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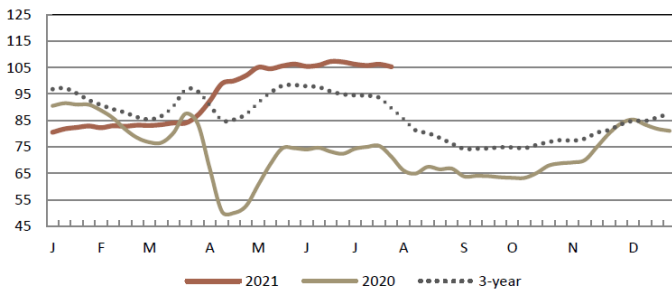
National Broiler Market-at-a-Glance

Whole broiler/fryer prices are trending steady for all sizes. Offerings of all sizes are mostly moderate for current needs, with spot labor/production issues reported. Retail and foodservice demand is light to moderate for the approaching weekend. Floor stocks are adequate. Processing schedules are normal to reduced. Market activity is light to moderate. In the parts structure, prices are steady to firm for tenders and dark meat items. Wings, boneless skinless breasts, and all other parts range steady to weak. Offerings of tenders and dark meat items are light to moderate, with thighs and thigh meat continuing to move well. Wings and bone-in breasts are moderate to heavy, and boneless skinless breasts are mostly moderate. Market activity for parts is light to moderate. In production areas, live supplies are moderate. Weights are mixed, but mostly desirable.

National Whole Broiler/Fryer National Composite Weighted Average

	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.
This Week:	105.24	↓ -0.92	10,644
Last Week:	106.17		10,260
Last Year:	71.25	↑ 33.99	8,496

Monthly Composite Weighted Average		
Jun	106.39	49,164



Weekly Poultry Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection

(Preliminary) Week ending 10-Jul-2021

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Duck
----- Thousands -----					
Head	146,850	632	1,559	2,191	293
Avg Wt	6.44	3.32	8.49	7.00	7.10
Head Slaughter Comparisons					
Last week	172,326	881	1,694	2,575	393
Same wk yr ago	165,184	798	1,754	2,552	279
Avg Wt	6.29	3.74	9.08	7.41	6.39
To-date/2021*	4,505,669	22,266	43,101	65,367	10,939
To-date/2020*	4,580,476	21,285	45,108	66,393	11,424
% Change YTD	-2%	5%	-4%	-2%	-4%

Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage

Current week	718,743	1,165	9,067	10,232	1,477
Last week	814,619	1,638	9,585	11,223	1,914
Same wk yr ago	789,646	1,656	10,910	12,566	1,266
To-date/2021*	21,761,373	42,706	245,272	287,978	53,692
To-date/2020*	21,888,809	41,217	255,197	296,414	56,258
% Change YTD	-1%	4%	-4%	-3%	-5%

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 167.7 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 148.6 million head, or 19.1 million less than estimated available.

(B) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update.

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

Eastern Region

	This Week			Last Week	
	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Whole Body:	105.33	↓ -0.36	4,557	105.69	4,339
WOGS: New York	105.56	↓ -0.38	1,820	105.93	1,581
Whole Body:	102.68	↓ -0.14	1,190	102.81	1,120

Central Region

	This Week			Last Week	
	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Whole Body:	100.99	↓ -1.72	3,209	102.71	3,060
WOGS: Chicago	100.11	↓ -1.60	2,849	101.71	2,650
Whole Body:	103.50	↑ 0.68	1,909	102.82	2,112

Western Region

	This Week			Last Week	
	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Whole Body:	109.85	↓ -0.74	2,878	110.59	2,861
WOGS: Los Angeles	109.37	↓ -0.63	2,693	110.00	2,676
Whole Body:	109.06	↓ -0.87	1,799	109.92	1,773

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.1/: Prices not reported due to confidentiality.

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

Weekly Estimated Slaughter of U.S. Broiler/Fryers & Fowl

Class	Current Week	Previous Week
	7/17/2021 (1)	7/10/2021
Broiler/fryer	160,180 (2)	146,696
Light hens	796	662
Heavy hens	1,712	1,591
Total	162,688	148,949

(1) ESTIMATED

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 17-Jul-21 is 167.6 million head compared to 164.1 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 160.5 million head or -7.1 million less than estimated available. For the week of 24-Jul-21 the estimated available is 167.7 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	1,184	180.23
TENDERLOINS	666	264.05
BREAST - LINE RUN	590	72.57
FRONT HALVES	573	66.62
LEGS	1,061	48.41
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	1,060	40.16
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,034	43.06
WINGS (WHOLE)	640	289.50
WINGS (CUT)	562	306.52
DRUMSTICKS	1,023	40.66
THIGHS	584	45.73
B/S THIGHS	655	193.22

