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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

Whole broiler/fryer prices are trending firm to higher in the East, steady to firm in the West, and firm in the Midwest. Offerings are light for current trade needs. Retail and food service demand is moderate to good entering the weekend. Floor stocks are generally balanced. Market activity is moderate to active. In the parts structure, movement improved slightly but still noted as light to moderate overall. Part prices are steady to higher for wings, mostly firm to higher; dark meat items are steady to lower, mostly weak to lower. Other items are mostly steady. Offerings of wings are light and clearing well; dark meat items are moderate to heavy with drums and thighs in the longest position. Breast items are noted as in better balance than a week earlier. 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 **113.25** 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.
838	104.00-119.00	112.34

NATIONAL WHOLE BROILER/FRYER - COMPOSITE WEIGHTED AVERAGE				
	Wtd Avg	Change		1,000 lbs.
This Week:	103.47	↑ 2.87		11,442
Last Week:	100.60			12,619
Last Year:	88.94	↑ 14.53		11,200
Monthly Composite Weighted Average				
Aug	99.69			52,176

Confirmed PRELIMINARY weighted average price on ice-packed parts:

ITEM	WTD AVG (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
Line Run Tenders	239.50	1,648
Breasts - B/S	212.50	6,902
Breasts - Whole	120.00	1,174
Thigh Meat - B/S	152.50	1,298
Thighs	74.50	1,218
Drumsticks	62.50	1,470
Leg Quarters	52.50	7,909
Wings	144.50	3,470

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:	85.00 - 128.00	102.00 - 108.00	107.64	↑ 2.52	5,337	105.12	5,413
WOGS:	99.00 - 124.00	103.00 - 108.00	107.59	↑ 3.27	1,318	104.32	1,414
NEW YORK		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
Whole Body:	99.00 - 113.00	103.00 - 108.00	105.59	↑ 2.13	1,455	103.46	1,402
CENTRAL REGION		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
Whole Body:	91.00 - 114.00	93.00 - 100.00	98.71	↑ 3.30	3,775	95.40	4,566
WOGS:	91.00 - 114.00	93.00 - 100.00	97.15	↑ 3.93	3,040	93.22	3,666
CHICAGO		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
Whole Body:	91.00 - 114.00	93.00 - 100.00	98.76	↑ 2.42	2,305	96.34	2,540
WESTERN REGION		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
Whole Body:	88.00 - 116.00	97.00 - 106.00	101.62	↑ 1.30	2,330	100.32	2,640
WOGS:	88.00 - 114.00	97.00 - 106.00	100.72	↑ 1.54	2,154	99.18	2,424
LOS ANGELES		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
Whole Body:	88.00 - 116.00	97.00 - 104.00	99.81	↑ 1.34	1,935	98.47	1,930

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.
 Sep 04, 2014

Item	Pounds (000)	Range	Maj	Wtd Avg
BREAST - B/S	298	167.00-206.00	170-171	177.77
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)	232	36.00-44.00	39-40	39.67
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	265	43.00-49.00	44-45	44.70
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 Sep 04, 2014 -- f.o.b. dock.

Range	Today's Average
66.50 - 75.00	68.90

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	Wtd Avg	Weekly Pounds (000)	Weekly Wtd Avg
292	167.00-206.00	170-171	177.95	1,118	176.96
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			408	209.03
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			310	117.21
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			337	98.20
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			534	46.72
248	36.00-44.00	39-40	39.44	960	39.78
281	43.00-49.00	44-45	44.66	1,086	44.76
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			502	137.06
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			522	145.33
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			359	43.93
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			301	60.95
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			327	125.19

 Whole Body Index Based on Southern States Parts Trading Sep 05, 2014 -- f.o.b. dock.

Range	Today's Average	5-Day Average
66.50 - 75.00	69.03	68.98

NORTHEAST BROILER PARTS Prices are firm to higher for wings; weak to lower for tenders, drums, and thighs. Other items are steady. Trucklot buying activity improved slightly but still noted as light to moderate overall. Offerings of wings are light and moving well; tenders are available and slow to clear. Most dark meat items are moderate to heavy with drums and thighs in the longest position. Boneless skinless breast are noted as in better balance than a week earlier and clearing satisfactorily. Movement is slow to moderate.

