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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

Whole broiler/fryer prices are trending steady in the all areas. Offerings are light to moderate for current trade needs. Retail demand is light to moderate, food service demand is light to instances good. Floor stocks are moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. In the parts structure, movement is light to moderate for mid-week business. Prices are trending firm for tenders, weak to lower for wings, steady to firm for dark meat items and breast cut, steady for the balance of parts. Offerings of breast cuts and tenders are light and clearing well; dark meat items are light to moderate and wings are available with discounting noted to help clear. 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 102.25 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 April 4, 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	180.00
BREASTS - B/S	172.50
BREASTS - WHOLE	111.50
THIGH MEAT - B/S	140.00
THIGHS	71.50
DRUMSTICKS	62.50
LEG QUARTERS	55.00
WINGS	172.50

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 06-Apr-13

Class	CURRENT WEEK		PREVIOUS WEEK
	04/06/13 (1)	03/30/13	03/30/13
Broiler/fryer	154,021 (2)	151,477	151,477
Light hens	1,850	1,863	1,863
Heavy hens	1,475	1,535	1,535
Total	157,346	154,875	154,875

(1)ESTIMATED

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 06-Apr-13 is 155.4 million head compared to 149.6 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 154.3 million head or -1.1 million less than estimated available. For the week of 13-Apr-13 the estimated available is 153.2 million head.

NATIONAL FOWL MARKET Mar 29, 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 preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 11-May-13 is estimated at 151.2 million head. This compares to 149.9 million head the previous week and to 154.2 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 153.6 million head and the national weighted average price was 86.33 cents per pound.

MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS-MEXICO CITY

Cents per pound for the week ending Mar 29, 2013

	Whole Chickens	Breasts	Legs W/Thighs	Necks, Backs & Wings	Livers/Gizzards	Hens
RAYON						
Low	116.62	183.37	110.02	44.01	11.00	
High	119.19	205.38	124.69	55.01	14.67	
Mostly	118.09	201.71	121.02	51.34	11.00	
SAN JUAN						
Low	115.52	183.37	110.02	40.34	11.00	
High	118.09	201.71	121.02	51.34	14.67	
Mostly	117.36	198.04	117.36	47.68	11.00	
NEW SAN JUAN						
Low	117.36	187.04	110.02	47.68	14.67	
High	120.29	205.38	128.36	58.68	18.34	
Mostly	118.09	201.71	124.69	55.01	16.50	
BECERRA						
Low	118.46	187.04	110.02	51.34	14.67	
High	121.02	209.04	132.03	62.35	18.34	
Mostly	118.46	205.38	128.36	58.68	16.50	

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS

Selected Centers	(Including government stocks) (In thousands)	
	Processed Turkeys	Processed other Poultry
	Lbs	Lbs
AM 04/01/13	141,685	49,511
AM 03/01/13	136,369	57,996
CHG	5,316	-8,485
PCT CHG	4%	-15%

Based on the historical relationship of the preliminary U.S. Cold Storage holdings report of February 28, 2013 and the selected centers storage report, the expected U.S. holdings on April 1, 2013 are:

Frozen Eggs	30	MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5%
Processed Turkeys	428	MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5%
Processed Other Poultry	543	MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5%

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT (In Thousands)

	PROCESSED TURKEYS			PROCESSED POULTRY		
	04/01/13	03/25/13	04/02/12	04/01/13	03/25/13	04/02/12
Pacific Coast	302	341	255	1,777	1,789	1,173
Los Angeles	147	169	104	1,164	1,140	456

BROILER HATCHERY

Week Ending 03/30/13

BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET UP 1 PERCENT Commercial hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 200 million eggs in incubators during the week ending March 30, 2013. This was up 1 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.

19 Selected State Total (1,000 eggs)	2013	2012	% Previous Year
	EGGS SET	199,611	198,100

Broiler-Type Chicks Placed Down 1 Percent Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 164 million chicks for meat production during the week ending March 30, 2013. Placements were down 1 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2012 through March 30, 2013 for the 19 State total were 2.12 billion, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

19 Selected State Total (1,000 chicks)	2013	2012	% Previous Year
	CHICKS PLACED	163,806	165,716

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

APR 02

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

APR 03

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)		TOO FEW TO REPORT			LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	210	48.00-51.00	-	49.88
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)		TOO FEW TO REPORT			LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	173	50.00-53.00	-	51.29
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	70.39	68.50 - 72.00	70.38	70.84

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 firm for tenders; steady to firm for boneless skinless breast and leg cuts and weak to lower for wings. Trucklot buying activity is light to moderate for mid-week trading as dealers look for first-of-the-month business to promote additional interest. Offering of tenders are light and clearing well; wings are readily available and often discounted where product was in excess. Other items are generally sufficient 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.

