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## NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Prices for whole broiler/fryer are steady to firm in the East, steady elsewhere. Offerings are light to moderate for current trade needs. Retail and food service demand range moderate to good entering the weekend with some improvement found for Mother's Day. Floor stocks are very light to moderate. Market activity for whole birds is moderate. In the parts structure, movement is light to moderate for late week business. Prices are trending steady to firm for wings, firm to higher for breast items and steady to firm for dark meat and tenders. Offering of breast cuts are in good balance to tight; wings and most dark meat items are light to moderate. Tenders are fully sufficient. Market activity for parts is 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 103.75 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**  
747                              99.93-109.76

103.74

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	210.00	1,491
BREASTS - B/S	214.00	6,253
BREASTS - WHOLE	125.00	1,198
THIGH MEAT - B/S	146.00	1,057
THIGHS	75.00	1,269
DRUMSTICKS	74.50	1,113
LEG QUARTERS	55.00	7,973
WINGS	133.00	3,260

## USDA Weekly National Whole Broiler/Fryer Report (Fri)

	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Monthly Composite Weighted Average	
<b>This Week:</b>	107.49	↑ 0.47	11,115	<b>Wtd Avg</b>	<b>1,000 lbs.</b>
<b>Last Week:</b>	107.02		10,693	<b>Apr</b>	107.10
<b>Last Year:</b>	89.86	↑ 17.63	12,640		43,665

### Eastern Region

	THIS WEEK					LAST WEEK	
	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Whole Body:	97.75 - 129.00	107.00 - 111.00	109.12	↑ 0.26	5,606	108.86	5,758
WOGS:	97.75 - 127.00	106.00 - 111.00	108.58	↑ 0.17	1,394	108.41	1,435
<b>NEW YORK</b>							
Whole Body:	97.75 - 113.00	107.00 - 111.00	108.23	↓ 0.10	1,508	108.33	1,621

### Central Region

	THIS WEEK					LAST WEEK	
	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Whole Body:	96.00 - 113.25	100.00 - 106.00	103.57	↑ 0.79	3,244	102.78	3,100
WOGS:	96.00 - 113.00	99.00 - 104.00	101.93	↑ 0.55	2,376	101.37	2,372
<b>CHICAGO</b>							
Whole Body:	96.00 - 113.25	99.00 - 106.00	103.76	↑ 0.98	1,980	102.79	1,680

### Western Region

	THIS WEEK					LAST WEEK	
	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Whole Body:	96.00 - 130.00	103.00 - 111.00	109.08	↑ 0.66	2,265	108.42	1,836
WOGS:	96.00 - 115.00	103.00 - 110.00	107.32	↓ 0.78	2,036	108.10	1,750
<b>LOS ANGELES</b>							
Whole Body:	96.00 - 130.00	104.00 - 111.00	108.60	↑ 0.93	1,672	107.67	1,307

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.

May 09, 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)	249	48.00-52.00	-	48.86
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	263	51.00-54.00	-	52.25
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		

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Whole Body Index Based on Southern States Parts Trading for May 09, 2013 -- f.o.b. dock.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE
69.00 - 75.00	71.21

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.

May 10, 2013

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG	WEEKLY POUNDS (000)	WEEKLY WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S		TOO FEW TO REPORT			405	191.38
TENDERLOINS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			440	167.87
BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT			195	120.64
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT			265	96.02
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			TFEWR	
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	170	50.00-52.00	-	50.47	1,275	49.16
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	224	51.00-54.00	-	51.88	1,274	52.08
WINGS (WHOLE)		TOO FEW TO REPORT			125	115.00
WINGS (CUT)		TOO FEW TO REPORT			95	131.63
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			85	52.35
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			60	60.75
B/S THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			75	126.40

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Whole Body Index Based on Southern States Parts Trading May 10, 2013 -- f.o.b. dock.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
73.00 - 76.00	74.47	72.39

**NORTHEAST BROILER PARTS** Prices are trending firm to higher for breast cuts; steady to firm for wings and most dark meat items. Tenders are generally steady. Trucklot buying activity improved slightly entering the weekend and is noted as moderate overall. Offering of breast cuts are in good balance to tight; wings and most dark meat items are light to moderate. Tenders are fully sufficient for current needs. Movement is moderate.

