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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Whole broiler/fryer prices are steady to firm in the East, steady in the West and Midwest. Offerings of all sizes are light to moderate to satisfy trade needs. Retail and food service demand is mixed, but mostly moderate following the weekend. Floor stocks are balanced. Market activity for whole birds is moderate. In the parts structure, movement is light to moderate entering the week. 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

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.

LOADS	RANGE	MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT
1,003	94.94 - 107.53	102.51

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	195.00	1,705
BREASTS - B/S	176.00	7,258
BREASTS - WHOLE	113.00	1,418
THIGH MEAT - B/S	141.50	1,166
THIGHS	74.00	1,327
DRUMSTICKS	73.50	1,357
LEG QUARTERS	56.00	9,374
WINGS	162.50	3,783

USDA Weekly National Whole Broiler/Fryer Report (Fri)

	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Monthly Composite Weighted Average	
This Week:	106.94	↑ 0.43	11,664	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Last Week:	106.51		10,332	Mar	107.27
Last Year:	85.41	↑ 21.53	13,520		45,071

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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NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Prices are trending firm to higher for breast items, tenders, thighs and thigh meat; steady to firm for other leg cuts with drums in the better balance. Wings are steady to weak. Trucklot buying activity is moderate as dealers assess market conditions entering the week. Offering of tenders and breast cuts are light and moving well; most leg items are light to moderate and wings are moderate to heavy 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	CURRENT NEGOTIATED TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOLUME /LBS.
BREAST - B/S	175-180	157.27	769,720
TENDERLOINS	165-170	159.32	119,720
BREAST - WITH RIBS	110-111	124.98	44,499
BREAST - LINE RUN	110	111.88	72,000
LEGS	72-73	71.22	130,040
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	51-52	52.13	241,920
DRUMSTICKS	61-62	68.19	95,880
THIGHS	71-72	86.69	56,600
B/S THIGHS	135-136	135.10	79,400
WINGS (WHOLE)	147-148	148.10	250,960
BACKS & NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	18.00	6,360
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60	57.84	1,850
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	75-80	80.56	19,280

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
	04/15	04/11	04/11	04/08	04/04
Alabama	3,525	3,600	5.71	3,536	5.73
Arkansas	4,869	4,493	5.63	4,884	5.72
Delmarva	2,127	2,100	6.13	2,135	6.16
Ky-LA-TN	2,187	2,275	5.10	2,431	5.11
Mississippi	2,800	2,714	6.12	2,748	6.13
North Carolina	2,878	2,767	7.51	2,754	7.71
Texas	2,388	2,415	5.79	2,354	5.64
Total	20,774	20,364	5.98	20,842	6.00
Mon	20,774(A)			20,842(A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 15-Apr-13 is estimated to be 31,080,000 down 0.63 percent from a week ago and up 1.3 percent from a year ago. (last week 31,276,000 last year 30,691,000)

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)		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 15, 2013 -- F.O.B. DOCK

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
70.50 - 73.50	71.81	71.36

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 15-APR-13 TO 19-APR-13, CENTS PER POUND

	Price Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	146.00 - 179.00	153.00 - 159.00
TENDERLOINS	151.00 - 170.00	164.00 - 166.50
BREAST - LINE RUN	105.00 - 125.00	109.00 - 115.00
LEGS	67.00 - 71.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	49.00 - 64.00	50.00 - 52.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	53.00 - 60.00	54.00 - 56.00
DRUMSTICKS	53.00 - 66.00	-
THIGHS	66.00 - 83.00	-
B/S THIGHS	125.00 - 148.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	149.00 - 182.00	-
BACKS & NECKS (STRIPPED)	17.00 - 45.00	-
LIVERS	32.00 - 45.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	42.00 - 59.00	-

