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National Broiler Market-At-A-Glance

Whole broiler/fryer prices are steady to firm overall. Offering are light to moderate for current trade needs. Retail and food service demand is light to good entering the weekend. Floor stocks are mostly balance. Market activity is slow to mostly moderate. In the parts structure, movement improved slightly under normal weekend demand and is noted as moderate overall. Prices are trending steady to higher for tenders and breast item; steady to firm for wings and thigh meat. Other items were steady. Offerings of tenders and boneless skinless breast are in good balance and clearing well; thigh meat and wings are light to moderate. Other dark meat items are fully sufficient. Market activity for parts is slow to moderate. In production areas, live supplies are moderate for mostly desirable weights.

National Whole Broiler/Fryer

	This Week		Last Week	
	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Eastern				
Whole Body:	101.31	4,959	99.78	5,182
WOGS:	100.60	1,328	98.46	1,347
New York				
Whole Body:	98.68	1,403	97.45	1,400
Central				
Whole Body:	93.64	4,605	91.40	4,425
WOGS:	92.72	3,715	90.41	3,575
Chicago				
Whole Body:	94.21	2,620	92.14	2,700
Western				
Whole Body:	100.89	2,433	98.69	2,360
WOGS:	100.11	2,219	98.70	2,062
Los Angeles				
Whole Body:	99.63	1,728	98.31	1,610

Georgia Fob Dock or Equivalent Wtd Avg Prices

Monday Final	112.92	
Next Week Trading Quote.....	114.25	
Friday Prelim.....	113.70	
Confirmed Prelim. Wtd Avg price on ice-packed parts:		
Item	Wtd Avg (cents/lb.)	Vol (000 lbs.)
Line Run Tenders	200.00	1,703
Breasts - B/S	200.00	7,110
Breasts - Whole	126.50	830
Thigh Meat - B/S	147.00	2,066
Thighs	77.00	1,064
Drumsticks	64.00	1,593
Leg Quarters	50.00	7,207
Wings	168.50	3,685

Data Source: Georgia Department of Agriculture, Poultry Market News Service

Weekly Poultry Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection

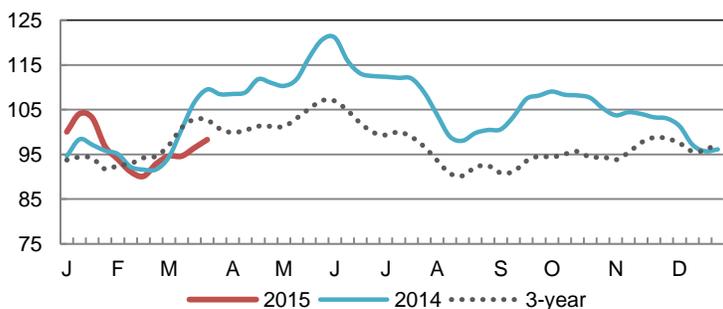
(Preliminary) Week ending 7-Mar-15

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Duck
----- Thousands -----					
Head	154,196	1,416	1,531	2,947	441
Avg Wt	6.12	3.19	8.03	5.70	6.52
Last week	145,754	1,443	1,640	3,083	488
Same wk yr ago	149,809	1,268	1,344	2,612	377
Avg Wt	5.65	3.31	8.01	5.73	6.96
To-date/2015*	1,397,630	14,031	14,480	28,511	4,223
To-date/2014*	1,368,079	13,645	13,051	26,696	3,956
% Change YTD	2%	3%	11%	7%	7%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	717,196	2,507	8,421	10,928	2,041
Last week	676,823	2,675	9,088	11,763	2,339
Same wk yr ago	643,280	2,287	7,428	9,715	1,876
To-date/2015*	6,459,355	25,228	79,893	105,121	20,106
To-date/2014*	6,091,483	23,421	72,216	95,637	19,001
% Change YTD	6%	8%	11%	10%	6%

Dressing %	76.0%	55.5%	68.5%	71.0%	

National Composite Weighted

	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.
This Week:	98.28	↑ 1.82	11,997
Last Week:	96.47		11,967
Last Year:	106.67	↓ 8.39	12,440
Monthly Composite Weighted Average			
Feb	92.56		46,786



(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 160.1 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 156.1 million head, or 4.0 million less than estimated available.

