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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

Whole broiler/fryer prices are firm to higher in the East, steady to firm in the Midwest and steady in the West. Offerings are light to moderate and clearing well for current trade needs. Retail and food service demand is moderate to good entering the week as inclement weather conditions moves back into most of the Northeast. Market activity is slow to active, mostly moderate to active. In the parts structure, movement is moderate following the weekend. Prices are trending steady to higher for boneless skinless breast and tenders; steady for the balance of items. Offerings of boneless skinless breast and tenders are in close balance and clearing well; wings and bone-in breast are moderate to heavy and the balance of items are sufficient for current needs. Market activity for parts is slow to mostly moderate. In production areas live supplies are moderate. Weights are mixed but mostly desirable.

The National Composite Weighted Average for 02/28/14 is 94.40 compared to 91.62 a week earlier, and 104.52 a year ago.

NATIONAL WHOLE BROILER/FRYER - COMPOSITE WEIGHTED AVERAGE				
	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	
This Week:	94.40	↑ 2.78	11,780	
Last Week:	91.62		12,671	
Last Year:	104.52	↓ 10.12	10,928	
Monthly Composite Weighted Average				
Feb	92.45		46,764	

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.

LOADS	RANGE	MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT
998	91.65-108.21	104.08

Confirmed FINAL weighted average price on ice-packed parts:

ITEM	WTD AVG (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	189.50	1,732
BREASTS - B/S	189.00	7,497
BREASTS - WHOLE	103.00	1,807
THIGH MEAT - B/S	142.50	1,251
THIGHS	74.00	1,328
DRUMSTICKS	72.50	1,347
LEG QUARTERS	50.50	9,379
WINGS	129.00	3,483

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

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 - 117.00	93.00 - 99.00	96.48	↑ 2.17	5,642	94.31	5,664
WOGS:	82.00 - 112.00	94.00 - 98.00	95.57	↑ 2.85	1,406	92.72	1,360
NEW YORK							
Whole Body:	89.00 - 99.00	94.00 - 98.00	95.64	↑ 3.24	1,473	92.39	1,370
CENTRAL REGION		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Whole Body:	81.50 - 106.25	85.00 - 94.00	90.88	↑ 3.76	4,030	87.13	4,536
WOGS:	81.50 - 105.00	85.00 - 91.00	89.53	↑ 4.59	3,235	84.94	3,441
CHICAGO							
Whole Body:	82.50 - 106.25	85.00 - 95.00	91.68	↑ 3.37	2,195	88.31	2,675
WESTERN REGION		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Whole Body:	84.00 - 114.00	91.00 - 99.00	95.55	↑ 1.85	2,109	93.70	2,471
WOGS:	84.00 - 103.00	91.00 - 95.00	94.02	↑ 1.82	1,860	92.20	2,220
LOS ANGELES							
Whole Body:	84.00 - 114.00	91.00 - 95.00	94.57	↑ 1.88	1,754	92.69	2,116

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 firm to higher for boneless skinless breast and tenders; steady at best for bone-in breast and generally steady for the balance of items. Trucklot buying activity is moderate entering the week as inclement weather conditions moves into most of the area causing some disruptions in production schedules. Offerings of tenders and boneless skinless breast are in close balance and clearing well; wings and bone-in breast are moderate to heavy and the balance of items are 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

ITEM	NEGOTIATED	CURRENT TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOLUME /LBS.
BREAST - B/S		150-155	127.98	794,520
TENDERLOINS		155	150.28	126,320
BREAST - WITH RIBS		82-83	99.85	54,185
BREAST - LINE RUN		82	82.25	72,000
LEGS		64-65	58.54	133,840
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)		40-41	41.77	248,080
DRUMSTICKS		46-47	52.36	115,685
THIGHS		65-66	73.79	89,800
B/S THIGHS		119-120	124.96	63,320
WINGS (WHOLE)		123-124	124.71	260,680
BACKS & NECKS (STRIPPED)		16-18	18.00	5,600
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)		55-60	54.88	9,510
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)		75-80	79.50	3,360

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
	03/03	02/27	02/27	02/24	02/20
Alabama	3,689	3,600	5.83	3,719	6.01
Arkansas	4,790	4,785	5.72	4,643	5.56
Delmarva	1,916	2,089	6.34	2,043	6.14
Ky-LA-TN	2,535	2,400	5.01	2,438	5.08
Mississippi	2,765	2,754	6.17	2,782	6.07
North Carolina	2,853	2,858	7.83	2,832	7.90
Texas	2,325	2,249	6.15	2,185	6.42
Total	20,873	20,735	6.12	20,642	6.13
Mon	20,873	(A)		20,642	(A)

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 03-Mar-14 is estimated to be 31,228,000 up 0.82 percent from a week ago and down 0.3 percent from a year ago. (last week 30,975,000 last year 31,309,000)

