99,000
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	47-48	49.92	214,000	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	47-48	52.63	105,600
DRUMSTICKS	54-55	59.39	123,840	DRUMSTICKS	54-55	55.01	179,929
THIGHS	70-71	80.35	73,720	THIGHS	70-71	79.60	58,560
B/S THIGHS	128-129	130.05	85,240	B/S THIGHS	128-129	128.33	58,480
WINGS (WHOLE)	197-198	201.34	210,200	WINGS (WHOLE)	198-199	201.77	213,360
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	18.00	4,840	BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	18.00	3,760
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60	56.00	8,270	LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60	58.02	12,660
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	75-80	80.10	23,240	GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	75-80	78.72	25,800

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.

DAILY 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)	(1,000)
Alabama	3,590	3,498	3,567	3,950	5.69	5.86	3,387	5.13		
Arkansas	4,555	4,763	4,916	5,239	5.73	5.46	4,829	5.56		
Delmarva	2,066	1,934	2,002	2,942	6.35	6.38	2,064	6.60		
KY-LA-TN	2,411	2,269	2,302	3,073	5.42	5.46	2,403	5.49		
Mississippi	2,829	2,843	2,818	3,950	6.22	6.00	2,822	6.01		
North Carolina	2,854	2,863	2,833	3,604	7.58	7.69	2,772	7.55		
Texas	2,430	2,455	2,415	3,978	5.77	5.74	2,435	5.75		
Total	20,735	20,625	20,853	26,736	6.07	6.04	20,712	5.96		
Mon-Wed	62,489	(A)					37,121	(A)		

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 09-Jan-13 is estimated to be 31,022,000 head down 0.19 percent from a week ago and up 4.56 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 31,080,000, last year 29,669,000)

HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES

FOR 01/08/13

All Papers Required To Sell All Out of State Poultry

	LOW HIGH AVG				LOW HIGH AVG		
HEAVY FOWL lb.	.20	.30	.23	HEAVY FOWL ea.	2.00	3.00	2.50
LIGHT FOWL lb.	-	-	-	LIGHT FOWL ea.	-	-	-
MIXED FOWL lb.	-	-	-	MIXED FOWL ea.	-	-	-
BANTAMS lb.	-	-	-	BANTAMS ea.	1.75	2.75	2.18
BROILERS lb.	-	-	-	BROILERS ea.	-	-	-
ROASTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROASTERS ea.	-	-	-
FRYERS lb.	-	-	-	FRYERS ea.	-	-	-
CHICKS lb.	-	-	-	CHICKS ea.	-	-	-
PULLETS lb.	-	-	-	PULLETS ea.	2.75	7.00	3.82
BUNNIES lb.	-	-	-	BUNNIES ea.	-	-	-
ROOSTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROOSTERS ea.	5.00	10.00	7.58
GEESE lb.	-	-	-	GEESE ea.	-	-	-
TURKEYS lb.	-	-	-	TURKEYS ea.	-	-	-
DUCKS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKS ea.	9.00	15.50	11.75
RABBITS lb.	1.20	2.70	2.00	RABBITS ea.	2.50	4.50	4.10
PIGEONS lb.	-	-	-	PIGEONS ea.	3.00	5.25	4.32
GUINEA FOWL lb.	-	-	-	GUINEA FOWL ea.	-	-	-
DUCKLINGS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKLINGS ea.	-	-	-
GUINEA KEETS ea.	-	-	-	CALL DUCKS ea.	-	-	-
SILKIES ea.	-	-	-	GOSLINGS ea.	-	-	-
GUINEA PIGS ea.	-	-	-	TURKEY POULTS ea.	-	-	-
CHUKARS ea.	-	-	-	PEACOCKS ea.	-	-	-
PARTRIDGES ea.	-	-	-	COCKATIELS ea.	-	-	-
DOVES ea.	-	-	-	PHEASANTS ea.	-	-	-
QUAIL ea.	-	-	-	FERRETS ea.	-	-	-
CHINCHILAS ea.	-	-	-	MICE ea.	-	-	-
PEAFOWL ea.	-	-	-	GUINEA FOWL EGGS (doz)	-	-	-
QUAIL EGGS ea.	-	.70	-	QUAIL EGGS ea.	-	3.00	-
EMU ea.	-	-	-	TOTAL PIECES SOLD	171		