(B) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update.

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

Estimated U.S. Live Poultry Slaughter

Under Federal Inspection Week Ending 14-Mar-2015

Class	Current Week 3/14/2015 (1)	Previous Week 3/7/2015
Broiler/fryer	158,259 (2)	165,405
Light hens	1,552	1,472
Heavy hens	1,727	1,371
Total	161,538	168,248

(1) Estimated

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 14-Mar-15 is 159.8 million head compared to 156.3 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 158.6 million head or -1.2 million less than estimated available. For the week of 21-Mar-15 the estimated available is 159.4 million head.

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.

Item	Weekly	
	lbs. (000)	wtd. avg.
Breast - B/S	1,532	137.14
Tenderloins	519	160.52
Breast - Line Run	544	98.14
Front Halves	528	86.52
Legs	598	34.74
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	971	30.68
Leg Quarters (4/10)	1,182	38.61
Wings (Whole)	847	170.23
Wings (Cut)	768	175.74
Drumsticks	744	32.56
Thighs	504	53.35
B/S Thighs	487	99.71

Whole Body Index Based on Southern States Parts Trading for -- f.o.b. dock.
Range Today's Average 5-Day Average
 54.50 - 64.00 58.66 58.60

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 Parts

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

Item	Weekly	
	wtd. avg.	lbs.
Breast - B/S	135.45	4,272,480
Tenderloins	169.52	990,880
Breast - With Ribs	117.29	213,755
Breast - Line Run	102.14	416,080
Legs	45.05	798,780
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	37.85	1,380,954
Drumsticks	47.55	631,138
Thighs	73.01	159,980
B/S Thighs	97.81	463,920
Wings (Whole)	183.72	993,632
Backs and Necks (Stripped)	18.00	30,830
Livers (5 Pound Tubs)	56.46	50,430
Gizzards (Hearts)	79.41	109,600

Includes New York City Metropolitan Area, Northern NJ, MA, CT, RI, and PA (Northeast Of Harrisburg).

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

Midwest Region Broiler/Fryer Parts

Ice-packed pool trucklot and trucklot quantities, cents per pound
 Delivered to: IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, & WI

Week of 09-Mar-15 to 13-Mar-2015

Item	Price per lb.		Mostly
	Price per lb.	Mostly	
Breast - B/S	121.00 - 139.00	129.00 - 135.00	
Tenderloins	167.00 - 193.00	167.00 - 172.00	
Breast - Line Run	85.00 - 113.00	92.00 - 98.00	
Legs	40.00 - 50.00	-	
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	31.00 - 45.00	34.00 - 38.00	
Leg Quarters (4/10)	37.00 - 46.00	37.00 - 41.00	
Drumsticks	35.00 - 69.00	-	
Thighs	45.00 - 67.00	-	
B/S Thighs	80.00 - 103.00	-	
Wings (Whole)	186.00 - 209.00	193.00 - 199.00	
Backs & Necks (Stripped)	17.00 - 45.00	-	
Livers	35.00 - 65.00	-	
Gizzards (Hearts)	40.00 - 71.00	-	

Major Wholesale Markets - Mexico City

Cents per pound for the week ending March 06, 2015

	Whole		Legs w/ Thighs	Necks, Backs & Wings	Livers/ Gizzards	Hens
	Chickens	Breasts				
Rayon						
Low	77.33	147.01	88.21	29.40	20.58	88.21
High	79.39	158.78	99.97	38.22	23.52	88.21
Mostly	79.39	152.90	94.09	32.34	20.58	88.21
San Juan						
Low	76.45	147.01	88.21	26.46	20.58	88.21
High	78.21	155.84	97.03	35.28	23.52	88.21
Mostly	78.21	149.95	91.15	29.40	20.58	88.21
New San Juan						
Low	78.21	149.95	91.15	32.34	23.52	94.09
High	80.86	161.72	102.91	41.16	26.46	94.09
Mostly	79.39	155.84	97.03	35.28	23.52	94.09
Becerra						
Low	78.80	152.90	94.09	35.28	23.52	94.09
High	82.33	164.66	105.85	44.10	26.46	94.09
Mostly	79.39	158.78	99.97	38.22	23.52	94.09

