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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

Whole broiler/fryer prices are steady. Offerings of all sizes are light to moderate for trade needs. Retail and food service demand covers the full range, but mostly light to moderate for mid-week trading. Floor stocks are mixed. Market activity is slow to moderate. In the parts structure, prices are steady to higher for breast items and dark meat cuts, steady for wings. Offerings of breast items are balanced to tight, dark meat is light to moderate, and wings are available. Market activity for parts is slow to active, mostly moderate. In production areas, live supplies are moderate at mixed but mostly desirable weights.

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK The quoted price on broilers/fryers for next week's trading advanced .75 cents to **107.00** cents based on full truck load lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 102.50 cents last year on April 10, 2013.

Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted prices on ice-packed parts for next week's trading.

ITEM	DOCK PRICE (CENTS PER POUND)
LINE RUN TENDERS	218.00
BREASTS - B/S	201.00
BREASTS - WHOLE	112.00
THIGH MEAT - B/S	146.50
THIGHS	70.50
DRUMSTICKS	64.50
LEG QUARTERS	53.00
WINGS	137.00

Information supplied by the GA Dept. of Ag's Poultry Market News Service.

NATIONAL FOWL MARKET 04-Apr-2014

Ready-to-Cook

Midwest Region Negotiated Prices to First Receivers

(cents/lb. delivered to first receivers; U.S. Grade A and Plant Grade)

		Price Range
Hens	Ice Packed (12 per Box)	80.0 - 86.0
	Vacuum Packed (6-9 per Box)	85.0 - 90.0

Midwest region = IL, IN, MI, MO, OH, and WI

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF U.S. BROILER/FRYERS AND FOWL

Under Federal Inspection for Week Ending 12-Apr-14

CW: 04/12/14(1) PW: 04/05/14

Class	----- Thousand head -----	
Broiler/fryer	156,422(2)	159,339
Light hens	1,732	1,710
Heavy hens	1,535	1,628
Total	159,689	162,677

(1)Estimated

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 12-Apr-14 is 157.3 million head compared to 155.1 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 156.7 million head or -0.6 million less than estimated available. For the week of 19-Apr-14 the estimated available is 153.6 million head.

MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS - MEXICO CITY

Cents per pound for the week ending April 04, 2014

	Whole Chickens	Breasts	Legs W/Thighs	Necks, Backs & Wings	Livers/Gizzards	Hens
RAYON						
Low	106.31	174.28	97.60	31.37	13.94	87.14
High	109.10	188.22	111.54	45.31	17.43	87.14
Mostly	107.36	181.25	104.57	38.34	13.94	87.14
SAN JUAN						
Low	105.27	170.80	97.60	31.37	13.94	87.14
High	108.05	184.74	108.05	41.83	17.43	87.14
Mostly	106.31	177.77	101.08	38.34	13.94	87.14
NEW SAN JUAN						
Low	107.36	174.28	101.08	34.86	17.43	90.63
High	110.15	195.20	115.03	48.80	20.91	90.63
Mostly	109.10	184.74	108.05	41.83	17.43	90.63
BECERRA						
Low	108.05	174.28	104.57	38.34	17.43	90.63
High	111.19	191.71	118.51	52.28	20.91	90.63
Mostly	110.15	188.22	111.54	45.31	17.43	90.63

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS - Selected Centers

(INC. GOV'T STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	Processed Turkeys		Processed other Poultry	
	LBS		LBS	
AM 04/07/14	144,919			51,959
AM 03/01/14	135,519			50,871
CHG	9400			1088
PCT CHG	7%			2%

Based on the historical relationship of the preliminary U.S. Cold Storage holdings report of February 28, 2014 and the selected centers storage report, the expected U.S. holdings on April 1, 2014 are:

Processed Turkeys	367 MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5%
Processed Other Poultry	687 MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5%

COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS - PACIFIC WITHOUT DENVER

	Proc. Turkeys (000)			Proc. other Poultry (000)		
	04/07/14	03/31/14	04/08/13	04/07/14	03/31/14	04/08/13
Pacific Coast	167	400	277	7416	7883	1740
Los Angeles	12	239	127	1967	2350	1156

WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING - Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 17-May-14 is estimated at 151.8 million head. This compares to 151.3 million head the previous week and to 155.0 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 157.9 million head and the national weighted average price was 107.73 cents per pound.

