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## NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

Whole broiler/fryer prices are trending steady in the West and Midwest, firm to higher in the East. Offerings are very light to balanced for current trade needs. Demand into all channels is moderate to good, at times light into retail as buyers focus on other meat items for Easter holiday. Floor stocks are mixed. Market activity is slow to active, mostly moderate. In the parts structure, prices are firm to higher for tenders, steady to weak for wings, and steady to firm for all other parts. Offerings of tenders are close balanced to short, breast items are light, dark meat is light to moderate, and wings are moderate to heavy. 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 04/11/14 is 108.88 compared to 108.51 a week earlier, and 106.94 a year ago.

### GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES

The quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is **107.00** 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
1000	91.65-114.00	107.09

Confirmed FINAL weighted average price on ice-packed parts:

ITEM	WTD AVG (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	220.00	1,768
BREASTS - B/S	208.00	7,633
BREASTS - WHOLE	116.00	1,843
THIGH MEAT - B/S	145.50	1,236
THIGHS	75.00	1,327
DRUMSTICKS	76.00	1,349
LEG QUARTERS	54.50	9,379
WINGS	138.00	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.	
<b>This Week:</b>	108.88	↑ 0.37	11,323	
<b>Last Week:</b>	108.51		11,672	
<b>Last Year:</b>	106.94	↑ 1.94	11,664	
Monthly Composite Weighted Average				
<b>Mar</b>	106.26		47,467	

### 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:	94.00 - 135.00	106.00 - 113.00	108.72	↑ 0.03	5,241	108.70	5,124	
WOGS:	96.00 - 135.00	109.00 - 111.00	109.19	↓ 0.52	1,331	109.71	1,226	
NEW YORK								
Whole Body:	100.00 - 113.00	107.00 - 111.00	108.54	↑ 0.46	1,389	108.09	1,406	
CENTRAL REGION		THIS WEEK					LAST WEEK	
	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.	
Whole Body:	93.00 - 119.25	102.00 - 107.00	105.61	↑ 0.48	3,928	105.13	4,331	
WOGS:	93.00 - 117.00	102.00 - 107.00	104.90	↑ 0.84	3,148	104.06	3,471	
CHICAGO								
Whole Body:	98.00 - 119.25	102.00 - 107.00	106.28	↑ 1.14	1,950	105.14	2,675	
WESTERN REGION		THIS WEEK					LAST WEEK	
	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.	
Whole Body:	95.00 - 126.00	112.00 - 118.00	115.20	↑ 0.51	2,154	114.68	2,217	
WOGS:	99.00 - 123.00	112.00 - 117.00	114.99	↑ 0.89	1,940	114.10	1,970	
LOS ANGELES								
Whole Body:	99.00 - 124.00	112.00 - 118.00	114.51	↑ 0.76	1,484	113.75	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.

**NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS** Prices are trending higher for tenders; firm for breast cuts and steady to firm for dark meat items. Wings are no better than steady. Trucklot buying activity is moderate to good as dealers assess market conditions entering the week. Offerings of tenders are balanced to short of current needs; breast cuts are light and dark meat items are light to moderate with leg quarters, thighs and thigh meat in the best balance. Wings are moderate to heavy with the jumbo sized wings noted as slightly more available. Movement is moderate to active.

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	195	172.04	822,440
TENDERLOINS	210-215	207.83	129,480
BREAST - WITH RIBS	103-104	118.10	53,181
BREAST - LINE RUN	103	105.39	86,834
LEGS	66-67	69.90	99,520
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	47-48	49.83	552,658
DRUMSTICKS	50-51	59.38	85,400
THIGHS	65-66	79.62	56,120
B/S THIGHS	128-129	132.42	83,640
WINGS (WHOLE)	138-139	143.34	266,560
BACKS & NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	18.00	5,600
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60	57.71	13,440
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	75-80	80.87	14,520

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
	04/14	04/10	04/10	04/07	04/03
Alabama	3,458	3,539	5.80	3,441	5.73
Arkansas	4,503	4,631	5.88	4,665	5.59
Delmarva	2,163	2,133	6.10	2,157	6.15
Ky-LA-TN	2,515	2,487	5.00	2,474	4.97
Mississippi	2,819	2,778	6.17	2,765	6.23
North Carolina	2,916	2,866	7.64	2,824	7.63
Texas	2,336	2,283	6.19	2,287	6.14
Total	20,710	20,717	6.10	20,613	6.02
Mon	20,710 (A)			20,613 (A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 14-Apr-14 is estimated to be 30,984,000 up 0.17 percent from a week ago and up 2.1 percent from a year ago. (last week 30,932,000 last year 30,354,000)

**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	366	150.00-195.00	-	167.65
TENDERLOINS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
BREAST - LINE RUN	140	93.00-105.00	-	98.41
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	272	41.00-47.00	45-47	45.15
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	271	45.00-51.00	47-49	48.57
WINGS (WHOLE)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
WINGS (CUT)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
B/S THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS TRADING FOR APR 14, 2014 -- F.O.B. DOCK