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

May 09, 2013

ITEM	WTD TRADING*	VOL AVG**	/LBS.
BREAST - B/S	215	187.96	1,018,480
TENDERLOINS	180	181.76	207,880
BREAST - WITH RIBS	122-123	133.13	67,717
BREAST - LINE RUN	122	124.19	74,347
LEGS	72-73	70.85	88,880
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	51-52	53.59	326,540
DRUMSTICKS	65-66	69.07	112,030
THIGHS	74-75	86.26	51,540
B/S THIGHS	139-140	142.30	116,531
WINGS (WHOLE)	130-131	128.32	307,660
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	18.00	5,000
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60	55.84	14,370
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	75-80	80.91	18,780

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.

May 10, 2013

ITEM	WTD TRADING*	VOL AVG**	/LBS.	WEEKLY WTD AVG	WEEKLY VOL/LBS.
BREAST - B/S	215	190.27	876,160	187.48	4,552,960
TENDERLOINS	180	180.51	233,120	180.77	928,680
BREAST - WITH RIBS	123-124	132.56	57,569	129.85	328,841
BREAST - LINE RUN	123	125.71	75,530	122.77	415,654
LEGS	72-73	71.80	80,560	69.94	668,320
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	51-52	54.52	224,040	53.38	1,412,824
DRUMSTICKS	66-67	66.19	194,653	69.66	645,723
THIGHS	74-75	87.94	62,240	87.23	304,370
B/S THIGHS	139-140	142.46	94,800	141.91	441,251
WINGS (WHOLE)	130-131	129.59	281,480	128.99	1,419,420
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	18.00	2,680	18.00	22,720
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60	57.29	13,500	56.99	53,550
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	75-80	79.11	27,680	79.91	108,900

**ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS**

	ESTIMATED (1,000)		ACTUAL (1,000)		AVG WT		ACTUAL (1,000)		AVG WT	
Alabama	05/10	05/09	05/08	05/07	05/08	05/07	05/03	05/01		
Arkansas	3,554	3,762	3,709	3,648	5.77	5.86	3,482	5.74		
Delmarva	4,195	4,883	4,846	4,688	5.55	5.75	3,834	5.50		
Ky-LA-TN	2,051	2,073	1,982	2,015	6.27	6.23	2,027	6.25		
Mississippi	2,524	2,499	2,475	2,513	5.09	5.25	2,819	5.19		
North Carolina	2,886	2,736	2,844	2,727	6.00	6.27	2,970	6.13		
Texas	2,791	2,878	2,834	2,889	7.59	7.70	2,926	7.59		
Total	2,344	2,429	2,351	2,372	5.79	5.84	2,645	5.78		
Mon-Friday	20,345	21,260	21,041	20,852	5.96	6.10	20,703	5.98		
Saturday	105,097 (A)	503 (included in total for date shown)				1,941				

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.  
Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 10-May-13 and 11-May-13 is estimated to be 30,438,000 head down 2.02 percent from a week ago and down 5.89 percent from a year ago. (Last week 31,067,000, last year 32,343,000)

Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the week ending 11-May-13 is estimated to be 157,237,000 head up 1.04 percent from a week ago, and up 0.90 percent from a year ago. (Last week 155,623,000, last year 155,836,000)  
Actual data incorporated when available.

**NATIONAL FOWL MARKET**

**LIVE SPENT HEAVY FOWL**

Prices are trending steady. Supplies are sufficient for the moderate demand. Processing schedules normal. Retail feature activity is very light entering the weekend with bulk of interest being in the Southeast regions. 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. 10.0-22.0 13.93  
(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 generally steady for the mostly light to moderate demand. Offerings of light type hens are sufficient for current needs. Processing schedules are normal. Movement of finished product sales are moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. The majority price for removal costs is unchanged at 0-7 cents per head.