Ice packed broiler/fryer parts, delivered to first receivers in pool trucklot and trucklot quantities, cents per pound
 Sep 04, 2014

Item	Current Neg Trading*	Wtd Avg**	Vol /Lbs.
BREAST - B/S	200-205	186.72	535,000
TENDERLOINS	220-225	229.71	164,560
BREAST - WITH RIBS	116-117	127.03	63,840
BREAST - LINE RUN	116	117.97	73,380
LEGS	57-58	55.21	148,200
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	44-45	44.88	385,973
DRUMSTICKS	56-57	65.98	77,360
THIGHS	71-72	85.03	49,440
B/S THIGHS	118-119	127.01	97,920
WINGS (WHOLE)	150-151	156.22	251,040
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	18.00	6,960
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60	54.59	11,965
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	75-80	80.01	29,240

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. ** Weighted average price of all grades and brands of product shipped, or to be shipped as of 1:30 P.M.

Item	Current Neg Trading*	Wtd Avg**	Vol /Lbs.	Weekly Wtd Avg	Weekly Vol/Lbs.
BREAST - B/S	200-205	184.08	883,840	184.65	3,022,486
TENDERLOINS	220	222.48	299,400	226.45	715,640
BREAST - WITH RIBS	116-117	129.64	36,714	127.47	200,259
BREAST - LINE RUN	116	118.56	82,335	118.05	315,176
LEGS	57-58	57.74	85,080	56.74	505,820
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	44-45	45.98	307,693	46.36	1,532,056
DRUMSTICKS	56-57	57.14	253,338	60.08	501,838
THIGHS	70-71	85.86	44,000	85.44	168,520
B/S THIGHS	118-119	130.24	114,080	129.15	402,040
WINGS (WHOLE)	151-152	157.92	218,280	155.59	920,390
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	18.00	6,040	18.00	25,640
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60	57.18	11,635	56.22	38,420
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	75-80	80.05	25,760	80.13	88,440

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS

	ESTIMATED (1,000)		ACTUAL (1,000)		AVG WT		ACTUAL (1,000)	AVG WT
	09/05	09/04	09/03	09/02	09/03	09/02	08/29	08/27
Alabama	4,316	3,727	3,610	3,728	5.87	5.85	3,938	5.92
Arkansas	4,557	4,797	4,565	4,780	5.85	5.80	3,666	5.60
Delmarva	2,591	2,283	2,239	2,222	6.37	6.31	3,361	6.35
Ky-LA-TN	3,089	2,494	2,377	2,497	5.08	5.20	2,862	5.13
Mississippi	2,751	2,801	2,807	2,795	6.29	6.29	3,129	6.01
North Carolina	3,217	2,939	2,915	2,911	7.76	7.80	4,480	7.76
Texas	2,915	2,370	2,300	2,370	5.86	5.95	2,735	5.76
Total	23,436	21,411	20,813	21,303	6.15	6.15	24,171	6.05
Mon-Friday	95,921 (A)							
Saturday	2,701 (included in total for date shown)							4,711

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 05-Sep-14 and 06-Sep-14 is estimated to be 35,668,000 head down 3.33 percent from a week ago and up 5.43 percent from a year ago. (Last week 36,897,000, last year 33,832,000)

Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the week ending 06-Sep-14 is estimated to be 144,660,000 head down 11.60 percent from a week ago, and up 2.68 percent from a year ago. (Last week 163,643,000, last year 140,890,000) Actual data incorporated when available.

NATIONAL FOWL MARKET

LIVE SPENT HEAVY FOWL Prices are trending steady. Supplies are moderate for the light to mostly moderate demand. Processing schedules are mostly normal. Finished product supplies are sufficient. Market activity is moderate with retail feature activity good with the majority of interest being in the Northeast region.

Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading: Price Range Wtd Avg
 Prices in cents per pound. 11.0- 22.0 14.19
 (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 continue to trend steady at best for the light to moderate demand. Offerings of light type hens are sufficient for current needs. Processing schedules were reduced slightly. Movement of finished product sales are moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. The majority price for removal costs continued unchanged at 0-7 cents per head. Retail features are light 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 30-Aug-14

(Preliminary)	Thousands				
	(A) 4.25 lbs.	(B) 4.26 -	(C) 6.26 -	(D) 7.76 lbs.	
Head	39,885	64,725	33,007	26,026	163,643
Avg Live Wgt	3.89	5.42	6.92	8.87	5.90
% of total /1	24%	40%	20%	16%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	41,798	51,443	34,674	32,433	160,348
Avg Live Wgt	3.73	5.39	6.73	8.68	5.91
% of total /1	26%	32%	22%	20%	100%
Year Ago 2/	40,296	56,389	34,815	31,683	163,183
Avg Live Wgt	3.82	5.44	6.72	8.51	5.91
% of total /1	25%	35%	21%	19%	100%
To date/2014*	1,440,887	1,890,307	994,568	1,036,835	5,362,595
To date/2013*	1,432,665	1,961,224	1,016,664	979,795	5,390,348
% Change YTD	1%	-4%	-2%	6%	-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 30-Aug-14

