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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Prices for whole broiler/fryer are steady overall. Offerings are light to available, mostly moderate for current trade needs. Retail and food service demand cover the full range, but is noted as mostly moderate approaching the weekend with some dealers continuing to having difficulty securing trucks for transport. 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 mixed, but noted as 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 103.00 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**
778 96.50-106.18

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	207.50	1,527
BREASTS - B/S	195.50	6,289
BREASTS - WHOLE	118.50	1,234
THIGH MEAT - B/S	144.00	1,057
THIGHS	74.50	1,269
DRUMSTICKS	74.50	1,113
LEG QUARTERS	55.00	7,973
WINGS	149.00	3,260

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:	107.73	↑ 0.52	11,071	Apr	107.10
Last Week:	107.21		10,597		43,665
Last Year:	85.07	↑ 22.66	13,840		

Eastern Region

	THIS WEEK					LAST WEEK	
	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Whole Body:	93.00 - 128.00	106.00 - 111.00	109.06	↑ 0.53	5,996	108.53	6,010
WOGS:	97.00 - 127.00	105.00 - 110.00	107.46	↑ 0.33	1,608	107.13	1,542
NEW YORK							
Whole Body:	97.00 - 113.00	106.00 - 110.00	108.07	↑ 0.75	1,578	107.32	1,505

Central Region

	THIS WEEK					LAST WEEK	
	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Whole Body:	90.00 - 113.25	99.00 - 104.00	102.85	↓ 0.41	2,529	103.25	3,141
WOGS:	90.00 - 108.00	99.00 - 103.00	100.93	↓ 0.61	1,874	101.54	2,273
CHICAGO							
Whole Body:	90.00 - 113.25	100.00 - 105.00	103.19	↓ 0.46	1,485	103.66	1,820

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	108.00 - 111.00	109.46	↓ 0.86	2,546	110.32	1,446
WOGS:	100.00 - 115.00	108.00 - 110.00	107.91	↑ 0.03	2,250	107.87	1,260
LOS ANGELES							
Whole Body:	100.00 - 130.00	108.00 - 111.00	109.13	↓ 1.43	2,058	110.56	1,111

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 25, 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)	115	51.00-52.00	-	51.74
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	204	52.00-54.00	-	52.60
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 25, 2013 -- f.o.b. dock.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE
70.50 - 73.00	71.87

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 26, 2013

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG	WEEKLY POUNDS (000)	WEEKLY WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S		TOO FEW TO REPORT			415	175.61
TENDERLOINS	92	177.00-185.00	-	181.13	275	177.21
BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT			294	114.29
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT			300	92.58
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			TFEWR	
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	194	48.00-52.00	-	49.79	989	50.58
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	199	51.00-54.00	-	52.37	1,100	52.83
WINGS (WHOLE)		TOO FEW TO REPORT			130	113.96
WINGS (CUT)		TOO FEW TO REPORT			132	148.77
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			70	56.79
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			75	65.60
B/S THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			85	128.65

Whole Body Index Based on Southern States Parts Trading Apr 26, 2013 -- f.o.b. dock.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
69.00 - 74.50	71.52	71.50

NORTHEAST BROILER PARTS Prices are trending firm to higher for breast cuts and steady to firm for most dark meat items. Wings are weak to lower. Trucklot buying activity is mostly moderate entering the weekend with some dealers continuing to have seasonal trouble securing trucks for transport. Offering of breast items are well cleared; tenders and dark meat cuts are light to moderate with thighs and thigh meat in the better balance. Wings are readily 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 25, 2013

ITEM	WTD TRADING*	VOL AVG**	/LBS.
BREAST - B/S	190-195	170.68	960,560
TENDERLOINS	180	175.75	199,880
BREAST - WITH RIBS	114-115	124.16	39,502
BREAST - LINE RUN	114	116.03	76,170
LEGS	72-73	73.75	95,720
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	51-52	55.34	291,750
DRUMSTICKS	65-66	71.16	124,110
THIGHS	73-74	85.58	45,200
B/S THIGHS	137-138	138.94	99,060
WINGS (WHOLE)	140-141	143.08	291,640
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	18.00	5,160
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60	58.40	9,220
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	75-80	80.02	18,080

