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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

Whole broiler/fryer prices are steady overall. Offerings are moderate for current trade needs. Retail demand is light to moderate. Food service demand is light to good, mostly light to moderate for first of the month business. Floor stocks are generally balanced. Market activity is slow to moderate. In the parts structure, movement is light to moderate for mid-week business with most dealers cautious and selective. Prices are trending steady to higher for wings; steady to lower for b/s breast; steady to weak for tenders and dark meat items. Offerings of wings are in good balance and clearing satisfactorily; bone-in breast and tenders are light to moderate for current trade needs. Boneless skinless breast are readily available at discounted levels and dark meat items are moderate to heavy with drums and thighs noted as available and slow to clear. Market activity for parts is slow to moderate. In production areas, live supplies are moderate at mixed but mostly desirable weights.

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK The Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for next week's trading remains unchanged to 113.75 cents based on full truck load lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 105.75 cents last year on October 2, 2013.

Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted prices on ice-packed parts for next week's trading.

ITEM	DOCK PRICE (CENTS PER POUND)
LINE RUN TENDERS	222.00
BREASTS - B/S	219.50
BREASTS - WHOLE	127.00
THIGH MEAT - B/S	149.50
THIGHS	71.50
DRUMSTICKS	57.00
LEG QUARTERS	52.00
WINGS	163.00

Information supplied by the GA Dept. of Ag's Poultry Market News Service.

NATIONAL FOWL MARKET 26-Sep-2014

Ready-to-Cook

Midwest Region Negotiated Prices to First Receivers

(cents/lb. delivered to first receivers; U.S. Grade A and Plant Grade)

	Price Range
Hens Ice Packed (12 per Box)	80.0 - 86.0
Vacuum Packed (6-9 per Box)	85.0 - 90.0

Midwest region = IL, IN, MI, MO, OH, and WI

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF U.S. BROILER/FRYERS AND FOWL

Week Ending 04-Oct-2014

Class	Current Week 10/4/2014 (1)	Previous Week 9/27/2014
Broiler/fryer	160,675 (2)	158,238
Light hens	1,841	1,565
Heavy hens	1,854	1,719
Total	164,370	161,522

(1) Estimated

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 04-Oct-14 is 157.3 million head compared to 158.9 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 161.0 million head or 3.7 million more than estimated available. For the week of 11-Oct-14 the estimated available is 159.3 million head.

WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING – Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 08-Nov-14 is estimated at 152.8 million head. This compares to 154.5 million head the previous week and to 157.1 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 159.8 million head and the national weighted average price was *TFEWR cents per pound. *Previous year data is unavailable due to the Federal Government Furlough in October, 2013.

MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS – MEXICO CITY

Cents per pound for the week ending September 26, 2014

	Whole Chickens	Breasts	Legs W/Thighs	Necks, Backs & Wings	Livers/Gizzards	Hens
RAYON						
Low	117.50	189.09	135.06	43.90	23.64	135.06
High	119.53	199.22	145.19	54.03	27.01	135.06
Mostly	118.18	192.46	138.44	47.27	23.64	135.06
SAN JUAN						
Low	116.15	189.09	131.69	43.90	23.64	135.06
High	118.18	195.84	141.82	54.03	27.01	135.06
Mostly	118.18	192.46	138.44	47.27	23.64	135.06
NEW SAN JUAN						
Low	118.18	192.46	135.06	47.27	27.01	135.06
High	120.54	202.59	148.57	57.40	30.39	135.06
Mostly	118.18	195.84	141.82	50.65	27.01	135.06
BECERRA						
Low	118.86	192.46	135.06	50.65	27.01	135.06
High	121.56	205.97	151.95	60.78	30.39	165.45
Mostly	118.86	199.22	145.19	54.03	27.01	135.06

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS - Selected Centers

(INC. GOV'T STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	Processed Turkeys LBS	Processed other Poultry LBS
AM 09/29/14	156,819	42,753
AM 09/01/14	170,734	45,288
CHG	-13915	-2535
PCT CHG	-8%	-6%

COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS - PACIFIC WITHOUT DENVER

	Proc. Turkeys (000)			Proc. other Poultry (000)		
	09/29/14	09/22/14	09/30/13	09/29/14	09/22/14	09/30/13
Pacific Coast	1684	1584	*	4105	4280	*
Los Angeles	287	286	*	639	674	*

*No data available due to the 2013 Federal Government Shutdown Furlough.

