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NATIONAL BROILER

Whole broiler/fryer prices are steady to weak in all areas. Retail and food service demand is light to instances good on retail entering the weekend. Offerings are light to heavy, mostly moderate to heavy for current trade needs. Floor stocks balanced to short. Market activity is slow to moderate with some anticipating business improving towards the end of next week for Super Bowl. In the parts structure, movement is light to moderate with many noted issues with truck availability for the West Coast (trucks can't find backhauls). Prices are trending firm to higher for wings and whole breast, steady to at least steady for the balance of items. Supplies of wings are in close balance to instances short of full needs. Whole breast are light and clearing well. Other items are sufficient. Market activity is slow to active. In production areas, live supplies are moderate; weights are mixed, but noted as mostly desirable.

GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES

Wed - 99.25 Fri Preliminary Wtd Avg - 99.21

Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed preliminary weighted average price on ice-packed parts:

Item	Wtd Avg (cents/lb)	Volume (000 lbs)
Line Run Tenders	192.00	1,608
Breasts - B/S	166.00	6,733
Breasts - Whole	104.50	1,243
Thigh Meat - B/S	137.50	1,156
Thighs	73.50	1,327
Drumsticks	72.00	1,167
Leg Quarters	53.50	8,699
Wings	198.00	3,483

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

CHICAGO

	THIS WEEK					LAST WEEK	
	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Whole Body:	83.00 - 108.25	89.00- 98.00	95.16	↓ 1.92	1,955	97.08	1,683

Negotiated prices in trucklot and less-than-trucklot quantities of ready-to-cook whole body broiler/fryers delivered to first receivers; prices in cents per pound; volume in thousands of pounds.

WEEKLY NATIONAL FROZEN WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS.

Weighted Average Prices, cents per pound, FOB Shipper Dock Basis - Week Ending January 18, 2013

FROZEN Whole Body Turkeys - commodity pack or equivalent; minimum 10,000 lb. lots; current negotiation for delivery within two weeks.

U.S. Grade A - FROZEN	Current Week		Last Week		Last Year		December Averages		
	wtd avg (cents/lb.)	volume (000 lbs.)	wtd avg (cents/lb.)	volume (000 lbs.)	wtd avg (cents/lb.)	volume (000 lbs.)	This Month	Last Month	Last Year
8-16 lb. (Hens)	98.00	40	95.23	7,021	98.04	1,120	99.08	108.86	106.54
16-24 lb. (Toms)	95.50	10	95.22	7,018	97.14	586	100.36	110.46	107.01

¹based on offers.

SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

Week Ending 12-Jan-2013 (Preliminary)

	Live Poultry		Live Turkeys	
	Young Chickens	Young Hens	Young Hens	Young Toms
---thousands---				
Head	158,856	1,686	1,686	2,547
Avg Wt	5.93	16.54	16.54	41.58
Last week	130,573	1,288	1,288	2,076
Same wk yr ago	153,922	1,662	1,662	2,428
Avg Wt	5.65	16.83	16.83	42.19
To-date/2013*	289,429	2,974	2,974	4,623
To-date/2012*	289,137	3,206	3,206	4,549
% Change YTD	0%	-7%	-7%	2%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage				
Current week	715,932	22,309	22,309	84,723
Last week	579,535	18,805	18,805	69,039
Same wk yr ago	652,244	22,383	22,383	81,957
To-date/2013*	1,295,467	41,114	41,114	153,762
To-date/2012*	1,231,302	43,467	43,467	153,799
% Change YTD	5%	-5%	-5%	0%
Dressing %	76.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%

(A) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update.

*Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

Under Federal Inspection for Week Ending 19-Jan-13

	Current Week	Previous Week
Broiler/fryer	155,147	152,066

FRESH BEEF CUTS

FOB Negotiated	Price Range	Wtd Avg
112A 3 Rib, ribeye, bnls, heavy	580.00 625.39	594.80
168 3 Round, top inside round	208.75 231.00	211.23
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	490.00 533.00	513.18
Ground Beef 81%	193.00 213.50	201.64

Source: USDA/AMS, Livestock and Grain Market News