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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

Whole broiler/fryer prices are weak to lower in the East, steady to weak elsewhere. Offerings are light to at times heavy for current trade needs. Retail demand is light to moderate approaching the weekend. Food service demand is light to good, mostly light to moderate. Floor stocks are closely balanced as buyers are hand to mouth on purchases. Market activity is mostly slow. In the parts structure, movement increased slightly under normal weekend demand. Prices are firm to higher for wings; steady to weak for boneless skinless breast and steady for the balance of items. Offerings of wings are in close balance to tight and well cleared; b/s breast are moderate to heavy with heavier sizes noted as slow to clear. Other items are generally sufficient for current needs. Market activity for parts is slow to moderate. 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 **112.75** 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.
457	108.00-119.00	112.45

NATIONAL WHOLE BROILER/FRYER - COMPOSITE WEIGHTED AVERAGE				
	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	
This Week:	108.82	↓ 3.13	11,892	
Last Week:	111.95		12,098	
Last Year:	99.77	↑ 9.05	10,226	
Monthly Composite Weighted Average				
Jun	113.40		48,978	

Confirmed PRELIMINARY weighted average price on ice-packed parts:

ITEM	WTD AVG (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
Line Run Tenders	241.00	1,676
Breasts - B/S	221.50	6,729
Breasts - Whole	130.00	1,138
Thigh Meat - B/S	145.00	1,292
Thighs	78.00	1,218
Drumsticks	68.00	1,828
Leg Quarters	55.50	7,909
Wings	139.00	3,451

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:	75.00 - 139.00	107.00 - 116.00	113.32	↓ 2.40	5,456	115.72	5,564
WOGS:	83.00 - 136.00	107.00 - 117.00	110.08	↓ 4.17	1,274	114.25	1,221
NEW YORK		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
Whole Body:	85.00 - 118.00	107.00 - 115.00	111.19	↓ 2.93	1,338	114.12	1,370
CENTRAL REGION		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
Whole Body:	79.00 - 128.00	94.00 - 108.00	101.90	↓ 3.97	3,726	105.87	4,146
WOGS:	79.00 - 117.50	94.00 - 108.00	99.08	↓ 4.21	3,031	103.28	3,311
CHICAGO		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
Whole Body:	80.00 - 128.00	94.00 - 108.00	104.47	↓ 2.67	2,320	107.14	2,440
WESTERN REGION		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
Whole Body:	95.00 - 144.00	102.00 - 111.00	109.28	↓ 4.47	2,710	113.75	2,388
WOGS:	95.00 - 121.00	102.00 - 111.00	107.66	↓ 4.58	2,494	112.25	2,170
LOS ANGELES		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
Whole Body:	95.00 - 140.00	102.00 - 111.00	107.39	↓ 4.80	1,865	112.20	1,578

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.

Jul 17, 2014

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	214	180.00-222.00	-	187.00
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)	188	45.00-51.00	48-50	49.37
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	280	49.00-54.00	51-52	51.88
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 Jul 17, 2014 -- f.o.b. dock.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE
70.50 - 79.50	73.89

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	WEEKLY		POUNDS (000)	WTD AVG
			WTD AVG	WTD AVG		
218	180.00-220.00	-	186.44	1,337	187.81	
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			329	224.81	
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			775	120.48	
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			465	99.27	
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			469	55.96	
192	45.00-51.00	48-50	49.28	987	49.13	
240	49.00-54.00	51-52	51.86	1,346	51.90	
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			273	122.36	
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			367	136.01	
157	49.50-57.00	51-52	51.35	748	51.35	
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			201	63.73	
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			401	136.71	

Whole Body Index Based on Southern States Parts Trading Jul 18, 2014 -- f.o.b. dock.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
72.00 - 79.00	74.44	74.34

NORTHEAST BROILER PARTS Prices are trending firm to higher for wings; steady to weak for boneless skinless breast and steady for the balance of items. Trucklot buying activity increased slightly under normal weekend demand, however, dealers were cautious and kept floor stock in close balance with immediate needs. Offerings of wings are in close balance to tight and well cleared; boneless skinless breast are moderate to heavy with the heavier sizes noted as slow to clear. Other items are generally sufficient for current needs. Movement is slow to moderate.