BROILER HATCHERY

Week Ending 4/5/2014

Broiler-Type Eggs Set in the 19 State Total Up 1 Percent

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 210 million eggs in incubators during the week ending April 5, 2014, up 1 percent from a year ago. Hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 202 million eggs in incubators during the week ending April 5, 2014, up 1 percent from the year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

19 State Total (1,000 eggs)	2014	2013	% PY
Eggs Set.....	202,104	199,360	+01

Selected States: AL, AR, CA, DE, FL, GA, KY, LA, MD, MO, MS, NC, OK, PA, SC, TX, VA, TN, & WV

Source: USDA NASS

Broiler-Type Chicks Placed in the 19 State Total Down Slightly

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 171 million chicks for meat production during the week ending April 5, 2014, down slightly from a year ago. Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 165 million chicks for meat production during the week ending April 5, 2014, up slightly from the year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 29, 2013 through April 5, 2014 for the United States were 2.37 million. Cumulative placements were up slightly from the same period a year earlier.

19 State Total (1,000 chicks)	2014	2013	% PY
Chicks Placed.....	165,144	165,249	0

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER PARTS F.O.B. Dock or Equivalent, Iced-Packed, Prices Shown Are Day of Shipment (Includes Current & Prior Negotiations), Trucklot and Less Than Trucklot Volume, Cents per Pound.

Apr 8, 2014					Apr 9, 2014				
ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG	ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	368	141.00-190.00	-	163.88	BREAST - B/S	385	142.00-192.00	-	164.52
TENDERLOINS	120	168.00-194.00	-	184.92	TENDERLOINS	135	170.00-199.00	-	187.26
BREAST - LINE RUN	158	88.00-102.00	-	95.48	BREAST - LINE RUN	120	88.00-103.00	-	95.83
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT				FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				LEGS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	195	41.00-46.00	44-46	44.28	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	200	41.00-46.00	44-46	44.15
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	260	45.00-51.00	46-48	47.85	LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	254	45.00-51.00	46-48	47.84
WINGS (WHOLE)	TOO FEW TO REPORT				WINGS (WHOLE)	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
WINGS (CUT)	TOO FEW TO REPORT				WINGS (CUT)	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			

Whole Body Index Based on Southern States Parts Trading for Apr 8, 2014 -- f.o.b. dock.

Whole Body Index Based on Southern States Parts Trading for Apr 9, 2014 -- f.o.b. dock.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
66.50 - 71.00	69.12	66.50 - 71.00	69.05	68.96

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.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Prices are trending firm to higher for breast cuts and tenders; steady to firm for dark meat items and generally steady for wings. Trucklot buying activity is moderate to good for mid-week trading. Offerings of tenders and breast cuts are balanced to tight and clearing well; other items are light to moderate with leg quarters, thighs and thigh meat in the best position. Movement is moderate to active.

Ice Packed Broiler/Fryer Parts, Delivered to First Receivers in Pool Trucklot and Trucklot Quantities, Cents per Pound

Apr 8, 2014				Apr 9, 2014					
ITEM	NEGOTIATED	CURRENT TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOLUME /LBS	ITEM	NEGOTIATED	CURRENT TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOLUME /LBS
BREAST - B/S	190-195	190-195	168.72	1,123,560	BREAST - B/S	195	195	165.38	732,640
TENDERLOINS	200-205	200-205	199.86	250,040	TENDERLOINS	205	205	201.59	138,040
BREAST - WITH RIBS	101-102	101-102	111.99	81,848	BREAST - WITH RIBS	101-102	101-102	116.45	39,523
BREAST - LINE RUN	101	101	100.84	125,569	BREAST - LINE RUN	101	101	101.03	117,146
LEGS	66-67	66-67	66.35	216,720	LEGS	66-67	66-67	67.28	142,740
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	45-46	45-46	46.90	410,640	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	45-46	45-46	45.22	276,811
DRUMSTICKS	49-50	49-50	53.66	137,955	DRUMSTICKS	49-50	49-50	52.30	110,593
THIGHS	65-66	65-66	76.41	57,000	THIGHS	65-66	65-66	76.55	31,100
B/S THIGHS	128-129	128-129	130.46	127,640	B/S THIGHS	128-129	128-129	128.57	72,280
WINGS (WHOLE)	138-139	138-139	142.69	270,760	WINGS (WHOLE)	138-139	138-139	139.93	221,000
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	16-18	18.00	8,000	BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	16-18	18.00	5,600
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60	55-60	55.17	16,200	LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60	55-60	57.30	11,320
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	75-80	75-80	79.68	23,120	GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	75-80	75-80	78.31	22,530