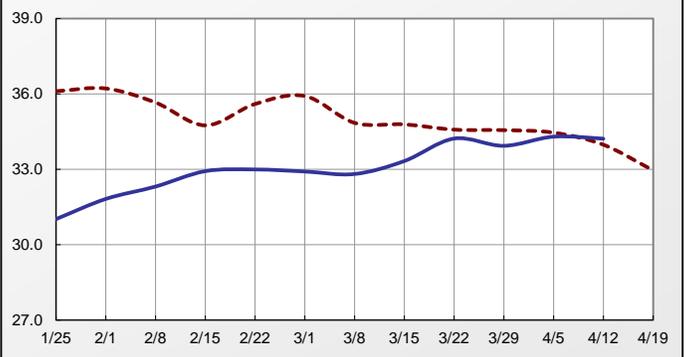
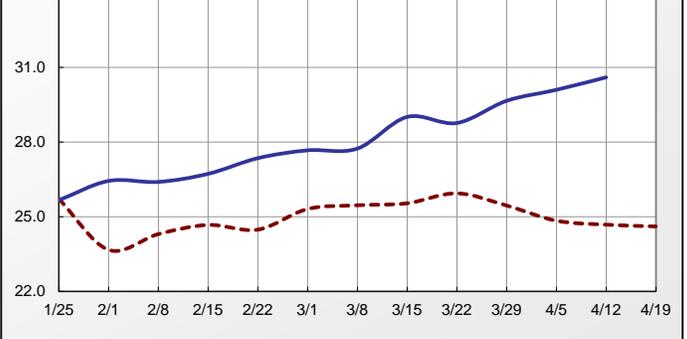
National Mechanically Separated Chicken

(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.)

MSC prices are trending steady to firm on all fat contents. Supplies are light to moderate. Schedules are normal. Demand is mixed ranging light to good into both domestic and export channels. Many noted slightly less buyer interest this week versus last. Industry is very focused on the current and future status of the spot marketplace. A variety of factors continue to influence the marketplace: normal MSC production levels after months of industry cutbacks, increased production of finished goods in preparation for the Memorial Day kick off, and the impact and procedures of the impending new FSIS regulations for Salmonella testing of ground chicken, MSC, ground turkey, and MST, among others. Sellers remain out front with spot MSC sales, managing production closely. Market activity is moderate to active. Raw material supplies are light and clearing well. Frames are steady to firm trading between 14-16 cents FOB, mostly 15 FOB.

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

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	12-Apr-13	Last Week	Last Year	12-Apr-13	Last Week	Last Year
15% or Less						
Price Range			-	29.00 - 31.00	29.00 - 31.00	24.00-25.00
Wtd Avg Price			-	30.33	30.00	24.80
Volume Traded	-	-	-	184	163	204
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-20%						
Price Range	33.00 - 37.00	32.50 - 37.00	31.00-37.00	28.00 - 33.00	27.00 - 33.00	22.00-28.00
Wtd Avg Price	34.22	34.30	33.98	30.60	30.10	24.68
Volume Traded	1,935	1,710	1,466	6,854	4,916	3,231
Volume Exported	1,775	1,590	1,306	245	326	571
20% or More						
Price Range	-	-	-	22.00	22.00	22.50
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	22.00	22.00	22.50
Volume Traded	-	-	-	41	82	41
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-

Frozen 15-20% MSC**Fresh 15-20% MSC****Monthly MSC Weighted Average Prices (cents/pound) and Volumes (1,000 pounds)**

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	Mar 2013	Feb 2013	Mar 2012	Mar 2013	Feb 2013	Mar 2012
15% or Less						
Wtd Avg Price	31.00	30.00	-	29.16	26.43	26.92
Volume Traded	80	40	-	561	714	775
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-20%						
Wtd Avg Price	33.40	32.59	34.92	28.52	26.70	25.56
Volume Traded	6,348	5,957	9,964	17,485	17,289	19,562
Volume Exported	5,700	5,357	8,629	1,958	2,815	4,264
20% or More						
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	22.00	22.00	22.30
Volume Traded	-	-	-	367	245	408
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-

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