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National Broiler Market-At-A-Glance

Whole broiler/fryer prices are mixed in the West, steady elsewhere. Offerings are light to moderate for current trade needs. Retail demand is light to good, mostly light to moderate. Food service demand is light to moderate entering the holiday weekend. Floor stocks are balanced to heavier than desired. Processor schedules are light today with some plants down for Good Friday. Market activity is slow to moderate. In the parts structure, movement improved slightly under normal weekend demand but still noted as light to moderate overall. Prices are steady to firm for tenders, and boneless skinless dark meat; steady to weak for boneless skinless breast, wings and bone-in dark meat items and steady on the balance of items. Offerings of tenders are light to moderate; wings are light to readily available with discounting noted where product was in excess. Other items are moderate to heavy for current needs. 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:	102.58	5,255	103.08	5,293
WOGS:	102.94	1,453	103.57	1,370
New York				
Whole Body:	100.20	1,427	100.10	1,422
Central				
Whole Body:	97.26	4,565	96.91	4,545
WOGS:	96.47	3,655	96.07	3,615
Chicago				
Whole Body:	98.03	2,600	97.67	2,640
Western				
Whole Body:	102.99	2,449	102.51	2,339
WOGS:	102.65	2,305	101.82	2,125
Los Angeles				
Whole Body:	101.86	1,739	101.22	1,594

Georgia Fob Dock or Equivalent Wtd Avg Prices

Monday Final	113.37	
Next Week Trading Quote.....	114.50	
Friday Prelim.....	114.03	
Confirmed Prelim. Wtd Avg price on ice-packed parts:		
Item	Wtd Avg (cents/lb.)	Vol (000 lbs.)
Line Run Tenders	207.50	1,680
Breasts - B/S	202.00	7,269
Breasts - Whole	126.00	830
Thigh Meat - B/S	144.50	2,261
Thighs	76.00	1,064
Drumsticks	58.50	1,661
Leg Quarters	49.00	7,207
Wings	174.00	3,754

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

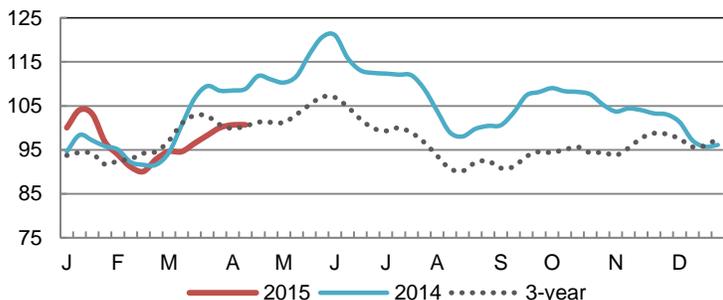
Weekly Poultry Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection

(Preliminary) Week ending 28-Mar-15

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Duck
----- Thousands -----					
Head	157,384	1,325	1,466	2,791	408
Avg Wt	6.08	3.48	8.17	5.94	6.29
Last week	159,293	1,464	1,582	3,046	384
Same wk yr ago	150,843	1,272	1,460	2,732	351
Avg Wt	5.60	3.44	8.22	5.99	6.46
To-date/2015*	1,870,739	18,306	19,247	37,553	5,486
To-date/2014*	1,825,326	17,938	17,503	35,441	5,216
% Change YTD	2%	2%	10%	6%	5%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	727,240	2,559	8,204	10,763	1,822
Last week	727,587	2,462	8,789	11,251	1,887
Same wk yr ago	641,988	2,385	8,281	10,666	1,621
To-date/2015*	8,629,890	32,938	106,306	139,244	26,072
To-date/2014*	8,074,685	31,051	97,339	128,390	24,780
% Change YTD	7%	6%	9%	8%	5%
Dressing %	76.0%	55.5%	68.5%		71.0%

National Composite Weighted

	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.
This Week:	100.68	↑ 0.02	12,269
Last Week:	100.67		12,177
Last Year:	108.51	↓ 7.83	11,672
Monthly Composite Weighted Average			
Mar	98.88		48,470



(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 158.2 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 159.3 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.

