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## NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Whole broiler/fryer prices are steady overall Offerings are light to moderate for current trade needs. Retail and food service demand is light to moderate closing out the month. Floor stocks are mixed. Market activity is slow to moderate. In the parts structure, movement improved slightly entering the weekend but is still noted as light to moderate overall. Prices are steady to firm for wings, firm to weak for breast cuts and tender, generally steady for the balance of items. Offerings of wings are in good balance. The balance of parts offerings are light to moderate. Market activity for parts is slow to moderate. In production areas, live supplies are moderate at mixed but mostly desirable weights.

### 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 105.00 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	PRELIM. WTD. AVG
821	95.65-110.00	104.95

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	212.00	1,456
BREASTS - B/S	227.00	6,218
BREASTS - WHOLE	134.50	1,162
THIGH MEAT - B/S	148.50	1,057
THIGHS	75.00	1,269
DRUMSTICKS	74.00	1,113
LEG QUARTERS	55.00	7,973
WINGS	136.50	3,260

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

	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Monthly Composite Weighted Average	
<b>This Week:</b>	113.21	↓ 0.33	9,862	<b>Wtd Avg</b>	<b>1,000 lbs.</b>
<b>Last Week:</b>	113.53		10,382	<b>May</b>	110.40
<b>Last Year:</b>	86.49	↑ 26.72	14,240		53,750

### Eastern Region

	THIS WEEK					LAST WEEK	
	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Whole Body:	98.00 - 138.00	110.00 - 117.00	114.89	↓ 0.49	5,418	115.39	5,575
WOGS:	99.00 - 134.00	112.00 - 116.00	114.74	↓ 0.68	1,280	115.42	1,352
<b>NEW YORK</b>							
Whole Body:	99.00 - 120.00	112.00 - 117.00	114.75	↓ 0.13	1,511	114.88	1,505

### Central Region

	THIS WEEK					LAST WEEK	
	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Whole Body:	98.00 - 122.00	105.00 - 113.00	109.43	↑ 0.43	2,820	109.00	3,123
WOGS:	98.00 - 115.00	105.00 - 111.00	107.32	↓ 0.31	1,952	107.63	2,190
<b>CHICAGO</b>							
Whole Body:	98.00 - 122.00	105.00 - 113.00	110.14	↓ 0.01	1,560	110.16	1,805

### Western Region

	THIS WEEK					LAST WEEK	
	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Whole Body:	100.00 - 122.00	114.00 - 117.00	114.13	↓ 1.67	1,624	115.80	1,684
WOGS:	100.00 - 122.00	112.00 - 117.00	113.95	↓ 0.02	1,580	113.97	1,500
<b>LOS ANGELES</b>							
Whole Body:	100.00 - 121.00	112.00 - 117.00	113.35	↓ 1.47	1,364	114.82	1,389

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 30, 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)	195	50.00-52.00	-	50.56
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	224	52.00-54.00	-	52.55
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 30, 2013 -- f.o.b. dock.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE
73.00 - 81.00	77.14

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 31, 2013

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG	WEEKLY POUNDS (000)	WEEKLY WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	160	192.00-213.00	-	199.25	535	201.29
TENDERLOINS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			325	181.11
BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT			85	128.94
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT			221	102.17
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			TFEWR	
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	65	51.00-52.00	-	51.62	680	50.28
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	112	52.00-54.00	-	52.54	668	52.56
WINGS (WHOLE)		TOO FEW TO REPORT			TFEWR	
WINGS (CUT)		TOO FEW TO REPORT			TFEWR	
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			33	56.55
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			57	63.67
B/S THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			47	131.03

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Whole Body Index Based on Southern States Parts Trading May 31, 2013 -- f.o.b. dock.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
73.50 - 79.50	76.26	76.31

**NORTHEAST BROILER PARTS** Prices are trending firm to higher for wings; steady to firm for bone-in breasts and tenders, steady to weak for boneless skinless breast and generally steady for the balance of items. Trucklot buying activity improved slightly entering the weekend but still noted as light to moderate overall. Offering of wings are in good balance and clearing well; bone-in breast and tenders are light to moderate. Other items are at least sufficient for current needs. Movement is slow to moderate.

ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND  
May 30, 2013

ITEM	WTD TRADING*	VOL AVG**	/LBS.
BREAST - B/S	225	202.22	876,960
TENDERLOINS	185	184.55	205,040
BREAST - WITH RIBS	131-132	144.67	68,457
BREAST - LINE RUN	131	133.42	76,929
LEGS	72-73	79.39	58,000
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	51-52	55.18	343,256
DRUMSTICKS	66-67	73.04	69,750
THIGHS	74-75	86.13	55,240
B/S THIGHS	145-146	146.61	101,800
WINGS (WHOLE)	138-139	140.56	323,720
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	18.00	3,920
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60	57.39	8,130
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	75-80	80.05	15,920

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 31, 2013

ITEM	WTD TRADING*	VOL AVG**	/LBS.	WEEKLY WTD AVG	WEEKLY VOL/LBS.
BREAST - B/S	225	203.25	650,600	203.42	2,808,680
TENDERLOINS	185	184.33	226,240	183.34	867,440
BREAST - WITH RIBS	131-132	142.34	71,396	143.69	248,339
BREAST - LINE RUN	131	132.16	117,962	132.29	433,611
LEGS	72-73	75.02	116,960	78.14	282,280
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	51-52	52.89	265,912	53.58	1,042,408
DRUMSTICKS	66-67	69.02	130,960	72.80	359,750
THIGHS	74-75	88.98	45,000	86.67	185,080
B/S THIGHS	145-146	144.71	90,200	145.73	375,880
WINGS (WHOLE)	139-140	143.25	293,120	141.80	1,206,920
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	18.00	4,500	18.00	17,380
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60	57.34	11,520	56.86	33,330
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	75-80	79.23	22,920	79.48	75,200

**ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS**

	ESTIMATED (1,000)	ACTUAL (1,000)	AVG WT	ACTUAL (1,000)	AVG WT
Alabama	05/31 3,887	05/29 3,706	05/28 5.76	05/24 3,665	05/22 5.73
Arkansas	4,324	4,510	5.46	3,864	5.47
Delmarva	2,096	2,088	6.12	2,947	6.21
Ky-LA-TN	3,053	2,538	5.21	2,625	5.02
Mississippi	2,881	2,702	6.30	2,751	6.13
North Carolina	2,944	2,927	7.27	3,888	7.50
Texas	2,400	2,387	5.84	2,232	5.57
Total	21,585	20,858	5.96	21,972	5.91
Mon-Friday	93,805 (A)			105,094 (A)	
Saturday	1,027 (included in total for date shown)			2,433	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 31-May-13 and 01-Jun-13 is estimated to be 32,342,000 head down 2.06 percent from a week ago and down 3.20 percent from a year ago. (Last week 33,021,000, last year 33,413,000)

Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the week ending 01-Jun-13 is estimated to be 140,554,000 head down 11.46 percent from a week ago, and down 1.26 percent from a year ago. (Last week 158,753,000, last year 142,351,000)

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 are less than normal due to the Memorial Day holiday. Retail feature activity is light entering the holiday weekend with bulk of interest being in the Southeast regions. Finished product supplies are mostly moderate. Market activity is moderate.

**Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading: Price Range Wtd Avg**  
Prices in cents per pound. 10.0-22.0 13.89  
(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 fair demand. Offerings of light type hens are fully sufficient for current needs. Processing schedules are less than normal due to the Memorial Day holiday. 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 25-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	47,327	57,347	26,164	27,915	158,753
Avg Live Wgt	3.78	5.52	6.78	8.52	5.74
% of total /1	30%	36%	16%	18%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	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%
Year Ago 2/	38,576	67,544	31,007	21,630	158,757
Avg Live Wgt	3.64	5.39	6.77	8.55	5.66
% of total /1	24%	43%	20%	14%	100%
To date/2013*	841,325	1,158,990	634,094	577,942	3,212,351
To date/2012*	760,334	1,362,749	572,426	482,824	3,178,333
% Change YTD	11%	-15%	11%	20%	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 25-May-13

