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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

Whole broiler/fryer prices are mostly steady overall. Offerings are moderate to available to satisfy current trade needs. Retail and food service demand cover the full range, but is mostly moderate to good for mid-week business. Floor stocks are mixed. Market activity for whole birds is moderate. In the parts structure, movement is moderate to good. Prices are trending steady to lower for wings, mostly weak to lower, firm to higher for breast items and tenders, steady to firm for dark meat cuts. Supplies of breast cuts and tenders are light, dark meat is light to moderate, and wings continue heavy and often discounted to help clear. Market activity for parts is slow to moderate. In production areas, live supplies are moderate. Weights are in a full range but mostly desirable.

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK The quoted price on broilers/fryers for next week's trading advanced .25 cents to 103.00 cents based on full truck load lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 93.25 cents last year on April 25, 2012.

Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted prices on ice-packed parts for next week's trading.

ITEM	DOCK PRICE (CENTS PER POUND)
LINE RUN TENDERS	202.00
BREASTS - B/S	189.50
BREASTS - WHOLE	116.00
THIGH MEAT - B/S	143.50
THIGHS	72.50
DRUMSTICKS	65.50
LEG QUARTERS	55.50
WINGS	153.00

Information supplied by the GA Dept. of Ag's Poultry Market News Service.

NATIONAL FOWL MARKET

Ready-to-Cook

Midwest Region Negotiated Prices to First Receivers

(cents/lb. delivered to first receivers; U.S. Grade A and Plant Grade)

		Price Range
Hens	Ice Packed (12 per Box)	80.0 - 86.0
	Vacuum Packed (6-9 per Box)	85.0 - 90.0

Midwest region = IL, IN, MI, MO, OH, and WI

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF U.S. BROILER/FRYERS AND FOWL

Under Federal Inspection for Week Ending 27-Apr-13

Class	CW: 04/27/13(1)	PW: 04/20/13
Broiler/fryer	156,152(2)	153,578
Light hens	2,230	1,993
Heavy hens	1,572	1,550
Total	159,954	157,121

(1)Estimated

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 27-Apr-13 is 155.4 million head compared to 154.6 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 156.5 million head or 1.1 million more than estimated available. For the week of 04-May-13 the estimated available is 154.0 million head.

WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING - Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 01-Jun-13 is estimated at 151.0 million head. This compares to 149.9 million head the previous week and to 155.3 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 160.7 million head and the national weighted average price was 86.94 cents per pound.

MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS - MEXICO CITY

Cents per pound for the week ending April 19, 2013

	Whole Chickens	Breasts	Legs W/Thighs	Necks, Backs & Wings	Livers/Gizzards	Hens
RAYON						
Low	121.78	215.35	111.39	48.27	11.14	
High	124.75	222.77	126.24	59.41	14.85	
Mostly	124.01	219.06	118.81	55.69	11.14	

SAN JUAN

Low	120.67	211.63	111.39	48.27	11.14
High	124.01	219.06	122.52	55.69	14.85
Mostly	122.52	215.35	115.10	51.98	11.14

NEW SAN JUAN

Low	122.52	211.63	111.39	51.98	14.85
High	125.49	226.48	126.24	63.12	18.56
Mostly	123.27	222.77	122.52	59.41	16.71

BECERRA

Low	123.27	215.35	111.39	55.69	14.85
High	126.24	230.20	129.95	66.83	18.56
Mostly	123.27	226.48	126.24	63.12	16.71

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS - Selected Centers

(INC. GOV'T STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	Processed Turkeys LBS	Processed other Poultry LBS
AM 04/22/13	157,057	45,999
AM 04/01/13	144,400	52,340
CHG	12657	-6341
PCT CHG	9%	-12%

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT - (in thousands)

	Processed Turkeys			Processed other Poultry		
	04/22/13	04/15/13	04/23/12	04/22/13	04/15/13	04/23/12
Pacific Coast	230	242	236	1,619	1,673	903
Los Angeles	98	104	93	969	1,114	300

BROILER HATCHERY

Week Ending 04/20/13

BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET DOWN SLIGHTLY

Commercial hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 199 million eggs in incubators during the week ending April 20, 2013. This was down slightly from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 84 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

19 Selected States Total (1,000 eggs)	2013	2012	% PY
Eggs Set.....	199,230	200,084	0

Selected States: AL, AR, CA, DE, FL, GA, KY, LA, MD, MO, MS, NC, OK, PA, SC, TX, VA, TN, & WV

Source: USDA NASS

BROILER-TYPE CHICKS PLACED DOWN 1 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 164 million chicks for meat production during the week ending April 20, 2013. Placements were down 1 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2012 through April 20, 2013 for the 19 State total were 2.62 billion, up slightly from the same period a year earlier.

19 Selected States Total (1,000 chicks)	2013	2012	% PY
Chicks Placed.....	164,394	166,522	-01

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER PARTS F.O.B. Dock or Equivalent, Iced-Packed, Prices Shown Are Day of Shipment (Includes Current & Prior Negotiations),

Trucklot and Less Than Trucklot Volume, Cents per Pound.

