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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Whole broiler/fryer prices are holding steady. Offerings of all sizes are mostly moderate to satisfy trade needs. Retail and food service demand is mixed, but mostly moderate entering the weekend. Floor stocks are balanced. Market activity for whole birds is moderate. In the parts structure, movement is light to moderate. Prices are trending lower for wings, firm to higher for breast items and steady to firm for dark meat cuts. Supplies of breast cuts are light, dark meat is light to moderate, and wings continue heavy with slow movement. In production areas, live supplies are moderate. Weights are in a full range but mostly desirable.

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 102.50 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**
875 94.94-107.53

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	197.00	1,474
BREASTS - B/S	179.50	6,186
BREASTS - WHOLE	112.50	1,174
THIGH MEAT - B/S	141.50	1,045
THIGHS	74.00	1,218
DRUMSTICKS	74.00	1,079
LEG QUARTERS	55.00	7,909
WINGS	160.00	3,211

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:	106.94	↑ 0.43	11,664	Mar	107.27
Last Week:	106.51		10,332		45,071
Last Year:	85.41	↑ 21.53	13,520		

Eastern Region

	THIS WEEK					LAST WEEK	
	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Whole Body:	96.50 - 131.00	105.00 - 110.00	107.85	↑ 0.34	5,702	107.51	5,150
WOGS:	96.50 - 127.00	105.00 - 110.00	106.76	↑ 0.64	1,507	106.12	1,275
NEW YORK							
Whole Body:	96.50 - 113.00	105.00 - 110.00	107.07	↓ 0.23	1,578	107.30	1,438

Central Region

	THIS WEEK					LAST WEEK	
	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Whole Body:	94.00 - 180.00	98.00 - 104.00	103.10	↑ 0.11	3,441	102.99	3,521
WOGS:	94.00 - 180.00	99.00 - 104.00	101.86	↑ 0.22	2,629	101.64	2,633
CHICAGO							
Whole Body:	94.00 - 113.00	98.00 - 104.00	102.65	↓ 0.28	1,840	102.93	1,840

Western Region

	THIS WEEK					LAST WEEK	
	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Whole Body:	99.00 - 130.00	108.00 - 112.00	110.11	↓ 0.74	2,522	110.85	1,661
WOGS:	99.00 - 115.00	106.00 - 109.00	107.77	↓ 1.04	1,758	108.82	1,395
LOS ANGELES							
Whole Body:	99.00 - 130.00	108.00 - 112.00	109.60	↓ 0.91	1,825	110.51	1,046

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.

Apr 11, 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)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
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 Apr 11, 2013 -- f.o.b. dock.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE
70.00 - 73.00	71.52

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.

Apr 12, 2013

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG	WEEKLY POUNDS (000)	WEEKLY WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S		TOO FEW TO REPORT			703	156.55
TENDERLOINS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			460	154.63
BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT			139	106.55
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT			235	92.45
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			TFEWR	
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)		TOO FEW TO REPORT			1,148	49.72
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)		TOO FEW TO REPORT			1,242	52.36
WINGS (WHOLE)		TOO FEW TO REPORT			99	107.32
WINGS (CUT)		TOO FEW TO REPORT			75	136.20
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			75	53.60
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			62	61.51
B/S THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			85	127.47

Whole Body Index Based on Southern States Parts Trading Apr 12, 2013 -- f.o.b. dock.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
70.00 - 73.50	71.78	71.19

NORTHEAST BROILER PARTS Prices are trending firm to higher for breast items and tenders; steady to firm for most leg cuts with drums, thighs and thigh meat in the best balance. Wings are weak. Trucklot buying activity is moderate entering the weekend. Offering of tenders, breast cuts and most leg items are light to moderate and clearing well. Wings are available and slow to clear. Movement is moderate.

ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND
Apr 11, 2013

ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL /LBS.
BREAST - B/S	170-175	152.40	960,400
TENDERLOINS	160-165	156.45	191,400
BREAST - WITH RIBS	108-109	122.43	44,147
BREAST - LINE RUN	108	110.14	75,548
LEGS	72-73	76.97	43,280
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	51-52	53.75	324,760
DRUMSTICKS	60-61	68.14	73,400
THIGHS	71-72	84.60	34,320
B/S THIGHS	133-134	130.98	192,560
WINGS (WHOLE)	147-148	149.06	272,520
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	18.00	5,880
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60	59.02	9,340
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	75-80	80.07	16,400

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.