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	334	114.00-137.00	117-119	117.46
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)	229	37.00-41.00	39-40	39.93
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	259	42.00-46.00	43-44	43.37
WINGS (WHOLE)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
WINGS (CUT)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
DRUMSTICKS	112	40.00-46.00	40-43	41.36
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
B/S THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS TRADING FOR MAR 3, 2014 -- F.O.B. DOCK

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
58.50 - 64.50	61.97	61.47

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 03-MAR-14 TO 07-MAR-14, CENTS PER POUND

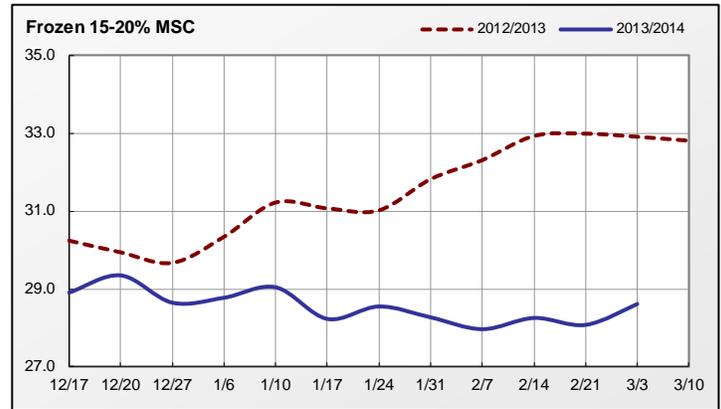
	Price Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	119.00 - 137.00	125.00 - 130.00
TENDERLOINS	143.00 - 162.00	151.00 - 156.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	68.00 - 110.00	82.00 - 93.00
LEGS	56.00 - 66.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	38.00 - 54.00	40.00 - 44.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	41.00 - 51.00	42.00 - 46.00
DRUMSTICKS	40.00 - 51.00	-
THIGHS	63.00 - 76.00	-
B/S THIGHS	108.00 - 128.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	100.00 - 121.00	-
BACKS & NECKS (STRIPPED)	17.00 - 49.00	-
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.)

MSC prices are trending steady to firm on all fat contents. Domestic and export demand is light to instances good. Supplies are light to moderate. Schedules are normal. Spot MSC is clearing the market with most buyers and sellers are trying to stay out front. Sales of finished goods are average to good for this time of year. Many in industry have noted the increased competition for and the many difficulties associated with acquiring a truck and the resulting increased expense. Market activity is moderate to active. Raw material supplies are moderate to available. Frame prices are steady with trading levels between 10-13.5 cents FOB, mostly 11-12 cents FOB.

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

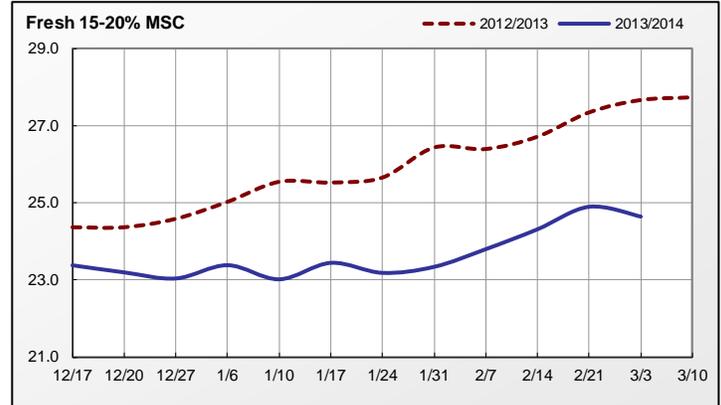
Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	28-Feb-14	Last Week	Last Year	28-Feb-14	Last Week	Last Year
15% or Less						
Price Range	-	-	-	27.00 - 28.00	28.00	26.00-28.00
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	27.80	28.00	27.33
Volume Traded	-	-	-	204	184	184
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-20%						
Price Range	26.50 - 31.00	26.00 - 31.00	31.00-35.00	22.00 - 27.00	23.00 - 27.00	24.00-29.00
Wtd Avg Price	28.61	28.07	32.93	24.65	24.90	26.72
Volume Traded	2,035	1,275	1,617	3,488	3,529	4,488
Volume Exported	1,975	1,155	1,417	653	41	571
20% or More						
Price Range	-	-	-	22.00 - 22.50	22.00	22.00
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	22.17	22.33	22.00
Volume Traded	-	-	-	122	122	82
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-



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

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	Jan 2014	Dec 2013	Jan 2013	Jan 2014	Dec 2013	Jan 2013
15% or Less						
Wtd Avg Price	31.50	32.00	30.00	27.58	27.82	25.13
Volume Traded	80	80	80	775	449	653
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-20%						
Wtd Avg Price	28.53	28.93	30.97	23.27	23.21	25.48
Volume Traded	7,528	6,021	4,923	19,565	11,454	17,411
Volume Exported	6,178	5,541	4,563	3,060	2,856	5,834
20% or More						
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	22.18	22.00	20.00
Volume Traded	-	-	-	449	245	204
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-

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



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