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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Whole broiler/fryer prices are trending firm to higher in the Midwest, steady to firm in the East and West. Offerings are very light to moderate for current trade needs. Retail demand is light to good, mostly moderate entering the weekend. Food service demand is light to moderate. Floor stock are balanced to short as buyers limit orders to immediate needs. Market activity for whole birds is moderate to active. In the parts structure, movement is moderate. Prices are trending steady to firm for leg quarters, breast and tenders with the remaining parts mostly steady. Offerings of breast cuts are in good balance and clearing well; wings and leg quarters are light to moderate and the balance of parts are generally sufficient. Market activity for parts is moderate to instances active. In production areas, live supplies are moderate at mixed but mostly desirable weights.

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK WHOLE BIRD PRICES

The Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 101.25 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

PRELIMINARY FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT PRELIM. WTD. AVG

LOADS **RANGE**
873 98.19-107.63

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

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES

ITEM	WTD AVG (CENTS PER LB)	VOL (000 LBS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	183.00	1,414
BREASTS - B/S	166.00	6,027
BREASTS - WHOLE	109.50	1,086
THIGH MEAT - B/S	136.50	1,040
THIGHS	72.50	1,195
DRUMSTICKS	64.00	1,051
LEG QUARTERS	54.00	7,830
WINGS	177.50	3,135

USDA Weekly National Whole Broiler/Fryer Report (Fri)

	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Monthly Composite Weighted Average	
				Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
This Week:	107.82	↑ 3.30	11,559	Feb 101.80	45,653
Last Week:	104.52		10,928		
Last Year:	94.44	↑ 13.38	13,120		

Eastern Region

	THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg
Whole Body:	95.00 - 132.00	104.00 - 111.00	109.69	↑ 4.71	5,558	104.98
WOGS:	95.50 - 126.00	106.00 - 111.00	109.39	↑ 5.11	1,463	104.28
NEW YORK						
Whole Body:	95.50 - 115.00	107.00 - 112.00	109.93	↑ 4.34	1,473	105.59

Central Region

	THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg
Whole Body:	88.00 - 114.25	99.00 - 107.00	102.68	↑ 2.11	3,477	100.56
WOGS:	88.00 - 111.00	99.00 - 106.00	101.46	↑ 2.57	2,512	98.89
CHICAGO						
Whole Body:	95.00 - 114.25	100.00 - 107.00	103.72	↑ 2.59	1,940	101.13

Western Region

	THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg
Whole Body:	104.00 - 128.00	108.00 - 112.00	110.76	↑ 1.98	2,525	108.78
WOGS:	104.00 - 117.00	109.00 - 112.00	109.10	↑ 2.85	1,750	106.24
LOS ANGELES						
Whole Body:	104.00 - 128.00	109.00 - 112.00	110.36	↑ 1.74	1,750	108.62

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.

Eastern Region: AL,CT,DE,FL,GA,MA,MD,ME,MS,NC,NH,NJ,NY,PA,RI,SC,TN,VT,VA,WV. **Central Region:** AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,KY,LA,MI,MN,MO,NE,NM,OK,OH,SD,TX,WI. **Western Region:** AZ,CA,ID,MT,NV,OR,UT,WA,WY.

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SOUTHERN STATES BROILER 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.

Mar 07, 2013

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)	265	48.00-50.00	-	48.83
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	269	50.00-52.00	-	50.60
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 Mar 07, 2013 -- f.o.b. dock.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE
68.00 - 70.50	69.17

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 PARTS Prices are trending firm for breast cuts and tenders; steady to firm for leg quarters and wings and mostly steady for the balance of items. Trucklot buying activity is moderate entering the weekend. Offering of breast cuts are in good balance and clearing well; wings and leg quarters are light to moderate and the balance of items are generally 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.

Mar 07, 2013

ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL /LBS.
BREAST - B/S	160-165	143.24	831,640
TENDERLOINS	140	143.23	182,760
BREAST - WITH RIBS	105-106	121.77	46,856
BREAST - LINE RUN	104	107.08	116,478
LEGS	68-69	66.32	132,440
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	49-50	51.78	298,400
DRUMSTICKS	59-60	67.67	93,640
THIGHS	71-72	76.25	70,800
B/S THIGHS	128-129	131.60	110,120
WINGS (WHOLE)	173-174	173.84	287,320
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	18.00	4,480
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60	60.00	2,900
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	75-80	80.04	19,400

INCLUDES NEW YORK CITY METROPOLITAN AREA, NORTHERN NJ, MA, CT, RI, AND PA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG).

*TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M. ** WTD AVG PRICE OF ALL GRADES & BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

Mar 08, 2013

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG	WEEKLY POUNDS (000)	WEEKLY WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S		TOO FEW TO REPORT			495	150.77
TENDERLOINS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			114	138.98
BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT			TFEWR	
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT			245	89.53
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			TFEWR	
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	235	48.00-50.00	-	48.78	1,291	48.57
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	288	49.00-52.00	-	50.11	1,204	50.49
WINGS (WHOLE)		TOO FEW TO REPORT			75	139.80
WINGS (CUT)		TOO FEW TO REPORT			61	167.31
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			48	206.06
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			TFEWR	
B/S THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			41	127.75

Whole Body Index Based on Southern States Parts Trading Mar 08, 2013 -- f.o.b. dock.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
68.00 - 70.50	69.14	69.06

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS

	ESTIMATED (1,000)	ACTUAL (1,000)	AVG WT	ACTUAL (1,000)	AVG WT
Alabama	03/08 3,768	03/07 3,655	03/06 3,367	03/05 3,633	5.87 5.77
Arkansas	3,453	4,688	4,659	4,761	5.66 5.57
Delmarva	2,026	2,395	2,051	2,307	6.16 5.91
Ky-LA-TN	2,401	2,469	2,450	2,429	5.19 5.26
Mississippi	2,879	2,761	2,755	2,721	6.14 6.16
North Carolina	2,441	2,884	2,885	2,842	7.50 7.54
Texas	2,039	2,074	2,295	2,046	5.76 6.23
Total	19,007	20,926	20,462	20,739	6.02 6.02
Mon-Friday	102,786 (A)				101,971 (A)
Saturday	2,045 (included in total for date shown)				1,690

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 08-Mar-13 and 09-Mar-13 is estimated to be 28,437,000 head down 7.50 percent from a week ago and down 3.22 percent from a year ago. (Last week 30,743,000, last year 29,384,000)

Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the week ending 09-Mar-13 is estimated to be 153,779,000 head down 0.40 percent from a week ago, and up 2.37 percent from a year ago. (Last week 154,389,000, last year 150,226,000)

Actual data incorporated when available.

NATIONAL FOWL MARKET

LIVE SPENT HEAVY FOWL Prices are trending steady. Supplies are sufficient for the mostly moderate demand. Processing schedules are seasonally normal to less than normal. Retail feature activity is light to moderate entering the weekend with majority of interest being in the Southeast and South Central regions. Finished product supplies are moderate and clearing satisfactorily. Market activity is moderate.

Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading: Price Range 10.0-22.0 Wtd Avg 13.90
Prices in cents per pound. (Southeast Region broiler breeder hens generally for processing, 7 lbs. and up; under 7 lbs. subject to discount.)

LIVE SPENT LIGHT FOWL Prices are trending generally steady for the light to moderate demand. Offerings of light type hens are moderate for current needs. Processing schedules are normal to less than normal. Movement of finished product sales are moving well. Market activity is moderate. The majority price for removal costs is unchanged at 0-7 cents per head.

(live hens are predominately egg-layers averaging about 3.5 lbs. live weight per bird.)
Eastern region = AL, CT, DE, GA, KY, MA, MD, ME, MS, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, TN, VA, VT, and WV;
North Central = IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI;
South Central = AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

Week ending 2-Mar-13

(Preliminary)	-----Thousands-----				Total
	(A) 4.25 lbs. & down	(B) 4.26 - 6.25 lbs.	(C) 6.26 - 7.75 lbs.	(D) 7.76 lbs. & up	
Head	38,986	61,369	28,822	25,212	154,389
Avg Live Wgt	3.68	5.37	6.86	8.52	5.74
% of total /1	25%	40%	19%	16%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	40,056	48,487	33,451	29,593	151,587
Avg Live Wgt	3.84	5.46	6.71	8.49	5.90
% of total /1	26%	32%	22%	20%	100%
Year Ago 2/	35,282	64,654	27,921	23,827	151,684
Avg Live Wgt	3.81	5.44	6.74	8.50	5.78
% of total /1	23%	43%	18%	16%	100%
To date/2013*	339,163	502,070	273,544	243,858	1,358,635
To date/2012*	315,046	578,973	246,183	201,762	1,341,964
% Change YTD	8%	-13%	11%	21%	1%

1/ May not total to 100% due to rounding. 2/ Comparable week.

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

Weight Class Description:

(A) This size product is normally marketed bone-in into fast food and food service sectors and may include Cornish hens. (B) This size product is normally marketed into the retail grocery sector in tray pack or bagged forms. (C) This size product is normally marketed either into the retail grocery sector in tray pack and IQF form or is further processed and marketed into various sectors. (D) This size product is normally marketed deboned or as roasters or roasting chicken.

WEEKLY POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

(Preliminary) Week ending 2-Mar-13

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
	-----Thousands-----				
Head	154,389	1,366	1,304	2,670	419
Avg Wt	5.74	3.65	7.90	5.73	6.82
Last week	151,588	1,495	1,171	2,666	313
Same wk yr ago	151,684	1,346	1,451	2,797	474
Avg Wt	5.78	3.19	7.78	5.57	6.86
To-date/2013*	1,358,635	13,663	12,319	25,982	3,490
To-date/2012*	1,341,964	13,538	13,822	27,360	3,845
% Change YTD	1%	1%	-11%	-5%	-9%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	673,507	2,643	6,902	9,545	2,029
Last week	679,721	2,670	5,767	8,437	1,424
Same wk yr ago	657,550	2,233	7,620	9,853	2,341
To-date/2013*	6,017,791	23,443	63,895	87,338	16,822
To-date/2012*	5,753,207	22,498	71,451	93,949	18,434
% Change YTD	5%	4%	-11%	-7%	-9%

Dressing % 76.0% 53.0% 67.0% 71.0%

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 153.7 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 156.3 million head, or 2.6 million more than estimated available. (B) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update.