Whole Body Index Based on Southern State Parts Trading - f.o.b. dock		
Range	Today's Average	5-Day Average
48.00 - 59.00	6:14 AM	53.39

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	183.44	2,122,150
TENDERLOINS	285.32	903,020
BREAST - WITH RIBS	118.67	177,923
BREAST - LINE RUN	95.57	373,066
LEGS	62.63	543,620
LEG QUARTERS	45.13	1,542,584
DRUMSTICKS	47.43	1,606,855
THIGHS	58.98	264,110
B/S THIGHS	203.04	732,680
WINGS (WHOLE)	314.38	1,186,380
BACKS AND NECKS	10.00	983,486
LIVERS (5 POUND)	64.86	81,450
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	78.17	74,920

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 equiv.; negotiated prices in trucklot and less than trucklot volumes reported in thousand lb. quantities, cents/lb.; delivery within 2- weeks.)

Prices of 15-20% MSC are trending steady to instances firm for frozen, steady to weak for fresh with a steady to weak undertone. Demand into domestic and export channels are light to moderate and noted as unaggressive. Dealers are evaluating inventories and what projected needs for the summer months. Supplies are moderate for frozen MSC, moderate to heavy for fresh. Processing schedules return to mostly normal. Market activity is slow to moderate. Supplies of raw materials are moderate to heavy. Frame prices are steady with trading at 12-15 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

Item	Price per lb.		Mostly
	WEEK OF 12-JUL-2021 TO 16-JUL-2021, CENTS PER POUND		
BREAST - B/S	151.00 - 190.00		180.00 - 190.00
TENDERLOINS	222.00 - 300.00		260.00 - 270.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	76.00 - 115.00		82.00 - 92.00
LEGS	43.00 - 53.00		-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	40.00 - 48.00		40.00 - 46.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	41.00 - 52.00		42.00 - 46.00
DRUMSTICKS	42.00 - 50.00		-
THIGHS	45.00 - 65.00		45.00 - 49.00
B/S THIGHS	170.00 - 195.00		180.00 - 190.00
WINGS (WHOLE)	250.00 - 320.00		280.00 - 300.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	17.00 - 55.00		-
LIVERS	50.00 - 69.00		-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	55.00 - 79.00		-

Major Wholesale Markets – Mexico City

Cents per pound for the week ending July 09, 2021

Market	Whole		Legs w/ Thighs	Necks, Backs & Wings	Livers/ Gizzards	Hens
	Chickens	Breasts				
RAYON						
Low	124.12	192.01	100.58	75.43	20.57	96.01
High	125.04	201.16	109.72	82.29	22.86	96.01
Mostly	124.58	196.59	105.15	77.72	20.57	96.01
SAN JUAN						
Low	123.44	189.73	98.29	73.15	20.57	96.01
High	124.58	198.87	107.44	80.01	22.86	96.01
Mostly	124.12	194.30	102.86	75.43	20.57	96.01
NEW SAN JUAN						
Low	124.12	192.01	102.86	77.72	20.57	96.01
High	125.50	201.16	112.01	84.58	22.86	96.01
Mostly	124.58	196.59	107.44	80.01	20.57	96.01
BECERRA						
Low	124.58	194.30	105.15	80.01	20.57	96.01
High	125.72	203.44	114.29	86.86	22.86	96.01
Mostly	125.04	198.87	109.72	82.29	20.57	96.01

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

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	16-Jul-21	Last Week	Last Year	16-Jul-21	Last Week	Last Year
15% or Less						
Price Range			-			-
Wtd Avg Price			-			-
Volume Traded	-	-	-	-	-	-
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-20%						
Price Range	54.00 - 60.00	54.00 - 61.50	27.00-35.00	30.00 - 52.00	38.00 - 48.00	25.00-28.50
Wtd Avg Price	56.50	57.94	30.05	38.17	42.50	26.89
Volume Traded	432	638	2,727	490	326	2,203
Volume Exported	432	594	2,727	-	-	-
20% or More						
Price Range			-			-
Wtd Avg Price			-			-
Volume Traded	-	-	-	-	-	-
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-

