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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

Whole broiler/fryer prices are steady to firm in the East and Midwest, firm in the West. Offerings are light to moderate for current trade needs. Retail and food service demand is light to good, mostly moderate to good entering the Memorial Day weekend. Floor stocks are mixed. Market activity is moderate to at time active. In the parts structure, movement is moderate to good as dealers assumed product for the extended holiday weekend. Prices are firm for wings and breast cuts, steady to firm for the balance of items. Offerings of breast cuts and wings are balance to closely cleared; most dark meat items are light to moderate and clearing satisfactorily. Trucks continue to be very limited in availability and high in price. Market activity for parts is mostly moderate. In production areas, live supplies are moderate at mixed but mostly desirable weights.

GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES

The quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is **104.75** cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

PRELIMINARY FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT

LOADS	RANGE	PRELIM. WTD. AVG.
1,008	99.98-110.00	104.92

Confirmed PRELIMINARY weighted average price on ice-packed parts:

ITEM	WTD AVG (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	209.50	1,528
BREASTS - B/S	225.50	6,704
BREASTS - WHOLE	137.00	1,738
THIGH MEAT - B/S	148.50	1,192
THIGHS	75.00	1,269
DRUMSTICKS	75.50	1,293
LEG QUARTERS	55.50	8,513
WINGS	134.50	3,260

This information is supplied by the Georgia Department of Agriculture's Poultry Market News Service.

NATIONAL WHOLE BROILER/FRYER COMPOSITE WEIGHTED AVERAGE			
	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.
This Week:	113.53	↑ 2.42	10,382
Last Week:	111.12		11,697
Last Year:	86.94	↑ 26.59	13,720
Monthly Composite Weighted Average			
Apr	107.10		43,665

NATIONAL WHOLE BROILER/FRYER

EASTERN REGION		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Whole Body:	98.75 - 138.00	111.00 - 117.00	115.39	↑ 2.45	5,575	112.93	5,696
WOGS:	98.75 - 134.00	113.00 - 116.00	115.42	↑ 2.93	1,352	112.49	1,494
NEW YORK		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
Whole Body:	98.75 - 120.00	112.00 - 117.00	114.88	↑ 2.06	1,505	112.82	1,508
CENTRAL REGION		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
Whole Body:	98.00 - 118.25	105.00 - 112.00	109.00	↑ 1.70	3,123	107.30	3,794
WOGS:	98.00 - 117.00	105.00 - 111.00	107.63	↑ 2.22	2,190	105.41	2,766
CHICAGO		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
Whole Body:	102.00 - 118.25	107.00 - 113.00	110.16	↑ 1.62	1,805	108.54	2,360
WESTERN REGION		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
Whole Body:	102.00 - 133.00	111.00 - 117.00	115.80	↑ 2.80	1,684	113.00	2,207
WOGS:	102.00 - 122.00	112.00 - 117.00	113.97	↑ 2.42	1,500	111.54	1,947
LOS ANGELES		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
Whole Body:	102.00 - 133.00	112.00 - 117.00	114.82	↑ 2.48	1,389	112.33	1,706

EXPLANATORY NOTES

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.

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 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)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
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 May 23, 2013 -- f.o.b. dock.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE
73.00 - 79.50	77.30

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 24, 2013

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG	WEEKLY POUNDS (000)	WEEKLY WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S		TOO FEW TO REPORT			645	208.42
TENDERLOINS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			258	179.17
BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT			168	130.67
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT			305	102.23
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			TFEWR	
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	125	50.00-52.00	-	50.96	1,040	50.85
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	215	52.00-54.00	-	53.42	1,127	52.70
WINGS (WHOLE)		TOO FEW TO REPORT			43	125.14
WINGS (CUT)		TOO FEW TO REPORT			73	140.21
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			75	55.20
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			63	62.96
B/S THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			62	133.46

Whole Body Index Based on Southern States Parts Trading May 24, 2013 -- f.o.b. dock.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
73.00 - 79.50	76.98	76.57

NORTHEAST BROILER PARTS Prices are trending firm for wings and bone-in breasts; steady to firm for the balance of items. Trucklot buying activity is moderate to good as dealers assumed product for the extended holiday weekend. Offering of breast cuts and wings are no more than adequate to closely cleared; dark meat items are light to moderate and clearing well. Movement is moderate.

