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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Whole broiler/fryer prices are steady to fully steady in the East, steady elsewhere. Offerings are light to moderate for current trade needs. Retail demand is light to good, mostly moderate with some improvement found for the weekend. Floor stocks are light to adequate. A few delivery delays were noted due to flash flooding and temporary road closures as a result of storms passing through the Midwest. Market activity is moderate. In the parts structure, movement is moderate to good entering the weekend. Prices are firm to higher for tenders and breasts, steady to weak for wings, and steady to firm for all other parts. Offerings are light to moderate for tenders, breast cuts and most dark meat items. Wings are moderate to heavy. Market activity for parts is slow to active, mostly moderate to active. In production areas, live supplies are moderate at mixed but mostly desirable weights.

The National Composite Weighted Average for 04/22/13 is 107.21 compared to 106.94 a week earlier, and 84.88 a year ago.

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 102.75 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

LOADS

RANGE

969 94.00-107.54

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

PRELIMINARY FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT PRELIM. WTD. AVG

102.75

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES

ITEM	WTD AVG (CENTS PER LB)	VOL (000 LBS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	201.50	1,547
BREASTS - B/S	185.00	6,689
BREASTS - WHOLE	115.00	1,383
THIGH MEAT - B/S	142.50	1,116
THIGHS	74.00	1,235
DRUMSTICKS	74.00	1,264
LEG QUARTERS	55.50	8,735
WINGS	157.50	3,531

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:	107.21	↑ 0.27	10,597	Mar 107.27	45,071
Last Week:	106.94		11,664		
Last Year:	84.88	↑ 22.33	13,920		

Eastern Region

	THIS WEEK					LAST WEEK	
	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Whole Body:	96.75 - 131.00	106.00 - 111.00	108.53	↑ 0.68	6,010	107.85	5,702
WOGS:	96.75 - 127.00	105.00 - 110.00	107.13	↑ 0.37	1,542	106.76	1,507
NEW YORK							
Whole Body:	96.75 - 113.00	105.00 - 110.00	107.32	↑ 0.25	1,505	107.07	1,578

Central Region

	THIS WEEK					LAST WEEK	
	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Whole Body:	92.50 - 113.25	99.00 - 104.00	103.25	↑ 0.16	3,141	103.10	3,441
WOGS:	92.50 - 110.00	99.00 - 103.00	101.54	↓ 0.32	2,273	101.86	2,629
CHICAGO							
Whole Body:	92.50 - 113.25	100.00 - 105.00	103.66	↑ 1.00	1,820	102.65	1,840

Western Region

	THIS WEEK					LAST WEEK	
	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Whole Body:	100.00 - 130.00	107.00 - 111.00	110.32	↑ 0.21	1,446	110.11	2,522
WOGS:	100.00 - 111.00	107.00 - 110.00	107.87	↑ 0.10	1,260	107.77	1,758
LOS ANGELES							
Whole Body:	100.00 - 130.00	108.00 - 110.00	110.56	↑ 0.96	1,111	109.60	1,825

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 18, 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)	295	47.00-52.00	-	49.86
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	232	51.00-55.00	-	52.79
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 18, 2013 -- f.o.b. dock.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE
68.50 - 74.00	71.32

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 19, 2013

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG	WEEKLY POUNDS (000)	WEEKLY WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S		TOO FEW TO REPORT			496	165.09
TENDERLOINS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			704	166.65
BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT			153	112.24
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT			235	92.30
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			TFEWR	
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	190	48.00-51.00	-	49.82	1,032	50.27
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	224	52.00-54.00	-	52.55	1,046	52.65
WINGS (WHOLE)		TOO FEW TO REPORT			75	122.80
WINGS (CUT)		TOO FEW TO REPORT			75	143.80
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			70	55.43
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			62	62.15
B/S THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			75	127.00

Whole Body Index Based on Southern States Parts Trading Apr 19, 2013 -- f.o.b. dock.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
69.00 - 73.00	71.16	71.42

NORTHEAST BROILER PARTS Prices are trending firm to higher for breast items, drums and tenders; steady to firm for other leg cuts. Wings are mostly steady. Trucklot buying activity is moderate to good entering the weekend. Offering of tenders, breast cuts and most dark meat items are light to moderate with good movement; wings are generally sufficient for current needs. Movement is moderate to active.

ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND
Apr 18, 2013

CURRENT NEG ITEM	TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL /LBS.
BREAST - B/S	185	161.99	972,000
TENDERLOINS	175	166.82	213,920
BREAST - WITH RIBS	111-112	121.18	39,021
BREAST - LINE RUN	111	113.39	77,296
LEGS	72-73	73.86	98,120
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	51-52	53.39	245,705
DRUMSTICKS	64-65	69.68	95,891
THIGHS	73-74	83.94	56,720
B/S THIGHS	136-137	136.40	127,080
WINGS (WHOLE)	147-148	145.91	297,360
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	18.00	3,920
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60	55.94	13,390
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	75-80	79.15	19,440

Apr 19, 2013

CURRENT NEG ITEM	TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL /LBS.	WEEKLY WTD AVG	WEEKLY VOL/LBS.
BREAST - B/S	185-190	165.35	762,440	160.75	4,424,920
TENDERLOINS	175-180	168.67	259,280	165.62	1,006,880
BREAST - WITH RIBS	112-113	125.33	52,987	123.70	276,972
BREAST - LINE RUN	112	114.25	72,000	112.37	407,351
LEGS	72-73	75.29	91,960	73.14	564,960
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	51-52	53.83	207,320	53.31	1,216,705
DRUMSTICKS	64-65	70.46	105,560	68.23	559,795
THIGHS	73-74	87.38	51,080	85.81	283,640
B/S THIGHS	136-137	138.13	76,960	136.73	469,840
WINGS (WHOLE)	147-148	148.95	226,800	147.23	1,333,120
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	18.00	4,760	18.00	23,190
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60	57.17	10,160	56.86	45,630
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	75-80	80.02	17,960	79.81	99,240

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.

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS

	ESTIMATED		ACTUAL		AVG WT		ACTUAL		AVG WT	
	04/19	04/18	04/17	04/16	04/17	04/16	04/12	04/11	04/12	04/11
Alabama	3,951	3,582	3,607	3,561	5.70	5.82	4,105	5.78		
Arkansas	4,187	4,812	4,588	5,035	5.67	5.59	3,640	5.58		
Delmarva	2,056	2,131	2,065	2,120	6.28	6.36	2,202	6.29		
Ky-LA-TN	2,147	2,159	2,216	2,200	5.03	5.20	2,237	5.31		
Mississippi	3,195	2,767	2,689	2,729	6.16	6.14	2,869	5.84		
North Carolina	2,878	2,832	2,795	2,852	7.64	7.64	3,105	7.54		
Texas	2,366	2,387	2,148	2,371	5.55	5.77	2,744	5.61		
Total	20,780	20,670	20,108	20,868	5.99	6.04	20,902	5.96		
Mon-Friday	103,787 (A)						103,140 (A)			
Saturday	976 (included in total for date shown)						1,743			

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 19-Apr-13 and 20-Apr-13 is estimated to be 31,089,000 head down 0.88 percent from a week ago and up 2.25 percent from a year ago. (Last week 31,366,000, last year 30,404,000)

Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the week ending 20-Apr-13 is estimated to be 155,277,000 head up 0.69 percent from a week ago, and up 0.29 percent from a year ago. (Last week 154,212,000, last year 154,825,000)

Actual data incorporated when available.

NATIONAL FOWL MARKET

LIVE SPENT HEAVY FOWL Prices are trending steady to instances firm. Supplies are sufficient for the mostly moderate demand. Processing schedules normal. Retail feature activity is very light entering the weekend with bulk of interest being in the South Central region. Finished product supplies are moderate and moving satisfactorily. Market activity is moderate.

Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading: Price Range Wtd Avg
Prices in cents per pound. 10.0-22.5 13.96
(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 satisfactorily. Market activity is slow to moderate. The majority price for removal costs is unchanged at 0-7 cents per head. Feature activity is light to moderate with the bulk of activity noted in the Northeast 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 13-Apr-13

(Preliminary)	-----Thousands-----				
	(A) 4.25 lbs. & down	(B) 4.26 - 6.25 lbs.	(C) 6.26 - 7.75 lbs.	(D) 7.76 lbs. & up	Total
Head	39,167	56,759	32,169	26,117	154,212
Avg Live Wgt	3.74	5.45	6.71	8.57	5.81
% of total /1	25%	37%	21%	17%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	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%
Year Ago 2/	35,181	65,332	32,611	19,936	153,060
Avg Live Wgt	3.85	5.47	6.85	8.55	5.79
% of total /1	23%	43%	21%	13%	100%
To date/2013*	582,412	829,740	457,602	404,830	2,274,584
To date/2012*	536,867	967,573	405,547	336,434	2,246,421
% Change YTD	8%	-14%	13%	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 13-Apr-13

