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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

Whole broiler/fryer prices are trending steady overall. Offerings are light to moderate for current trade needs. Retail and food service demand is light to moderate for mid-week business. Floor stocks are balance to short. Market activity is slow to moderate. In the parts structure, movement is seasonally light to moderate. Prices are trending steady to lower for wings, steady to firm for dark meat items and steady for the balance of parts. Supplies of wings are moderate to heavy with the balance of parts light to moderate. Market activity for parts is slow to moderate. In production areas, live supplies are moderate at mixed but mostly desirable weights.

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES The Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for next week's trading advanced .25 cents to 102.00 cents based on full truck load lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 93.25 cents last year on March 28, 2012.

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	184.00
BREASTS - B/S	172.50
BREASTS - WHOLE	111.50
THIGH MEAT - B/S	139.50
THIGHS	72.50
DRUMSTICKS	64.50
LEG QUARTERS	55.00
WINGS	177.50

Information supplied by the GA Depart. of Ag's Poultry Market News Service.

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

Under Federal Inspection for Week Ending 30-Mar-13

Class	CURRENT WEEK		PREVIOUS WEEK
	03/30/13 (1)	03/23/13	03/23/13
Broiler/fryer	151,477 (2)	157,242	157,242
Light hens	1,863	1,788	1,788
Heavy hens	1,535	1,424	1,424
Total	154,875	160,454	160,454

(1)ESTIMATED

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 30-Mar-13 is 155.4 million head compared to 151.6 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 151.8 million head or -3.6 million less than estimated available. For the week of 06-Apr-13 the estimated available is 152.9 million head.

NATIONAL FOWL MARKET Mar 22, 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

WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING Based on the

MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS-MEXICO CITY

Cents per pound for the week ending Mar 22, 2013

	Whole Chickens	Breasts	Legs W/Thighs	Necks, Backs & Wings	Livers/ Gizzards	Hens
RAYON						
Low	115.07	183.83	110.30	47.79	11.03	
High	117.65	198.53	121.32	58.82	14.71	
Mostly	117.65	191.18	113.97	51.47	11.03	
SAN JUAN						
Low	113.97	183.83	106.62	40.44	11.03	
High	116.91	194.85	117.65	55.15	14.71	
Mostly	116.91	187.50	110.3	47.79	11.03	
NEW SAN JUAN						
Low	115.44	183.83	110.30	47.79	14.71	
High	117.65	202.21	125.00	62.50	18.38	
Mostly	117.65	194.85	117.65	55.15	16.54	
BECERRA						
Low	116.91	187.5	110.30	51.47	14.71	
High	120.22	205.88	128.68	66.18	18.38	
Mostly	117.65	198.53	121.32	58.82	16.54	

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS

Selected Centers	(Including government stocks)		(In thousands)	
	Processed Turkeys Lbs	Processed other Poultry Lbs		
AM 03/25/13	144,400			52,340
AM 03/01/13	136,369			57,996
CHG	8,031			-5,656
PCT CHG	6%			-10%

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT (In Thousands)

	PROCESSED TURKEYS			PROCESSED POULTRY		
	03/25/13	03/18/13	03/26/12	03/25/13	03/18/13	03/26/12
Pacific Coast	341	360	250	1,789	1,740	988
Los Angeles	169	177	109	1,140	1,067	408

BROILER HATCHERY

Week Ending 03/23/13

BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET UP 2 PERCENT Commercial hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 200 million eggs in incubators during the week ending March 23, 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 84 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

BROILER-TYPE CHICKS DOWN SLIGHTLY Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 165 million chicks for meat production during the week ending March 23, 2013. Placements were down slightly from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2012 through March 23, 2013 for the 19 State total were 1.96 billion, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

19 Selected State Total (1,000 eggs)

	2013	2012	% Previous Year
EGGS SET	199,607	196,488	+02

19 Selected State Total (1,000 chicks)

	2013	2012	% Previous Year
CHICKS PLACED	164,541	164,705	0

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

Source: USDA, NASS

MAR 26

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

MAR 27

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	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S		TOO FEW TO REPORT			BREAST - B/S		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
TENDERLOINS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			TENDERLOINS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
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)	230	48.00-51.00	-	49.70	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	249	50.00-53.00	-	51.19	LEG QUARTERS (4/10)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
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
69.00 - 72.00	70.60	69.00 - 72.00	70.51	70.83

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 steady to at least steady for breast cuts and leg items; weak to lower for wings. Trucklot buying activity is seasonally light as dealers maintained closely balanced floor stocks. Offering of breast cuts, tenders and leg items are light to moderate and moving well; wings are available and slow to clear, other items are moderate for current needs. Movement is slow to moderate.