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

Jul 17, 2014

ITEM	TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL /LBS.
BREAST - B/S	215-220	201.71	626,360
TENDERLOINS	235-240	240.12	156,280
BREAST - WITH RIBS	120-121	136.86	47,202
BREAST - LINE RUN	120	122.56	87,842
LEGS	66-67	67.94	99,520
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	49-50	52.06	373,240
DRUMSTICKS	62-63	69.48	87,440
THIGHS	74-75	87.02	33,080
B/S THIGHS	136-137	140.73	92,720
WINGS (WHOLE)	142-143	144.79	252,080
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	18.00	6,520
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60	56.38	10,050
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	75-80	80.52	18,240

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.

CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL /LBS.	WEEKLY WTD AVG	WEEKLY VOL/LBS.
215-220	202.21	639,680	201.01	3,607,680
235-240	239.64	232,920	239.09	900,320
120-121	137.68	54,468	136.32	309,452
120	122.61	84,265	122.09	394,393
65-66	66.13	124,680	66.60	598,680
49-50	52.48	170,680	50.72	1,839,002
62-63	64.76	113,200	65.28	565,245
74-75	85.96	46,760	85.95	193,840
136-137	140.45	81,840	141.38	462,360
143-144	147.81	211,320	144.58	1,127,680
16-18	18.00	6,700	18.00	31,300
55-60	60.00	270	57.59	38,550
75-80	79.41	22,240	79.61	93,520

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS

	ESTIMATED (1,000)		ACTUAL (1,000)		AVG WT		ACTUAL (1,000)	AVG WT
	07/18	07/17	07/16	07/15	07/16	07/15	07/11	07/09
Alabama	3,934	3,734	3,740	3,588	5.82	5.78	3,782	5.91
Arkansas	3,698	4,783	4,794	4,812	5.72	5.76	3,895	5.76
Delmarva	2,199	2,222	2,218	2,201	6.11	6.24	2,516	6.27
Ky-LA-TN	2,578	2,553	2,431	2,280	5.05	5.32	2,542	5.24
Mississippi	2,588	2,701	2,783	2,712	6.18	6.12	2,604	6.13
North Carolina	3,326	2,925	2,927	2,893	7.60	7.69	2,799	7.58
Texas	2,437	2,374	2,225	2,266	5.86	6.03	2,541	5.48
Total	20,760	21,292	21,118	20,752	6.04	6.11	20,679	6.07
Mon-Friday	105,782 (A)				103,129 (A)			
Saturday	1,734 (included in total for date shown)				1,378			

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 18-Jul-14 and 19-Jul-14 is estimated to be 31,059,000 head up 0.09 percent from a week ago and up 6.48 percent from a year ago. (Last week 31,031,000, last year 29,169,000)

Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the week ending 19-Jul-14 is estimated to be 157,116,000 head up 0.83 percent from a week ago, and up 0.77 percent from a year ago. (Last week 155,821,000, last year 155,915,000)

NATIONAL FOWL MARKET

LIVE SPENT HEAVY FOWL Prices are trending at least steady. Supplies are light to moderate for the moderate demand. Processing schedules were reduced slightly. Finished product supplies are moderate. Market activity is moderate. Retail feature activity is light to moderate with the bulk of interest being in the South Central region.

Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading: Price Range Wtd Avg
Prices in cents per pound. 11.0-23.0 14.24
(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 mostly moderate demand. Offerings of light type hens are light to moderate for current needs. Processing schedules were reduced slightly. Movement of finished product sales is light to moderate. Market activity is moderate. The majority price for removal costs remains unchanged at 0-7 cents per head. Feature activity was light to moderate with best interest being in the Southeast.

(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 12-Jul-14

(Preliminary)	Thousands				
	(A) 4.25 lbs.	(B) 4.26 -	(C) 6.26 -	(D) 7.76 lbs.	
Head	43,140	56,867	24,437	31,377	155,821
Avg Live Wgt	3.75	5.34	6.72	8.59	5.77
% of total /1	28%	36%	16%	20%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	43,494	55,821	14,813	24,208	138,336
Avg Live Wgt	3.47	5.43	6.78	8.44	5.49
% of total /1	31%	40%	11%	17%	100%
Year Ago 2/	41,732	61,849	22,767	31,718	158,066
Avg Live Wgt	3.76	5.46	6.82	8.56	5.83
% of total /1	26%	39%	14%	20%	100%
To date/2014*	1,165,931	1,484,379	781,137	819,950	4,251,395
To date/2013*	1,126,181	1,558,636	809,928	782,032	4,276,778
% Change YTD	4%	-5%	-4%	5%	-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 12-Jul-14

