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Beginning on January 2, 2015 Livestock, Poultry and Grain Market News (LPGMN) will be revising this report in both content and release frequency. The report will still contain all of the information that it currently does but will only be released once per week, on Friday. This report will also include additional broiler/fryer information that was previously being released on other reports. LPGMN is making these changes to ensure that the data we provide is easier for users to access, to ensure that we have more timely releases of the information that we provide, and also to reduce the duplicate release of information. If you currently receive this report through email you will still be receiving it after the changes are put into place, we do not anticipate any gaps in service because of these changes.

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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

Whole broiler/fryer prices are steady. Retail demand is seasonally light to moderate with most focus on other holiday meat items. Food service is in a full range, mostly moderate, best for catering, delis, and fast food. Offerings are light to moderate for trade needs. Floor stocks are balance. Market activity is slow to moderate. In the parts structure, movement is light following the weekend with many dealers having some trouble securing trucks for transport. Prices are mostly steady with supplies of all items at least sufficient to at times heavy. Market activity for parts is slow to moderate. In production areas, live supplies are moderate at mixed but mostly desirable weights.

The National Composite Weighted Average for 12/19/14 is 95.70 compared to 97.18 a week earlier, and 93.94 a year ago.

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.

LOADS	RANGE	MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT
1,011	97.00-118.79	112.66

NATIONAL WHOLE BROILER/FRYER - COMPOSITE WEIGHTED AVERAGE			
	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.
This Week:	95.70	↓ 1.48	12,347
Last Week:	97.18		11,794
Last Year:	93.94	↑ 1.76	11,940
Monthly Composite Weighted Average			
Nov	103.68		47,740

Confirmed FINAL weighted average price on ice-packed parts:

ITEM	WTD AVG (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	193.00	1,936
BREASTS - B/S	197.00	7,865
BREASTS - WHOLE	124.50	1,571
THIGH MEAT - B/S	146.50	1,705
THIGHS	75.00	1,327
DRUMSTICKS	63.50	1,844
LEG QUARTERS	52.00	9,229
WINGS	156.00	3,768

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:	73.00 - 130.00	96.00 - 104.00	100.82	↓ 0.94	5,304	101.76	5,377
WOGS:	86.00 - 126.00	97.00 - 104.00	100.54	↓ 0.36	1,301	100.90	1,245
NEW YORK							
Whole Body:	88.00 - 107.75	96.00 - 103.00	99.42	↑ 0.08	1,459	99.34	1,354
CENTRAL REGION	THIS WEEK					LAST WEEK	
	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Whole Body:	68.00 - 115.00	80.00 - 93.00	88.65	↓ 1.67	4,424	90.32	4,101
WOGS:	68.00 - 114.00	80.00 - 93.00	85.70	↓ 1.71	3,473	87.42	3,151
CHICAGO							
Whole Body:	75.00 - 115.00	80.00 - 93.00	91.43	↑ 0.48	2,505	90.95	2,425
WESTERN REGION	THIS WEEK					LAST WEEK	
	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Whole Body:	79.00 - 123.00	89.00 - 99.00	97.26	↓ 1.46	2,619	98.71	2,316
WOGS:	79.00 - 111.00	84.00 - 95.00	94.74	↓ 2.96	2,069	97.70	2,129
LOS ANGELES							
Whole Body:	79.00 - 118.00	84.00 - 94.00	93.60	↓ 3.22	1,754	96.82	1,641

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 steady for boneless skinless breasts, tenders and wings; no better than steady for the balance of items. Trucklot buying activity is light to fair entering the week with many dealers having some trouble securing trucks for transport. Offerings of most items are moderate for current needs. Movement is seasonally slow.

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

ITEM	CURRENT NEGOTIATED TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOLUME /LBS.
BREAST - B/S	150	128.47	744,000
TENDERLOINS	145	145.91	126,880
BREAST - WITH RIBS	103-104	120.38	53,693
BREAST - LINE RUN	103	104.44	80,196
LEGS	57-58	54.92	93,120
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	44-45	45.31	338,511
DRUMSTICKS	44-45	53.63	72,920
THIGHS	62-63	78.59	34,280
B/S THIGHS	119-120	128.33	91,440
WINGS (WHOLE)	165-166	172.43	203,360
BACKS & NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	18.00	7,600
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60	58.11	11,300
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	75-80	80.65	20,880

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
	12/22	12/18	12/18	12/15	12/11
Alabama	3,802	3,724	5.74	3,685	5.88
Arkansas	4,896	4,539	5.79	4,766	5.91
Delmarva	2,247	2,215	6.25	2,222	6.22
KY-LA-TN	2,507	2,443	5.28	2,522	5.08
Mississippi	2,806	2,553	6.06	2,819	6.36
North Carolina	2,941	2,517	7.69	2,869	7.73
Texas	2,417	2,320	6.31	2,325	6.32
Total	21,616	20,311	6.10	21,208	6.19
Mon	21,616 (A)			21,208 (A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 22-Dec-14 is estimated to be 32,898,000 up 3.37 percent from a week ago and up 4.2 percent from a year ago. (last week 31,825,000 last year 31,560,000)

