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## NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

Whole broiler/fryer prices are trending steady to weak in the West, steady elsewhere. Offerings are light to moderate. Retail and food service demand is light to good, mostly light to moderate with many anticipating improved movement over the weekend for first of the month. Floor stocks mixed. Market activity is slow to moderate. In the parts structure, movement is light to moderate entering the weekend. Prices are steady to firm for wings; weak to lower for boneless skinless breast, drums and thighs; steady for the balance of items. Offerings of wings are light to moderate with smaller sized wings noted as slightly more available; bone-in breast, thighs and drums are readily available with some discounting noted. Other dark meat items are mostly moderate. 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 **113.75** 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.
850	104.00-119.00	112.97

NATIONAL WHOLE BROILER/FRYER - COMPOSITE WEIGHTED AVERAGE			
	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.
<b>This Week:</b>	108.33	↓ 0.71	11,655
<b>Last Week:</b>	109.04		11,745
<b>Last Year:</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A
Monthly Composite Weighted Average			
<b>Sep</b>	107.05		47,652

Confirmed PRELIMINARY weighted average price on ice-packed parts:

ITEM	WTD AVG (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
Line Run Tenders	219.50	1,707
Breasts - B/S	221.50	6,714
Breasts - Whole	130.00	1,210
Thigh Meat - B/S	144.00	1,813
Thighs	76.00	1,218
Drumsticks	64.00	1,319
Leg Quarters	52.50	7,909
Wings	158.50	3,494

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:	94.00 - 133.00	109.00 - 113.00	110.87	↓ 1.11	5,286	111.98	5,573
WOGS:	100.00 - 129.00	109.00 - 113.00	110.89	↓ 1.70	1,233	112.58	1,230
NEW YORK		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
Whole Body:	102.00 - 117.00	107.00 - 111.00	109.26	↓ 0.52	1,332	109.78	1,387
CENTRAL REGION		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
Whole Body:	92.00 - 117.00	97.00 - 105.00	103.78	↑ 0.17	4,216	103.60	4,076
WOGS:	92.00 - 117.00	97.00 - 103.00	102.26	↑ 0.26	3,341	102.00	3,221
CHICAGO		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
Whole Body:	92.00 - 116.00	97.00 - 105.00	103.64	↓ 0.40	2,660	104.04	2,520
WESTERN REGION		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
Whole Body:	92.00 - 125.00	102.00 - 112.00	110.99	↓ 0.81	2,153	111.80	2,096
WOGS:	92.00 - 120.00	102.00 - 112.00	110.15	↓ 0.86	1,939	111.02	1,866
LOS ANGELES		THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
Whole Body:	92.00 - 121.00	102.00 - 112.00	110.67	↓ 1.06	1,758	111.73	1,541

#### 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.

Oct 02, 2014

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	306	170.00-215.00	-	189.43
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)	253	35.00-45.00	40-42	41.22
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	273	43.00-48.00	44-46	45.86
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		

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Whole Body Index Based on Southern States Parts Trading for Oct 02, 2014 -- f.o.b. dock.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE
66.00 - 75.00	70.17

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	
			WTD AVG	POUNDS (000)
301	170.00-210.00	-	186.19	1,648
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			530
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			605
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			476
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			499
252	35.00-45.00	40-42	41.46	1,323
252	43.00-48.00	44-46	45.92	1,507
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			720
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			618
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			541
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			448
	TOO FEW TO REPORT			410

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Whole Body Index Based on Southern States Parts Trading Oct 03, 2014 -- f.o.b. dock.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
66.00 - 75.00	70.32	70.20

**NORTHEAST BROILER PARTS** Prices are steady to firm for wings; steady for tenders and bone-in breasts and weak to lower for boneless skinless breast, drums and thighs. Trucklot buying activity is light to moderate as dealers assumed product to cover weekend needs. Offerings of wings are light to moderate with the smaller sized wings noted as slightly more available; bone-in breasts and tenders are light to moderate for current needs. Boneless skinless breasts, thighs and drums are readily available with some discounting noted. Other dark meat items are mostly moderate. Movement is slow. ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND

