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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

Whole broiler/fryer prices are trending steady to firm overall. Offerings are light to moderate for current trade needs. Retail and food service demand is light to good, mostly moderate entering the weekend. Floor stocks are light to moderate with trucking issues still affecting delivery timeliness for some. Market activity is mostly moderate. In the parts structure, movement improved slightly under normal weekend demand but is still noted as moderate to good. Prices are trending steady to higher for tenders, wings and bone-in-breast; steady to firm for dark meat cuts and boneless skinless breast. Offerings of tenders are balanced to tight; wings are light and the other items are light to moderate and clearing well with drums, thighs and bone-in-breast in the better balance. Market activity for parts is moderate to active. In production areas live supplies are light to moderate. Weights are mixed but mostly desirable.

GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES

The quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is **105.50** 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.
873	99.86-110.75	105.62

NATIONAL WHOLE BROILER/FRYER - COMPOSITE WEIGHTED AVERAGE				
	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	
This Week:	109.50	↑ 2.84	11,322	
Last Week:	106.67		12,440	
Last Year:	106.68	↑ 2.82	11,116	
Monthly Composite Weighted Average				
Feb	92.45		46,764	

Confirmed PRELIMINARY weighted average price on ice-packed parts:

ITEM	WTD AVG (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
Line Run Tenders	203.00	1,474
Breasts - B/S	201.00	6,186
Breasts - Whole	108.50	1,174
Thigh Meat - B/S	148.50	1,045
Thighs	73.00	1,219
Drumsticks	73.00	1,079
Leg Quarters	51.50	7,909
Wings	133.50	3,211

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:	96.00 - 131.00	106.00 - 113.00	110.12	↑ 2.23	5,526	107.89	5,752	
WOGS:	99.50 - 131.00	109.00 - 115.00	111.68	↑ 0.16	1,219	111.52	1,761	
NEW YORK		THIS WEEK					LAST WEEK	
Whole Body:	99.50 - 123.00	107.00 - 111.00	109.22	↓ 0.56	1,537	109.79	1,931	
CENTRAL REGION		THIS WEEK					LAST WEEK	
Whole Body:	96.00 - 117.25	103.00 - 109.00	105.79	↑ 1.24	3,501	104.55	4,506	
WOGS:	96.00 - 115.00	103.00 - 108.00	104.79	↑ 0.79	2,751	104.00	3,611	
CHICAGO		THIS WEEK					LAST WEEK	
Whole Body:	96.00 - 117.25	104.00 - 109.00	107.21	↑ 1.93	2,205	105.28	2,630	
WESTERN REGION		THIS WEEK					LAST WEEK	
Whole Body:	95.00 - 129.00	107.00 - 115.00	113.69	↑ 5.87	2,295	107.82	2,182	
WOGS:	104.00 - 123.00	107.00 - 114.00	113.00	↑ 5.87	2,044	107.13	1,931	
LOS ANGELES		THIS WEEK					LAST WEEK	
Whole Body:	104.00 - 127.00	107.00 - 115.00	114.25	↑ 5.77	1,660	108.48	1,512	

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.

Mar 20, 2014

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	295	128.00-181.00	-	146.33
TENDERLOINS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
BREAST - LINE RUN	148	87.00-92.00	88-90	87.95
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	240	39.00-45.00	42-43	42.17
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	190	44.00-49.00	45-46	45.00
WINGS (WHOLE)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
WINGS (CUT)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
DRUMSTICKS	104	41.00-46.00	41-43	42.83
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
B/S THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		

Whole Body Index Based on Southern States Parts Trading for Mar 20, 2014 -- f.o.b. dock.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE
63.00 - 69.50	66.20

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.

POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG	WEEKLY POUNDS (000)	WEEKLY WTD AVG
255	128.00-184.00	-	147.64	1,293	144.56
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			368	168.82
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			737	88.11
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			450	89.41
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			300	55.67
220	39.00-45.00	42-43	42.43	1,193	41.77
200	44.00-49.00	45-46	45.20	1,040	44.67
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			238	112.11
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			439	126.97
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			605	42.12
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			115	57.26
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			304	123.66

Whole Body Index Based on Southern States Parts Trading Mar 21, 2014 -- f.o.b. dock.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
63.00 - 69.50	66.33	65.61

NORTHEAST BROILER PARTS Prices are trending firm to higher for tenders, wings and bone-in breast; steady to firm for dark meat cuts and boneless skinless breast. Trucklot buying activity improved slightly under normal weekend demand but is still noted as moderate to good overall. Offerings of tenders are balanced to tight; wings are light and other items are light to moderate and clearing satisfactorily with drums, thighs and bone-in breast in the better balance. Movement is moderate to active.