BROILER HATCHERY

Week Ending 9/27/2014

Broiler-Type Eggs Set in the United States Up 2 Percent

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 209 million eggs in incubators during the week ending September 27, 2014, up 2 percent from a year ago. Hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 202 million eggs in incubators during the week ending September 27, 2014, up 2 percent from the year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

United States Total (1,000 eggs)	2014	% of PY
Eggs Set.....	208,839	+02

Source: USDA NASS

Broiler-Type Chicks Placed in the United States Up 2 Percent

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 170 million chicks for meat production during the week ending September 27, 2014, up 2 percent from a year ago. Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 165 million chicks for meat production during the week ending September 27, 2014, up 2 percent from the year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 29, 2013 through September 27, 2014 for the United States were 6.72 billion. Cumulative placements were up slightly from the same period a year earlier.

United States Total (1,000 chicks)	2014	% of PY
Chicks Placed.....	170,495	+02

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER PARTS F.O.B. Dock or Equivalent, Iced-Packed, Prices Shown Are Day of Shipment (Includes Current & Prior Negotiations), Trucklot and Less Than Trucklot Volume, Cents per Pound.

Sep 30, 2014					Sep 30, 2014				
ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG	ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	352	181.00-218.00	181-182	193.65	BREAST - B/S	304	181.00-216.00	-	192.42
TENDERLOINS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			TENDERLOINS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT			BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT			FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	279	34.00-46.00	40-42	41.37	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	267	35.00-45.00	40-42	41.16
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	339	43.00-48.00	44-46	45.77	LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	293	43.00-48.00	44-46	45.73
WINGS (WHOLE)		TOO FEW TO REPORT			WINGS (WHOLE)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
WINGS (CUT)		TOO FEW TO REPORT			WINGS (CUT)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
B/S THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT			B/S THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		

Whole Body Index Based on Southern States Parts Trading for Sep 30, 2014 -- f.o.b. dock.

Whole Body Index Based on Southern States Parts Trading for Oct 1, 2014 -- f.o.b. dock.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
65.50 - 75.50	70.24	66.00 - 75.00	70.14	70.12

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.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Prices are firm to higher for wings; steady for bone-in breasts and weak to lower for boneless skinless breast, drums and thighs. Trucklot buying activity is light to moderate during mid-week trading with most dealers cautious and selective. Offerings of wings are in good balance and clearing satisfactorily; bone-in breasts and tenders are light to moderate for current needs. Boneless skinless breast are readily available at discounted levels and dark meat items are moderate to heavy with drums and thighs noted as available and slow to clear. Movement is slow to moderate.

Ice Packed Broiler/Fryer Parts, Delivered to First Receivers in Pool Trucklot and Trucklot Quantities, Cents per Pound

Sep 30, 2014				Sep 30, 2014				
ITEM	NEGOTIATED TRADING*	CURRENT	WTD AVG**	VOLUME /LBS	ITEM	NEGOTIATED TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOLUME /LBS
BREAST - B/S		220	192.51	1,196,040	BREAST - B/S	215-220	192.94	588,400
TENDERLOINS		195	199.16	214,320	TENDERLOINS	195	192.77	109,200
BREAST - WITH RIBS	117-118	117	131.37	60,386	BREAST - WITH RIBS	117-118	129.42	47,129
BREAST - LINE RUN		117	119.32	93,729	BREAST - LINE RUN		119.34	83,697
LEGS	57-58		52.88	120,840	LEGS	57-58	56.84	189,160
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	44-45		46.08	355,320	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	44-45	49.18	144,800
DRUMSTICKS	51-52		55.11	145,560	DRUMSTICKS	50-51	60.15	75,920
THIGHS	65-66		75.36	20,040	THIGHS	64-65	80.41	41,200
B/S THIGHS	119-120		128.97	118,578	B/S THIGHS	119-120	127.72	80,840
WINGS (WHOLE)	178-179		183.59	238,080	WINGS (WHOLE)	179-180	184.89	220,800
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18		18.00	4,500	BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	18.00	5,600
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60		57.13	16,645	LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60	55.79	11,855
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	75-80		73.36	24,840	GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	75-80	80.15	20,360

Includes New York City metropolitan area, northern NJ, MA, CT, RI, & 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.

