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National Broiler Market-at-a-Glance

Whole broiler/fryer prices are mostly weak. Offerings of all sizes are readily available with some discounting reported to move product. Demand into all channels is light and unaggressive entering the weekend. Floor stocks are balanced to heavier than desired. Market activity is slow to moderate. In the parts structure, tenders are steady to at least steady. Breast items are mostly steady; wings and most dark meat cuts are steady to weak. Offerings of tenders are light and clearing satisfactorily and other breast items are moderate. Dark meat ranged moderate to heavy and clearing slowly with export activity noted as slow. Market activity for parts is slow to moderate. In production areas, live supplies are moderate. Weights are mixed, but noted as mostly desirable.

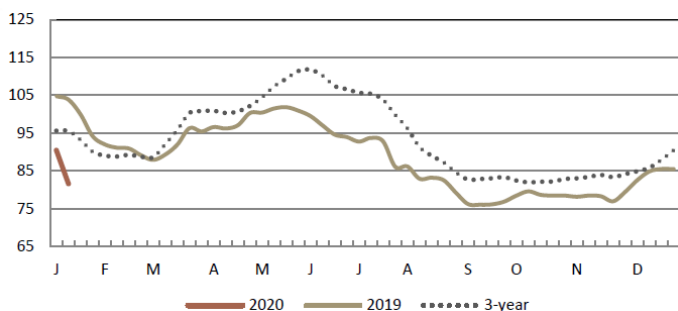
National Whole Broiler/Fryer

National Composite Weighted Average

	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.
This Week:	81.62	↓ -4.20	9,907
Last Week:	85.82		9,410
Last Year:	90.94	↓ -9.32	16,161

Monthly Composite Weighted Average

Month	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Jan	90.56	47,052



Weekly Poultry Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection

(Preliminary) Week ending 8-Feb-2020

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Duck
----- Thousands -----					
Head	171,276	904	1,492	2,396	420
Avg Wt	6.23	3.52	8.10	6.37	7.11
Head Slaughter Comparisons					
Last week	171,982	779	1,702	2,481	526
Same wk yr ago	162,013	771	1,358	2,129	508
Avg Wt	6.07	3.33	8.24	6.46	7.33
To-date/2020*	1,003,508	4,583	9,223	13,806	2,936
To-date/2019*	954,889	5,402	8,662	14,064	2,607
% Change YTD	5%	-15%	6%	-2%	13%

Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage

Current week	810,958	1,766	8,278	10,044	2,120
Last week	822,143	1,500	9,339	10,839	2,685
Same wk yr ago	747,398	1,425	7,665	9,090	2,644
To-date/2020*	4,795,988	8,886	51,590	60,476	14,799
To-date/2019*	4,452,194	10,457	48,315	58,772	12,964
% Change YTD	8.00%	-15.00%	7.00%	3%	14.00%

Dressing %	76.00%	55.50%	68.50%	71.00%
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(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 170.0 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 173.4 million head, or 3.4 million more than estimated available.

(B) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update.

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

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

Class	Current Week	Previous Week
	2/15/2020 (1)	2/8/2020
----- Thousand Head -----		
Broiler/fryer	164,844 (2)	168,794
Light hens	870	751
Heavy hens	1,492	1,702
Total	167,206	171,247

(1) ESTIMATED

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 15-Feb-20 is 170.8 million head compared to 163.5 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 165.2 million head or -5.6 million less than estimated available. For the week of 22-Feb-20 the estimated available is 170.5 million head.

Eastern Region	This Week			Last Week	
	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
	82.59	↓ -4.85	5,143	87.44	4,729
	81.97	↓ -4.81	1,808	86.78	1,586
	83.13	↓ -4.21	1,492	87.33	1,390

Central Region	This Week			Last Week	
	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
	77.33	↓ -4.04	2,718	81.37	2,638
	76.44	↓ -4.01	2,322	80.45	2,284
	76.84	↓ -4.21	1,068	81.04	1,021

Western Region	This Week			Last Week	
	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
	84.90	↓ -2.94	2,046	87.83	2,043
	82.90	↓ -3.72	1,926	86.62	1,923
	83.19	↓ -4.69	1,305	87.87	1,310

