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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Whole broiler/fryer prices are trending steady to fully steady in the East and Midwest, steady in the West. Offerings are light to moderate for current trade needs. Retail demand is light to instances good, mostly moderate entering the week. Food service demand is light to moderate. Floor stock are balanced to short. Market activity for whole birds is moderate to active, mostly moderate. 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

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	PRELIM. WTD. AVG
1,006	98.19 - 107.63	101.57

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	181.50	1,669
BREASTS - B/S	163.50	7,222
BREASTS - WHOLE	109.50	1,418
THIGH MEAT - B/S	136.50	1,231
THIGHS	72.50	1,327
DRUMSTICKS	64.50	1,357
LEG QUARTERS	54.00	9,374
WINGS	179.00	3,783

USDA Weekly National Whole Broiler/Fryer Report (Fri)

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

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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NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Prices are trending steady to firm for breast cuts, wings and tenders; steady for the balance of items. Trucklot buying activity is moderate as dealers assess market conditions entering the week. Offering of breast cuts and are in good balance and clearing well; wings and leg items are light to moderate and the balance of items are sufficient for current needs. Movement is moderate.

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		160-165	143.77	764,240
TENDERLOINS		140	141.71	128,360
BREAST - WITH RIBS		105-106	121.35	42,306
BREAST - LINE RUN		105	106.92	74,424
LEGS		68-69	65.57	125,160
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)		49-50	50.18	300,004
DRUMSTICKS		59-60	66.35	61,920
THIGHS		71-72	84.25	38,680
B/S THIGHS		128-129	133.25	62,760
WINGS (WHOLE)		175-176	175.73	229,720
BACKS & NECKS (STRIPPED)		16-18	18.00	8,400
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)		55-60	57.39	10,520
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)		75-80	80.03	17,600

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
	03/11	03/07	03/07	03/04	02/28
Alabama	3,860	3,569	5.62	3,841	5.69
Arkansas	4,875	4,702	5.55	4,829	5.38
Delmarva	2,078	2,010	6.07	2,011	5.97
Ky-LA-TN	2,497	2,427	5.07	2,162	5.11
Mississippi	2,821	2,796	6.14	2,803	6.05
North Carolina	2,887	2,711	7.53	2,827	7.40
Texas	2,133	2,365	5.91	2,365	5.78
Total	21,151	20,580	5.94	20,838	5.87
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(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 11-Mar-13 is estimated to be 31,644,000 up 1.20 percent from a week ago and up 3.0 percent from a year ago. (last week 31,270,000 last year 30,708,000)

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)	190	48.00-50.00	-	48.76
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	242	50.00-52.00	-	50.66
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 11, 2013 -- F.O.B. DOCK

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
68.00 - 70.50	69.13	69.11

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 11-MAR-13 TO 15-MAR-13, CENTS PER POUND

	Price Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	132.00 - 167.00	138.00 - 145.00
TENDERLOINS	135.00 - 152.00	140.00 - 145.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	105.00 - 121.00	105.00 - 115.00
LEGS	59.00 - 69.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	47.00 - 64.00	50.00 - 53.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	51.00 - 63.00	52.00 - 55.00
DRUMSTICKS	46.00 - 67.00	-
THIGHS	66.00 - 83.00	-
B/S THIGHS	122.00 - 135.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	160.00 - 182.00	-
BACKS & NECKS (STRIPPED)	17.00 - 45.00	-
LIVERS	32.00 - 50.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	42.00 - 65.00	-

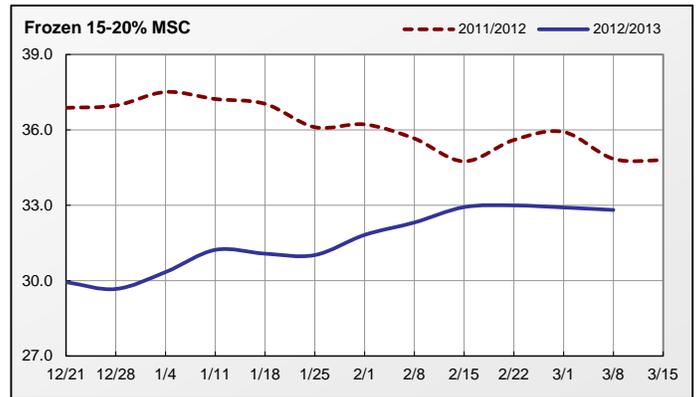
National Mechanically Separated Chicken

(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.)

Prices for MSC are steady to firm on all fat contents; Fresh 15-20% MSC continues to be in the best position. Supplies are light to moderate. Schedules are mostly normal. Demand is mostly moderate into both domestic and export channels. The spot marketplace has been surprisingly stronger than usual during this Lenten season due primarily to limited supplies, among a variety of other reasons. Despite this industry maintains a watchful eye on all influencing market factors, as well as a cautious attitude remembering years past. Most sellers continue to manage production closely selling spot sales of MSC 1 to 2 weeks out front. Market activity is moderate to active. Supplies of raw materials are light and sought after. Frames are firm trading mostly between 14-15 cents FOB.

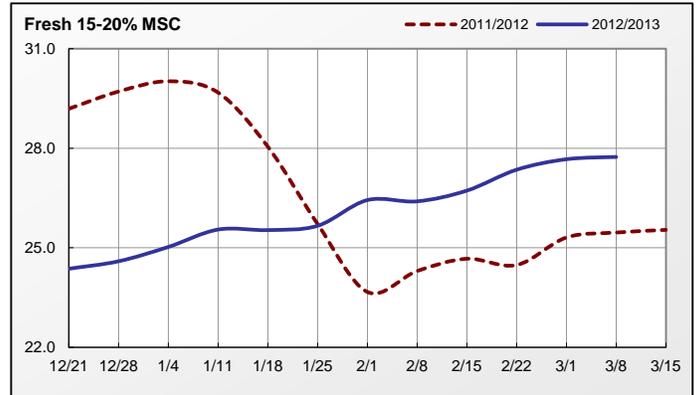
Weekly MSC Weighted Average Prices (cents/pound) and Volumes (1,000 pounds)

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	8-Mar-13	Last Week	Last Year	8-Mar-13	Last Week	Last Year
15% or Less						
Price Range	30.00	-	-	28.00 - 30.00	27.00 - 29.00	26.00-27.00
Wtd Avg Price	30.00	-	-	29.00	28.00	26.75
Volume Traded	40	-	-	163	82	163
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-20%						
Price Range	31.00 - 35.00	31.00 - 35.00	31.00-38.00	25.00 - 31.00	24.50 - 31.00	23.00-30.00
Wtd Avg Price	32.81	32.91	34.85	27.74	27.67	25.46
Volume Traded	1,568	1,265	2,533	3,483	3,896	4,008
Volume Exported	1,480	1,265	2,453	449	449	898
20% or More						
Price Range	-	-	-	22.00	22.00	22.00
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	22.00	22.00	22.00
Volume Traded	-	-	-	82	82	82
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-



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

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	Feb 2013	Jan 2013	Feb 2012	Feb 2013	Jan 2013	Feb 2012
15% or Less						
Wtd Avg Price	30.00	30.00	-	26.43	25.13	27.56
Volume Traded	40	80	-	714	653	653
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-20%						
Wtd Avg Price	32.59	30.97	35.46	26.70	25.48	24.33
Volume Traded	5,957	4,923	7,800	17,289	17,411	15,773
Volume Exported	5,357	4,563	6,839	2,815	5,834	2,693
20% or More						
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	22.00	20.00	22.38
Volume Traded	-	-	-	245	204	163
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-



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