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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

Whole broiler/fryer prices are trending steady to firm in the Midwest and West, firm to higher in the East. Offerings of all sizes are mostly light and clearing well. Retail and food service demand is moderate to good entering the Mother's Day weekend. Floor stocks are mixed. Market activity is moderate to active. In the parts structure, prices are moderate as dealers viewed Mother's Day weekend as an opportunity to clear inventories and enter next week with ample floor space. Prices are trending firm to higher for bone-in breast; steady to firm for most dark meat and b/s breast. Wings are weak to lower. Supplies are light to moderate, but readily available for wings and often discounted where product was in excess. Market activity for parts is moderate to active. In production areas, live supplies are moderate at mixed but mostly desirable weights.

GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES

The quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is **108.50** 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.
874	101.85-112.70	108.67

NATIONAL WHOLE BROILER/FRYER - COMPOSITE WEIGHTED AVERAGE			
	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.
This Week:	111.78	↑ 1.48	11,839
Last Week:	110.30		11,413
Last Year:	107.49	↑ 4.29	11,115
Monthly Composite Weighted Average			
Apr	110.11		57,591

Confirmed PRELIMINARY weighted average price on ice-packed parts:

ITEM	WTD AVG (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
Line Run Tenders	232.50	1,656
Breasts - B/S	211.00	6,825
Breasts - Whole	121.00	1,138
Thigh Meat - B/S	143.00	1,470
Thighs	76.00	1,218
Drumsticks	67.50	1,524
Leg Quarters	55.00	7,909
Wings	132.00	3,573

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:	91.00 - 133.00	112.00 - 117.00	114.05	↑ 1.09	5,464	112.95	5,397
WOGS:	99.00 - 132.00	112.00 - 117.00	114.38	↑ 1.22	1,318	113.15	1,236
NEW YORK		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
Whole Body:	102.50 - 118.00	112.00 - 116.00	113.95	↑ 1.79	1,479	112.16	1,441
CENTRAL REGION		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
Whole Body:	96.00 - 125.50	104.00 - 110.00	107.63	↑ 2.41	4,021	105.22	3,881
WOGS:	96.00 - 116.00	103.00 - 109.00	105.48	↑ 2.31	3,101	103.17	3,161
CHICAGO		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
Whole Body:	96.00 - 125.50	104.00 - 110.00	109.71	↑ 4.10	2,265	105.61	2,405
WESTERN REGION		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
Whole Body:	95.00 - 135.00	111.00 - 115.00	113.62	↑ 0.77	2,354	112.85	2,134
WOGS:	106.00 - 116.00	111.00 - 115.00	112.72	↑ 0.91	2,140	111.81	1,920
LOS ANGELES		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
Whole Body:	106.00 - 132.00	111.00 - 115.00	113.44	↑ 1.02	1,754	112.42	1,674

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.

May 08, 2014

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	266	167.00-205.00	-	175.35
TENDERLOINS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS	145	59.00-66.00	-	59.83
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	230	41.00-48.00	45-47	45.70
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	224	46.00-51.00	48-50	49.86
WINGS (WHOLE)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
WINGS (CUT)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
DRUMSTICKS	170	45.50-52.00	-	47.35
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
B/S THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		

Whole Body Index Based on Southern States Parts Trading for May 08, 2014 -- f.o.b. dock.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE
69.50 - 75.50	72.78

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.

WEEKLY				WEEKLY	
POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG	POUNDS (000)	WTD AVG
271	167.00-205.00	-	175.75	1,309	174.73
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			446	211.72
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			512	107.11
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			287	99.54
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			520	60.13
202	42.00-48.00	45-47	46.11	1,082	45.92
248	46.00-51.00	48-50	49.87	1,074	49.83
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			428	104.07
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			393	117.70
164	46.00-52.00	47-49	48.76	746	47.54
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			333	59.41
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			453	127.26

Whole Body Index Based on Southern States Parts Trading May 09, 2014 -- f.o.b. dock.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
70.50 - 75.50	73.18	72.70

NORTHEAST BROILER PARTS Prices are trending firm to higher for bone-in breast; firm for drums and thighs and steady to firm for boneless skinless breasts, tenders and other dark meat cuts. Wings are weak to lower. Trucklot buying activity is moderate as dealers viewed Mother's Day weekend as an opportunity to clear inventories and enter next week with ample floor space. Offerings of bone-in breasts are in close balance and moving well; boneless skinless breast, tenders and dark meat items are light to moderate with drums and thighs in the best position. Wings are readily available and often discounted where product was in excess. Movement is moderate to active.