Estimated U.S. Live Poultry Slaughter

Under Federal Inspection Week Ending 04-Apr-2015

	Current Week 4/4/2015 (1)	Previous Week 3/28/2015
----- Thousand head -----		
Class		
Broiler/fryer	158,389 (2)	163,800
Light hens	1,559	1,516
Heavy hens	1,725	1,679
Total	161,673	166,995

(1) Estimated

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 04-Apr-15 is 158.6 million head compared to 157.4 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 158.7 million head or 0.1 million more than estimated available. For the week of 11-Apr-15 the estimated available is 158.5 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	2,152	147.95
Tenderloins	746	175.52
Breast - Line Run	376	100.46
Front Halves	585	86.45
Legs	598	33.45
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	957	27.24
Leg Quarters (4/10)	1,171	36.80
Wings (Whole)	723	174.06
Wings (Cut)	779	182.12
Drumsticks	882	26.76
Thighs	495	51.36
B/S Thighs	610	104.30

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

Range	Today's Average	5-Day Average
53.25 - 63.00	56.68	56.85

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	152.48	4,271,280
Tenderloins	192.37	1,008,960
Breast - With Ribs	117.42	205,346
Breast - Line Run	98.18	477,223
Legs	45.84	724,027
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	35.35	1,397,260
Drumsticks	41.98	578,515
Thighs	71.24	204,280
B/S Thighs	107.48	497,400
Wings (Whole)	187.16	1,277,920
Backs and Necks (Stripped)	18.00	43,620
Livers (5 Pound Tubs)	56.45	62,660
Gizzards (Hearts)	79.47	90,440

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.

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 mixed, though mostly steady on all fat contents. Demand into domestic and export channels is light to good. Supplies are light to moderate. Schedules are normal to instances reduced for the holiday. The spot marketplace is in good shape going into the holiday weekend with typical complications, slight reductions in production, and price spreads. Industry is closely watching the marketplace to see where it settles in the next few weeks after weeks of volatility. Market activity is slow to active, mostly moderate. Raw material supplies are light to moderate. Prices of frames are steady with trading levels between 12-14 cents FOB.

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 30-Mar-15 to 03-Apr-2015

Item	Price per lb.		Mostly
	30-Mar-15	03-Apr-15	
Breast - B/S	139.00 - 166.00	147.00 - 152.00	
Tenderloins	193.00 - 208.00	193.00 - 200.00	
Breast - Line Run	88.00 - 119.00	93.00 - 104.00	
Legs	37.00 - 50.00	-	
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	30.00 - 45.00	33.00 - 35.00	
Leg Quarters (4/10)	35.00 - 44.00	36.00 - 38.00	
Drumsticks	29.00 - 59.00	-	
Thighs	53.00 - 71.00	-	
B/S Thighs	97.00 - 110.00	-	
Wings (Whole)	191.00 - 205.00	195.00 - 201.00	
Backs & Necks (Stripped)	17.00 - 45.00	-	
Livers	32.00 - 60.00	-	
Gizzards (Hearts)	40.00 - 70.00	-	

Major Wholesale Markets - Mexico City

Cents per pound for the week ending March 27, 2015

	Whole	Breasts	Legs w/ Thighs	Necks, Backs & Wings	Livers/ Gizzards	Hens
	Chickens					
Rayon						
Low	93.24	172.00	114.67	42.25	21.12	90.53
High	95.05	184.07	123.72	51.30	24.14	90.53
Mostly	93.54	178.04	117.68	45.26	21.12	90.53
San Juan						
Low	92.04	172.00	111.65	39.23	21.12	90.53
High	93.54	181.05	120.70	48.28	24.14	90.53
Mostly	93.54	175.02	114.67	42.25	21.12	90.53
New San Juan						
Low	93.54	175.02	117.68	45.26	24.14	90.53
High	96.26	184.07	126.74	54.32	27.16	90.53
Mostly	93.54	178.04	120.70	48.28	24.14	90.53
Becerra						
Low	93.54	175.02	117.68	48.28	24.14	90.53
High	96.56	187.09	129.75	57.33	27.16	90.53
Mostly	93.54	181.05	123.72	51.30	24.14	90.53

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

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	3-Apr-15	Last Week	Last Year	3-Apr-15	Last Week	Last Year
15% or Less						
Price Range	-	-	31.00	28.00	28.00	27.00-28.00
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	31.00	28.00	28.00	27.50
Volume Traded	-	-	40	163	184	163
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-20%						
Price Range	28.00 - 33.00	30.00 - 35.00	28.00-33.00	22.00 - 29.00	23.00 - 32.00	24.00-28.00
Wtd Avg Price	30.27	31.37	30.60	25.19	25.80	25.52
Volume Traded	1,052	1,013	1,805	2,836	3,101	3,356
Volume Exported	1,012	1,013	1,365	204	979	530
20% or More						
Price Range	-	-	-	25.00	25.00	22.00-22.50
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	25.00	25.00	22.25
Volume Traded	-	-	-	82	82	82
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-

