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## NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

Whole broiler/fryer prices are about steady to steady. Offerings of all sizes are light to moderate for current trade needs. Retail and food service demand is light to moderate entering the weekend with consumers focused on traditional holiday items. Floor stocks are balanced. Market activity is slow to moderate. In the parts structure, movement is mostly light. Prices are trending steady to weak for drumsticks; generally steady for the balance of items. Offerings of breast cuts, wings and tenders are mostly moderate for late week business. Dark meat items are moderate to heavy with drums noted as slightly more available. Market activity for parts is seasonally slow to 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 **104.50** 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.
831	99.80-110.25	104.56

Confirmed PRELIMINARY weighted average price on ice-packed parts:

ITEM	WTD AVG (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
Line Run Tenders	192.00	1,510
Breasts - B/S	194.00	6,222
Breasts - Whole	111.00	1,210
Thigh Meat - B/S	146.50	1,045
Thighs	73.00	1,218
Drumsticks	71.50	1,079
Leg Quarters	51.00	7,909
Wings	124.00	3,211

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.	
<b>This Week:</b>	95.12	↑ 0.32	11,726	
<b>Last Week:</b>	94.80		11,722	
<b>Last Year:</b>	97.90	↓ 2.78	12,029	
Monthly Composite Weighted Average				
<b>Oct</b>	90.02		33,279	

## 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:	83.00 - 119.00	95.00 - 100.00	98.20	↑ 0.36	5,361	97.84	5,322
WOGS:	83.00 - 111.00	95.00 - 99.00	96.42	↓ 0.77	1,290	97.20	1,392
NEW YORK							
Whole Body:	85.00 - 101.00	95.00 - 99.00	96.20	↓ 0.94	1,368	97.13	1,422
CENTRAL REGION		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Whole Body:	78.00 - 107.25	85.00 - 93.00	90.70	↑ 0.75	4,416	89.95	3,896
WOGS:	78.00 - 105.00	85.00 - 92.00	89.68	↑ 1.15	3,561	88.53	3,041
CHICAGO							
Whole Body:	78.00 - 107.25	85.00 - 93.00	90.62	↑ 0.32	2,475	90.30	2,595
WESTERN REGION		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Whole Body:	82.00 - 110.00	95.00 - 98.00	96.70	↑ 0.81	1,949	95.89	2,504
WOGS:	82.00 - 100.00	95.00 - 98.00	95.54	↑ 0.55	1,740	94.99	2,295
LOS ANGELES							
Whole Body:	82.00 - 108.00	95.00 - 98.00	95.82	↑ 0.76	1,634	95.05	2,149

### 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.

Nov 21, 2013

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	190	112.00-135.00	-	126.58
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)	221	35.00-41.00	-	38.15
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	208	40.00-46.00	-	42.29
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 Nov 21, 2013 -- f.o.b. dock.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE
60.50 - 66.50	63.76

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.

Nov 22, 2013

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG	WEEKLY POUNDS (000)	WEEKLY WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	230	112.00-135.00	-	125.61	1,123	127.56
TENDERLOINS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			452	134.98
BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT			200	86.80
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT			225	89.53
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			218	49.07
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	210	35.00-41.00	-	38.14	1,145	38.02
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	192	40.00-46.00	-	42.19	941	42.50
WINGS (WHOLE)		TOO FEW TO REPORT			266	99.25
WINGS (CUT)		TOO FEW TO REPORT			411	116.54
DRUMSTICKS	160	38.00-40.00	-	38.50	471	39.98
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			TFEWR	
B/S THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			194	120.91

Whole Body Index Based on Southern States Parts Trading Nov 22, 2013 -- f.o.b. dock.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
60.50 - 66.50	63.72	63.77

**NORTHEAST BROILER PARTS** Prices are trending weak for drumsticks; generally steady for the balance of items. Trucklot buying activity is light entering the weekend as dealers were content to keep floor stocks in close balance with immediate needs during the holiday period. Offerings of breast cuts, wings and tenders are mostly moderate for current needs; dark meat items are moderate to heavy with drums noted as slightly more available. Movement is seasonally slow.

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

Nov 21, 2013

ITEM	TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL /LBS.
BREAST - B/S	145-150	125.53	984,720
TENDERLOINS	135-140	143.19	167,880
BREAST - WITH RIBS	96-97	111.27	25,179
BREAST - LINE RUN	96	98.51	76,953
LEGS	65-66	57.12	117,140
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	41-42	41.98	466,896
DRUMSTICKS	45-46	52.53	67,690
THIGHS	64-65	74.56	20,480
B/S THIGHS	122-123	129.04	94,560
WINGS (WHOLE)	111-112	114.71	316,480
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	18.00	4,960
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60	55.63	16,920
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	75-80	80.00	29,860

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.

