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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

Whole broiler/fryer prices are firm to higher in the East, firm in the Midwest and steady in the West. Offerings are very light and sought after. Retail demand is light to good, mostly moderate to good entering the week. Food service demand is moderate to good. Floor stocks are balanced to short. Market activity is moderate to active. In the parts structure, movement is moderate to good following the weekend. Prices are trending steady to higher for white meat items; at least steady for the balance of items. Offerings of tenders and breast cuts are in good balance and clearing well; wings are noted as light and other items are light to moderate for trade needs. Market activity for parts is moderate to active. In production areas live supplies are moderate. Weights are mixed but mostly desirable.

The National Composite Weighted Average for 03/07/14 is 100.62 compared to 94.80 a week earlier, and 107.82 a year ago.

NATIONAL WHOLE BROILER/FRYER - COMPOSITE WEIGHTED AVERAGE				
	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	
This Week:	100.62	↑ 6.22	11,963	
Last Week:	94.40		11,780	
Last Year:	107.82	↓ 7.20	11,559	
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 **104.75** 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
1001	91.65-110.51	104.61

Confirmed FINAL weighted average price on ice-packed parts:

ITEM	WTD AVG (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	192.00	1,804
BREASTS - B/S	191.50	7,569
BREASTS - WHOLE	104.00	1,879
THIGH MEAT - B/S	147.50	1,251
THIGHS	73.00	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:	84.00 - 123.00	98.00 - 104.00	101.45	↑ 4.97	5,334	96.48	5,642
WOGS:	85.00 - 123.00	99.00 - 103.00	102.26	↑ 6.69	1,340	95.57	1,406
NEW YORK							
Whole Body:	96.00 - 123.00	99.00 - 103.00	101.71	↑ 6.07	1,470	95.64	1,473
CENTRAL REGION		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Whole Body:	88.00 - 112.00	95.00 - 106.00	98.55	↑ 7.67	4,286	90.88	4,030
WOGS:	88.00 - 112.00	94.00 - 106.00	97.66	↑ 8.12	3,391	89.53	3,235
CHICAGO							
Whole Body:	89.00 - 112.00	96.00 - 106.00	99.28	↑ 7.61	2,230	91.68	2,195
WESTERN REGION		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Whole Body:	82.00 - 114.00	98.00 - 105.00	102.53	↑ 6.98	2,343	95.55	2,109
WOGS:	82.00 - 114.00	98.00 - 103.00	101.69	↑ 7.67	2,090	94.02	1,860
LOS ANGELES							
Whole Body:	82.00 - 114.00	98.00 - 105.00	101.98	↑ 7.41	1,673	94.57	1,754

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 breast cuts, tenders and wings; at least steady for the balance of items. Trucklot buying activity is moderate to good as dealers assess market conditions entering the week. Offerings of tenders and breast cuts are in good balance and clearing well; wings are noted as light and other items are light to moderate and clearing satisfactorily. Movement is moderate to active.

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		160-165	137.24	1,666,040
TENDERLOINS		160-165	162.20	350,320
BREAST - WITH RIBS		86-87	101.43	54,841
BREAST - LINE RUN		86	83.00	115,279
LEGS		64-65	58.11	234,800
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)		41-42	42.15	381,320
DRUMSTICKS		46-47	50.45	165,920
THIGHS		65-66	74.02	60,440
B/S THIGHS		119-120	122.40	187,280
WINGS (WHOLE)		128-129	121.78	318,320
BACKS & NECKS (STRIPPED)		16-18	18.00	7,500
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)		55-60	58.09	11,940
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)		75-80	80.17	46,520

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
	03/10	03/06	03/06	03/03	02/27
Alabama	3,774	3,616	5.94	3,368	5.83
Arkansas	4,846	4,707	5.68	1,110	5.72
Delmarva	2,156	2,117	6.34	794	6.34
Ky-LA-TN	2,524	2,489	5.04	1,614	5.01
Mississippi	2,821	2,796	6.15	2,768	6.17
North Carolina	2,714	2,808	7.77	2,596	7.83
Texas	2,382	2,350	6.20	1,870	6.15
Total	21,217	20,883	6.12	14,120	6.12
Mon	21,217	(A)		14,120	(A)

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 10-Mar-14 is estimated to be 31,743,000 up 49.82 percent from a week ago and up 2.4 percent from a year ago. (last week 21,188,000 last year 30,993,000)

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	222	121.00-147.00	128-130	129.18
TENDERLOINS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
BREAST - LINE RUN	153	83.00-88.00	85-87	85.59
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	190	39.00-44.00	40-42	40.95
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	268	43.00-48.00	43-45	43.66
WINGS (WHOLE)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
WINGS (CUT)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
DRUMSTICKS	123	39.00-46.00	40-42	40.95
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
B/S THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS TRADING FOR MAR 10, 2014 -- F.O.B. DOCK