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

May 08, 2014

CURRENT NEG ITEM	TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL /LBS.
BREAST - B/S	200	178.57	1,027,960
TENDERLOINS	225-230	224.01	203,560
BREAST - WITH RIBS	110-111	124.45	73,005
BREAST - LINE RUN	110	113.28	84,124
LEGS	66-67	69.60	89,560
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	47-48	48.93	365,985
DRUMSTICKS	56-57	55.54	250,305
THIGHS	67-68	82.80	57,640
B/S THIGHS	129-130	133.58	101,280
WINGS (WHOLE)	131-132	134.52	290,520
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	18.00	7,360
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60	57.23	10,620
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	75-80	79.10	25,280

CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL /LBS.	WEEKLY WTD AVG	WEEKLY VOL/LBS.
200	177.83	780,910	177.55	4,559,070
225-230	226.55	234,800	225.30	934,726
111-112	125.32	55,076	123.82	249,301
111	114.88	90,794	111.83	474,923
66-67	70.14	88,980	68.38	483,000
47-48	48.89	231,925	49.06	1,646,176
57-58	58.69	131,579	57.70	825,354
68-69	80.88	57,800	79.10	244,200
129-130	132.09	75,080	133.44	456,080
130-131	135.65	239,300	134.94	1,231,920
16-18	18.00	6,000	18.00	29,460
55-60	57.00	11,520	57.02	58,970
75-80	80.00	21,480	79.43	115,400

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.

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS

	ESTIMATED (1,000)		ACTUAL (1,000)		AVG WT		ACTUAL (1,000)	AVG WT
	05/09	05/08	05/07	05/06	05/07	05/06	05/02	04/30
Alabama	3,627	3,741	3,608	3,454	5.91	5.94	3,530	5.89
Arkansas	3,446	4,468	4,450	4,740	5.85	5.77	3,582	5.81
Delmarva	2,108	2,194	2,061	2,181	6.29	6.26	2,916	6.35
Ky-LA-TN	2,390	2,518	2,572	2,536	5.23	5.26	2,323	5.45
Mississippi	2,777	2,766	2,752	2,707	6.29	6.25	2,610	6.43
North Carolina	3,427	2,944	2,865	2,793	7.75	7.84	3,356	7.87
Texas	1,832	2,404	2,310	2,305	6.17	6.12	1,873	6.21
Total	19,607	21,035	20,618	20,716	6.19	6.17	20,190	6.26
Mon-Friday	103,446 (A)						102,622 (A)	
Saturday	616 (included in total for date shown)						1,058	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 09-May-14 and 10-May-14 is estimated to be 29,334,000 head down 3.18 percent from a week ago and down 4.19 percent from a year ago. (Last week 30,297,000, last year 30,616,000)

Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the week ending 10-May-14 is estimated to be 154,705,000 head up 0.34 percent from a week ago, and down 1.32 percent from a year ago. (Last week 154,180,000, last year 156,778,000)

Actual data incorporated when available.

NATIONAL FOWL MARKET

LIVE SPENT HEAVY FOWL Prices are trending mostly steady. Supplies are moderate to heavy for the light to moderate demand. Processing schedules increased slightly due to some Saturday operations. Finished product supplies are moderate. Market activity is moderate. Retail feature activity is light to moderate with the bulk of interest being in the Southeast region. **Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading: Price Range Wtd Avg** Prices in cents per pound. 11.0 - 22.5 14.13 (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 for current needs. Processing schedules increased due to some Saturday operations. Movement of finished product sales is light to moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. The majority price for removal costs continues unchanged at 0-7 cents per head. Feature activity is light to moderate.

(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 3-May-14

(Preliminary)	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	40,905	57,271	31,642	24,362	154,180
Avg Live Wgt	3.26	5.36	6.79	8.77	5.63
% of total /1	27%	37%	21%	16%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	40,588	46,457	35,524	29,653	152,222
Avg Live Wgt	3.78	5.36	6.85	8.67	5.93
% of total /1	27%	31%	23%	19%	100%
Year Ago 2/	39,298	55,794	35,682	24,849	155,623
Avg Live Wgt	3.83	5.31	6.74	8.58	5.78
% of total /1	25%	36%	23%	16%	100%
To date/2014*	725,969	960,961	508,536	521,860	2,717,324
To date/2013*	713,356	988,463	551,696	486,352	2,739,867
% Change YTD	2%	-3%	-8%	7%	-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 3-May-14

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
	Thousands				
Head	154,180	1,857	1,568	3,425	433
Avg Wt	5.63	3.12	8.28	5.48	6.87
Last week	152,222	1,407	1,456	2,863	437
Same wk yr ago	155,623	1,714	1,417	3,131	413
Avg Wt	5.78	3.17	7.76	5.25	6.81
To-date/2014*	2,717,324	27,299	26,319	53,618	7,925
To-date/2013*	2,739,867	29,320	24,939	54,259	7,184
% Change YTD	-1%	-7%	6%	-1%	10%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	659,705	3,187	8,893	12,080	2,112
Last week	686,034	2,329	8,168	10,497	2,184
Same wk yr ago	683,621	2,934	7,477	10,411	1,997
To-date/2014*	12,025,044	47,125	147,404	194,529	37,606
To-date/2013*	12,095,955	50,139	132,021	182,160	34,662
% Change YTD	-1%	-6%	12%	7%	8%

Dressing % 76.0% 55.0% 68.5% 71.0%

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 153.8 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 156.1 million head, or 2.3 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
3/29	152.7	153.8	99%	5.60
4/5	157.4	153.3	103%	5.83
4/12	156.6	154.1	102%	5.91
4/19	148.5	153.0	97%	5.87
4/26	154.1	152.0	101%	5.93
5/3	156.1	153.8	101%	5.63
Year to date	2750.5	2748.4	100%	
5/10		154.1		
5/17		155.4		

*Based on chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier.