Apr 23, 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)	285	48.00-52.00	-	50.51
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	223	52.00-54.00	-	53.45
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 23, 2013 -- f.o.b. dock.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE
69.50 - 73.50	71.76

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.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Prices are trending firm for breast cuts, tenders and thighs; steady to firm for other leg items and weak to lower for wings. Trucklot buying activity is moderate to good for mid-week trading. Offering of tenders and breast cuts are well cleared; dark meat items are light to moderate with drums and thighs in the best position; wings are readily available and often discounted where product was in excess. Movement is moderate.

Ice Packed Broiler/Fryer Parts, Delivered to First Receivers In Pool Trucklot and Trucklot Quantities, Cents per Pound

Apr 23, 2013

ITEM	NEGOTIATED	CURRENT TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOLUME /LBS
BREAST - B/S		190	168.81	1,126,080
TENDERLOINS		180	173.10	261,240
BREAST - WITH RIBS	114-115		123.94	45,813
BREAST - LINE RUN	114		116.10	76,637
LEGS	72-73		71.63	139,320
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	51-52		53.04	355,825
DRUMSTICKS	65-66		70.95	128,160
THIGHS	73-74		83.96	51,280
B/S THIGHS	136-137		137.95	122,440
WINGS (WHOLE)	144-145		135.76	370,920
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18		18.00	4,040
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60		55.65	13,370
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	75-80		80.07	16,080

Includes New York City metropolitan area, northern NJ, MA, CT, RI, & PA (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

	Estimated (1,000)		Actual (1,000)		Avg. Wt.		Actual Avg. (1,000) Wt.	
	04/24	04/23	04/22	04/19	04/22	04/19	04/17	04/15
Alabama	3,606	3,813	3,659	3,946	5.81	5.76	3,607	5.57
Arkansas	4,633	4,888	4,870	4,464	5.54	5.36	4,588	5.63
Delmarva	2,081	2,114	2,082	2,165	6.32	6.10	2,065	6.53
KY-LA-TN	2,529	2,459	2,435	2,580	5.31	4.63	2,216	5.19
Mississippi	2,621	2,735	2,878	3,222	6.16	5.72	2,689	6.22
North Carolina	2,845	2,885	2,847	2,850	7.63	7.68	2,795	7.58
Texas	2,338	2,399	2,396	2,438	5.82	5.69	2,148	5.74
Total	20,653	21,293	21,167	21,665	6.03	5.82	20,108	6.02
Mon-Wed	63,309 (A)						61,412 (A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 24-Apr-13 is estimated to be 30,899,000 head up 2.40 percent from a week ago and up 2.06 percent from a year ago. (Last week 30,174,000, last year 30,276,000)

HACKETTSTOWN, NJ - POULTRY AUCTION for 04-23-13

Item	*All Papers Required to Sell All Out of State Poultry			Low	High	Avg	
	Low	High	Avg				
Heavy Fowl lb.	-	-	-	Heavy Fowl ea.	-	7.50	-
Light Fowl lb.	-	-	-	Light Fowl ea.	-	-	-
Mixed Fowl lb.	-	-	-	Mixed Fowl ea.	-	-	-
Bantams lb.	-	-	-	Bantams ea.	6.50	7.50	7.00
Broilers lb.	-	-	-	Broilers ea.	-	-	-
Roasters lb.	-	-	-	Roasters ea.	-	-	-
Fryers lb.	-	-	-	Fryers ea.	-	-	-
Chicks lb.	-	-	-	Chicks ea.	1.00	2.00	1.50
Pullets lb.	-	-	-	Pullets ea.	-	-	-
Bunnies lb.	-	-	-	Bunnies ea.	1.50	4.75	3.38
Roosters lb.	-	1.30	-	Roosters ea.	3.00	7.50	4.06
Geese lb.	-	-	-	Geese ea.	-	-	-
Turkeys lb.	-	-	-	Turkeys ea.	37.50	52.50	45.00
Ducks lb.	-	1.00	-	Ducks ea.	2.00	35.00	17.84
Rabbits lb.	1.00	2.50	1.92	Rabbits ea.	-	-	-
Pigeons lb.	-	-	-	Pigeons ea.	3.50	10.50	5.90
Guinea Fowl lb.	-	-	-	Guinea Fowl ea.	-	-	-
Ducklings lb.	-	-	-	Ducklings ea.	-	-	-
Guinea Keets ea.	-	-	-	Call Ducks ea.	-	-	-
Silkie ea.	-	5.00	-	Goslings ea.	-	-	-
Guinea Pigs ea.	-	7.25	-	Turkey Poult ea.	-	-	-
Chukars ea.	-	7.50	-	Peacocks ea.	-	85.00	-
Partridges ea.	-	-	-	Cockatiels ea.	-	-	-
Doves ea.	-	6.50	-	Pheasants ea.	-	15.50	-
Quail ea.	2.75	18.50	8.92	Ferrets ea.	-	-	-
Chinchilas ea.	-	-	-	Mice ea.	-	-	-
Peafowl ea.	-	-	-	Guinea Fowl Eggs	-	-	-
Quail Eggs ea.	-	-	-	(doz)	-	-	-
Emu ea.	-	-	-	Hampsters ea.	-	-	-
Total Pieces Sold							169