Oct 02, 2014

ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL /LBS.
BREAST - B/S	215	192.42	832,680
TENDERLOINS	195	199.18	153,480
BREAST - WITH RIBS	117-118	129.98	57,932
BREAST - LINE RUN	117	119.56	85,275
LEGS	57-58	54.25	128,840
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	44-45	47.88	608,172
DRUMSTICKS	49-50	64.86	102,380
THIGHS	63-64	75.13	28,520
B/S THIGHS	119-120	129.79	133,880
WINGS (WHOLE)	180-181	184.51	266,880
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	18.00	6,960
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60	57.22	9,190
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	75-80	80.00	27,580

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.
210-215	188.12	924,060	191.82	4,265,540
195	198.07	290,680	197.48	896,440
117-118	132.36	39,649	130.73	267,592
117	119.42	82,510	119.31	422,611
57-58	51.81	119,180	53.79	738,140
44-45	46.83	150,860	46.50	1,846,668
48-49	58.70	150,240	59.36	580,400
62-63	73.75	19,120	77.57	139,000
119-120	127.27	105,360	128.88	524,018
180-181	184.09	195,880	183.03	1,186,480
16-18	18.00	5,600	18.00	27,860
55-60	58.06	9,820	57.29	54,890
75-80	80.04	25,360	78.63	110,340

**ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS**

	ESTIMATED (1,000)		ACTUAL (1,000)		AVG WT		ACTUAL (1,000)		AVG WT	
	10/03	10/02	10/01	09/30	10/01	09/30	09/26	09/24	09/26	09/24
Alabama	3,736	4,077	3,792	3,743	5.85	5.93	3,704	5.87		
Arkansas	3,804	4,703	4,723	4,729	5.97	5.92	4,275	5.91		
Delmarva	2,179	2,209	2,164	2,203	6.42	6.48	2,158	6.47		
KY-LA-TN	2,499	2,498	2,507	2,479	5.19	5.15	2,684	5.20		
Mississippi	2,698	2,802	2,794	2,815	5.87	6.35	2,693	6.04		
North Carolina	3,093	2,974	2,909	2,861	7.82	7.99	3,178	7.79		
Texas	2,283	2,322	2,254	2,302	5.95	6.00	2,293	6.02		
Total	20,292	21,585	21,143	21,132	6.14	6.24	20,985	6.17		
Mon-Friday	105,712 (A)						104,801 (A)			
Saturday	212 (included in total for date shown)						989			

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 03-Oct-14 and 04-Oct-14 is estimated to be 30,883,000 head down 3.59 percent from a week ago \*No data available for last year due to the Federal Government Furlough in 2013. (Last week 32,033,000, last year (No Data Available))

Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the week ending 04-Oct-14 is estimated to be 160,621,000 head up 1.82 percent from a week ago, and up 1.76 percent from a year ago. (Last week 157,752,000, last year 157,842,000) Actual data incorporated when available.

**NATIONAL FOWL MARKET**

**LIVE SPENT HEAVY FOWL** Prices are trending mostly steady. Supplies are at least sufficient for the light to moderate demand. Processing schedules were normal. Finished product supplies are moderate for current needs. Market activity is slow to moderate with retail feature activity moderate to good with the bulk 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 14.22  
(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 were mostly normal. Movement of finished product is moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. The majority price for removal costs continued unchanged at 0-7 cents per head. Retail features is moderate with the bulk of interest being in the Northeast region.

(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 27-Sep-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	38,973	58,014	28,810	31,775	157,572
Avg Live Wgt	3.83	5.46	6.93	8.79	6.00
% of total /1	25%	37%	18%	20%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	33,642	59,906	30,283	33,506	157,337
Avg Live Wgt	3.81	5.28	6.71	8.73	5.98
% of total /1	21%	38%	19%	21%	100%
Year Ago 2/	42,302	52,944	34,411	27,378	157,035
Avg Live Wgt	3.47	5.39	6.76	8.76	5.76
% of total /1	27%	34%	22%	17%	100%
To date/2014*	1,582,833	2,132,852	1,110,011	1,155,704	5,981,398
To date/2013*	1,611,336	2,168,347	1,138,237	1,088,918	6,006,838
% Change YTD	-2%	-2%	-2%	6%	0%