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 steady to higher on all fat contents. Demand into domestic and export channels is moderate to mostly good on both fresh and frozen MSC. Supplies are light to moderate. Schedules are normal. Industry is closely watching the spot marketplace with severe winter storms and cold temperatures significantly effecting production and availability in the last few weeks; but most especially now with recent confirmations of highly pathogenic avian influenza in Arkansas, Minnesota, and Missouri promising implications both in the domestic and export marketplace in regard to product availability and price. Market activity is moderate to active. Raw material supplies are light to moderate. Prices of frames are steady to firm with trading levels between 12.0-14.5 cents FOB.

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

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	13-Mar-15	Last Week	Last Year	13-Mar-15	Last Week	Last Year
15% or Less						
Price Range	-	-	-	27.00	27.00	27.00-28.00
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	27.00	27.00	27.75
Volume Traded	-	-	-	82	143	163
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-20%						
Price Range	28.00 - 33.00	27.00 - 31.00	27.00-31.00	23.00 - 28.00	23.00 - 27.00	22.00-27.00
Wtd Avg Price	29.57	28.90	29.41	24.83	24.14	24.96
Volume Traded	1,260	1,245	2,070	3,284	2,734	2,600
Volume Exported	1,220	1,205	1,910	816	286	234
20% or More						
Price Range	-	-	-	24.00	24.00	22.50
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	24.00	24.00	22.50
Volume Traded	-	-	-	82	82	82
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-

Young Chickens Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection

Week ending 7-Mar-15

(Preliminary)	(A) 4.25 lbs. & down	(B) 4.26 - 6.25 lbs.	(C) 6.26 - 7.75 lbs.	(D) 7.76 lbs. & up	Total
Head	39,522	54,218	31,009	29,447	154,196
Avg Live Wgt	3.67	5.49	7.22	9.43	6.12
% of total /1	26%	35%	20%	19%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	36,796	51,948	25,980	31,030	145,754
Avg Live Wgt	3.83	5.43	7.01	9.22	6.11
% of total /1	25%	36%	18%	21%	100%
Year Ago 2/	42,683	53,773	28,289	25,064	149,809
Avg Live Wgt	3.55	5.25	6.84	8.73	5.65
% of total /1	28%	36%	19%	17%	100%
To date/2015*	345,445	478,135	276,391	297,659	1,397,630
To date/2014*	360,028	480,087	255,447	272,517	1,368,079
% Change YTD	-4%	0%	8%	9%	2%

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.

Est. U.S. Fryer Slaughter/Fryer Availability Comparison

Week Ending	Million Head Slaughtered	Million Head Available*	Pct	Avg Wt
1/31	162.0	160.3	101%	6.06
2/7	159.1	160.6	99%	6.05
2/14	158.7	161.1	99%	6.03
2/21	149.6	158.4	94%	6.05
2/28	147.5	160.0	92%	6.11
3/7	156.1	160.1	98%	6.12
Year to date	1414.5	1418.1	100%	
3/14		159.4		
3/21		159.3		

*Based on chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier.

Fast Food and Food Service Sizes

Live weight	RTC WOG's weight	Head (000)	% of Total Slaughter
3.60 lbs & lighter	Under 2.5 lbs.	14,721	9.55%
3.61 - 3.80 lbs.	2.5 - 2.63 lbs.	5,584	3.62%
3.81 - 4.00 lbs.	2.63 - 2.75 lbs.	13,071	8.48%
4.01 - 4.25 lbs.	2.75 - 2.9 lbs.	6,146	3.99%
Totals:		39,522	25.63%

