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NATIONAL BROILER Whole broiler/fryer prices are trending at least steady in the East, steady to firm in the Midwest and West. Offerings are light to moderate for current trade needs with smaller sizes in the strongest position. Retail and food service demand is light to moderate entering the weekend. Floor stocks are closely balanced to short. Delays are noted on product, as well as possible shortages related to the severe winter weather that has passed through the country, especially through the central region. Market activity is slow to mostly moderate. In the parts structure, movement is light to moderate for late week business. Prices are trending steady to firm for breast items and drums; steady to lower for tenders, weak to lower for wings with discounting noted. Offerings of breast cuts and drums are light to moderate and clearing well; wings and tenders are available and slow to clear. Market activity is slow to moderate. In production areas, live supplies are moderate; weights

GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES

Wed – 100.50 Fri Preliminary Wtd Avg – 100.39

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	188.00	1,510
Breasts - B/S	168.50	6,222
Breasts - Whole	108.00	1,210
Thigh Meat - B/S	136.00	1,104
Thighs	74.50	1,218
Drumsticks	72.50	1,080
Leg Quarters	53.50	7,909
Wings	178.50	3,260

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

	THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg 1,000 lbs.
CHICAGO						
Whole Body:	89.00 - 108.25	90.00 - 98.00	96.72	↑ 0.24	1,920	96.48 1,600

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 February 22, 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		January 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)	92.65	205	95.00 [†]		102.00	600	96.27	99.08	98.35
16-24 lb. (Toms)	92.75	209	96.29	19	102.10	954	96.27	100.36	98.76

[†]based on offers.

SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

Week Ending 16-Feb-2013 (Preliminary)

	Live Poultry		Live Turkeys	
	Young Chickens	Young Hens	Young Hens	Young Toms
	---thousands---			
Head	151,584	1,729		2,588
Avg Wt	5.79	17.09		39.38
Last week	155,020	1,862		2,616
Same wk yr ago	150,497	1,671		2,555
Avg Wt	5.70	17.13		41.54
To-date/2013*	1,052,658	11,598		17,256
To-date/2012*	1,040,350	11,708		16,973
% Change YTD	1%	-1%		2%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage				
Current week	667,030	23,639		81,532
Last week	692,753	25,249		85,303
Same wk yr ago	643,375	22,898		84,900
To-date/2013*	4,664,563	157,846		565,217
To-date/2012*	4,461,453	158,597		567,280
% Change YTD	5%	0%		0%
Dressing %	76.0%	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 23-Feb-13

	Current Week	Previous Week
Broiler/fryer	156,508	151,186

FRESH BEEF CUTS

FOB Negotiated	Price Range	Wtd Avg
112A 3 Rib, ribeye, bnls, heavy	565.00 601.99	576.30
168 3 Round, top inside round	188.29 207.00	192.90
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	440.00 489.80	443.46
Ground Beef 81%	175.00 205.00	191.59

Source: USDA/AMS, Livestock and Grain Market News