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
Thousands					
Head	155,821	1,307	1,347	2,654	460
Avg Wt	5.77	3.30	8.26	5.82	6.90
Last week	138,336	1,099	1,218	2,317	291
Same wk yr ago	158,066	1,479	1,483	2,962	470
Avg Wt	5.83	3.34	8.09	5.72	6.68
To-date/2014*	4,251,395	42,199	41,194	83,393	11,751
To-date/2013*	4,276,778	43,338	39,632	82,970	11,786
% Change YTD	-1%	-3%	4%	1%	0%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	683,306	2,372	7,621	9,993	2,254
Last week	577,193	1,904	6,833	8,737	1,463
Same wk yr ago	700,359	2,692	8,218	10,910	2,261
To-date/2014*	18,742,490	73,098	230,760	303,858	56,222
To-date/2013*	18,879,111	74,408	212,157	286,565	56,665
% Change YTD	-1%	-2%	9%	6%	-1%
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 156.2 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 157.7 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
6/7	157.4	153.9	102%	5.91
6/14	158.4	154.4	103%	5.71
6/21	158.4	157.0	101%	5.75
6/28	165.1	157.2	105%	5.69
7/5	140.0	158.0	89%	5.49
7/12	157.7	156.2	101%	5.77
Year to date	4303.3	4306.8	100%	
7/19		157.2		
7/26		155.8		

*Based on chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier.

BROILER/CATTLE/HOG WEEKLY ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER

Under Federal Inspection (in thousands)

W/E	07/19/14	07/12/14	% chg	07/20/13	% chg
Broilers	157,116	155,821 ¹	+0.83	155,915 ¹	+0.77
Hogs	1,833	1,859	-1	2,012 ¹	-9
Cattle	577	576	0	653 ¹	-12

¹ Actual data incorporated when available.

² Totals adjusted to reflect USDA, NASS revisions.

EASTERN REGION MISC. POULTRY

For delivery the week of July 14, 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)	80.00-107.00	87.00-103.00
VACUUM PACKED (6-9/BOX)	85.00-113.00	90.00-107.00

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 This week, all prices are steady. Demand is moderate. Supplies continue light to moderate with the lightest weights in the tightest position. 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 July 14, 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: July 15, 2014 Prices Paid Per Lb., Except As Noted

	RANGE
Muscovy Ducks - Drakes	2.75 - 2.80 lbs.
Turkey Poults	4.50 - 6.50 ea.
Pekin Ducks	6.00 - 8.00 ea.
Pullets 4-6 LBS	- 1.60 lbs.
Red Fowl 5-6 LBS	.95 - 1.10 lbs.
Red Fowl 4-5 LBS	.85 - 1.00 lbs.
Leghorn Roosters	7.00 - 7.50 ea.
Crossbred Roosters 7-11 LBS	1.20 - 1.30 lbs.
Crossbred Roosters 4-6 LBS	1.90 - 2.05 lbs.
Crossbred Fowl 5-9 LBS	1.00 - 1.40 lbs.
Banty Roosters	5.00 - 6.00 ea.
Banty Hens	4.00 - 5.00 ea.
Guinea Pigs	.50 - 7.00 ea.
Guinea Fowl	2.50 - 3.00 lbs.
Kid Goats	80.00 - 85.00 ea.
Geese 9-14 LBS	1.50 - 1.70 lbs.
Pigeons	4.75 - 5.75 ea.
White Pigeons	5.50 - 7.00 ea.
Rabbits 6-9 LBS	1.70 - 1.90 lbs.
Rabbits 4-6 LBS	1.65 - 1.80 lbs.
Leghorn Hens	- 4.00 ea.
Bunnies	1.10 - 3.00 ea.
Doves	4.00 - 5.00 ea.
Silkie	2.75 - 3.25 ea.
Goats	110.00 - 115.00 ea.
Turkeys	15.00 - 18.00 ea.
Call Ducks	8.00 - 12.00 ea.
Guinea Keets	3.00 - 5.50 ea.
Chicks	.40 - 1.90 ea.
Quail	1.75 - 2.00 ea.
Parakeets	3.00 - 4.00 ea.
Broilers	1.65 - 1.80 lbs.
Peacocks	- 140.00 ea.
Ducklings	1.00 - 2.00 ea.
Finch	- 9.00 ea.
Pheasants	9.00 - 12.00 ea.
Laying Pullets	8.00 - 9.00 ea.
Fancy Bantams	7.00 - 10.00 ea.
Fancy Pigeons	22.00 - 27.00 ea.
Diamond Doves	8.00 - 11.00 ea.
Muscovy Ducks - Hens	2.80 - 2.90 lbs.
Total Coops Sold	4069