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

May 23, 2013

ITEM	WTD TRADING*	VOL AVG**	/LBS.
BREAST - B/S	225	205.07	933,960
TENDERLOINS	185	184.41	224,040
BREAST - WITH RIBS	131-132	135.64	118,176
BREAST - LINE RUN	131	133.38	72,000
LEGS	72-73	80.48	61,720
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	51-52	53.31	271,340
DRUMSTICKS	66-67	70.40	100,760
THIGHS	74-75	87.96	67,800
B/S THIGHS	145-146	145.27	96,360
WINGS (WHOLE)	138-139	137.04	350,200
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	18.00	7,280
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60	56.24	9,300
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	75-80	79.09	16,720

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 24, 2013

ITEM	WTD TRADING*	VOL AVG**	/LBS.	WEEKLY WTD AVG	WEEKLY VOL/LBS.
BREAST - B/S	225	202.61	782,320	203.55	4,022,160
TENDERLOINS	185	184.31	227,400	184.07	944,680
BREAST - WITH RIBS	131-132	142.63	49,416	139.32	372,112
BREAST - LINE RUN	131	134.08	81,437	132.94	427,884
LEGS	72-73	82.03	49,440	77.70	390,760
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	51-52	53.14	236,040	53.19	1,362,300
DRUMSTICKS	66-67	74.58	59,280	70.31	489,704
THIGHS	74-75	89.40	50,960	88.11	278,040
B/S THIGHS	145-146	146.12	64,440	145.77	409,120
WINGS (WHOLE)	138-139	139.82	254,280	138.12	1,483,480
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	18.00	5,400	18.00	25,820
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60	56.92	10,920	57.00	46,140
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	75-80	78.89	27,520	79.70	100,080

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS

	ESTIMATED (1,000)		ACTUAL (1,000)		AVG WT		ACTUAL (1,000)		AVG WT	
	05/24	05/23	05/22	05/21	05/22	05/21	05/17	05/15		
Alabama	3,437	3,712	3,649	3,545	5.73	5.78	4,147	5.84		
Arkansas	4,054	4,545	4,857	4,544	5.47	5.71	3,852	5.58		
Delmarva	2,948	2,062	2,037	1,947	6.21	6.26	2,303	6.11		
Ky-LA-TN	2,623	2,471	2,470	2,435	5.02	5.15	2,940	5.21		
Mississippi	2,870	2,656	2,583	2,842	6.13	6.11	2,699	6.18		
North Carolina	4,050	2,894	2,892	2,871	7.50	7.62	2,926	7.66		
Texas	2,598	2,412	2,345	2,410	5.57	5.75	2,678	5.86		
Total	22,580	20,752	20,833	20,594	5.91	6.03	21,545	6.02		
Mon-Friday	106,893 (A)						104,436 (A)			
Saturday	2,722 (included in total for date shown)						2,052			

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 24-May-13 and 25-May-13 is estimated to be 33,833,000 head up 4.49 percent from a week ago and down 2.76 percent from a year ago. (Last week 32,379,000, last year 34,792,000)

Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the week ending 25-May-13 is estimated to be 160,164,000 head up 2.05 percent from a week ago, and up 0.89 percent from a year ago. (Last week 156,952,000, last year 158,757,000) Actual data incorporated when available.

NATIONAL FOWL MARKET

LIVE SPENT HEAVY FOWL

Prices continue to trend steady. Supplies are sufficient for the light to moderate demand. Processing schedules normal. Retail feature activity is moderate entering the holiday weekend with bulk of interest being in the Northeast and Southeast 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. 10.0-22.0 13.92
(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 generally light to fair demand. Offerings of light type hens are at least 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 18-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	40,896	54,469	28,979	32,608	156,952
Avg Live Wgt	3.75	5.42	6.58	8.57	5.85
% of total /1	26%	35%	18%	21%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	39,746	58,711	27,255	31,066	156,778
Avg Live Wgt	3.82	5.43	6.73	8.58	5.87
% of total /1	25%	37%	17%	20%	100%
Year Ago 2/	35,986	68,501	28,243	25,257	157,987
Avg Live Wgt	3.54	5.32	6.84	8.49	5.69
% of total /1	23%	43%	18%	16%	100%
To date/2013*	793,998	1,101,643	607,930	550,027	3,053,598
To date/2012*	721,758	1,295,205	541,419	461,194	3,019,576
% Change YTD	10%	-15%	12%	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 18-May-13