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 26, 2013

ITEM	WTD TRADING*	VOL AVG**	/LBS.	WEEKLY WTD AVG	WEEKLY VOL/LBS.
BREAST - B/S	195	172.65	746,760	169.65	4,456,080
TENDERLOINS	180	172.50	365,600	173.38	1,093,120
BREAST - WITH RIBS	115-116	125.57	53,863	125.30	250,650
BREAST - LINE RUN	115	116.78	72,582	115.72	413,984
LEGS	72-73	76.09	94,200	73.93	529,820
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	51-52	53.68	175,080	54.00	1,262,475
DRUMSTICKS	65-66	74.69	55,600	71.99	454,110
THIGHS	73-74	86.30	45,560	85.98	237,060
B/S THIGHS	137-138	138.57	71,640	138.80	429,500
WINGS (WHOLE)	138-139	137.86	300,360	139.24	1,600,560
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	18.00	5,840	18.00	24,360
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60	58.21	7,260	57.34	43,270
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	75-80	79.42	15,600	79.88	77,320

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS

	ESTIMATED (1,000)		ACTUAL (1,000)		AVG WT		ACTUAL (1,000)		AVG WT	
	04/26	04/25	04/24	04/23	04/24	04/23	04/19	04/17	04/19	04/17
Alabama	3,774	3,706	3,602	3,607	5.89	5.73	3,946	5.70		
Arkansas	4,154	4,757	4,599	4,883	5.69	5.54	4,464	5.67		
Delmarva	2,072	2,057	1,994	2,026	6.17	6.21	2,165	6.28		
Ky-LA-TN	2,483	2,473	2,439	2,457	5.57	5.24	2,580	5.03		
Mississippi	2,255	2,769	2,637	2,734	6.04	6.21	3,222	6.16		
North Carolina	2,643	2,823	2,875	2,879	7.54	7.62	2,850	7.64		
Texas	2,331	2,381	2,334	2,424	5.80	5.78	2,438	5.55		
Total	19,712	20,966	20,480	21,010	6.08	6.00	21,665	5.99		
Mon-Friday	103,987 (A)						103,428 (A)			
Saturday	551 (included in total for date shown)						1,961			

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 26-Apr-13 and 27-Apr-13 is estimated to be 29,491,000 head down 9.29 percent from a week ago and down 5.21 percent from a year ago. (Last week 32,511,000, last year 31,112,000)

Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the week ending 27-Apr-13 is estimated to be 155,576,000 head up 1.27 percent from a week ago, and up 1.82 percent from a year ago. (Last week 153,623,000, last year 152,792,000)

Actual data incorporated when available.

NATIONAL FOWL MARKET

LIVE SPENT HEAVY FOWL Prices are trending steady to instances firm. Supplies are sufficient for the moderate demand. Processing schedules normal. Retail feature activity is light to moderate entering the weekend with bulk of interest being in the Southeast and South Central regions. 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 at least sufficient for current needs. Processing schedules are normal. Movement of finished product sales are moving satisfactorily. Market activity is slow to moderate. The majority price for removal costs is unchanged at 0-7 cents per head. Feature activity is moderate to good 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 20-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	43,966	50,798	30,561	28,298	153,623
Avg Live Wgt	3.67	5.45	6.81	8.57	5.79
% of total /1	29%	33%	20%	18%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	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%
Year Ago 2/	40,216	63,191	28,854	22,564	154,825
Avg Live Wgt	3.83	5.41	6.80	8.54	5.72
% of total /1	26%	41%	19%	15%	100%
To date/2013*	626,378	880,538	488,163	433,128	2,428,207
To date/2012*	577,083	1,030,764	434,401	358,998	2,401,246
% Change YTD	9%	-15%	12%	21%	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 20-Apr-13