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

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	
BREAST - B/S	1,161	98.81
TENDERLOINS	655	163.42
BREAST - LINE RUN	547	74.94
FRONT HALVES	536	62.53
LEGS	1,005	43.87
LEG QUARTERS	1,057	30.59
LEG QUARTERS	1,031	32.60
WINGS (WHOLE)	588	173.54
WINGS (CUT)	563	183.34
DRUMSTICKS	995	29.61
THIGHS	561	29.31
B/S THIGHS	615	85.09

Whole Body Index Based on Southern State Parts Trading - f.o.b. dock			
Range	Today's Average	5-Day Average	
42.00 - 52.00	46.06	46.56	

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	lbs.
	wtd. avg.	
Breast - B/S	88.84	2,486,140
Tenderloins	138.14	905,720
Breast - With Ribs	98.50	280,059
Breast - Line Run	89.37	286,585
Legs	63.47	330,212
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	40.10	1,788,795
Drumsticks	46.55	1,812,475
Thighs	49.78	419,130
B/S Thighs	102.77	752,720
Wings (Whole)	187.93	1,020,970
Backs and Necks	10.00	805,976
Livers (5 Pound Tubs)	65.26	48,520
Gizzards (Hearts)	77.39	80,000

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 MSC are steady on all fat contents. Export and domestic demand is light to moderate. Supplies are moderate for current needs. Processing schedules are normal. Market activity is slow to moderate. Supplies of raw materials are light to mostly moderate. Frame prices are trending steady with trading at unchanged to slightly higher at 5-10 cents FOB, mostly 6-8 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 10-FEB-2020 TO 14-FEB-2020, CENTS PER POUND			
BREAST - B/S	62.00 - 81.00		75.00 - 81.00	
TENDERLOINS	128.00 - 150.00		131.00 - 133.00	
BREAST - LINE RUN	69.00 - 94.00		69.00 - 74.00	
LEGS	36.00 - 49.00		-	
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	25.00 - 37.00		33.00 - 35.00	
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	28.00 - 45.00		35.00 - 37.00	
DRUMSTICKS	32.00 - 35.00		-	
THIGHS	35.00 - 41.00		35.00 - 39.00	
B/S THIGHS	92.00 - 107.00		98.00 - 102.00	
WINGS (WHOLE)	138.00 - 150.00		138.00 - 142.00	
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	17.00 - 51.00		-	
LIVERS	32.00 - 51.00		-	
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	42.00 - 61.00		-	

Major Wholesale Markets – Mexico City

Cents per pound for the week ending February 07, 2020

	Whole Chickens	Breasts	Legs w/ Thighs	Necks, Backs & Wings	Livers/ Gizzards	Hens
RAYON						
Low	89.62	130.80	70.24	48.44	19.38	96.89
High	90.83	140.49	79.93	55.71	21.80	96.89
Mostly	90.35	135.64	75.09	50.87	19.38	96.89
SAN JUAN						
Low	89.38	130.80	70.24	46.02	19.38	96.89
High	90.35	140.49	79.93	53.29	21.80	96.89
Mostly	89.62	135.64	75.09	48.44	19.38	96.89
NEW SAN JUAN						
Low	90.11	133.22	72.67	48.44	19.38	96.89
High	91.80	142.91	82.36	55.71	21.80	96.89
Mostly	91.08	138.07	77.51	50.87	19.38	96.89
BECERRA						
Low	90.35	135.64	75.09	50.87	19.38	96.89
High	92.04	145.33	84.78	58.13	21.80	96.89
Mostly	91.08	140.49	79.93	53.29	19.38	96.89

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

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	14-Feb-20	Last Week	Last Year	14-Feb-20	Last Week	Last Year
15% or Less						
Price Range			-			-
Wtd Avg Price			-			-
Volume Traded	-	-	-	-	-	-
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-20%						
Price Range	26.00 - 27.00	26.00 - 27.00	24.00-26.00	20.00 - 23.00	20.00 - 23.00	19.00-23.00
Wtd Avg Price	26.25	26.25	25.25	21.98	21.46	20.88
Volume Traded	1,206	958	660	1,958	2,468	979
Volume Exported	1,206	958	660	-	122	-
20% or More						
Price Range			-			-
Wtd Avg Price			-			-
Volume Traded	-	-	-	-	-	-
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-