Includes New York City metropolitan area, northern NJ, MA, CT, RI, & PA (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

	Estimated		Actual		Avg. Wt.		Actual		Avg. Wt.	
	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	
	04/09	04/08	04/07	04/04	04/07	04/04	04/02	03/31		
Alabama	3,664	3,684	3,441	4,234	5.48	5.42	3,629	5.87		
Arkansas	4,709	4,735	4,665	3,331	5.93	5.27	4,752	5.86		
Delmarva	2,090	2,111	2,157	2,092	6.29	6.17	2,014	6.32		
KY-LA-TN	2,491	2,536	2,474	2,948	5.28	4.98	2,270	5.16		
Mississippi	2,815	2,790	2,765	2,766	6.45	6.32	2,793	6.51		
North Carolina	2,918	2,937	2,824	3,343	7.66	7.61	2,893	7.69		
Texas	2,334	2,312	2,287	2,155	6.25	6.00	2,259	6.17		
Total	21,021	21,105	20,613	20,869	6.16	5.94	20,610	6.18		
Mon-Wed	62,949 (A)						61,942 (A)			

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 09-Apr-14 is estimated to be 31,450,000 head up 1.69 percent from a week ago and up 5.12 percent from a year ago. (Last week 30,927,000, last year 29,918,000)

HACKETTSTOWN, NJ - POULTRY AUCTION for 04-08-14

*AI Papers Required to Sell All Out of State Poultry									
	Low	High	Avg		Low	High	Avg		
Heavy Fowl lb.	0.35	1.80	1.28	Heavy Fowl ea.	1.72	5.00	1.93		
Light Fowl lb.	-	-	-	Light Fowl ea.	-	-	-		
Mixed Fowl lb.	-	-	-	Mixed Fowl ea.	-	-	-		
Bantams lb.	-	-	-	Bantams ea.	3.00	8.00	5.61		
Broilers lb.	-	-	-	Broilers ea.	-	19.00	-		
Roasters lb.	-	-	-	Roasters ea.	-	-	-		
Fryers lb.	-	-	-	Fryers ea.	-	-	-		
Chicks lb.	-	-	-	Chicks ea.	-	2.75	-		
Pullets lb.	-	-	-	Pullets ea.	-	-	-		
Bunnies lb.	-	-	-	Bunnies ea.	8.50	10.50	9.31		
Roosters lb.	-	-	-	Roosters ea.	3.00	12.50	9.06		
Geese lb.	-	-	-	Geese ea.	-	3.60	-		
Turkeys lb.	-	-	-	Turkeys ea.	-	-	-		
Ducks lb.	-	-	-	Ducks ea.	9.00	12.00	11.00		
Rabbits lb.	1.00	2.70	1.95	Rabbits ea.	5.50	9.50	6.73		
Pigeons lb.	-	-	-	Pigeons ea.	3.50	7.50	5.60		
Guinea Fowl lb.	-	-	-	Guinea Fowl ea.	-	-	-		
Ducklings lb.	-	-	-	Ducklings ea.	-	-	-		
Guinea Keets ea.	-	-	-	Call Ducks ea.	-	-	-		
Silkie ea.	4.00	5.00	4.50	Goslings ea.	-	-	-		
Guinea Pigs ea.	2.50	8.50	5.39	Turkey Poults ea.	-	-	-		
Chukars ea.	-	-	-	Peacocks ea.	-	50.00	-		
Partridges ea.	-	-	-	Cockatiels ea.	-	-	-		
Doves ea.	-	-	-	Pheasants ea.	-	-	-		
Quail ea.	-	-	-	Ferrets ea.	-	-	-		
Chinchillas ea.	-	-	-	Mice ea.	-	-	-		
Peafowl ea.	-	-	-	Guinea Fowl Eggs (doz)	-	-	-		
Quail Eggs ea.	-	-	-	Hamsters ea.	-	-	-		
Emu ea.	-	-	-	Total Pieces Sold 401					