Young Chickens Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection

Week ending 10-Jul-21

(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	24,694	39,287	46,320	36,549	146,850
Avg Live Wgt	3.57	5.17	6.93	9.11	6.44
% of total /1	17%	27%	32%	25%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	33,913	52,178	47,523	38,712	172,326
Avg Live Wgt	3.65	5.17	6.93	9.02	6.22
% of total /1	20%	30%	28%	22%	100%
Year Ago 2/	31,332	45,606	49,815	38,431	165,184
Avg Live Wgt	3.63	5.18	6.86	9.01	6.29
% of total /1	19%	28%	30%	23%	100%
To date/2021*	913,149	1,163,900	1,305,104	1,123,516	4,505,669
To date/2020*	982,586	1,250,608	1,237,602	1,109,680	4,580,476
% Change YTD	-7%	-7%	5%	1%	-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	Slaughtered	Available*	Percent	Avg Wt
6/5	118.3	167.5	71%	6.45
6/12	171.2	167.7	102%	6.48
6/19	169.8	168.0	101%	6.38
6/26	172.3	166.2	104%	6.40
7/3	174.4	166.9	104%	6.22
7/10	148.6	167.7	89%	6.44
Year to date	4560.3	4650.6	98%	
7/17		167.6		
7/24		167.8		

*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.	6,014	4.10%
3.61 - 3.80 lbs.	2.5 - 2.63 lbs.	5,256	3.58%
3.81 - 4.00 lbs.	2.63 - 2.75 lbs.	3,902	2.66%
4.01 - 4.25 lbs.	2.75 - 2.9 lbs.	9,521	6.48%
Totals:		24,693	16.82%

Estimated Slaughter of Broiler-Fryers

	Estimated (1,000)		Actual (1,000)		Avg Wt		Actual (1,000)		Avg Wt	
	7/16	7/15	7/14	7/13	7/14	7/13	7/9	7/7	7/9	7/7
AL	4,208	3,741	3,553	3,743	5.82	5.84	4,253	5.68		
AR	4,747	4,999	4,854	4,910	6.20	6.36	4,780	6.23		
Delmarva	2,476	2,096	2,032	2,078	7.03	7.14	2,177	7.20		
KY-LA-TN	2,230	2,326	2,282	2,314	5.72	5.98	2,493	5.90		
MS	2,179	2,503	2,546	2,568	6.23	6.22	2,530	6.11		
NC	3,668	3,612	3,557	3,553	8.31	8.27	4,400	8.27		
TX	2,866	2,725	2,472	2,752	6.95	6.98	3,655	6.90		
Total	22,374	22,002	21,296	21,918	6.61	6.68	24,288	6.58		
Mon-Fri	110,810	(A)					97,670	(A)		
Saturday	1,889		(included in total for date shown)				4,180			

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 16-Jul-21 and 17-Jul-21 is estimated to be 34,051,000 head down 8.16 percent from a week ago and up 9.3 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 37,075,000, last year 31,161,000)

Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the week ending 17-Jul-21 is estimated to be 166,174,000 head up 13.16 percent from a week ago, and up 2.52 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 146,850,000, last year 162,082,000) Actual data incorporated when available.

Week of July 12, 2021

Eastern Region Misc. Poultry

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	231-235	236-242
Mostly		242
Midwest	215-235	230-245

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

	Range	Mostly
Ice Packed (12 per Box)	97.00-116.00	105.00-109.00
Vacuum Packed (6-9 per Box)	99.00-118.00	107.00-112.00

Squabs: NY area wholesale prices, frozen, Plant Grade, dollars/dozen, 1-10 boxes
11 oz 95.04- 103.68 **13 oz** 120.69- 152.92 **15 oz** 132.03- 160.94
 Eastern Region: CT,DE,FL,GA,MA,MD,ME,NC,NH,NJ,NY,PA,RI,SC,VA,VT,WV

Central Region Ducklings

This week prices are unchanged. Demand is mostly moderate. Supplies are moderate. Processing schedules return to normal. Market activity is moderate. Prices paid to first receivers for 10-18 oz. boneless breasts 750-900, bone-in legs 500-510, gizzards 230-305, wings 125-170, livers 215-245, and feet 150-170 cents per lb.

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

Origin	Frozen	Fresh
Midwest and Others	201-221	225-233
Mostly		

National Fowl Market

Live Spent Heavy Fowl
Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading: Price Range Wtd Avg
 Prices in cents per pound. 0.0 - 1.0 0.42
 (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 - 13-Jul-2021					
All Papers Required To Sell All Out Of State Poultry					
Hackettstown, NJ			Graystone Small Animal, Manheim, PA		
	Price Range	Avg		(per pound)	Price Range
Heavy Fowl each:	1.00	8.00	2.53	Red Fowl	5-6 lbs: 0.65 0.70
per pound:					4-5 lbs: 0.60 0.65
				Crossbred Fowl	5-9 lbs: 0.90 1.00

Delmarva Broiler/Fryer Market US Grade A

Date	Production (000) Actual Slaughter	Live Weight
7/9	2,177	6.88
7/8	2,054	7.11
7/7	2,119	7.20
7/6	1,999	7.25
7/5	(A)	6.73
Weekly	6,172	7.07

(N/A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

Cattle/Hog Weekly Slaughter

W/E	Under Federal Inspection (in 000's)				
	07/17/21	07/10/21	% chg	07/18/20	% chg
Cattle	653	575	1.14	646 ¹	1.01
Hogs	2,280	1,923	1.19	2,517 ¹	0.91

¹ Actual data incorporated when available.