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

Mar 20, 2014

ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL /LBS.
BREAST - B/S	175-180	152.69	833,720
TENDERLOINS	180-185	175.42	172,200
BREAST - WITH RIBS	91-92	104.50	43,507
BREAST - LINE RUN	91	94.10	79,321
LEGS	64-65	63.11	146,620
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	43-44	43.96	414,152
DRUMSTICKS	47-48	53.02	70,068
THIGHS	65-66	77.17	33,320
B/S THIGHS	123-124	126.07	111,040
WINGS (WHOLE)	134-135	136.55	286,720
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	18.00	5,520
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60	57.11	17,200
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	75-80	79.83	25,100

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.

ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL /LBS.	WEEKLY WTD AVG	WEEKLY VOL/LBS.
BREAST - B/S	175-180	151.95	955,520	150.33	4,488,300
TENDERLOINS	180-185	175.71	254,400	173.27	971,280
BREAST - WITH RIBS	92-93	102.52	52,305	103.07	264,150
BREAST - LINE RUN	92	90.29	134,026	90.39	518,609
LEGS	64-65	62.80	123,040	62.58	752,520
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	43-44	44.16	219,967	44.33	1,501,901
DRUMSTICKS	48-49	50.72	222,210	52.22	554,158
THIGHS	65-66	78.94	39,200	78.74	210,100
B/S THIGHS	123-124	125.34	119,240	125.36	493,120
WINGS (WHOLE)	135-136	140.83	241,360	137.28	1,372,880
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	18.00	6,700	18.00	28,500
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60	58.22	8,685	57.11	54,140
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	75-80	80.05	18,800	80.04	98,080

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS

	ESTIMATED (1,000)		ACTUAL (1,000)		AVG WT		ACTUAL (1,000)	AVG WT
	03/21	03/20	03/19	03/18	03/19	03/18	03/14	03/12
Alabama	3,634	3,797	3,464	3,660	5.84	5.91	3,710	5.86
Arkansas	4,199	4,775	4,682	4,401	5.66	5.66	3,588	5.66
Delmarva	2,172	2,219	2,037	2,044	6.31	6.26	1,986	6.13
Ky-LA-TN	2,478	2,475	2,214	2,474	5.30	5.12	2,589	4.91
Mississippi	2,833	2,892	2,646	2,780	6.32	6.32	2,665	6.26
North Carolina	2,946	2,912	2,839	2,813	7.71	7.80	3,175	7.77
Texas	2,398	2,349	2,217	1,906	6.17	6.49	2,313	6.12
Total	20,660	21,419	20,099	20,078	6.15	6.17	20,026	6.08
Mon-Friday	104,745 (A)						102,816 (A)	
Saturday	966 (included in total for date shown)						838	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 21-Mar-14 and 22-Mar-14 is estimated to be 30,910,000 head up 2.86 percent from a week ago and down 0.86 percent from a year ago. (Last week 30,051,000, last year 31,179,000)

Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the week ending 22-Mar-14 is estimated to be 153,374,000 head down 0.71 percent from a week ago, and down 0.50 percent from a year ago. (Last week 154,472,000, last year 154,139,000)

Actual data incorporated when available.

NATIONAL FOWL MARKET

LIVE SPENT HEAVY FOWL

Prices are trending at least steady. Supplies are fully sufficient for the light to moderate demand. Processing schedules increased slightly due to some Saturday operations. Finished product supplies are moderate to heavy. Market activity is moderate. Retail feature activity was very light.

Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading: Price Range Wtd Avg

Prices in cents per pound. 11.0- 23.0 14.12
(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 light to moderate demand. Offerings of light type hens are moderate to heavy. Processing schedules increased slightly due to some Saturday operations. Movement of finished product sales is moderate. Market activity is moderate. The majority price for removal costs continues unchanged at 0-7 cents per head. Feature activity is light with best interest being in the Northeast region..