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
	-----Thousands-----				
Head	153,623	1,720	1,423	3,143	450
Avg Wt	5.79	3.06	7.90	5.25	6.88
Last week	154,212	1,967	1,431	3,398	390
Same wk yr ago	154,825	1,969	1,483	3,452	389
Avg Wt	5.72	3.14	7.92	5.19	6.86
To-date/2013*	2,428,206	25,545	22,052	47,597	6,387
To-date/2012*	2,401,246	25,981	23,460	49,441	6,738
% Change YTD	1%	-2%	-6%	-4%	-5%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	676,003	2,842	7,644	10,486	2,198
Last week	680,939	3,197	7,862	11,059	1,805
Same wk yr ago	668,627	3,246	8,046	11,292	1,935
To-date/2013*	10,734,006	43,577	116,337	159,914	30,808
To-date/2012*	10,331,135	43,509	123,513	167,022	32,640
% Change YTD	4%	0%	-6%	-4%	-6%

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 153.6 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 155.5 million head, or 1.9 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
03/16	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
04/20	155.5	153.6	101%	5.79
Year to date	2456.2	2419.7	102%	
04/27		153.0		
05/04		155.0		

*Based on chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier.

BROILER/CATTLE/HOG WEEKLY ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER

Under Federal Inspection (in thousands)

W/E	04/27/13	04/20/13	% chg	04/28/12	% chg
Broilers	155,576	153,623 ¹	+1.27	152,792 ¹	+1.82
Cattle	625	615	+02	615 ²	0
Hogs	2,148	2,139	0	2,086 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 22, 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.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
ICE PACKED (12/BOX)	90.00-115.25	92.00-112.00
VACUUM PACKED (6-9/BOX)	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 This week, prices are steady. Demand is noted as moderate to fairly good. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is moderate. Processing schedules are full-time to extended. 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 22, 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 24, 2012 Prices Paid Per Lb., Except As Noted

	RANGE	
Muscovy Ducks - Drakes	1.30 - 2.00	lbs.
Goslings	- 4.00	ea.
Pekin Ducks	5.00 - 6.00	ea.
Red Fowl 5-6LBS	.75 - .80	lbs.
Red Fowl 4-5LBS	.45 - .70	lbs.
Crossbred Roosters 7-11LBS	.80 - .90	lbs.
Crossbred Roosters 4-6LBS	1.10 - 1.20	lbs.
Crossbred Fowl 5-9LBS	.85 - 1.20	lbs.
Banty Roosters	4.00 - 4.75	ea.
Banty Hens	3.00 - 3.50	ea.
Guinea Pigs	8.00 - 11.00	ea.
Guinea Fowl	1.40 - 2.20	lbs.
Kid Goats	- 62.00	ea.
Geese 9-14LBS	1.60 - 1.75	lbs.
Pigeons	3.50 - 3.75	ea.
White Pigeons	6.00 - 7.00	ea.
Rabbits 6-9LBS	1.90 - 2.60	lbs.
Rabbits 4-6LBS	1.75 - 2.20	lbs.
Leghorn Hens	- 1.00	ea.
Bunnies	6.00 - 8.00	ea.
Doves	3.00 - 4.00	ea.
Silkie	3.00 - 4.00	ea.
Goats	- 95.00	ea.
Turkeys	11.00 - 16.00	ea.
Call Ducks	4.00 - 10.00	ea.
Chicks	.30 - 1.50	ea.
Parakeets	4.00 - 7.00	ea.
Broilers	.85 - .95	lbs.
Peacocks	- 19.00	ea.
Ducklings	.60 - .80	ea.
Pheasants	12.00 - 25.00	ea.
Parrotlet	- 250.00	ea.
Goose Eggs	.20 - 1.70	ea.
Laying Pullets	6.00 - 6.25	ea.
Fancy Bantams	7.00 - 11.00	ea.
Fancy Pigeons	- 25.00	ea.
Diamond Doves	5.00 - 8.00	ea.
Turkey Poults	2.50 - 4.25	ea.
Muscovy Ducks - Hens	1.45 - 1.90	lbs.
Total Coops Sold	6518	