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS

	Estimated (1,000)		Actual (1,000)		Avg. Wt.		Actual Avg. Wt.	
	10/01	09/30	09/29	09/26	09/29	09/26	09/24	09/22
Alabama	3,788	3,790	3,807	3,704	5.99	5.80	3,621	5.55
Arkansas	4,691	4,728	4,701	4,275	5.98	5.78	4,786	6.07
Delmarva	2,158	2,191	2,213	2,158	6.37	6.13	2,098	6.46
KY-LA-TN	2,475	2,467	2,471	2,684	5.27	4.91	2,477	5.12
Mississippi	2,818	2,849	2,762	2,693	6.25	6.19	2,795	6.20
North Carolina	2,958	2,894	2,921	3,178	7.99	7.79	2,916	7.75
Texas	2,340	2,379	2,321	2,293	6.11	5.96	2,272	6.03
Total	21,228	21,298	21,196	20,985	6.27	6.08	20,965	6.15
Mon-Wed	63,835 (A)						62,791 (A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 01-Oct-14 is estimated to be 32,307,000 head up 2.69 percent from a week ago *No data available for last year due to the Federal Government Furlough in 2013. (Last week 31,460,000, last year (No Data Available))

HACKETTSTOWN, NJ - POULTRY AUCTION for 09-30-14

*All Papers Required to Sell All Out of State Poultry									
	Low High Avg			Low High Avg					
	Heavy Fowl lb.	0.70	1.25	1.06	Heavy Fowl ea.	2.25	55.50	8.86	
Light Fowl lb.	-	-	-	Light Fowl ea.	-	-	-		
Mixed Fowl lb.	-	-	-	Mixed Fowl ea.	-	-	-		
Bantams lb.	-	-	-	Bantams ea.	3.00	5.25	3.98		
Broilers lb.	-	-	-	Broilers ea.	-	-	-		
Roasters lb.	-	-	-	Roasters ea.	-	-	-		
Fryers lb.	-	-	-	Fryers ea.	-	-	-		
Chicks lb.	-	-	-	Chicks ea.	1.25	1.50	1.37		
Pullets lb.	-	-	-	Pullets ea.	3.50	5.25	5.09		
Bunnies lb.	-	-	-	Bunnies ea.	2.00	3.00	2.67		
Roosters lb.	-	-	-	Roosters ea.	2.00	12.50	6.12		
Geese lb.	-	-	-	Geese ea.	-	24.00	-		
Turkeys lb.	-	-	-	Turkeys ea.	-	27.50	-		
Ducks lb.	-	-	-	Ducks ea.	4.00	13.50	8.41		
Rabbits lb.	1.00	2.30	1.81	Rabbits ea.	3.50	9.00	4.41		
Pigeons lb.	-	-	-	Pigeons ea.	2.50	8.00	3.95		
Guinea Fowl lb.	-	-	-	Guinea Fowl ea.	8.00	8.50	8.19		
Ducklings lb.	-	-	-	Ducklings ea.	-	-	-		
Guinea Keets ea.	-	-	-	Call Ducks ea.	-	-	-		
Silkies ea.	-	7.00	-	Goslings ea.	-	-	-		
Guinea Pigs lb.	-	-	-	Guinea Pigs ea.	-	5.00	-		
Chukars ea.	-	-	-	Peacocks ea.	-	-	-		
Partridges ea.	-	-	-	Cockatiels ea.	-	-	-		
Doves ea.	-	-	-	Pheasants ea.	-	-	-		
Quail ea.	-	5.00	-	Ferrets ea.	-	-	-		
Chinchillas ea.	-	-	-	Mice ea.	-	-	-		
Peafowl ea.	-	-	-	Guinea Fowl Eggs (doz)	-	-	-		
Quail Eggs ea.	-	-	-	Hamsters ea.	-	-	-		
Emu ea.	-	-	-	Leghorn ea.	1.00	1.75	1.20		
Leghorn lb.	0.20	0.40	0.27	Miscellaneous ea.	2.00	30.00	12.54		
Turkey Poult ea.	-	-	-	Total Pieces Sold	537				