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
68.00 - 73.50	70.73	69.52

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 14-APR-14 TO 18-APR-14, CENTS PER POUND

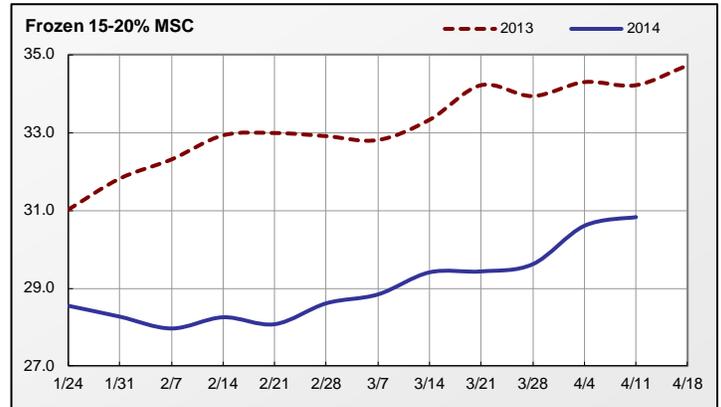
	Price Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	161.00 - 180.00	174.00 - 179.00
TENDERLOINS	206.00 - 216.00	207.00 - 210.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	99.00 - 112.00	105.00 - 112.00
LEGS	63.00 - 74.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	44.00 - 57.00	46.00 - 48.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	49.00 - 53.00	49.00 - 50.00
DRUMSTICKS	43.00 - 58.00	-
THIGHS	63.00 - 78.00	-
B/S THIGHS	123.00 - 133.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	116.00 - 133.00	-
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 steady to firm on all fat contents. Demand into domestic and export channels is moderate to instances good with good interest out front. Supplies are light to moderate. Schedules are normal. Spot product is in good shape and clearing well, while finished goods continue to see decent movement. Prices are holding despite producers efforts to push prices slightly higher. Industry is closely monitoring the marketplace trying to anticipate and react accordingly as the Lenten season winds down to a close next week. Market activity is moderate. Supplies of raw materials are light to moderate. Frame prices are steady to firm with trading levels between 12-15.5 cents FOB, mostly 13-14 cents FOB.

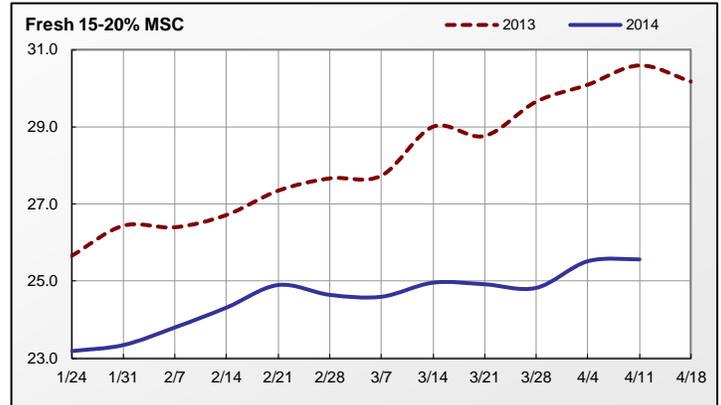
**Weekly MSC Weighted Average Prices (cents/pound) and Volumes (1,000 pounds)**

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	11-Apr-14	Last Week	Last Year	11-Apr-14	Last Week	Last Year
<b>15% or Less</b>						
Price Range	-	31.00	-	27.00 - 28.00	27.00 - 28.00	29.00-31.00
Wtd Avg Price	-	31.00	-	27.75	27.50	30.00
Volume Traded	-	40	-	163	163	82
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>15-20%</b>						
Price Range	28.00 - 33.00	28.00 - 33.00	33.00-36.00	23.50 - 29.00	24.00 - 28.00	27.00-33.00
Wtd Avg Price	30.83	30.60	33.94	25.57	25.52	29.66
Volume Traded	1,885	1,805	1,255	2,938	3,356	3,101
Volume Exported	1,885	1,365	975	490	530	326
<b>20% or More</b>						
Price Range	-	-	-	22.50	22.00 - 22.50	22.00
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	22.50	22.25	22.00
Volume Traded	-	-	-	82	82	82
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-



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

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	Mar 2014	Feb 2014	Mar 2013	Mar 2014	Feb 2014	Mar 2013
<b>15% or Less</b>						
Wtd Avg Price	31.00	-	31.00	27.76	27.79	29.16
Volume Traded	80	-	80	673	796	561
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>15-20%</b>						
Wtd Avg Price	29.37	28.27	33.40	24.81	24.45	28.52
Volume Traded	5,930	5,540	6,348	11,854	13,345	17,485
Volume Exported	5,690	5,320	5,700	1,703	816	1,958
<b>20% or More</b>						
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	22.36	22.32	22.00
Volume Traded	-	-	-	449	449	367
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](http://www.ams.usda.gov/lpsmarketnewspage))