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
	Thousands				
Head	156,952	1,735	1,473	3,208	430
Avg Wt	5.85	3.23	7.74	5.30	6.88
Last week	156,778	1,838	1,594	3,432	460
Same wk yr ago	157,987	1,705	1,674	3,379	421
Avg Wt	5.69	3.17	7.61	5.37	6.68
To-date/2013*	3,053,597	32,893	28,006	60,899	8,074
To-date/2012*	3,019,576	33,579	29,672	63,251	8,421
% Change YTD	1%	-2%	-6%	-4%	-4%
Ready-to-Cook Weightand Dressing Percentage					
Current week	697,809	3,026	7,753	10,779	2,100
Last week	699,418	3,126	8,639	11,765	2,231
Same wk yr ago	678,704	2,838	8,726	11,564	2,039
To-date/2013*	13,493,182	56,291	148,413	204,704	38,993
To-date/2012*	13,029,127	56,166	156,699	212,865	41,041
% Change YTD	4%	0%	-5%	-4%	-5%

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 154.8 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 158.9 million head, or 4.1 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
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
05/11	158.7	155.0	102%	5.87
05/18	158.9	154.8	103%	5.85
Year to date	3089.2	3037.5	102%	
05/25		154.6		
06/01		155.3		

*Based on chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier.

BROILER/CATTLE/HOG WEEKLY ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER

Under Federal Inspection (in thousands)

W/E	05/25/13	05/18/13	% chg	05/26/12	% chg
Broilers	160,164	156,952 ¹	+ 2.05	158,757 ¹	+ 0.89
Cattle	648	652	-01	640 ²	+01
Hogs	2,054	2,030	+01	2,070 ²	-01

¹ Actual data incorporated when available.

² Totals adjusted to reflect USDA, NASS revisions.

EASTERN REGION MISC. POULTRY For delivery the week of May 20, 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)	90.00-116.00	94.00-114.00
VACUUM PACKED (6-9/BOX)	93.00-118.00	96.00-115.00

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&VV

CENTRAL REGION DUCKLINGS Prices are steady to higher for whole body ducks and bone-in legs with the balance of parts pricing unchanged. Supplies are generally moderate on light to moderate demand. Processing schedules are full-time to extended in preparation for the upcoming Memorial Day weekend. Prices paid, first receivers for 10-18 oz. boneless breast at \$5.52-8.80, bone-in legs at \$3.45-3.62, 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 20, 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 21, 2013 Prices Paid Per Lb., Except As Noted

Correction: Apr 02 thru May 14 - Year should read 2013 NOT 2012

	RANGE
Muscovy Ducks - Drakes	1.60 - 2.00 lbs.
Goslings	6.50 - 7.00 ea.
Pekin Ducks	5.00 - 5.25 ea.
Pullets 4-6LBS	- .85 lbs.
Red Fowl 5-6LBS	.65 - 1.00 lbs.
Red Fowl 4-5LBS	.60 - .80 lbs.
Crossbred Roosters 7-11LBS	.80 - .90 lbs.
Crossbred Roosters 4-6LBS	1.30 - 1.40 lbs.
Crossbred Fowl 5-9LBS	.70 - .80 lbs.
Banty Roosters	4.00 - 5.00 ea.
Banty Hens	3.00 - 4.00 ea.
Guinea Pigs	6.00 - 7.50 ea.
Guinea Fowl	1.70 - 2.00 lbs.
Kid Goats	- 50.00 ea.
Geese 9-14LBS	1.05 - 1.20 lbs.
Pigeons	6.50 - 7.50 ea.
White Pigeons	- 8.00 ea.
Chukars	- 4.00 ea.
Rabbits 6-9LBS	1.75 - 1.90 lbs.
Rabbits 4-6LBS	1.75 - 2.00 lbs.
Leghorn Hens	- 1.60 ea.
Bunnies	1.00 - 5.00 ea.
Doves	3.50 - 7.50 ea.
Silkie	- 4.00 ea.
Goats	120.00 - 132.00 ea.
Turkeys	10.00 - 15.00 ea.
Call Ducks	- 8.00 ea.
Guinea Keets	2.40 - 2.60 ea.
Chicks	.30 - 1.10 ea.
Quail	2.00 - 2.25 ea.
Love Birds	- 35.00 ea.
Broilers	.65 - .80 lbs.
Peacocks	52.00 - 56.00 ea.
Ducklings	.60 - 1.00 ea.
Finch	- 8.50 ea.
Pheasants	10.00 - 15.00 ea.
Goose Eggs	1.50 - 2.00 ea.
Fancy Bantams	8.00 - 10.00 ea.
Fancy Pigeons	10.00 - 11.00 ea.
Hamsters	- .50 ea.
Rats	.50 - 1.00 ea.
Turkey Poults	1.00 - 2.50 ea.
Muscovy Ducks - Hens	1.60 - 1.80 lbs.
Total Coops Sold	5567