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If you have any questions or comments on these proposed changes, please contact Jason Karwal at 515-284-4471 - Jason.Karwal@ams.usda.gov or Annie Terry at 404-562-5850 - Annie.Terry@ams.usda.gov.



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NATIONAL BROILER

Whole broiler/fryer prices are steady to firm in the West, at least steady to steady in the East, and steady in the Midwest. Offerings are light to moderate entering the holiday weekend with some dealers continuing to have trouble securing trucks for shipment. Retail and food service demand is light to good, mostly light to moderate for current trade needs. Floor stocks are mixed. Market activity is slow to moderate. In the parts structure, movement was light to fair for mid-week business. Prices are steady to firm for wings, steady for boneless skinless breast and tenders. Other items are no better than steady. Offerings of wings are in very good balance and moving well; tenders and boneless skinless breast are light to moderate. Dark meat items are moderate to heavy with drums noted as slightly more available. Market activity for parts is seasonally slow to moderate. In production areas, live supplies are moderate at mixed but mostly desirable weights.

GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES

Wed - 113.75

Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed preliminary weighted average price on ice-packed parts:

Item	Wtd Avg (cents/lb)
Line Run Tenders	188.50
Breasts - B/S	189.00
Breasts - Whole	119.00
Thigh Meat - B/S	146.00
Thighs	67.50
Drumsticks	55.00
Leg Quarters	51.50
Wings	156.50

Holiday Schedule:
The next report will be
Monday, Dec. 29th.

This information is supplied by the Georgia Department of Agriculture's Poultry Market News Service.

NATIONAL WHOLE BROILER/FRYER

CENTRAL REGION	THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg 1,000 lbs.
CHICAGO						
Whole Body:	76.00 - 114.00	80.00 - 93.00	90.57	↓ 0.86	2,515	91.43 2,505

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.

WEEKLY NATIONAL FROZEN WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS

Weighted Average Prices, cents per pound, FOB Shipper Dock Basis - Week Ending December 26, 2014

FROZEN Whole Body Turkeys - commodity pack or equivalent; minimum 10,000 lb. lots; current negotiation for delivery within two weeks.

U.S. Grade A - FROZEN	Current Week		Last Week		Last Year		November Averages		
	wtd avg (cents/lb.)	volume (000 lbs.)	wtd avg (cents/lb.)	volume (000 lbs.)	wtd avg (cents/lb.)	volume (000 lbs.)	This Month	Last Month	Last Year
8-16 lb. (Hens)	105.00 ¹		107.87	938	103.50 ¹		118.78	116.20	105.64
16-24 lb. (Toms)	105.00 ¹		102.76	170	98.50	20	119.26	116.81	104.49

¹based on offers.

SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

Week Ending 20-Dec-14 (Preliminary)

	Live Poultry		Live Turkeys	
	Young Chickens	Young Hens	Young Hens	Young Toms
	---thousands---			
Head	154,620	1,603		2,526
Avg Wt	6.03	15.56		41.12
Last week	156,650	1,986		2,557
Same wk yr ago	156,151	1,544		2,491
Avg Wt	5.84	16.16		38.97
To-date/2014*	7,840,801	92,886		124,035
To-date/2013*	7,848,335	92,511		127,666
% Change YTD	0%	0%		-3%
	Ready-to-Cook Weight			
Current week	708,593	20,079		83,615
Last week	729,801	26,811		84,414
Same wk yr ago	693,061	19,961		77,659
To-date/2014*	35,066,639	1,278,651		4,036,317
To-date/2013*	34,649,829	1,265,075		4,086,346
% Change YTD	1%	1%		-1%
Dressing %	76.0%	80.5%		80.5%

(A) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update.

Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

Under Federal Inspection for Week Ending 27-Dec-14

	Current Week	Previous Week
Broiler/fryer	125,879	164,444

FRESH BEEF CUTS

FOB Negotiated	Price Range	Wtd Avg
112A 3 Rib, ribeye, bnls, heavy	675.00 794.00	711.07
168 3 Round, top inside round	292.00 320.00	299.44
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	540.50 619.00	577.47
Ground Beef 81%	233.00 286.00	254.03