Estimated Slaughter Of Broiler-Fryers

	Estimated (1,000)	Actual (1,000)	Avg Wt	Actual (1,000)	Avg Wt
AL	3,730	3,775	5.81	4,399	5.97
AR	4,829	4,457	5.77	7,337	5.91
Delmarva	2,238	2,277	6.14	2,277	6.23
KY-LA-TN	3,081	2,566	5.19	2,434	5.30
MS	2,623	2,798	5.91	2,722	6.35
NC	3,099	2,946	7.80	3,563	7.77
TX	2,340	2,345	6.28	2,900	6.28
Total	21,940	21,164	6.10	25,632	6.25
Mon-Fri	106,545 (A)			102,556 (A)	
Saturday	1,003	(included in total for date shown)		6,798	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 13-Mar-15 and 14-Mar-15 is estimated to be 33,391,000 head down 14.66 percent from a week ago and up 11.0 percent from a year ago. (Last week 39,127,000, last year 30,087,000)

Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the week ending 14-Mar-15 is estimated to be 159,808,000 head up 3.64 percent from a week ago, and up 3.45 percent from a year ago. (Last week 154,196,000, last year 154,472,000) Actual data incorporated when available.

Eastern Region Misc. Poultry For delivery the week of March 9, 2015

Ducklings: Prices negotiated by first receivers, U.S. 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, U.S. Grade A & Plant Grade, 5 lbs. & up, delivered, cents/lb.

	Range	Mostly
Ice Packed (12/Box)	74.00-86.25	80.00-85.00
Vacuum Packed (6-9/Box)	79.00-89.00	82.00-87.00

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, all prices are steady. Demand ranges moderate to fairly good. Supplies are light to moderate. Processing schedules continue full-time. Market activity is moderate to at times active.

Prices paid, first receivers for 10-18 oz. boneless breast at \$5.98-9.00, bone-in legs at \$3.70-5.10, gizzards at \$2.25- 2.30, wings at \$.80-1.00, livers at \$1.40-1.82, and feet \$1.00-1.50 cents per lb.

Prices negotiated by first receivers for U.S. Grade A delivered in trucklot & pool trucklot quantities, 4-5 lbs., cents/lb.

Week of March 9, 2015

Origin	Frozen	Fresh
Midwest & Others	189-221	194-227

National Fowl Market

Live Spent Heavy Fowl

Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading: Price Range Wtd Avg
Prices in cents per pound. 11.0- 23.0 14.50

(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

Majority price (cents/head) for removal: 0-7

(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.

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

Live Fowl Auctions - 03-10-15

All Papers Required To Sell All Out Of State Poultry

Hackettstown, NJ	High	Low	Avg
Heavy Fowl each:	2.00	11.00	6.68
per pound:	--	--	--

Graystone Small Animal, Manheim, PA

	Price Range	
Red Fowl 5-6 lbs:	.80 - .85	per pound
4-5 lbs:	.40 - .45	per pound
Crossbred Fowl 5-9 lbs:	.75 - 1.40	per pound

Delmarva Broiler/Fryer Market US Grade A

Date	Production (000) Actual Slaughter	Live Weight
3/6	2,277	6.00
3/5	1,641	6.48
3/4	2,227	6.23
3/3	2,234	6.40
3/2	2,187	6.37
Weekly	10,566	6.28

(A) Not released to avoid disclosing individual operations

Cattle/Hog Weekly Estimated Slaughter Under Federal Inspection (in 000's)

W/E	03/14/15	02/07/15	% chg	03/15/14	% chg
Cattle	524	537	-02	574 ¹	-09
Hogs	2,227	2,222	0	2,024 ¹	+10

¹ Actual data incorporated when available.

Totals adjusted to reflect USDA, NASS revisions.