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
	-----Thousands-----				
Head	158,753	1,586	1,531	3,117	456
Avg Wt	5.74	3.02	7.93	5.43	6.45
Last week	156,952	1,735	1,473	3,208	430
Same wk yr ago	158,757	1,786	1,624	3,410	409
Avg Wt	5.66	3.21	7.53	5.27	6.84
To-date/2013*	3,212,350	34,479	29,537	64,016	8,530
To-date/2012*	3,178,333	35,365	31,296	66,661	8,830
% Change YTD	1%	-3%	-6%	-4%	-3%

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 154.6 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 160.7 million head, or 6.1 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
04/20	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
05/25	160.7	154.6	104%	5.74
Year to date	3249.9	3192.1	102%	
06/01		155.3		
06/08		154.0		

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

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

Under Federal Inspection (in thousands)

W/E	06/1/13	05/25/13	% chg	06/2/12	% chg
Broilers	140,554	158,753	-11.46	142,351 <sup>1</sup>	-1.26
Cattle	594	648	-08	598 <sup>2</sup>	-01
Hogs	1,867	2,054	-09	1,823 <sup>2</sup>	+02

<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 27, 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.

ICE PACKED (12/BOX)	RANGE	MOSTLY
VACUUM PACKED (6-9/BOX)	90.00-116.00	94.00-114.00
	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 for this week. Demand is

light to moderate for the moderate supplies. Processing schedules are reduced in observance of Memorial Day holiday. 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 27, 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 29, 2012 Prices Paid Per Lb., Except As Noted

	RANGE	
Muscovy Ducks - Drakes	-	1.50 lbs.
Cockatiels	10.00 -	16.00 ea.
Pullets 4-6LBS	-	.85 lbs.
Red Fowl 5-6LBS	.95 -	1.10 lbs.
Red Fowl 4-5LBS	.75 -	.90 lbs.
Leghorn Roosters	5.00 -	5.50 ea.
Crossbred Roosters 7-11LBS	.80 -	1.00 lbs.
Crossbred Roosters 4-6LBS	1.30 -	1.50 lbs.
Crossbred Fowl 5-9LBS	.90 -	1.40 lbs.
Banty Roosters	4.00 -	6.00 ea.
Banty Hens	4.00 -	4.50 ea.
Guinea Pigs	4.00 -	8.00 ea.
Guinea Fowl	-	2.00 lbs.
Kid Goats	-	40.00 ea.
Geese 9-14LBS	1.00 -	1.10 lbs.
Pigeons	4.75 -	5.50 ea.
White Pigeons	8.00 -	9.00 ea.
Chukars	-	8.00 ea.
Rabbits 6-9LBS	1.80 -	2.20 lbs.
Rabbits 4-6LBS	1.55 -	2.00 lbs.
Leghorn Hens	5.00 -	8.00 ea.
Bunnies	1.00 -	5.00 ea.
Doves	-	2.50 ea.
Silkies	3.00 -	4.00 ea.
Goats	55.00 -	75.00 ea.
Turkeys	15.00 -	26.00 ea.
Call Ducks	8.00 -	16.00 ea.
Guinea Keets	1.90 -	2.00 ea.
Chicks	.40 -	1.00 ea.
Quail	-	2.50 ea.
Parakeets	3.00 -	11.00 ea.
Broilers	.65 -	.90 lbs.
Ducklings	1.40 -	1.60 ea.
Canaries	-	37.00 ea.
Finch	-	2.25 ea.
Pheasants	8.00 -	20.00 ea.
Goose Eggs	3.00 -	3.25 ea.
Fancy Bantams	7.00 -	10.00 ea.
Fancy Pigeons	25.00 -	27.00 ea.
Diamond Doves	-	5.00 ea.
Turkey Poults	2.00 -	2.75 ea.
Goslings	4.00 -	7.00 ea.
Muscovy Ducks - Hens	-	1.55 lbs.
Total Coops Sold		6598