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
61.00 - 67.00	63.98	62.88

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 10-MAR-14 TO 14-MAR-14, CENTS PER POUND

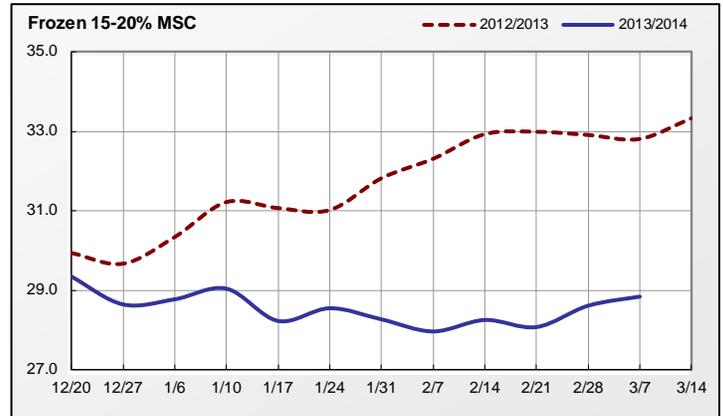
	Price Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	129.00 - 150.00	138.00 - 148.00
TENDERLOINS	159.00 - 172.00	162.00 - 167.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	79.00 - 110.00	83.00 - 89.00
LEGS	59.00 - 66.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	39.00 - 51.00	41.00 - 44.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	43.00 - 50.00	43.00 - 46.00
DRUMSTICKS	40.00 - 53.00	-
THIGHS	63.00 - 76.00	-
B/S THIGHS	109.00 - 128.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	112.00 - 135.00	-
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.)

Prices of MSC are trending steady to instances firm on all fat contents. Domestic and export demand is light to instances good. Supplies are light to moderate. Schedules are normal to reduced for various reasons. The spot marketplace seems to have slowed some going into the Lenten season in contrast to the brisk movement seen the past few weeks; yet despite this trading levels are still within the same price range. There is good interest being noted out front as industry begins to plan future preparations for the summer season. Industry continues to monitor the marketplace and manage enduring trucking challenges. Market activity is moderate. Supplies of raw materials are moderate to available and slow to clear. Frame prices are steady with trading levels 10-13 cents FOB, mostly 11-12 cents FOB.

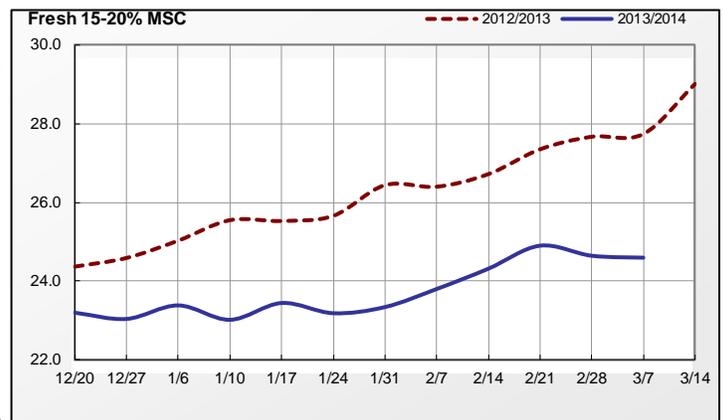
Weekly MSC Weighted Average Prices (cents/pound) and Volumes (1,000 pounds)

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	7-Mar-14	Last Week	Last Year	7-Mar-14	Last Week	Last Year
15% or Less						
Price Range	31.00	-	30.00	27.00 - 28.00	27.00	26.00-28.00
Wtd Avg Price	31.00	-	30.00	27.67	27.80	26.80
Volume Traded	40	-	40	184	204	102
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-20%						
Price Range	27.00 - 31.00	26.50 - 31.00	31.00-35.00	21.50 - 27.00	22.00 - 27.00	24.00-31.00
Wtd Avg Price	28.84	28.61	32.99	24.60	24.65	27.35
Volume Traded	1,080	2,035	1,875	3,774	3,488	3,815
Volume Exported	1,080	1,975	1,675	1,061	653	775
20% or More						
Price Range	-	-	-	22.00 - 22.50	22.00	22.00
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	22.25	22.17	22.00
Volume Traded	-	-	-	163	122	41
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-



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

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	Feb 2014	Jan 2014	Feb 2013	Feb 2014	Jan 2014	Feb 2013
15% or Less						
Wtd Avg Price	-	31.50	30.00	27.79	27.58	26.43
Volume Traded	-	80	40	796	775	714
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-20%						
Wtd Avg Price	28.27	28.53	32.59	24.45	23.27	26.70
Volume Traded	5,540	7,528	5,957	13,345	19,565	17,289
Volume Exported	5,320	6,178	5,357	816	3,060	2,815
20% or More						
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	22.32	22.18	22.00
Volume Traded	-	-	-	449	449	245
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)