Nov 22, 2013

ITEM	TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL /LBS.	WEEKLY WTD AVG	WEEKLY VOL/LBS.
BREAST - B/S	145-150	126.01	767,280	125.46	4,718,300
TENDERLOINS	135-140	142.11	250,040	141.63	965,920
BREAST - WITH RIBS	96-97	110.34	21,577	112.35	168,104
BREAST - LINE RUN	96	98.08	77,907	98.27	383,452
LEGS	65-66	56.32	209,700	58.20	990,660
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	41-42	41.42	250,985	42.94	1,757,199
DRUMSTICKS	45-46	48.07	90,700	54.30	409,843
THIGHS	64-65	79.07	17,160	77.74	163,260
B/S THIGHS	122-123	125.20	76,760	127.40	421,800
WINGS (WHOLE)	111-112	116.49	223,540	118.19	1,375,180
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	18.00	3,440	18.00	22,500
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60	58.59	8,750	57.06	56,975
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	75-80	80.00	21,680	80.24	129,500

**ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS**

	ESTIMATED (1,000)	ACTUAL (1,000)	AVG WT	ACTUAL (1,000)	AVG WT
	11/22	11/21	11/20	11/19	11/15
Alabama	3,381	3,250	3,630	3,767	5.91
Arkansas	4,143	4,753	4,693	4,811	5.72
Delmarva	2,359	1,813	1,775	1,831	6.35
Ky-LA-TN	2,491	2,457	2,321	2,462	4.86
Mississippi	2,718	2,520	2,591	2,544	6.25
North Carolina	3,239	2,912	2,888	2,623	7.72
Texas	2,203	2,190	1,369	2,224	5.23
Total	20,534	19,895	19,267	20,262	6.05
Mon-Friday	102,670 (A)				6.12
Saturday	916 (included in total for date shown)				1,726

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 22-Nov-13 and 23-Nov-13 is estimated to be 30,767,000 head up 1.02 percent from a week ago and up 23.19 percent from a year ago. (Last week 30,455,000, last year 24,975,000)

Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the week ending 23-Nov-13 is estimated to be 153,837,000 head up 0.23 percent from a week ago, and up 24.21 percent from a year ago. (Last week 153,482,000, last year 123,851,000)

Actual data incorporated when available.

**NATIONAL FOWL MARKET**

**LIVE SPENT HEAVY FOWL** Prices are trending at least steady. Supplies are sufficient for the mostly moderate demand. Processing schedules are normal.. Finished product supplies are moderate. Market activity is moderate. Retail feature activity is very good with the majority of interest being in the Southeast, South Central and Northeast regions.

**Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading: Price Range Wtd Avg**  
 Prices in cents per pound. 10.5-22.0 13.98  
 (Southeast Region broiler breeder hens generally for processing, 7 lbs. and up; under 7 lbs. subject to discount.)  
 Southeast Region = AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN, AND VA.

**LIVE SPENT LIGHT FOWL** Prices are trending steady for the seasonally light to fair demand. Offerings of light type hens are light to moderate for current needs. Processing schedules were reduced slightly. Movement of finished product sales is fair. Market activity is moderate. The majority price for removal costs remained unchanged at 0-7 cents per head. Feature activity was light with the bulk of interest being in the Midwest.

(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 16-Nov-13

(Preliminary)	Thousands				
	(A) 4.25 lbs. & down	(B) 4.26 - 6.25 lbs.	(C) 6.26 - 7.75 lbs.	(D) 7.76 lbs. & up	Total
Head	41,889	48,947	30,156	32,490	153,482
Avg Live Wgt	3.45	5.41	6.72	8.91	5.87
% of total /1	27%	32%	20%	21%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	39,033	44,988	43,006	30,050	157,077
Avg Live Wgt	3.83	5.35	6.73	8.74	6.00
% of total /1	25%	29%	27%	19%	100%
Year Ago 2/	37,417	57,085	30,975	25,629	151,106
Avg Live Wgt	3.83	5.35	6.88	8.55	5.83
% of total /1	25%	38%	20%	17%	100%
To date/2013*	1,908,595	2,506,664	1,395,374	1,297,434	7,108,067
To date/2012*	1,713,387	2,876,801	1,345,998	1,084,534	7,020,721
% Change YTD	11%	-13%	4%	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 16-Nov-13