(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 4-May-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	39,298	55,794	35,682	24,849	155,623
Avg Live Wgt	3.83	5.31	6.74	8.58	5.78
% of total /1	25%	36%	23%	16%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	47,680	52,131	27,851	28,376	156,038
Avg Live Wgt	3.72	5.45	6.79	8.54	5.72
% of total /1	31%	33%	18%	18%	100%
Year Ago 2/	37,082	66,034	26,338	22,261	151,715
Avg Live Wgt	3.86	5.52	6.79	8.60	5.79
% of total /1	24%	44%	17%	15%	100%
To date/2013*	713,356	988,463	551,696	486,353	2,739,868
To date/2012*	649,123	1,160,044	487,174	409,412	2,705,753
% Change YTD	10%	-15%	13%	19%	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 4-May-13

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
	-----Thousands-----				
Head	155,623	1,714	1,417	3,131	413
Avg Wt	5.78	3.17	7.76	5.25	6.81
Last week	156,038	2,061	1,470	3,531	384
Same wk yr ago	151,715	1,870	1,511	3,381	444
Avg Wt	5.79	3.14	8.01	5.32	6.98
To-date/2013*	2,739,867	29,320	24,939	54,259	7,184
To-date/2012*	2,705,753	29,849	26,400	56,249	7,610
% Change YTD	1%	-2%	-6%	-4%	-6%

**Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage**

Current week	683,621	2,934	7,477	10,411	1,997
Last week	678,328	3,628	8,207	11,835	1,857
Same wk yr ago	663,215	3,083	8,291	11,374	2,247
To-date/2013*	12,095,955	50,139	132,021	182,160	34,662
To-date/2012*	11,669,194	50,022	139,654	189,676	37,051
% Change YTD	4%	0%	-5%	-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 155.0 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 157.5 million head, or 2.5 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
03/30	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
04/27	157.9	153.0	103%	5.72
05/04	157.5	155.0	102%	5.78
Year to date	2771.6	2727.7	102%	
05/11		155.0		
05/18		154.8		

\*Based on chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier.

**BROILER/CATTLE/HOG WEEKLY ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER**

Under Federal Inspection (in thousands)

W/E	05/11/13	05/4/13	% chg	05/12/12	% chg
Broilers	157,237	155,623	+1.04	155,836	+0.90
Cattle	631	624	+01	641	-02
Hogs	2,078	2,098	-01	2,089	0

<sup>1</sup> Actual data incorporated when available.

<sup>2</sup> Totals adjusted to reflect USDA, NASS revisions.

**EASTERN REGION MISC. POULTRY**

For delivery the week of May 6, 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 continue steady. Demand is moderate. Supplies are reported as moderate to occasionally light. Processing schedules remain 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 May 6, 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: May 8, 2012 Prices Paid Per Lb., Except As Noted

	RANGE	
Muscovy Ducks - Drakes	1.10 - 1.40	lbs.
Cockatiels	- 23.00	ea.
Pekin Ducks	- 5.00	ea.
Pullets 4-6LBS	- .80	lbs.
Red Fowl 5-6LBS	.90 - 1.20	lbs.
Red Fowl 4-5LBS	.60 - .75	lbs.
Crossbred Roosters 7-11LBS	.90 - .95	lbs.
Crossbred Roosters 4-6LBS	1.05 - 1.15	lbs.
Crossbred Fowl 5-9LBS	.70 - .80	lbs.
Banty Roosters	4.00 - 4.25	ea.
Banty Hens	3.00 - 3.50	ea.
Guinea Pigs	4.00 - 11.00	ea.
Guinea Fowl	1.20 - 1.50	lbs.
Kid Goats	40.00 - 70.00	ea.
Pigeons	4.00 - 4.20	ea.
White Pigeons	5.00 - 5.50	ea.
Rabbits 6-9LBS	1.90 - 2.10	lbs.
Rabbits 4-6LBS	1.80 - 2.20	lbs.
Leghorn Hens	- 3.75	ea.
Bunnies	4.00 - 8.00	ea.
Doves	2.50 - 3.25	ea.
Silkies	- 3.00	ea.
Chicks	.30 - 2.00	ea.
Parakeets	8.00 - 11.00	ea.
Broilers	.80 - .90	lbs.
Peacocks	40.00 - 45.00	ea.
Ducklings	.70 - .90	ea.
Canaries	- 21.00	ea.
Pheasants	6.00 - 7.00	ea.
Sheep	80.00 - 95.00	ea.
Goose Eggs	3.00 - 3.70	ea.
Fancy Bantams	12.00 - 17.00	ea.
Fancy Bantams	10.00 - 16.00	ea.
Diamond Doves	- 12.50	ea.
Turkey Poults	4.00 - 8.00	ea.
Goslings	12.00 - 13.00	ea.
Muscovy Ducks - Hens	1.15 - 1.50	lbs.

Total Coops Sold 4893