(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 15-Mar-14

	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	42,000	60,615	26,690	25,168	154,473
Avg Live Wgt	3.67	5.37	6.83	8.73	5.71
% of total /1	27%	39%	17%	16%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	42,683	53,773	28,289	25,064	149,809
Avg Live Wgt	3.55	5.25	6.84	8.73	5.65
% of total /1	28%	36%	19%	17%	100%
Year Ago 2/	40,492	52,157	31,657	26,956	151,262
Avg Live Wgt	3.80	5.48	6.83	8.53	5.86
% of total /1	27%	34%	21%	18%	100%
To date/2014*	438,219	582,260	308,940	321,845	1,651,264
To date/2013*	416,642	613,887	336,133	296,627	1,663,289
% Change YTD	5%	-5%	-8%	9%	-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 15-Mar-14

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
	Thousands				
Head	154,472	1,669	1,579	3,248	498
Avg Wt	5.71	3.19	8.12	5.59	6.23
Last week	149,809	1,268	1,344	2,612	377
Same wk yr ago	151,262	1,438	1,333	2,771	414
Avg Wt	5.86	3.25	7.80	5.44	6.46
To-date/2014*	1,651,262	16,688	15,927	32,615	4,940
To-date/2013*	1,663,289	16,535	14,961	31,496	4,265
% Change YTD	-1%	1%	6%	4%	16%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	670,347	2,902	8,847	11,749	2,218
Last week	643,280	2,287	7,428	9,715	1,876
Same wk yr ago	673,660	2,477	6,966	9,443	1,899
To-date/2014*	7,328,214	28,734	88,455	117,189	23,332
To-date/2013*	7,371,100	28,413	77,886	106,299	20,497
% Change YTD	-1%	1%	14%	10%	14%

Dressing % 76.0% 54.5% 69.0% 71.5%

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 154.8 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 156.3 million head, or 1.5 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
2/8	162.0	154.4	105%	5.87
2/15	145.4	156.2	93%	6.03
2/22	161.9	154.2	105%	5.81
3/1	155.4	154.9	100%	5.94
3/8	151.6	154.5	98%	5.65
3/15	156.3	154.8	101%	5.71
Year to date 1671.3	1675.0	100%		
3/22		153.4		
3/29		153.8		

*Based on chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier.

BROILER/CATTLE/HOG WEEKLY ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER

Under Federal Inspection (in thousands)

W/E	03/22/14	03/15/14	% chg	03/23/13	% chg
Broilers	153,374	154,472 ¹	- 0.71	154,139 ¹	- 0.50
Cattle	575	564	+02	604 ²	-05
Hogs	2,042	2,024	+01	2,179 ²	-06

¹ Actual data incorporated when available.

² Totals adjusted to reflect USDA, NASS revisions.

EASTERN REGION MISC. POULTRY

For delivery the week of March 17, 2014

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)	80.00-108.25	84.00-96.00
VACUUM PACKED (6-9/BOX)	84.00-110.00	88.00-99.00

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

Prices are steady with a steady to higher undertone. Demand is moderate to good. Processing schedules are full-time. Market activity is moderate to 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 March 17, 2014

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: March 11, 2014 Prices Paid Per Lb., Except As Noted

	RANGE	
Muscovy Ducks - Drakes	2.80 -	3.20 lbs.
Cockatiels	-	16.00 ea.
Pekin Ducks	9.00 -	9.50 ea.
Red Fowl 5-6LBS	.85 -	1.15 lbs.
Red Fowl 4-5LBS	.65 -	.80 lbs.
Leghorn Roosters	3.00 -	3.50 ea.
Crossbred Roosters 7-11LBS	1.30 -	1.70 lbs.
Crossbred Roosters 4-6LBS	1.80 -	2.20 lbs.
Crossbred Fowl 5-9LBS	.80 -	1.20 lbs.
Banty Roosters	4.75 -	5.25 ea.
Banty Hens	3.00 -	3.50 ea.
Guinea Pigs	5.00 -	11.00 ea.
Guinea Fowl	1.70 -	1.90 lbs.
Geese 9-14LBS	-	1.20 lbs.
Pigeons	4.00 -	4.60 ea.
White Pigeons	6.00 -	7.50 ea.
Rabbits 6-9LBS	2.00 -	2.10 lbs.
Rabbits 4-6LBS	2.10 -	2.80 lbs.
Leghorn Hens	1.20 -	2.00 ea.
Bunnies	8.00 -	16.00 ea.
Silkie	-	3.00 ea.
Goats	200.00 -	230.00 ea.
Turkeys	-	15.00 ea.
Chicks	.15 -	.90 ea.
Quail	1.70 -	1.80 ea.
Broilers	.80 -	.85 lbs.
Ducklings	3.00 -	3.25 ea.
Pheasants	20.00 -	50.00 ea.
Goose Eggs	2.00 -	2.50 ea.
Laying Pullets	-	7.00 ea.
Fancy Bantams	6.00 -	8.00 ea.
Fancy Pigeons	-	7.00 ea.
Muscovy Ducks - Hens	3.10 -	3.80 lbs.

Total Coops Sold 4478