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	224	111.00-166.00	-	127.08
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)	205	35.00-43.00	38-40	38.68
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	245	43.00-48.00	44-46	45.51
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 -- F.O.B. DOCK

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
60.00 - 67.50	62.33	62.05

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 22-DEC-14 TO 26-DEC-14, CENTS PER POUND

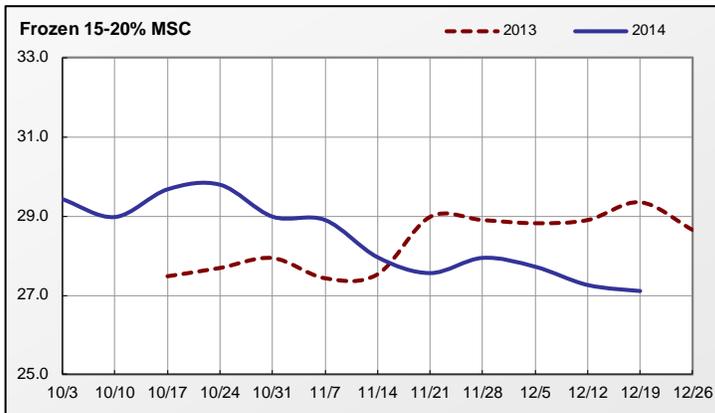
	Price Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	106.00 - 133.00	115.00 - 123.00
TENDERLOINS	140.00 - 165.00	145.00 - 151.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	89.00 - 118.00	95.00 - 105.00
LEGS	54.00 - 61.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	34.00 - 59.00	43.00 - 46.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	44.00 - 59.00	45.00 - 48.00
DRUMSTICKS	36.00 - 64.00	-
THIGHS	59.00 - 70.00	-
B/S THIGHS	101.00 - 130.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	146.00 - 176.00	154.00 - 166.00
BACKS & NECKS (STRIPPED)	17.00 - 45.00	-
LIVERS	25.00 - 49.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	42.00 - 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 are trending mostly steady to weak on all fat contents. Domestic and export demand is light to moderate. Supplies are moderate to heavy for current needs. The spot marketplace is a mix of activity as buyers prepare for the holidays differently. Spot MSC and frames continue to be available and slow to clear. Negotiations for 2015 contracts continue with more confirmations for both domestic and export channels at either formula pricing or at flat prices at similar to lower levels than last year. Market activity is slow to moderate. Supplies of raw materials are moderate to heavy. Frame prices are steady to weak with trading levels between 9-12 cents FOB.

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

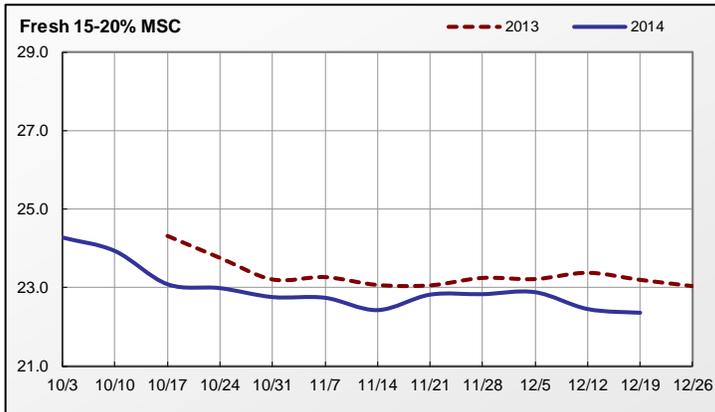
Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	19-Dec-14	Last Week	Last Year	19-Dec-14	Last Week	Last Year
15% or Less						
Price Range	-	-	-	27.00	25.00 - 27.00	28.00
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	27.00	26.20	28.00
Volume Traded	-	-	-	122	204	122
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-20%						
Price Range	25.00 - 29.00	25.00 - 30.00	27.00-31.00	20.00 - 25.00	21.00 - 25.00	20.00-26.00
Wtd Avg Price	27.11	27.26	29.35	22.36	22.46	23.20
Volume Traded	2,090	1,866	1,405	2,652	3,223	3,386
Volume Exported	1,650	1,546	1,165	775	1,306	1,020
20% or More						
Price Range	-	-	-	22.00	22.00	22.00
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	22.00	22.00	22.00
Volume Traded	-	-	-	82	82	82
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-



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

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	Nov 2014	Oct 2014	Nov 2013	Nov 2014	Oct 2014	Nov 2013
15% or Less						
Wtd Avg Price	28.00	28.00	32.50	26.74	27.65	27.53
Volume Traded	162	108	80	469	469	734
Volume Exported	162	108	-	-	-	-
15-20%						
Wtd Avg Price	28.15	29.33	28.01	22.70	23.47	23.17
Volume Traded	6,732	9,129	10,769	11,574	13,056	14,982
Volume Exported	6,372	8,529	9,449	3,386	3,264	2,489
20% or More						
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	21.00	21.63	22.00
Volume Traded	-	-	-	245	326	286
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-

Note: Volume exported refers to that portion of the total volume that is destined for export markets.



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