BROILER/CATTLE/HOG WEEKLY ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER

Under Federal Inspection (in thousands)

W/E	05/10/14	05/03/14	% chg	05/11/13	% chg
Broilers	154,705	154,180 ¹	+ 0.34	156,778 ¹	- 1.32
Cattle	597	608	-0.2	629 ²	-0.5
Hogs	2,016	2,019	0	2,084 ²	-0.3

¹Actual data incorporated when available.

²Totals adjusted to reflect USDA, NASS revisions.

EASTERN REGION MISC. POULTRY

For delivery the week of May 5, 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)	80.00-109.25 84.00-96.00
VACUUM PACKED (6-9/BOX)	84.00-112.00 88.00-99.00

SQUABS:

NY Area Wholesale Prices, Frozen, Plant Grade, Dollars/Dozen, 1-10 Boxes

11 oz.	93.96- 112.59
13 oz.	102.87- 129.60
15 oz.	111.78- 137.70

Eastern Region: CT,DE,FL,GA,MA,MD,ME,NC,NH,NJ,NY,PA,RI,SC,VA,VT,WV

CENTRAL REGION DUCKLINGS All reported prices are steady. Demand is moderate for the moderate to at times light supplies. Processing schedules are full-time. Market activity is moderate. Prices paid, first receivers for 10-18 oz. boneless breast at \$5.98-8.80, bone-in legs at \$3.55-4.00, gizzards at \$1.75- 2.25, wings at \$.80-1.00, livers at \$1.40-2.05, and feet \$1.00-1.45 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 May 5, 2014

ORIGIN	FROZEN	FRESH
MIDWEST & OTHERS	189-219	194-224

GRAYSTONE SMALL ANIMAL AUCTION

All Papers Required To Sell All Out Of State Poultry

Date of Auction: May 6, 2014 Prices Paid Per Lb., Except As Noted

	RANGE
Muscovy Ducks - Drakes	3.00 - 3.05 lbs.
Goslings	4.00 - 6.00 ea.
Pekin Ducks	8.00 - 12.00 ea.
Pullets 4-6 LBS	.90 - .90 lbs.
Red Fowl 5-6 LBS	.90 - 1.20 lbs.
Red Fowl 4-5 LBS	.70 - .90 lbs.
Crossbred Roosters 7-11 LBS	.80 - .90 lbs.
Crossbred Roosters 4-6 LBS	1.40 - 1.80 lbs.
Crossbred Fowl 5-9 LBS	1.00 - 1.70 lbs.
Banty Roosters	4.75 - 6.00 ea.
Banty Hens	4.00 - 6.00 ea.
Guinea Pigs	2.00 - 4.00 ea.
Guinea Fowl	2.00 - 2.60 lbs.
Kid Goats	60.00 - 75.00 ea.
Geese 9-14 LBS	1.70 - 1.80 lbs.
Pigeons	5.00 - 5.10 ea.
White Pigeons	7.00 - 8.00 ea.
Chukars	4.75 - 5.00 ea.
Rabbits 6-9 LBS	1.90 - 2.10 lbs.
Rabbits 4-6 LBS	2.20 - 2.40 lbs.
Leghorn Hens	- 5.00 ea.
Bunnies	2.00 - 8.00 ea.
Doves	- 11.00 ea.
Silkie	5.00 - 5.50 ea.
Goats	- 110.00 ea.
Chicks	.30 - 2.00 ea.
Quail	1.00 - 2.00 ea.
Parakeets	5.00 - 8.00 ea.
Broilers	.60 - .80 lbs.
Peacocks	55.00 - 70.00 ea.
Ducklings	1.25 - 4.00 ea.
Finch	- 6.00 ea.
Pheasants	7.00 - 11.00 ea.
Goose Eggs	1.50 - 2.50 ea.
Laying Pullets	6.00 - 8.00 ea.
Fancy Bantams	7.00 - 11.00 ea.
Fancy Pigeons	11.00 - 15.00 ea.
Diamond Doves	- 12.00 ea.
Parrots	180.00 - 460.00 ea.
Turkey Poults	5.00 - 7.00 ea.
Muscovy Ducks - Hens	3.15 - 3.70 lbs.
Total Coops Sold	4416