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 27-Sep-14

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
Head	157,572	1,513	1,520	3,033	402
Avg Wt	6.00	3.14	7.88	5.52	6.83
Last week	157,337	1,679	1,648	3,327	476
Same wk yr ago	157,035	1,282	1,562	2,844	416
Avg Wt	5.76	3.36	8.03	5.92	6.47
To-date/2014*	5,981,398	57,373	59,711	117,084	16,467
To-date/2013*	6,006,838	59,360	57,839	117,199	16,654
% Change YTD	0%	-3%	3%	0%	-1%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	718,528	2,637	8,205	10,842	1,949
Last week	715,065	2,889	9,178	12,067	2,305
Same wk yr ago	687,436	2,348	8,592	10,940	1,938
To-date/2014*	26,506,862	99,690	333,136	432,826	79,124
To-date/2013*	26,442,705	102,550	312,835	415,385	79,975
% Change YTD	0%	-3%	6%	4%	-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 158.4 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 159.5 million head, or 1.1 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
8/23	162.30	158.5	102%	5.91
8/30	167.20	156.9	107%	5.90
9/6	146.20	158.0	93%	5.93
9/13	161.40	157.3	103%	5.90
9/20	159.20	157.0	101%	5.98
9/27	159.50	158.4	101%	6.00
Year to date	6055.80	6041.7	100%	
10/4		159.3		
10/11		159.2		

\*Based on chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier.

**BROILER/CATTLE/HOG WEEKLY ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER**

Under Federal Inspection (in thousands)

W/E	10/04/14	09/27/14	% chg	10/05/13	% chg
Broilers	160,621	157,752 <sup>1</sup>	+1.82	157,842 <sup>1</sup>	+1.76
Cattle	582	572	+2	639 <sup>1</sup>	-9
Hogs	2,090	2,095	0	2,219 <sup>1</sup>	-6

<sup>1</sup> Actual data incorporated when available.<sup>2</sup> Totals adjusted to reflect USDA, NASS revisions.**EASTERN REGION MISC. POULTRY**

For delivery the week of September 29, 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)	76.00-101.00	81.00-97.00
	81.00-103.00	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,VV

**CENTRAL REGION DUCKLINGS**

This week, prices are steady. Demand is moderate to instances good. Supplies are mostly moderate. Processing schedules are full-time to extended. 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 29, 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 30, 2014 Prices Paid Per lb., Except As Noted

	Range
Muscovy Ducks - Drakes	1.15 - 1.25 lbs.
Cockatiels	- 31.00 ea.
Pekin Ducks	5.00 - 6.00 ea.
Red Fowl 5-6 LBS	.70 - 1.25 lbs.
Red Fowl 4-5 LBS	.60 - .70 lbs.
Leghorn Roosters	- 4.00 ea.
Crossbred Roosters 7-11 LBS	1.05 - 1.20 lbs.
Crossbred Roosters 4-6 LBS	1.25 - 1.40 lbs.
Crossbred Fowl 5-9 LBS	.65 - .90 lbs.
Banty Roosters	3.75 - 4.00 ea.
Banty Hens	2.50 - 3.00 ea.
Guinea Pigs	1.00 - 6.00 ea.
Guinea Fowl	1.70 - 1.80 lbs.
Kid Goats	55.00 - 65.00 ea.
Geese 9-14 LBS	1.10 - 1.25 lbs.
Pigeons	4.10 - 4.20 ea.
White Pigeons	5.00 - 5.10 ea.
Chukars	2.50 - 3.00 ea.
Rabbits 6-9 LBS	1.25 - 1.80 lbs.
Rabbits 4-6 LBS	1.35 - 1.70 lbs.
Leghorn Hens	- 1.50 ea.
Bunnies	1.00 - 6.00 ea.
Doves	9.00 - 12.00 ea.
Silkies	- 3.00 ea.
Goats	- 105.00 ea.
Turkeys	15.00 - 20.00 ea.
Call Ducks	- 5.00 ea.
Guinea Keets	1.75 - 2.50 ea.
Chicks	1.10 - 1.20 ea.
Quail	.30 - 1.00 ea.
Parakeets	5.00 - 9.00 ea.
Broilers	- .75 lbs.
Peacocks	25.00 - 35.00 ea.
Finch	18.00 - 25.00 ea.
Pheasants	15.00 - 31.00 ea.
Laying Pullets	- 5.00 ea.
Fancy Bantams	- 12.00 ea.
Fancy Pigeons	- 15.00 ea.
Parrots	175.00 - 250.00 ea.
Muscovy Ducks - Hens	1.10 - 1.30 lbs.

Total Coops Sold 4860