Broiler Hatchery

Week Ending 3/7/2015

State	Broiler-Type Eggs Set, 19 Selected States		Broiler-Type Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States	
	Week Ending			
	Feb 28, 2015 (1,000 eggs)	Mar 07, 2015	Feb 28, 2015 (1,000 chicks)	Mar 07, 2015
AL.....	29,070	28,906	22,242	21,740
AR.....	22,071	21,702	19,331	19,387
DE.....	4,903	4,832	5,227	4,996
FL.....	1,046	1,068	1,303	1,362
GA.....	33,064	32,733	25,633	26,546
KY.....	7,821	7,218	6,304	6,058
LA.....	3,833	3,833	3,356	3,365
MD.....	7,784	7,744	6,148	6,126
MS.....	17,841	17,576	15,076	15,047
MO.....	8,229	7,810	5,728	6,253
NC.....	21,174	20,999	17,272	17,577
OK.....	6,255	6,588	4,301	4,079
PA.....	4,451	4,384	3,866	3,921
SC.....	5,517	5,586	4,669	4,364
TX.....	15,288	15,411	12,366	12,236
VA.....	6,587	6,845	5,207	5,464
CA, TN, & WV.....	12,076	11,865	10,532	11,821
19 State Total.....	207,010	205,100	168,561	170,342
Percent of Prev. Year	102	101	104	104
Other States	8,064	7,924	6,338	5,973
United States	215,074	213,024	174,899	176,315

Broiler-Type Eggs Set in the United States Total Up 1 Percent

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 213 million eggs in incubators during the week ending March 7, 2015, up 1 percent from a year ago. Hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 205 million eggs in incubators during the week ending March 7, 2015, up 1 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)	2015	% PY
Eggs Set	213,024	101

Broiler-Type Chicks Placed in the United States Total Up 4 Percent

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 176 million chicks for meat production during the week ending March 7, 2015, up 4 percent from a year ago. Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 170 million chicks for meat production during the week ending March 7, 2015, up 4 percent from the year earlier. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 10, 2015 through March 7, 2015 for the United States were 1.58 billion. Cumulative placements were up 3 percent from the same period a year earlier.

United States Total (1,000 chicks)	2015	% PY
Chicks Placed	176,315	104

Source: USDA, NASS

U.S./Canadian Live Poultry Slaughtered Under Inspection

Week Ending Mar 07, 2015 (Preliminary)

	U.S. Fowl Slaughtered Domestically		Total Hens
	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	
Head	1,416	1,531	2,947
Last Week	1,443	1,640	3,083
Same week yr ago	1,268	1,344	2,612
To-date/2015*	14,031	14,480	28,511
To-date/2014*	13,645	13,051	26,696

U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada

	U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada		Total Hens
	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	
Head	469	0	469
Last Week	105	0	105
Same week yr ago	280	0	280
To-date/2015*	3,585	10	3,595
To-date/2014*	2,789	0	2,789

Data Source: Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID, Poultry Section

Total U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in the U.S. and Canada

	Total U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in the U.S. and Canada		Total Hens
	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	
Head	1,885	1,531	3,416
Last Week	1,548	1,640	3,188
Same week yr ago	1,548	1,344	2,892
To-date/2015*	17,616	14,490	32,106
To-date/2014*	16,434	13,051	29,485

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

Processed other Poultry (000) lbs.

Weekly Cold Storage Holdings Selected Centers, incl. Gov't Stocks	Cold Storage Holdings Pacific without Denver		
	03/09/15	03/02/15	03/10/14
AM 03/09/15	45,207		
AM 03/01/15	48,653		
CHG	-3446		
PCT CHG	-7%		
		Pacific Coast:	
		3974	3767 7792
		Los Angeles:	
		773	715 2480

Fresh Beef Cuts - FOB Negotiated	Price Range	Wtd Avg
112A 3 Rib, ribeye, bnls, heavy	760.00 821.00	765.98
168 3 Round, top inside round	277.00 300.00	281.15
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	601.36 660.00	608.60
Ground Beef 81%	217.00 281.43	231.89

Fresh Pork Cuts - FOB Negotiated	Wtd Avg
Loin - 1/8 Trimmed Loin VAC	105.98
Bnls CC Strap-on	135.42
Butt - 1/8 Trim Steak Ready Butt Vac	108.47
Sparerib -Trmrd Sparerib - MED	150.22

Weekly Fryers Available For Marketing

Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 19-Apr-15 is estimated at 156.0 million head. This compares to 154.9 million head the previous week and to 152.9 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 151.6 million head and the national weighted average price was 100.62 cents per pound.