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
	Thousands				
Head	153,482	1,034	1,503	2,537	393
Avg Wt	5.87	3.30	8.09	6.14	6.99
Last week	157,077	822	1,574	2,396	561
Same wk yr ago	151,106	1,367	1,793	3,160	426
Avg Wt	5.83	3.22	7.94	5.90	6.87
To-date/2013*	7,108,068	67,572	68,466	136,038	19,978
To-date/2012*	7,020,721	67,990	74,025	142,015	18,991
% Change YTD	1%	-1%	-8%	-4%	5%

Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage

Current week	684,714	1,843	8,329	10,172	1,964
Last week	716,271	1,527	8,561	10,088	2,655
Same wk yr ago	665,116	2,377	9,325	11,702	2,093
To-date/2013*	31,386,608	116,727	371,688	488,415	96,223
To-date/2012*	30,414,781	115,403	386,440	501,843	91,483
% Change YTD	3%	1%	-4%	-3%	5%

Dressing %

	76.0%	54.0%	68.5%	71.5%
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(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 155.3 million head, or 0.3 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
10/12	159.9	156.2	102%	5.91
10/19	159.9	157.9	101%	6.04
10/26	160.7	156.7	103%	5.82
11/02	159.9	155.4	103%	5.84
11/09	159.0	156.0	102%	6.00
11/16	155.3	155.0	100%	5.87
Year to date	7193.0	7102.9	101%	
11/23		151.2		
11/30		149.6		

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

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

Under Federal Inspection (in thousands)

W/E	11/23/13	11/16/13	% chg	11/24/12	% chg
Broilers	153,837	153,482 <sup>1</sup>	+0.23	123,851 <sup>1</sup>	+24.21
Cattle	623	599	+04	581 <sup>2</sup>	+07
Hogs	2,345	2,347	0	2,066 <sup>2</sup>	+14

<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 November 18, 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)	77.00-97.25	79.00-89.00
VACUUM PACKED (6-9/BOX)	79.00-99.00	84.00-91.00

**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**

All prices remain steady. Demand is reported as good with the approach of the Thanksgiving holiday. Supplies are light to moderate. Processing schedules are full-time to extended. Market activity is active. Prices paid, first receivers for 10-18 oz. boneless breast at \$5.52-8.80, bone-in legs at \$3.45-4.00, gizzards at \$1.20-1.80, wings at \$.80-.95, livers at \$1.25-2.05, and feet \$.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 November 18, 2013

ORIGIN	FROZEN	FRESH
MIDWEST & OTHERS	184-219	189-224

**GRAYSTONE SMALL ANIMAL AUCTION**

\*\*\*All Papers Required To Sell All Out Of State Poultry\*\*\*

Date of Auction: November 19, 2013 Prices Paid Per Lb., Except As Noted

	RANGE	
Muscovy Ducks - Drakes	1.40 -	1.60 lbs.
Fancy Pigeons	-	16.00 ea.
Red Fowl 4-5LBS	.35 -	.40 lbs.
Leghorn Roosters	-	5.00 ea.
Crossbred Roosters 7-11LBS	.90 -	1.00 lbs.
Crossbred Roosters 4-6LBS	1.20 -	1.50 lbs.
Crossbred Fowl 5-9LBS	.45 -	.60 lbs.
Banty Roosters	3.00 -	3.50 ea.
Banty Hens	1.00 -	2.00 ea.
Guinea Pigs	7.00 -	10.50 ea.
Guinea Fowl	1.70 -	1.90 lbs.
Kid Goats	60.00 -	75.00 ea.
Geese 9-14LBS	1.00 -	1.10 lbs.
Pigeons	2.75 -	3.25 ea.
White Pigeons	-	4.00 ea.
Chukars	2.00 -	2.25 ea.
Rabbits 6-9LBS	1.90 -	2.10 lbs.
Rabbits 4-6LBS	1.90 -	2.60 lbs.
Leghorn Hens	-	2.00 ea.
Bunnies	2.00 -	4.00 ea.
Doves	2.50 -	3.50 ea.
Silkie	3.00 -	3.55 ea.
Goats	125.00 -	150.00 ea.
Turkeys	20.00 -	35.00 ea.
Quail	1.50 -	2.50 ea.
Love Birds	-	16.00 ea.
Parakeets	3.00 -	5.00 ea.
Broilers	-	.80 lbs.
Peacocks	-	30.00 ea.
Canaries	8.00 -	14.00 ea.
Pheasants	6.00 -	8.50 ea.
Goose Eggs	4.50 -	5.00 ea.
Laying Pullets	3.00 -	4.00 ea.
Fancy Bantams	-	6.00 ea.
Muscovy Ducks - Hens	1.45 -	1.60 lbs.

Total Coops Sold 3472