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

EST. U.S. FRYER SLAUGHTER/FRYER AVAILABILITY COMPARISON

Week Ending	Million Head Slaughtered	Million Head Available*	Pct	Avg Wt
01/26	151.6	150.0	101%	5.88
02/02	157.7	153.7	103%	5.81
02/09	156.9	153.6	102%	5.88
02/16	153.4	157.2	98%	5.79
02/23	153.4	149.8	102%	5.90
03/02	156.3	153.7	102%	5.74
Year to date	1375.2	1346.5	102%	
03/09		154.1		
03/16		152.5		

*Based on chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier.

BROILER/CATTLE/HOG WEEKLY ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER

Under Federal Inspection (in thousands)

W/E	03/9/13	03/2/13	% chg	03/10/12	% chg
Broilers	153,779	154,389 ¹	-0.40	150,226 ¹	+2.37
Cattle	595	563	+06	632 ²	-06
Hogs	2,201	2,168	+02	2,133 ²	+03

¹ Actual data incorporated when available.² Totals adjusted to reflect USDA, NASS revisions.**EASTERN REGION MISC. POULTRY**

Delivery week of March 4, 2013

DUCKLINGS:

Prices Negotiated By First Receivers, US Grade A, 4-5 Lbs., Delivered In Trucklot & Pool Trucklot Quantities, Cents/Lb.

ORIGIN	FROZEN	FRESH
LONG ISLAND	226-230	231-237
MIDWEST	197-212	202-218

ROASTERS:

Prices Negotiated By First Receivers, US Grade A & Plant Grade, 5 Lbs. & Up, Delivered, Cents/Lb.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
ICE PACKED (12/BOX)	89.00-114.00	94.00-108.00
VACUUM PACKED (6-9/ BOX)	92.00-115.00	95.00-109.00

SQUABS:

NY Area Wholesale Prices, Frozen, Plant Grade, Dollars/Dozen, 1-10 Boxes

	11 oz.	13 oz.	15 oz.
	74.88-99.79	82.80-114.54	90.00-120.34
EASTERN REGION: CT,DE FL,GA,MA,MD,ME,NC,NH,NJ,NY,PA,RI,SC,VA,VT& WV			

CENTRAL REGION DUCKLINGS Prices are steady. Demand and supplies are reported as moderate. Market activity is moderate. Processing schedules are full-time. Prices paid, first receivers for 10-18 oz boneless breast at \$5.52-8.80, bone in legs at \$3.10-3.62, gizzards at \$1.20-1.80, wings at \$.80-.95, livers at \$1.25-2.05, and feet at \$.95-1.45 cents per lb.

PRICES NEGOTIATED BY FIRST RECEIVERS FOR US GRADE A DELIVERED IN TRUCKLOT & POOL TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, 4-5 LBS, CENTS/LB. WEEK OF MARCH 4, 2013

ORIGIN	FROZEN	FRESH
MIDWEST & OTHERS	179-219	181-224

GRAYSTONE SMALL ANIMAL AUCTION

All Papers Required To Sell All Out Of State Poultry

Date of Auction: March 5, 2013 Prices Paid Per Lb., Except As Noted

	RANGE
Muscovy Ducks - Drakes	1.30 - 1.50
Fancy Pigeons	20.00 - 25.00
Pekin Ducks	5.00 - 5.25
Pullets 4-6LBS	- .90
Red Fowl 5-6LBS	.65 - .70
Red Fowl 4-5LBS	.60 - .65
Leghorn Roosters	- 2.50
Crossbred Roosters 7-11LBS	.80 - .95
Crossbred Roosters 4-6LBS	1.30 - 1.50
Crossbred Fowl 5-9LBS	.70 - .80
Banty Roosters	4.00 - 5.00
Banty Hens	3.00 - 3.50
Guinea Pigs	4.00 - 8.00
Guinea Fowl	1.35 - 1.90
Kid Goats	53.00 - 70.00
Geese 9-14LBS	1.20 - 1.30
Pigeons	3.40 - 3.60
White Pigeons	8.00 - 8.10
Chukars	5.50 - 6.50
Rabbits 6-9LBS	1.80 - 2.00
Rabbits 4-6LBS	1.75 - 2.10
Bunnies	8.00 - 19.00
Silkie	3.00 - 3.50
Goats	- 120.00
Turkeys	20.00 - 28.00
Guinea Keets	- .90
Chicks	.80 - 1.90
Quail	1.00 - 3.00
Parakeets	- 5.00
Broilers	.90 - 1.00
Ducklings	2.00 - 2.50
Pheasants	10.00 - 35.00
Mandarin Ducks	- 45.00
Goose Eggs	5.00 - 6.90
Laying Pullets	4.00 - 7.50
Fancy Bantams	10.00 - 13.00
Muscovy Ducks - Hens	1.50 - 1.70
Total Coops Sold	3840