Apr 12, 2013

ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL /LBS.	WEEKLY WTD AVG	WEEKLY VOL/LBS.
BREAST - B/S	175	155.61	786,480	153.24	4,466,040
TENDERLOINS	165	159.87	232,320	155.65	970,720
BREAST - WITH RIBS	109-110	124.04	39,478	122.59	222,374
BREAST - LINE RUN	109	111.27	76,621	109.70	419,194
LEGS	72-73	72.23	82,360	72.20	490,160
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	51-52	54.30	208,680	53.43	1,541,851
DRUMSTICKS	61-62	63.99	104,720	65.08	527,053
THIGHS	71-72	83.73	40,180	83.76	213,460
B/S THIGHS	134-135	134.07	78,040	132.64	515,840
WINGS (WHOLE)	147-148	148.88	225,840	152.64	1,296,380
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	18.00	5,360	18.00	27,400
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60	59.04	10,810	57.01	59,080
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	75-80	80.05	23,120	79.84	101,160

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS

	ESTIMATED (1,000)		ACTUAL (1,000)		AVG WT		ACTUAL (1,000)	AVG WT
	04/12	04/11	04/10	04/09	04/10	04/09	04/05	04/03
Alabama	4,096	3,692	3,466	3,631	5.78	5.71	3,967	5.86
Arkansas	3,701	4,635	4,880	4,895	5.58	5.60	3,738	5.71
Delmarva	2,073	2,162	1,947	2,091	6.29	6.29	2,058	6.38
Ky-LA-TN	2,176	2,362	2,335	2,488	5.31	5.20	2,253	5.24
Mississippi	2,851	2,704	2,548	2,738	5.84	6.25	2,684	6.45
North Carolina	3,241	2,853	2,781	2,805	7.54	7.59	2,927	7.64
Texas	2,539	2,414	2,053	2,374	5.61	5.80	2,646	5.76
Total	20,677	20,822	20,010	21,022	5.96	6.01	20,273	6.12
Mon-Friday	104,285 (A)						100,835 (A)	
Saturday	1,098 (included in total for date shown)						1,286	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 12-Apr-13 and 13-Apr-13 is estimated to be 30,935,000 head up 1.69 percent from a week ago and down 0.68 percent from a year ago. (Last week 30,422,000, last year 31,147,000)

Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the week ending 13-Apr-13 is estimated to be 156,022,000 head up 1.82 percent from a week ago, and up 1.94 percent from a year ago. (Last week 153,236,000, last year 153,060,000)

Actual data incorporated when available.

NATIONAL FOWL MARKET

LIVE SPENT HEAVY FOWL

Prices are trending at least steady. Supplies are sufficient for the mostly moderate demand. Processing schedules normal. Retail feature activity is light to moderate entering the weekend with majority of interest being in the Northeast region. Finished product supplies are moderate and clearing satisfactorily. Market activity is moderate.

Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading: Price Range Wtd Avg
Prices in cents per pound. 10.0- 22.5 13.95
(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 steady for the light to moderate demand. Offerings of light type hens are sufficient for current needs. Processing schedules are normal. Movement of finished product sales are clearing well. Market activity is moderate. The majority price for removal costs is unchanged at 0-7 cents per head. Feature activity is light with the bulk of activity noted in the Northeast and Southeast regions.

(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 6-Apr-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	39,262	58,077	28,001	27,896	153,236
Avg Live Wgt	3.76	5.41	6.83	8.61	5.83
% of total /1	26%	38%	18%	18%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	45,523	47,951	31,833	24,400	149,707
Avg Live Wgt	3.69	5.36	6.74	8.40	5.64
% of total /1	30%	32%	21%	16%	100%
Year Ago 2/	38,891	64,257	23,984	20,628	147,760
Avg Live Wgt	3.83	5.40	6.83	8.50	5.65
% of total /1	26%	43%	16%	14%	100%
To date/2013*	543,245	772,981	425,433	378,713	2,120,372
To date/2012*	501,686	902,241	372,936	316,498	2,093,361
% Change YTD	8%	-14%	14%	20%	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 6-Apr-13