Young Chickens Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection

Week ending 28-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	40,605	52,971	16,269	47,539	157,384
Avg Live Wgt	3.54	5.42	6.73	8.75	6.08
% of total /1	26%	34%	10%	30%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	40,795	57,631	25,725	35,142	159,293
Avg Live Wgt	3.65	5.45	6.97	8.98	6.01
% of total /1	26%	36%	16%	22%	100%
Year Ago 2/	45,910	53,738	26,888	24,307	150,843
Avg Live Wgt	3.52	5.30	6.76	8.88	5.60
% of total /1	30%	36%	18%	16%	100%
To date/2015*	469,390	637,485	343,065	420,799	1,870,739
To date/2014*	487,960	650,398	337,169	349,799	1,825,326
% Change YTD	-4%	-2%	2%	20%	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
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
3/14	158.3	159.4	99%	6.02
3/21	161.2	159.3	101%	6.01
3/28	159.3	158.2	101%	6.08
Year to date	1893.3	1895.0	100%	
4/4		159.0		
4/11		158.0		

*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.	17,502	11.12%
3.61 - 3.80 lbs.	2.5 - 2.63 lbs.	9,373	5.96%
3.81 - 4.00 lbs.	2.63 - 2.75 lbs.	9,863	6.27%
4.01 - 4.25 lbs.	2.75 - 2.9 lbs.	3,868	2.46%
	Totals:	40,606	25.80%

Estimated Slaughter Of Broiler-Fryers

	Estimated (1,000)	Actual (1,000)	Avg Wt	Actual (1,000)	Avg Wt
AL	04/03 3,229	04/01 3,488	03/31 5.83	03/27 3,979	03/25 5.62
AR	3,977	4,738	4,687	6.01	6.00
Delmarva	1,601	2,277	2,274	6.01	6.30
KY-LA-TN	2,903	2,540	2,360	5.30	5.40
MS	2,545	2,786	2,722	6.35	6.29
NC	3,143	2,986	2,940	7.85	8.00
TX	2,414	2,414	2,288	6.16	6.24
Total	19,812	21,418	20,759	6.22	6.26
Mon-Fri	104,603 (A)			104,676 (A)	
Saturday	1,172	(included in total for date shown)		1,985	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 03-Apr-15 and 04-Apr-15 is estimated to be 30,152,000 head down 9.01 percent from a week ago and down 3.8 percent from a year ago. (Last week 33,138,000, last year 31,354,000)

Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the week ending 04-Apr-15 is estimated to be 158,291,000 head up 0.58 percent from a week ago, and up 1.80 percent from a year ago. (Last week 157,384,000, last year 155,489,000) Actual data incorporated when available.

Eastern Region Misc. Poultry For delivery the week of March 30, 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)	74.00-89.25	80.00-85.00
Vacuum Packed (6-9/Box)	79.00-91.00	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 All prices remain steady. Demand is moderate with supplies reported as light to mostly moderate. Processing schedules are normal to reduced. Market activity is moderate. 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 30, 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 14.33
(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 - 03-31-15
All Papers Required To Sell All Out Of State Poultry

Hackettstown, NJ	Low	High	Avg
Heavy Fowl per pound:	1.50	2.10	1.58
each:	4.00	12.00	9.29

Graystone Small Animal, Manheim, PA	Price Range	
Red Fowl 5-6 lbs:	.70 - 1.20	per pound
4-5 lbs:	.45 - .65	per pound
Crossbred Fowl 5-9 lbs:	.80 - 1.60	per pound

Delmarva Broiler/Fryer Market US Grade A		
Date	Production (000) Actual Slaughter	Live Weight
3/27	2,030	6.06
3/26	2,138	6.19
3/25	2,099	6.29
3/24	2,076	6.30
3/23	2,211	6.30
Weekly	10,554	6.23

(A) Not released to avoid disclosing individual operations

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

W/E	04/04/15	03/28/15	% chg	04/05/14	% chg
Cattle	525	534	-02	587 ¹	-11
Hogs	2,199	2,270	-03	2,014 ¹	+09

¹ Actual data incorporated when available.

