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NATIONAL BROILER

Whole broiler/fryer prices are trending steady in all areas. Offerings of all sizes are mostly moderate to satisfy current trade needs. Retail and food service demand is mixed, mostly moderate, with some hopes for improvements over the weekend. Floor stocks are balanced. Market activity is slow to moderate. In the parts structure, movement is light to moderate for end of the week business. Prices are trending firm for tenders, weak to lower for wings, and steady to firm for the remaining parts. Supplies of wings are heavy and slow to clear. Tendons are light and well cleared, and all other part are 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 FOB DOCK PRICES

Wed - 102.25 Fri Preliminary Wtd Avg - 102.30

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

Item	Wtd Avg (cents/lb)	Volume (000 lbs)
Line Run Tendons	184.50	1,510
Breasts - B/S	178.00	6,150
Breasts - Whole	111.00	1,210
Thigh Meat - B/S	142.00	1,045
Thighs	73.50	1,218
Drumsticks	70.50	1,079
Leg Quarters	55.00	7,909
Wings	164.00	3,211

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:	99.00 - 112.25	99.00 - 104.00	102.93	↑ 0.35	1,840	102.58	2,000

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 April 05, 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		March 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)	97.00 ¹		97.50	240	105.70 ¹		96.58	95.00	103.70
16-24 lb. (Toms)	95.92	24	98.16	185	106.00	162	95.00	95.30	104.45

¹based on offers.

SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

Week Ending 30-Mar-13 (Preliminary)

	Live Poultry		Live Turkeys	
	Young Chickens	Young Hens	Young Hens	Young Toms
	---thousands---			
Head	149,707	1,619		2,322
Avg Wt	5.64	16.82		40.74
Last week	154,139	1,664		2,530
Same wk yr ago	149,755	1,931		2,575
Avg Wt	5.80	17.16		40.47
To-date/2013*	1,967,135	21,729		32,335
To-date/2012*	1,945,601	22,882		32,239
% Change YTD	1%	-5%		0%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage				
Current week	641,704	21,785		75,679
Last week	685,302	21,991		81,608
Same wk yr ago	651,434	26,508		83,370
To-date/2013*	8,698,106	296,197		1,056,841
To-date/2012*	8,363,107	311,247		1,066,393
% Change YTD	4%	-5%		-1%
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 06-Apr-13

	Current Week	Previous Week
Broiler/fryer	154,021	151,477

FRESH BEEF CUTS

FOB Negotiated	Price Range	Wtd Avg
112A 3 Rib, ribeye, bnls, heavy	585.00 608.70	589.24
168 3 Round, top inside round	200.00 220.89	206.19
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	530.00 550.21	531.82
Ground Beef 81%	167.00 195.00	176.00

Source: USDA/AMS, Livestock, Poultry and Grain Market News