Young Chickens Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection

Week ending 1-Feb-20

(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	33,001	49,735	44,874	43,666	171,276
Avg Live Wgt	3.66	5.14	6.70	8.93	6.23
% of total /1	19%	29%	26%	25%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	38,595	51,830	36,096	45,460	171,981
Avg Live Wgt	3.79	5.22	6.82	9.21	6.29
% of total /1	22%	30%	21%	26%	100%
Year Ago 2/	34,078	56,669	37,536	33,730	162,013
Avg Live Wgt	3.65	5.34	6.78	8.95	6.07
% of total /1	21%	35%	23%	21%	100%
To date/2020*	230,869	271,614	252,394	248,631	1,003,508
To date/2019*	216,202	301,348	224,586	212,753	954,889
% Change YTD	7%	-10%	12%	17%	5%

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
1/4	148.3	161.5	92%	6.36
1/11	175.2	164.0	107%	6.26
1/18	176.7	163.7	108%	6.33
1/25	168.1	163.6	103%	6.27
2/1	174.1	167.3	104%	6.29
2/8	173.4	170.0	102%	6.23
Year to date	1015.8	990.1	103%	
2/15		170.8		
2/22		170.5		

*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.	8,026	4.69%
3.61 - 3.80 lbs.	2.5 - 2.63 lbs.	7,443	4.35%
3.81 - 4.00 lbs.	2.63 - 2.75 lbs.	11,550	6.74%
4.01 - 4.25 lbs.	2.75 - 2.9 lbs.	<u>5,982</u>	<u>3.49%</u>
	Totals:	33,001	19.27%

Estimated Slaughter of Broiler-Fryers

	Estimated (1,000)	Actual (1,000)	Avg Wt	Actual (1,000)	Avg Wt
AL	2,174	2,112	2/11	2/12	2/11
AR	4,173	4,318	4,297	5.48	5.45
Delmarva	4,027	4,860	4,791	4,833	5.82
KY-LA-TN	2,229	2,277	2,232	2,236	6.69
MS	2,417	2,425	2,468	2,468	5.62
NC	2,746	2,806	2,943	2,923	6.24
TX	3,525	3,595	3,547	3,558	7.96
Total	21,923	23,182	23,036	23,059	6.26
Mon-Fri	114,795	(A)			113,895
Saturday	112	(included in total for date shown)			1,078

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 14-Feb-20 and 15-Feb-20 is estimated to be 33,365,000 head down 3.30 percent from a week ago and up 2.8 percent from a year ago. (Last week 34,502,000, last year 32,464,000)

Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the week ending 15-Feb-20 is estimated to be 173,722,000 head up 1.43 percent from a week ago, and up 7.52 percent from a year ago. (Last week 171,276,000, last year 161,570,000) Actual data incorporated when available.

Week of February 10, 2020

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	205-225	220-235

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)	94.00-107.50	99.00-103.00
VACUUM PACKED (6-9 PER BOX)	96.00-109.00	100.00-104.00

Squabs: NY area wholesale prices, frozen, Plant Grade, dollars/dozen, 1-10 boxes
11 oz 92.16- 103.68 **13 oz.** 120.38- 152.92 **15 oz.** 126.80- 160.94
 Eastern Region: CT,DE,FL,GA,MA,MD,ME,NC,NH,NJ,NY,PA,RI,SC,VA,VT,WV

Central Region Ducklings

Prices remain unchanged. Demand is moderate. Supplies are moderate. Processing schedules are full-time. Market activity is moderate. Prices paid to first receivers for 10-18 oz. boneless breasts at 750-900, bone-in legs at 450-510, gizzards at 230-250, wings at 100-125, livers at 182-215, and feet 125-150 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 & Others	201-221	225-233

National Fowl Market

Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading:	Price Range	Wtd Avg
Prices in cents per pound.	2.0-7.5	6.98

(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 - 02-11-20				
All Papers Required To Sell All Out Of State Poultry				
Hackettstown, NJ		Gravestone Small Animal, Manheim, PA		
	Low	High	Avg	Price Range
HEAVY FOWL lb.	-	-	-	Red Fowl 5-6 LBS - lbs.
HEAVY FOWL EA.	1.75	8.00	3.08	Red Fowl 4-5 LBS .40 - .45 lbs.
				Crossbred Fowl 5-9 LBS .60 - .75 lbs.

