



# BROILER MARKET NEWS REPORT

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## NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

Whole broiler/fryer prices are trending firm to higher in the East, firm elsewhere. Offerings are light and held with confidence. Retail and food service demand is moderate to good following the weekend. Floor stocks are balanced to short. Market activity is moderate to active. In the parts structure, movement is moderate to good as dealers assess market conditions for early week business. Prices are trending steady to higher for breast cuts; steady to firm for dark meat items and wings. Offerings of breast cuts are balanced to tight with premiums noted; wings are light and dark meat items are light to moderate for current needs. Market activity for parts is moderate to active. In production areas, live supplies are moderate at mixed but mostly desirable weights.

The National Composite Weighted Average for 05/19/14 is 111.72 compared to 111.78 a week earlier, and 111.12 a year ago.

### GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES

The quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is **108.75** 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
1003	91.65-116.00	109.82

Confirmed FINAL weighted average price on ice-packed parts:

ITEM	WTD AVG (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	233.50	1,932
BREASTS - B/S	211.50	7,997
BREASTS - WHOLE	121.50	1,807
THIGH MEAT - B/S	138.50	1,849
THIGHS	76.00	1,327
DRUMSTICKS	67.50	2,020
LEG QUARTERS	55.00	9,324
WINGS	132.00	3,845

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>	116.72	↑ 4.94	11,720
<b>Last Week:</b>	111.78		11,839
<b>Last Year:</b>	111.12	↑ 5.60	11,697
Monthly Composite Weighted Average			
<b>Apr</b>	110.11		57,591

### 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:	101.00 - 140.00	117.00 - 123.00	119.02	↑ 4.97	5,208	114.05	5,464
WOGS:	101.00 - 135.00	119.00 - 122.00	120.23	↑ 5.86	1,274	114.38	1,318
NEW YORK		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
Whole Body:	102.75 - 123.00	118.00 - 122.00	119.30	↑ 5.35	1,370	113.95	1,479
CENTRAL REGION		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
Whole Body:	103.00 - 129.50	108.00 - 114.00	113.00	↑ 5.36	4,201	107.63	4,021
WOGS:	103.00 - 121.00	108.00 - 113.00	111.35	↑ 5.87	3,361	105.48	3,101
CHICAGO		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
Whole Body:	103.00 - 129.50	108.00 - 115.00	113.64	↑ 3.93	2,365	109.71	2,265
WESTERN REGION		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
Whole Body:	100.00 - 140.00	115.00 - 121.00	118.29	↑ 4.68	2,311	113.62	2,354
WOGS:	111.00 - 127.00	116.00 - 121.00	117.49	↑ 4.77	2,095	112.72	2,140
LOS ANGELES		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
Whole Body:	111.00 - 135.00	116.00 - 121.00	117.92	↑ 4.48	1,746	113.44	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; firm for wings, drums and thighs. Other dark meat items are steady to firm. Trucklot buying activity is moderate to good as dealers assess market conditions entering the week. Offerings of breast cuts are tight with premiums noted; wings, thighs and drums are light; other dark meat 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		210	186.20	876,680
TENDERLOINS		235	233.01	155,320
BREAST - WITH RIBS	117-118		127.17	66,783
BREAST - LINE RUN		117	121.21	98,320
LEGS	66-67		67.48	142,640
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	47-48		48.84	380,511
DRUMSTICKS	60-61		67.76	137,800
THIGHS	71-72		80.23	72,640
B/S THIGHS	130-131		136.69	90,960
WINGS (WHOLE)	132-133		135.55	274,600
BACKS & NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18		18.00	5,800
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60		59.17	1,770
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	75-80		78.98	30,160

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
	05/19	05/15	05/15	05/12	05/08
Alabama	3,685	3,741	5.65	3,611	5.82
Arkansas	4,804	4,449	5.90	4,340	5.65
Delmarva	2,145	2,132	6.18	2,222	6.16
Ky-LA-TN	2,571	2,527	5.09	2,609	5.10
Mississippi	2,776	2,670	6.06	2,459	6.15
North Carolina	2,882	2,796	7.65	2,640	7.69
Texas	2,387	2,201	6.19	1,951	6.08
Total	21,250	20,516	6.07	19,832	6.06
Mon	21,250	(A)		19,832	(A)

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 19-May-14 is estimated to be 31,792,000 up 6.83 percent from a week ago and down 1.0 percent from a year ago. (last week 29,760,000 last year 32,105,000)

**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	287	169.00-206.00	-	181.08
TENDERLOINS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	177	43.00-49.00	46-48	47.19
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	238	46.00-51.00	49-50	49.85
WINGS (WHOLE)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
WINGS (CUT)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
DRUMSTICKS	152	47.00-54.00	48-51	50.47
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
B/S THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		

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WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS TRADING FOR MAY 19, 2014 -- F.O.B. DOCK

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
70.50 - 77.00	73.97	73.65

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 19-MAY-14 to 23-MAY-14, Cents per Pound