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
Head	163,643	1,391	1,579	2,970	381
Avg Wt	5.90	3.15	8.07	5.77	6.78
Last week	160,348	1,610	1,704	3,314	420
Same wk yr ago	163,183	1,790	1,699	3,489	469
Avg Wt	5.91	3.32	8.07	5.63	6.83
To-date/2014*	5,362,595	51,834	53,215	105,049	14,680
To-date/2013*	5,390,348	53,897	51,413	105,310	14,878
% Change YTD	-1%	-4%	4%	0%	-1%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	733,775	2,432	8,729	11,161	1,834
Last week	720,219	2,877	9,758	12,635	2,028
Same wk yr ago	732,953	3,239	9,392	12,631	2,306
To-date/2014*	23,707,315	89,983	296,812	386,795	70,525
To-date/2013*	23,751,908	92,548	277,139	369,687	71,586
% Change YTD	0%	-3%	7%	5%	-1%

Dressing % 76.0% 55.5% 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 156.9 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 167.2 million head, or 10.3 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
7/26	159.50	155.8	102%	5.93
8/2	158.10	157.6	100%	5.78
8/9	160.00	158.5	101%	5.93
8/16	160.00	159.7	100%	5.87
8/23	162.30	158.5	102%	5.91
8/30	167.20	156.9	107%	5.90
Year to date	5429.50	5411.0	100%	
9/6		158.0		
9/13		157.3		

*Based on chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier.

BROILER/CATTLE/HOG WEEKLY ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER

Under Federal Inspection (in thousands)

W/E	09/06/14	08/30/14	% chg	09/07/13	% chg
Broilers	144,660	163,643 ¹	- 11.60	140,890 ¹	+2.68
Cattle	518	584	-11	575 ¹	-10
Hogs	1,780	1,979	-10	1,983 ¹	-10

¹ Actual data incorporated when available.

² Totals adjusted to reflect USDA, NASS revisions.

EASTERN REGION MISC. POULTRY

For delivery the week of September 1, 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.

Ice Packed (12/Box)	Range	Mostly
Vacuum Packed (6-9/Box)	74.00-96.25	80.00-99.00
	80.00-100.00	87.00-101.00

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, prices are steady. Demand is mostly moderate. Supplies are moderate. Processing schedules are varied due to the extended Labor Day weekend. 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 September 1, 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: September 2, 2014 Prices Paid Per lb., Except As Noted

	Range	
Muscovy Ducks - Drakes	1.75 -	1.90 lbs.
Cockatiels	-	20.00 ea.
Pekin Ducks	5.00 -	6.50 ea.
Red Fowl 5-6 LBS	.70 -	.90 lbs.
Red Fowl 4-5 LBS	.60 -	.75 lbs.
Crossbred Roosters 7-11 LBS	1.20 -	1.30 lbs.
Crossbred Roosters 4-6 LBS	1.30 -	1.50 lbs.
Crossbred Fowl 5-9 LBS	.90 -	1.20 lbs.
Banty Roosters	4.00 -	5.00 ea.
Banty Hens	4.00 -	4.50 ea.
Guinea Pigs	.60 -	1.20 ea.
Guinea Fowl	2.90 -	3.10 lbs.
Geese 9-11 LBS	-	1.55 lbs.
Pigeons	4.50 -	4.80 ea.
White Pigeons	7.00 -	7.20 ea.
Rabbits 6-9 LBS	1.30 -	1.50 lbs.
Rabbits 4-6 LBS	1.40 -	1.60 lbs.
Bunnies	1.00 -	4.00 ea.
Doves	-	6.00 ea.
Silkie	-	3.00 ea.
Goats	115.00 -	160.00 ea.
Turkeys	-	7.00 ea.
Call Ducks	10.00 -	15.00 ea.
Guinea Keets	2.50 -	3.50 ea.
Chicks	.90 -	1.30 ea.
Quail	.80 -	1.00 ea.
Parakeets	5.00 -	8.00 ea.
Broilers	1.70 -	1.80 lbs.
Ducklings	1.50 -	1.60 ea.
Finch	-	6.50 ea.
Pheasants	19.00 -	21.00 ea.
Laying Pullets	5.00 -	6.00 ea.
Fancy Bantams	8.00 -	11.00 ea.
Fancy Pigeons	-	7.00 ea.
Muscovy Ducks - Hens	1.80 -	2.10 lbs.

Total Coops Sold 2639