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

MAR 26	CURRENT NEG	WTD		MAR 27	CURRENT NEG	WTD	
ITEM	TRADING*	AVG**	VOL/LBS	ITEM	TRADING*	AVG**	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	170-175	152.99	1,173,600	BREAST - B/S	170-175	154.04	675,600
TENDERLOINS	145	146.93	228,640	TENDERLOINS	145	143.50	172,840
BREAST - WITH RIBS	107-108	122.49	53,972	BREAST - WITH RIBS	107-108	121.22	52,181
BREAST - LINE RUN	107	109.19	123,731	BREAST - LINE RUN	107	108.14	113,099
LEGS	71-72	68.74	129,880	LEGS	71-72	69.15	134,760
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	50-51	52.32	328,935	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	50-51	54.38	146,000
DRUMSTICKS	59-60	68.02	76,280	DRUMSTICKS	59-60	70.23	49,200
THIGHS	71-72	83.92	36,680	THIGHS	71-72	85.30	34,880
B/S THIGHS	131-132	133.91	108,480	B/S THIGHS	131-132	135.85	71,520
WINGS (WHOLE)	175-176	172.94	307,720	WINGS (WHOLE)	173-174	176.32	225,280
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	18.00	3,560	BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	18.00	4,300
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60	58.35	1,580	LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60	57.00	14,250
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	75-80	78.94	2,080	GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	75-80	80.13	12,520

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.

HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES FOR 03/26/13

All Papers Required To Sell All Out of State Poultry

	LOW	HIGH	AVG		LOW	HIGH	AVG
HEAVY FOWL lb.	.80	1.00	.95	HEAVY FOWL ea.	-	4.00	-
LIGHT FOWL lb.	-	-	-	LIGHT FOWL ea.	-	-	-
MIXED FOWL lb.	-	-	-	MIXED FOWL ea.	-	-	-
BANTAMS lb.	-	-	-	BANTAMS ea.	-	-	-
BROILERS lb.	-	-	-	BROILERS ea.	-	-	-
ROASTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROASTERS ea.	-	-	-
FRYERS lb.	-	-	-	FRYERS ea.	-	-	-
CHICKS lb.	-	-	-	CHICKS ea.	.75	2.00	1.59
PULLETS lb.	-	-	-	PULLETS ea.	4.50	9.00	7.65
BUNNIES lb.	-	-	-	BUNNIES ea.	2.50	9.00	5.10
ROOSTERS lb.	1.40	1.70	1.54	ROOSTERS ea.	7.00	13.50	9.34
GEESE lb.	-	-	-	GEESE ea.	2.50	17.00	9.75
TURKEYS lb.	-	-	-	TURKEYS ea.	-	25.00	-
DUCKS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKS ea.	2.00	5.00	3.50
RABBITS lb.	1.90	2.50	2.20	RABBITS ea.	5.00	6.50	5.84
PIGEONS lb.	-	-	-	PIGEONS ea.	-	7.25	-
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.	-	-	-	QUAIL EGGS ea.	-	-	-
EMU ea.	-	-	-	HAMPSTERS ea.	-	-	-

TOTAL PIECES SOLD 173

DAILY ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS

	ESTIMATED	ACTUAL	AVG	ACTUAL	AVG
	(1,000)	(1,000)	WTS	(1,000)	WTS
	03/27	03/26	03/25	03/22	03/20
Alabama	3,564	3,699	3,347	4,159	5.74
Arkansas	4,364	4,864	4,834	3,704	5.69
Delmarva	1,850	2,076	1,970	1,820	6.39
KY-LA-TN	2,430	2,444	2,339	2,284	5.31
Mississippi	2,280	2,808	2,834	3,195	6.21
North Carolina	2,632	2,878	2,768	2,759	7.68
Texas	2,215	2,191	2,400	2,555	5.85
Total	19,335	20,960	20,492	20,476	6.08
Mon-Wed	61,218 (A)				5.90

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 27-Mar-13 is estimated to be 28,927,000 head down 1.01 percent from a week ago and up 1.24 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 29,223,000, last year 28,574,000)