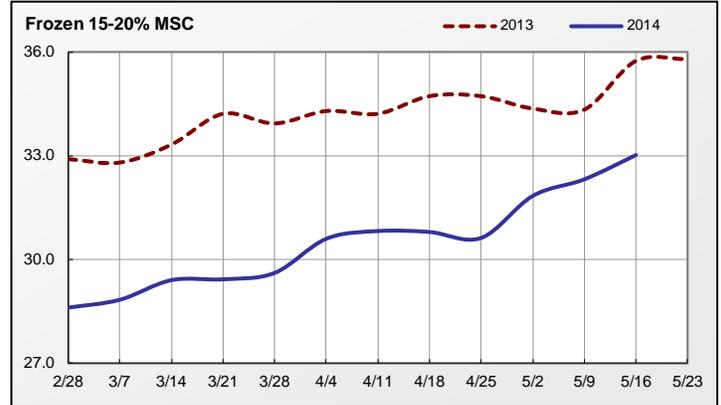
	Price Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	175.00 - 194.00	183.00 - 189.00
TENDERLOINS	232.00 - 242.00	234.00 - 236.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	113.00 - 126.00	114.00 - 122.00
LEGS	66.00 - 71.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	45.00 - 63.00	47.00 - 50.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	49.00 - 57.00	50.00 - 53.00
DRUMSTICKS	50.00 - 62.00	-
THIGHS	68.00 - 80.00	-
B/S THIGHS	123.00 - 142.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	116.00 - 130.00	-
BACKS & NECKS (STRIPPED)	17.00 - 45.00	-
LIVERS	25.00 - 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 on all fat contents are trending steady to mostly firm with a narrow price range. Demand into domestic and export channels is mostly moderate; Mexico is light. Supplies are light to moderate. Schedules are mostly normal with a few disruptions noted. Spot MSC and frames continue to be in good shape and clearing satisfactorily, while producers test prices. Finished product movement is mostly average for this time of year with many in industry making last minute preparations ahead of the upcoming Memorial Day holiday. Industry continues to keep a close eye on the marketplace watching for any new market developments. Market activity is moderate to active with good interest on frozen 15-20%. Raw material supplies are light to moderate. Frame prices are firm with trading levels between 14-16 cents FOB, mostly 15 cents FOB.

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

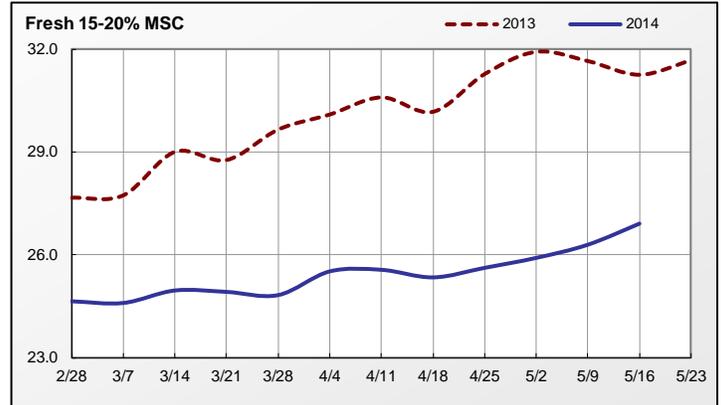
Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	16-May-14	Last Week	Last Year	16-May-14	Last Week	Last Year
<b>15% or Less</b>						
Price Range	-	-	-	27.00 - 28.00	27.00 - 28.00	32.00-33.00
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	27.80	27.75	32.67
Volume Traded	-	-	-	204	163	184
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>15-20%</b>						
Price Range	31.00 - 35.00	30.00 - 36.00	32.00-38.00	26.00 - 28.50	25.00 - 28.00	28.00-35.00
Wtd Avg Price	33.03	32.32	34.37	26.91	26.30	31.93
Volume Traded	1,310	1,406	3,666	3,994	2,530	5,712
Volume Exported	1,190	1,350	3,546	286	204	245
<b>20% or More</b>						
Price Range	-	-	-	22.50	22.00 - 22.50	22.50
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	22.50	22.17	22.50
Volume Traded	-	-	-	82	122	82
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-



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

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	Apr 2014	Mar 2014	Apr 2013	Apr 2014	Mar 2014	Apr 2013
<b>15% or Less</b>						
Wtd Avg Price	31.00	31.00	32.00	27.69	27.76	30.29
Volume Traded	80	80	40	530	673	775
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>15-20%</b>						
Wtd Avg Price	30.71	29.37	34.54	25.51	24.81	30.55
Volume Traded	6,926	5,930	8,831	12,069	11,854	20,114
Volume Exported	5,605	5,690	8,191	1,754	1,703	1,428
<b>20% or More</b>						
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	22.39	22.36	22.14
Volume Traded	-	-	-	367	449	286
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/lpsmarketnews](http://www.ams.usda.gov/lpsmarketnews))