	-----Thousands-----				Ducks
	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	
Head	153,236	1,812	1,440	3,252	441
Avg Wt	5.83	3.31	8.09	5.43	6.96
Last week	149,707	1,833	1,480	3,313	419
Same wk yr ago	147,760	1,722	1,271	2,993	443
Avg Wt	5.65	3.36	8.12	5.38	6.76
To-date/2013*	2,120,371	21,858	19,198	41,056	5,547
To-date/2012*	2,093,361	22,184	20,575	42,759	5,945
% Change YTD	1%	-1%	-7%	-4%	-7%

Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage

Current week	678,958	3,239	7,922	11,161	2,179
Last week	641,704	3,049	7,920	10,969	2,035
Same wk yr ago	630,307	3,038	7,070	10,108	2,171
To-date/2013*	9,377,064	37,538	100,831	138,369	26,805
To-date/2012*	8,993,414	37,202	107,870	145,072	28,675
% Change YTD	4%	1%	-7%	-5%	-7%

Dressing % 76.0% 54.0% 68.0% 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 152.9 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 153.5 million head, or 0.6 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
03/02	156.3	153.7	102%	5.74
03/09	155.3	154.1	101%	5.83
03/16	153.1	152.5	100%	5.86
03/23	156.0	153.2	102%	5.85
03/30	151.5	153.2	99%	5.64
04/06	153.5	152.9	100%	5.83
Year to date	2144.6	2112.4	102%	
04/13		153.7		
04/20		153.6		

*Based on chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier.

BROILER/CATTLE/HOG WEEKLY ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER

Under Federal Inspection (in thousands)

W/E	04/13/13	04/6/13	% chg	04/14/12	% chg
Broilers	156,022	153,236 ¹	+1.94	153,060 ¹	+1.82
Cattle	606	593	+02	581 ²	+04
Hogs	2,082	2,093	0	2,052 ²	+02

¹ Actual data incorporated when available.

² Totals adjusted to reflect USDA, NASS revisions.

EASTERN REGION MISC. POULTRY

For delivery the week of April 8, 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.

ICE PACKED (12/BOX)	RANGE	MOSTLY
VACUUM PACKED (6-9/BOX)	90.00-115.25	92.00-112.00
	93.00-117.00	94.00-113.00

SQUABS:

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

11 oz.	83.52-104.16
13 oz.	91.44-124.26
15 oz.	99.36-132.46

EASTERN REGION: CT,DE,FL,GA,MA,MD,ME,NC,NH,NJ,NY,PA,RI,SC,VA,VT& WV

CENTRAL REGION DUCKLINGS

Reported prices are steady this week. Demand is moderate to fairly good with supplies moderate to occasionally tight. Market activity is moderate to at times active. 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 April 8, 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: April 9, 2012 Prices Paid Per Lb., Except As Noted

	RANGE
Muscovy Ducks - Drakes	1.50 - 1.60 lbs.
Hamsters	- .50 ea.
Pullets 4-6LBS	- .85 lbs.
Red Fowl 4-5LBS	.60 - .70 lbs.
Crossbred Roosters 7-11LBS	.70 - .80 lbs.
Crossbred Roosters 4-6LBS	1.30 - 1.45 lbs.
Crossbred Fowl 5-9LBS	.70 - .75 lbs.
Banty Roosters	4.75 - 5.75 ea.
Banty Hens	5.00 - 7.00 ea.
Guinea Pigs	4.00 - 7.50 ea.
Guinea Fowl	1.30 - 1.70 lbs.
Kid Goats	- 45.00 ea.
Geese 9-14LBS	- 1.20 lbs.
Pigeons	4.40 - 5.00 ea.
White Pigeons	8.25 - 8.50 ea.
Chukars	6.00 - 7.00 ea.
Rabbits 6-9LBS	1.80 - 1.95 lbs.
Rabbits 4-6LBS	1.85 - 2.20 lbs.
Bunnies	4.50 - 12.00 ea.
Doves	3.00 - 5.00 ea.
Silkie	4.00 - 5.50 ea.
Goats	- 90.00 ea.
Call Ducks	5.00 - 13.00 ea.
Chicks	.30 - 2.00 ea.
Parakeets	- 11.00 ea.
Broilers	.80 - .90 lbs.
Ducklings	.90 - 1.50 ea.
Pheasants	10.00 - 25.00 ea.
Goose Eggs	1.50 - 2.10 ea.
Fancy Bantams	8.00 - 10.00 ea.
Fancy Pigeons	10.00 - 12.00 ea.
Pekin Ducks	4.00 - 4.25 ea.
Total Coops Sold	4024