Totals adjusted to reflect USDA, NASS revisions.

Broiler Hatchery

Week Ending 3/14/2015

State	Broiler-Type Eggs Set, 19 Selected States		Broiler-Type Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States	
	Week Ending			
	Mar 14, 2015 (1,000 eggs)	Mar 21, 2015	Mar 14, 2015 (1,000 chicks)	Mar 21, 2015
AL.....	29,294	28,952	22,405	21,640
AR.....	21,083	21,991	18,639	19,182
DE.....	4,578	4,771	5,427	5,460
FL.....	1,200	1,199	1,003	1,210
GA.....	32,871	34,191	25,265	25,767
KY.....	7,651	7,752	6,392	5,580
LA.....	3,833	3,833	3,355	3,606
MD.....	7,581	7,838	5,647	5,952
MS.....	17,841	17,933	14,842	14,551
MO.....	8,310	8,229	6,298	5,474
NC.....	21,045	21,312	16,655	16,150
OK.....	6,568	6,568	4,635	3,954
PA.....	4,419	4,386	4,048	3,995
SC.....	5,852	5,626	4,770	5,981
TX.....	14,622	15,279	12,703	12,741
VA.....	6,536	6,534	5,635	5,560
CA, TN, & WV.....	11,817	12,016	11,772	11,098
19 State Total.....	205,101	208,410	169,491	167,901
Percent of Prev. Year	102	103	103	101
Other States	8,131	8,097	6,251	6,276
United States	213,232	216,507	175,742	174,177

Broiler-Type Eggs Set in the United States Total Up 3 Percent

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 217 million eggs in incubators during the week ending March 28, 2015, up 3 percent from a year ago. Hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 208 million eggs in incubators during the week ending March 28, 2015, up 3 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	216,507	+03

Broiler-Type Chicks Placed in the United States Total Up 1 Percent

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 174 million chicks for meat production during the week ending March 28, 2015, up 1 percent from a year ago. Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 168 million chicks for meat production during the week ending March 28, 2015, up 1 percent from the year earlier. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 10, 2015 through March 28, 2015 for the United States were 2.10 billion. Cumulative placements were up 3 percent from the same period a year earlier.

United States Total (1,000 chicks)	2015	% PY
Chicks Placed	174,177	+01

Source: USDA, NASS

U.S./Canadian Live Poultry Slaughtered Under Inspection

Week Ending Mar 28, 2015 (Preliminary)

	U.S. Fowl Slaughtered Domestically		Total Hens
	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	
Head	1,325	1,466	2,791
Last Week	1,464	1,582	3,046
Same week yr ago	1,272	1,460	2,732
To-date/2015*	18,306	19,247	37,553
To-date/2014*	17,938	17,503	35,441

U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada

	U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada		Total Hens
	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	
Head	377	0	377
Last Week	632	0	632
Same week yr ago	635	0	635
To-date/2015*	4,939	10	4,949
To-date/2014*	4,154	0	4,154

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	1,702	1,466	3,168
Last Week	2,096	1,582	3,678
Same week yr ago	1,907	1,460	3,367
To-date/2015*	23,245	19,257	42,502
To-date/2014*	22,092	17,503	39,595

*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		
	03/30/15	03/23/15	03/31/14
AM 03/30/15	44,142		
AM 03/01/15	48,653		
CHG	-4511		
PCT CHG	-9%		
Pacific Coast:	4082	3639	7883
Los Angeles:	960	791	2350

Fresh Beef Cuts - FOB Negotiated

	Price Range	Wtd Avg
112A 3 Rib, ribeye, bnls, heavy	825.00 861.00	839.92
168 3 Round, top inside round	276.00 305.00	283.30
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	689.75 731.25	714.31
Ground Beef 81%	230.00 256.00	243.03

Fresh Pork Cuts - FOB Negotiated

	Wtd Avg
Loin - 1/8 Trimmed Loin VAC	108.26
Bnls CC Strap-on	150.57
Butt - 1/8 Trim Steak Ready Butt Vac	114.45
Sparerib - Trmd Sparerib - MED	163.97

Weekly Fryers Available For Marketing

Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 09-May-15 is estimated at 155.3 million head. This compares to 155.3 million head the previous week and to 155.7 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 152.7 million head and the national weighted average price was 108.45 cents per pound.