	-----Thousands-----				Ducks
	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	
Head	154,212	1,967	1,431	3,398	390
Avg Wt	5.81	3.01	8.08	5.15	6.52
Last week	153,236	1,812	1,440	3,252	441
Same wk yr ago	153,060	1,828	1,402	3,230	404
Avg Wt	5.79	3.19	7.91	5.24	6.93
To-date/2013*	2,274,583	23,825	20,629	44,454	5,937
To-date/2012*	2,246,421	24,012	21,977	45,989	6,349
% Change YTD	1%	-1%	-6%	-3%	-6%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	680,939	3,197	7,862	11,059	1,805
Last week	678,958	3,239	7,922	11,161	2,179
Same wk yr ago	669,094	3,061	7,597	10,658	2,030
To-date/2013*	10,058,003	40,735	108,693	149,428	28,610
To-date/2012*	9,662,508	40,263	115,467	155,730	30,705
% Change YTD	4%	1%	-6%	-4%	-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 153.7 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 156.1 million head, or 2.4 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
03/09	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
04/13	156.1	153.7	102%	5.81
Year to date	2300.7	2266.1	102%	
04/20		153.6		
04/27		153.0		

*Based on chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier.

BROILER/CATTLE/HOG WEEKLY ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER

Under Federal Inspection (in thousands)

W/E	04/20/13	04/13/13	% chg	04/21/12	% chg
Broilers	155,277	154,212 ¹	+0.69	154,825 ¹	+0.29
Cattle	615	606	+02	599 ²	+03
Hogs	2,139	2,082	+03	2,082 ²	+03

¹ Actual data incorporated when available.

² Totals adjusted to reflect USDA, NASS revisions.

EASTERN REGION MISC. POULTRY

For delivery the week of April 15, 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

Prices remain steady. Supplies are moderate to instances light on mostly moderate demand. Market activity is moderate. 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 15, 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 16, 2012 Prices Paid Per Lb., Except As Noted

	RANGE		
Muscovy Ducks - Drakes	1.40	- 2.00	lbs.
Cockatiels	24.00	- 28.00	ea.
Pekin Ducks	4.00	- 4.50	ea.
Pullets 4-6LBS	.85	- .90	lbs.
Red Fowl 5-6LBS	.95	- 1.10	lbs.
Red Fowl 4-5LBS	.70	- .90	lbs.
Leghorn Roosters		- 1.00	ea.
Crossbred Roosters 7-11LBS	.50	- .90	lbs.
Crossbred Roosters 4-6LBS	1.40	- 1.60	lbs.
Crossbred Fowl 5-9LBS	.90	- 1.15	lbs.
Banty Roosters	4.00	- 5.00	ea.
Banty Hens	3.50	- 4.00	ea.
Guinea Pigs	4.50	- 9.00	ea.
Guinea Fowl	1.40	- 2.00	lbs.
Kid Goats	45.00	- 60.00	ea.
Pigeons	5.10	- 5.30	ea.
White Pigeons	8.50	- 10.00	ea.
Chukars		- 3.00	ea.
Rabbits 6-9LBS	1.70	- 1.80	lbs.
Rabbits 4-6LBS	1.75	- 1.90	lbs.
Bunnies	8.00	- 15.00	ea.
Doves		- 7.00	ea.
Silkie	3.50	- 4.00	ea.
Turkeys	21.00	- 35.00	ea.
Call Ducks	6.00	- 7.00	ea.
Guinea Keets	1.40	- 1.60	ea.
Chicks	.30	- 1.00	ea.
Quail	.30	- 1.00	ea.
Parakeets	8.00	- 11.00	ea.
Broilers	.85	- 1.00	lbs.
Peacocks	40.00	- 50.00	ea.
Ducklings	.90	- 1.20	ea.
Pheasants	9.00	- 21.00	ea.
Goose Eggs	1.20	- 1.70	ea.
Fancy Bantams	7.00	- 8.00	ea.
Fancy Pigeons	8.00	- 9.00	ea.
Rats		- 1.00	ea.
Turkey Poults	1.75	- 2.50	ea.
Goslings	7.00	- 8.00	ea.
Muscovy Ducks - Hens	1.70	- 2.00	lbs.
Total Coops Sold	5015		