Delmarva Broiler/Fryer Market US Grade A

Date	Production (000) Actual Slaughter	Live Weight
2/7	2,485	7.16
2/6	2,211	6.85
2/5	2,223	6.82
2/4	2,219	6.90
2/3	2,198	6.86
Weekly	11,336	6.92

Cattle/Hog Weekly Estimated Slaughter

	Under Federal Inspection (in 000's)				
W/E	02/15/20	02/08/20	% chg	02/16/19	% chg
Cattle	620	631	0.98	608 ¹	1.02
Hogs	2,596	2,691	0.96	2,497 ¹	1.04

¹ Actual data incorporated when available.
 Totals adjusted to reflect USDA, NASS revisions.

Broiler Hatchery

Broiler-Type Eggs Set in the United States Up 5 Percent

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 240 million eggs in incubators during the week ending February 8, 2020, up 5 percent from a year ago. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 81.8 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 Up 4 Percent

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 191 million chicks for meat production during the week ending February 8, 2020, up 4 percent from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 4, 2020 through February 8, 2020 for the United States were 1.14 billion. Cumulative placements were up 4 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			
	Feb 01, 2019	Feb 08, 2019	Feb 01, 2019	Feb 08, 2019
	(1,000 eggs)		(1,000 chicks)	
AL.....	33,619	34,263	25,233	25,401
AR.....	23,550	23,688	22,899	22,841
DE.....	5,514	5,495	5,965	5,704
FL.....	1,168	1,209	1,223	1,287
GA.....	35,214	34,995	26,276	27,444
KY.....	7,905	7,865	5,683	6,629
LA.....	3,879	3,879	3,201	3,228
MD.....	8,417	8,285	5,365	5,579
MS.....	18,124	18,304	15,472	14,991
MO.....	8,778	8,949	5,135	5,979
NC.....	24,994	25,141	20,593	20,453
OK.....	7,756	7,507	4,388	3,489
PA.....	6,251	5,934	4,461	4,365
SC.....	5,889	5,804	4,679	4,054
TX.....	17,369	17,846	14,640	13,829
VA.....	6,469	6,508	6,104	5,995
CA, TN, & WV.....	13,044	12,904	11,959	11,209
Other States.....	10,843	11,069	8,826	8,286
United States.....	238,783	239,645	192,102	190,763
Percent of Prev Year..	104	105	104	104

Source: USDA, NASS

<https://release.nass.usda.gov/reports/brls0720.pdf>

Weekly Fryers Available for Marketing

Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 21-Mar-20 is estimated at 168.4 million head. This compares to 167.4 million head the previous week and to 165.2 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 164.0 million head and the national weighted average price was 91.16 cents per pound.

US/Canadian Live Poultry Slaughtered Under Inspection

Week ending	8-Feb-20		
U.S. Fowl Slaughtered Domestically			
	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	----- Thousands -----		
Head	904	1,492	2,396
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	779	1,702	2,481
Same week yr ago	771	1,358	2,129
To-date/2020*	4,583	9,223	13,806
To-date/2019*	5,402	8,662	14,064

U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	----- Thousands -----		
Head	198	0	198
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	137	0	137
Same week yr ago	229	0	229
To-date/2020*	950	0	950
To-date/2019*	1,575	7	1,582

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	1,102	1,492	2,594
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	916	1,702	2,618
Same week yr ago	1,000	1,358	2,358
To-date/2020*	5,533	9,223	14,756
To-date/2019*	6,977	8,669	15,646

*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

	2/10/2020	2/1/2020	Change from First of the Month in Total Pounds	% Change from First of the Month
	99,904	97,689	2,215	2%

Cold Storage Holdings - Pacific Coast

Processed other Poultry	2/10/2020	02/03/20	02/11/19
Pacific w/out Denver:	10,515	9,999	8,107
Los Angeles:	585	576	604

Fresh Beef Cuts

FOB Negotiated	# of Trades	Total lbs.	Price Range	Wtd Avg
112A 3 Rib, ribeye, bnls, heavy	15	30,048	694.00 747.00	712.68
168 3 Round, top inside round	20	80,807	225.00 247.00	232.50
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	12	23,585	545.00 587.50	565.33
Ground Beef 81%	23	366,433	170.00 213.75	180.48

Fresh Pork Cuts

FOB Negotiated	Kilo lbs.	Price Range	Wtd Avg
Loin			
1/8 Trimmed Loin VAC	1,152	83.36- 114.50	93.68
Bnls CC Strap-on	2,032	92.36- 139.54	107.65
Butt			
1/8 Trim Steak Ready Butt Vac	270	104.06- 123.32	112.05
Sparerib			
Trmd Sparerib - MED	1,043	121.00- 176.00	160.78