APR 02	CURRENT NEG	WTD		APR 03	CURRENT NEG	WTD	
ITEM	TRADING*	AVG**	VOL/LBS	ITEM	TRADING*	AVG**	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	170-175	153.89	1,157,120	BREAST - B/S	170-175	153.32	640,880
TENDERLOINS	150-155	150.91	240,200	TENDERLOINS	150-155	148.04	181,160
BREAST - WITH RIBS	107-108	121.56	58,592	BREAST - WITH RIBS	107-108	121.38	36,076
BREAST - LINE RUN	107	109.39	77,487	BREAST - LINE RUN	107	107.68	115,555
LEGS	72-73	67.91	245,080	LEGS	72-73	71.96	93,860
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	50-51	50.47	565,745	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	50-51	52.95	83,840
DRUMSTICKS	59-60	60.68	181,624	DRUMSTICKS	59-60	65.25	92,080
THIGHS	71-72	81.87	48,880	THIGHS	71-72	84.35	31,480
B/S THIGHS	132-133	133.18	128,680	B/S THIGHS	132-133	134.19	76,360
WINGS (WHOLE)	165-166	165.04	329,260	WINGS (WHOLE)	162-163	168.28	235,180
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	18.00	4,900	BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	18.00	5,560
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60	58.05	10,770	LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60	57.56	11,250
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	75-80	80.05	24,120	GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	75-80	79.18	14,520

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 04/02/13

All Papers Required To Sell All Out of State Poultry

	LOW	HIGH	AVG		LOW	HIGH	AVG
HEAVY FOWL lb.	-	.60	-	HEAVY FOWL ea.	-	-	-
LIGHT FOWL lb.	-	-	-	LIGHT FOWL ea.	-	-	-
MIXED FOWL lb.	-	-	-	MIXED FOWL ea.	-	-	-
BANTAMS lb.	-	-	-	BANTAMS ea.	3.00	5.75	3.92
BROILERS lb.	-	-	-	BROILERS ea.	-	-	-
ROASTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROASTERS ea.	-	-	-
FRYERS lb.	-	-	-	FRYERS ea.	-	-	-
CHICKS lb.	-	-	-	CHICKS ea.	.40	.60	.49
PULLETS lb.	-	-	-	PULLETS ea.	1.60	7.00	4.05
BUNNIES lb.	-	-	-	BUNNIES ea.	3.50	5.00	3.88
ROOSTERS lb.	-	.35	-	ROOSTERS ea.	2.50	10.00	6.05
GEESE lb.	-	-	-	GEESE ea.	2.00	28.00	4.34
TURKEYS lb.	-	-	-	TURKEYS ea.	-	25.00	-
DUCKS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKS ea.	2.30	2.75	2.56
RABBITS lb.	1.00	2.00	1.71	RABBITS ea.	4.00	5.00	4.80
PIGEONS lb.	-	-	-	PIGEONS ea.	4.75	8.00	6.57
GUINEA FOWL lb.	-	-	-	GUINEA FOWL ea.	-	10.75	-
DUCKLINGS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKLINGS ea.	-	-	-
GUINEA KEETS ea.	-	-	-	CALL DUCKS ea.	-	-	-
SILKIES ea.	-	3.00	-	GOSLINGS ea.	-	-	-
GUINEA PIGS ea.	-	-	-	TURKEY POULTS ea.	-	-	-
CHUKARS ea.	-	-	-	PEACOCKS ea.	-	-	-
PARTRIDGES ea.	-	-	-	COCKATIELS ea.	-	-	-
DOVES ea.	-	-	-	PHEASANTS ea.	-	10.00	-
QUAIL ea.	-	4.75	-	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 288

DAILY ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS

	ESTIMATED		ACTUAL		AVG WTS	ACTUAL		AVG WTS
	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)		(1,000)		
Alabama	3,650	3,682	3,337	3,427	5.60	5.41	3,446	5.74
Arkansas	4,821	4,972	4,980	3,392	5.73	5.25	4,541	5.69
Delmarva	2,070	2,040	1,153	1,711	6.96	6.17	1,869	6.39
KY-LA-TN	2,354	2,411	2,313	2,246	5.30	4.90	2,338	5.31
Mississippi	2,741	2,753	2,782	2,534	6.31	6.18	2,268	6.21
North Carolina	2,854	2,867	2,177	2,505	7.83	7.61	2,632	7.68
Texas	2,364	2,420	2,406	2,512	5.81	5.74	2,108	5.85
Total	20,854	21,145	19,148	18,327	6.06	5.84	19,202	6.08
Mon-Wed	62,168 (A)				60,329 (A)			

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 03-Apr-13 is estimated to be 31,200,000 head up 8.28 percent from a week ago and up 5.26 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 28,815,000, last year 29,640,000)