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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

Whole broiler/fryer prices are steady in all areas. Offerings of all sizes are light to moderate. Retail and food service demand is light to moderate, best for features and deli items. Floor stocks are mixed, sometimes light due to inclement weather that stretched across many states over the weekend resulting in plant closures and hazardous driving conditions. Market activity is slow to moderate. In the parts structure, movement is light to moderate following the weekend. Prices are steady to firm for tenders, at least steady for wings, steady to weak on bone in breasts and most dark meat items. Supplies of tenders are light and moving, and all other parts are moderate to heavy. Market activity for parts is slow to moderate. In production areas, live supplies are moderate at mixed, but mostly desirable weights.

The National Composite Weighted Average for 12/06/13 is 95.02 compared to 94.44 a week earlier, and 96.17 a year ago.

GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES

The quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is **104.25** cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

LOADS	RANGE	MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT
999	92.00-110.30	103.70

Confirmed FINAL weighted average price on ice-packed parts:

ITEM	WTD AVG (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	187.50	1,758
BREASTS - B/S	185.00	7,683
BREASTS - WHOLE	107.00	1,743
THIGH MEAT - B/S	140.50	1,251
THIGHS	73.00	1,327
DRUMSTICKS	71.00	1,347
LEG QUARTERS	50.50	9,379
WINGS	123.50	3,483

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:	95.02	↑ 0.58	11,470
Last Week:	94.44		10,905
Last Year:	96.17	↓ 1.15	13,441
Monthly Composite Weighted Average			
Nov	93.72		46,011

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:	80.00 - 121.00	93.00 - 102.00	98.56	↑ 0.33	5,362	98.24	5,242
WOGS:	87.00 - 117.00	94.00 - 99.00	97.23	↑ 0.56	1,367	96.67	1,241
NEW YORK		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
Whole Body:	89.00 - 101.00	95.00 - 99.00	96.75	↓ 0.01	1,365	96.76	1,352
CENTRAL REGION		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
Whole Body:	81.00 - 107.25	85.00 - 92.00	90.45	↑ 1.39	3,632	89.06	4,032
WOGS:	81.00 - 105.00	85.00 - 92.00	88.62	↑ 1.08	2,717	87.54	3,197
CHICAGO		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
Whole Body:	81.00 - 107.25	83.00 - 93.00	91.05	↑ 1.09	2,235	89.95	2,355
WESTERN REGION		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
Whole Body:	78.00 - 110.00	90.00 - 97.00	94.04	↓ 1.50	2,476	95.55	1,631
WOGS:	78.00 - 100.00	90.00 - 96.00	92.88	↓ 1.04	2,265	93.92	1,420
LOS ANGELES		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
Whole Body:	78.00 - 108.00	90.00 - 95.00	92.65	↓ 1.38	1,841	94.03	1,276

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.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Prices are trending steady to instances firm for tenders; weak for bone-in breasts, legs and leg quarters and generally steady for the balance of items. Trucklot buying activity was light to moderate as dealers cautiously assess market conditions as inclement winter weather moved into parts of the area over the weekend. Offerings of tenders are light to moderate and clearing satisfactorily; bone-in breast, legs and leg quarters are available and slow to clear; wings are moderate to heavy with the smaller wings in the better balance. Movement is slow to moderate.

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

ITEM	CURRENT NEGOTIATED TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOLUME /LBS.
BREAST - B/S	145-150	124.38	942,660
TENDERLOINS	135-140	138.71	137,120
BREAST - WITH RIBS	92-93	109.63	49,515
BREAST - LINE RUN	92	93.78	74,904
LEGS	64-65	59.03	137,060
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	40-41	42.51	295,900
DRUMSTICKS	45-46	54.40	53,620
THIGHS	64-65	79.94	42,820
B/S THIGHS	122-123	130.87	52,080
WINGS (WHOLE)	111-112	118.29	277,500
BACKS & NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	18.00	3,080
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60	57.50	8,100
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	75-80	80.59	1,700

INCLUDES NEW YORK CITY METROPOLITAN AREA, NORTHERN NEW JERSEY, MASSACHUSETTS, CONNECTICUT, RHODE ISLAND, AND PENNSYLVANIA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG).

* TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

** WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER/FRYERS

	Estimate (1,000)	Actual (1,000)	Avg Wts	Actual (1,000)	Avg Wts
	9-Dec	5-Dec	5-Dec	2-Dec	28-Nov
Alabama	3,854	3,738	5.72	3,746	(A)
Arkansas	4,766	4,237	5.64	4,698	(A)
Delmarva	2,136	2,128	6.34	2,085	(A)
Ky-LA-TN	2,425	2,487	4.95	2,506	(A)
Mississippi	2,711	2,442	5.85	2,713	(A)
North Carolina	2,916	2,813	7.76	2,779	(A)
Texas	2,451	2,280	5.85	2,347	(A)
Total	21,259	20,125	5.99	20,874	(A)
Mon	21,259	(B)		20,874	(B)

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations

(B) Weekly cumulative for states listed above. Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 09-Dec-13 is estimated to be 31,854,000 up 1.54 percent from a week ago and up 4.2 percent from a year ago. (last week 31,371,000 last year 30,578,000)

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER 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.

