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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Whole broiler/fryer prices are steady to firm in the East, steady elsewhere. Offerings are light to moderate for current trade. Retail and food service demand is light to good, mostly moderate following the weekend. Floor stocks are adequate to instances longer than desired. Market activity is moderate. In the parts structure, movement is moderate to good for early week business. 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.

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK WHOLE BIRD PRICES

Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 102.75 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
969	94.00 - 107.54	102.75

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	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	
This Week:	107.21	↑ 0.27	10,597	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Last Week:	106.94		11,664	Mar	107.27
Last Year:	84.88	↑ 22.33	13,920		45,071

Eastern Region

	THIS WEEK					LAST WEEK	
	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Whole Body:	96.75 - 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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NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Prices are trending firm to higher for breast cuts and tenders; steady to firm for leg items and steady for wings. Trucklot buying activity is moderate to good as dealers assess market conditions entering the week. Offering of tenders, breast cuts and most dark meat items are light to moderate and clearing well; wings are 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

ITEM	NEGOTIATED	CURRENT TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOLUME /LBS.
BREAST - B/S		185-190	166.37	886,680
TENDERLOINS		175-180	170.53	115,960
BREAST - WITH RIBS		113-114	125.38	64,827
BREAST - LINE RUN		113	114.94	74,181
LEGS		72-73	75.55	92,460
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)		51-52	53.45	269,680
DRUMSTICKS		64-65	72.17	81,600
THIGHS		73-74	87.44	46,640
B/S THIGHS		136-137	140.71	70,680
WINGS (WHOLE)		147-148	140.10	289,560
BACKS & NECKS (STRIPPED)		16-18	18.00	4,200
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)		55-60	57.09	6,470
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)		75-80	80.95	12,440

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
	04/22	04/18	04/18	04/15	04/11
Alabama	3,806	3,661	5.78	3,431	5.71
Arkansas	4,861	4,540	5.66	4,906	5.63
Delmarva	2,130	2,052	6.23	1,968	6.13
Ky-LA-TN	2,423	2,147	4.95	2,179	5.10
Mississippi	2,840	2,750	6.12	2,775	6.12
North Carolina	2,884	2,828	7.44	2,763	7.51
Texas	2,419	2,373	5.63	2,414	5.79
Total	21,363	20,351	5.97	20,436	5.98
Mon	21,363 (A)			20,436 (A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 22-Apr-13 is estimated to be 31,961,000 up 4.22 percent from a week ago and up 10.2 percent from a year ago. (last week 30,666,000 last year 29,009,000)

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	107	172.00-176.00	-	174.69
BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	190	50.00-52.00	-	51.05
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	250	52.00-54.00	-	53.10
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 22, 2013 -- F.O.B. DOCK

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
70.00 - 73.00	71.28	71.31

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 22-APR-13 TO 26-APR-13, CENTS PER POUND

	Price Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	156.00 - 189.00	168.00 - 174.00
TENDERLOINS	172.00 - 186.00	174.00 - 177.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	106.00 - 129.00	112.00 - 125.00
LEGS	69.00 - 71.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	49.00 - 59.00	52.00 - 55.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	53.00 - 62.00	53.00 - 56.00
DRUMSTICKS	55.00 - 69.00	-
THIGHS	66.00 - 85.00	-
B/S THIGHS	120.00 - 148.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	125.00 - 156.00	-
BACKS & NECKS (STRIPPED)	17.00 - 45.00	-
LIVERS	32.00 - 50.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	42.00 - 61.00	-

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 steady to firm on all fat contents. Supplies are light to moderate. Schedules are normal. Demand is moderate to good into both domestic and export channels. Industry is very focused on the current and future status of the spot marketplace, especially in regard to the impending new FSIS regulations for Salmonella testing of ground chicken, MSC, ground turkey, and MST. Many are also watching other influential factors such as the return to normal MSC production levels after months of industry cutbacks, increased production of finished goods in preparation for the Memorial Day kick off, and grain prices among other factors. Sellers remain out front with spot MSC sales, managing production closely. Market activity is moderate to active. Supplies of raw materials are light. 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		
	19-Apr-13	Last Week	Last Year	19-Apr-13	Last Week	Last Year
15% or Less						
Price Range	32.00	-	-	29.00 - 31.00	29.00 - 31.00	-
Wtd Avg Price	32.00	-	-	30.20	30.33	-
Volume Traded	40	-	-	204	184	-
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-20%						
Price Range	32.00 - 38.00	33.00 - 37.00	28.00-37.00	28.50 - 33.00	28.00 - 33.00	18.00-27.00
Wtd Avg Price	34.73	34.22	32.96	30.18	30.60	24.61
Volume Traded	1,825	1,935	2,241	3,835	6,854	3,259
Volume Exported	1,545	1,775	1,601	530	245	204
20% or More						
Price Range	-	-	-	22.00	22.00	22.50
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	22.00	22.00	22.50
Volume Traded	-	-	-	82	41	41
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-

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.