Totals adjusted to reflect USDA, NASS revisions.

Broiler Hatchery

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

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 239 million eggs in incubators during the week ending July 10, 2021, up 3 percent from a year ago. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 79.8 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler-Type Chicks Placed in the United States Down 3 Percent

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 186 million chicks for meat production during the week ending July 10, 2021, down 3 percent from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 9, 2021 through July 10, 2021 for the United States were 5.05 billion. Cumulative placements were up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

State	Broiler-Type Eggs Set,		Broiler-Type Chicks Placed,	
	19 Selected States and United States			
	Week Ending			
	Jul 03, 2021	Jul 10, 2021	Jul 03, 2021	Jul 10, 2021
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)
AL.....	32,605	32,447	23,690	24,159
AR.....	24,949	25,041	20,719	20,649
DE.....	4,997	4,996	5,255	5,126
FL.....	1,186	1,186	1,166	1,262
GA.....	33,923	34,819	26,039	26,590
KY.....	7,428	7,979	5,767	5,868
LA.....	3,319	3,320	2,795	2,660
MD.....	7,940	7,867	5,094	5,289
MS.....	17,225	17,029	14,454	14,017
MO.....	9,674	9,437	7,477	6,637
NC.....	24,835	24,480	19,772	19,331
OK.....	7,937	7,664	3,769	4,208
PA.....	6,334	6,478	4,749	4,758
SC.....	5,677	5,906	4,938	5,015
TX.....	18,168	18,084	14,363	14,449
VA.....	6,497	6,346	5,749	5,878
CA, TN, & WV.....	13,103	12,827	11,550	9,997
Other States.....	12,594	12,749	9,868	10,115
United States.....	238,391	238,655	187,214	186,008
Percent of Prev Year..	102	103	98	97

Source: USDA, NASS

<https://release.nass.usda.gov/reports/brls2921.pdf>

Weekly Fryers Available for Marketing

Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 21-Aug-21 is estimated at 162.6 million head. This compares to 164.0 million head the previous week and to 163.6 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 167.2 million head and the national weighted average price was 75.34 cents per pound.

US/Canadian Live Poultry Slaughtered Under Inspection

Week ending	3-Jul-21		
U.S. Fowl Slaughtered Domestically			
	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
----- Thousands -----			
Head	881	1,694	2,575
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	807	1,710	2,517
Same week yr ago	744	1,361	2,105
To-date/2021*	20,993	40,444	61,437
To-date/2020*	19,360	42,190	61,550

U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
----- Thousands -----			
Head	80	0	80
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	0	0	0
Same week yr ago	180	0	180
To-date/2021*	3,159	18	3,177
To-date/2020*	3,928	0	3,928

Data Source: CFIA, as compiled by AAFC, Poultry Section

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

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
----- Thousands -----			
Head	961	1,694	2,655
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	807	1,710	2,517
Same week yr ago	924	1,361	2,285
To-date/2021*	24,152	40,462	64,614
To-date/2020*	23,288	42,190	65,478

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

Weekly Cold Storage Holdings -

~in Selected Centers, Includes Government Stocks in Thousands of Pounds~

Processed other Poultry

7/12/2021	7/1/2021	Change from First of the Month in Total Pounds	% Change from First of the Month
80,780	80,968	-188	0%

Cold Storage Holdings - Pacific Coast

Processed other Poultry	7/12/2021	07/05/21	07/13/20
Pacific w/out Denver:	17,464	17,671	7,473
Los Angeles:	585	561	552

Fresh Beef Choice Cuts

FOB Negotiated	# of Trades	Total lbs.	Price Range	Wtd Avg
112A 3 Rib, ribeye, bnls, heavy	11	20,487	840.00 - 934.00	886.38
168 3 Round, top inside round	26	708,963	267.00 - 300.25	275.42
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	29	473,025	624.00 - 815.90	634.63

GB - Steer/Heifer Source - 10 Pound Chub Basis- Coarse & Fine Grind
Ground Beef 81%

Fresh Pork Cuts

FOB Negotiated	Kilo lbs.	Price Range	Wtd Avg
Loin			
1/8 Trimmed Loin VAC	1,700	89.00 - 181.79	117.75
Bnls CC Strap-on	1,238	99.00 - 215.22	127.80
Butt			
1/8 Trim Steak Ready Butt Vac	61	198.95 - 269.00	231.07
Sparerib			
Trmd Sparerib - MED	1,468	125.00 - 240.00	159.79