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	346	112.00-135.00	-	119.88
TENDERLOINS	133	131.00-174.00	-	142.32
BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	296	34.00-42.00	-	36.70
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	250	40.00-46.00	-	41.66
WINGS (WHOLE)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
WINGS (CUT)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
DRUMSTICKS	222	37.00-40.00	-	38.48
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
B/S THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS TRADING FOR DEC 9, 2013 -- F.O.B. DOCK

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
61.50 - 67.50	63.33	63.39

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.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER PARTS

ICE-PACKED POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES DELIVERED TO: IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, & WI WEEK OF 09-DEC-13 TO 13-DEC-13, CENTS PER POUND

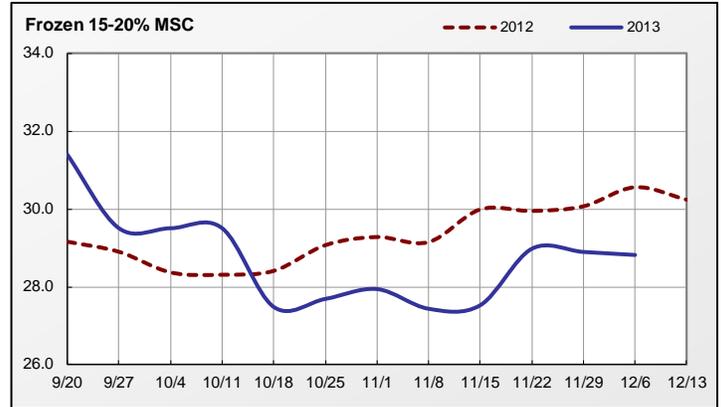
	Price Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	115.00 - 150.00	118.00 - 123.00
TENDERLOINS	138.00 - 150.00	138.00 - 143.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	78.00 - 118.00	91.00 - 102.00
LEGS	59.00 - 66.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	38.00 - 56.00	40.00 - 44.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	43.00 - 51.00	43.00 - 46.00
DRUMSTICKS	41.00 - 52.00	-
THIGHS	62.00 - 73.00	-
B/S THIGHS	93.00 - 132.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	81.00 - 126.00	-
BACKS & NECKS (STRIPPED)	17.00 - 45.00	-
LIVERS	32.00 - 49.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40.00 - 61.00	-

NATIONAL MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN (F.O.B. Shipper Dock or equivalent; negotiated prices in trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes reported in thousand pound quantities, cents/pound; delivery within 2 weeks.)

Prices of MSC are trending mostly steady to weak on all fat contents. Domestic and export demand is light to moderate. Supplies are moderate to heavy. Schedules are back to normal following the Thanksgiving holiday. This week spot MSC and frames are slightly less available than the weeks leading into Thanksgiving and there has been a slight and relative bump in demand as some buyers begin to build a little bit of inventory ahead of the upcoming holiday season. Finished product sales are average for the time of year. Industry maintains a close eye on the spot marketplace as many continue to finalize contracts for 2014 at price levels under those in 2013. Market activity is slow to moderate. Supplies of raw materials are moderate to heavy. Frame prices are steady to weak with trading levels between 10-12 cents FOB.

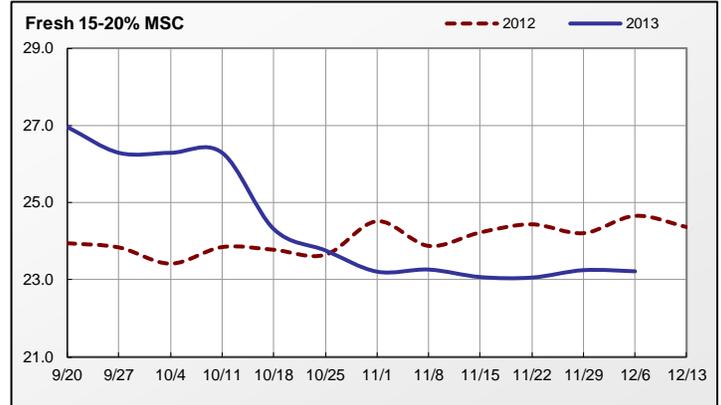
Weekly MSC Weighted Average Prices (cents/pound) and Volumes (1,000 pounds)

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	6-Dec-13	Last Week	Last Year	6-Dec-13	Last Week	Last Year
15% or Less						
Price Range	-	-	-	27.00 - 28.00	27.00 - 28.00	24.00-26.00
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	27.67	27.50	25.09
Volume Traded	-	-	-	122	163	224
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-20%						
Price Range	27.00 - 32.00	27.00 - 31.00	28.00-33.00	20.00 - 26.00	19.00 - 26.00	21.50-27.00
Wtd Avg Price	28.82	28.90	29.95	23.22	23.25	24.44
Volume Traded	1,782	1,227	1,490	3,070	2,434	3,427
Volume Exported	1,622	1,147	1,370	612	530	449
20% or More						
Price Range	-	-	-	22.00	22.00	22.50
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	22.00	22.00	22.50
Volume Traded	-	-	-	82	41	82
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-



Monthly MSC Weighted Average Prices (cents/pound) and Volumes (1,000 pounds)

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	Nov 2013	Oct 2013	Nov 2012	Nov 2013	Oct 2013	Nov 2012
15% or Less						
Wtd Avg Price	32.50	33.00	30.00	27.53	28.17	25.04
Volume Traded	80	40	40	734	245	938
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-20%						
Wtd Avg Price	28.01	27.60	29.74	23.17	24.01	24.24
Volume Traded	10,769	5,090	8,995	14,982	6,294	20,460
Volume Exported	9,449	4,730	7,875	2,489	1,142	2,447
20% or More						
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	22.00	22.00	22.10
Volume Traded	-	-	-	286	82	408
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-



Note: Volume exported refers to that portion of the total volume that is destined for export markets.

Source: USDA AMS Livestock, Poultry & Grain Market News (www.ams.usda.gov/lpsmarketnewspage)