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National Broiler Market-At-A-Glance

Whole broiler/fryer prices are steady to weak and trending lower going into the weekend. Offerings are light to moderate. Retail and food service demand is light to moderate. Floor stocks are adequate to instances heavier than desired. Market activity is slow to moderate. In the parts structure, bone-in breasts and wings are steady to mostly firm. Dark meat prices are steady to weak. Small leg quarters, smaller sized drums and bone-in thighs trend steady to instances firm. Supplies are good on wings and tenderloins, balance of white items are moderate to good. Dark items are mixed, mostly light to moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. In production areas, live supplies are moderate; weights are mostly desirable.

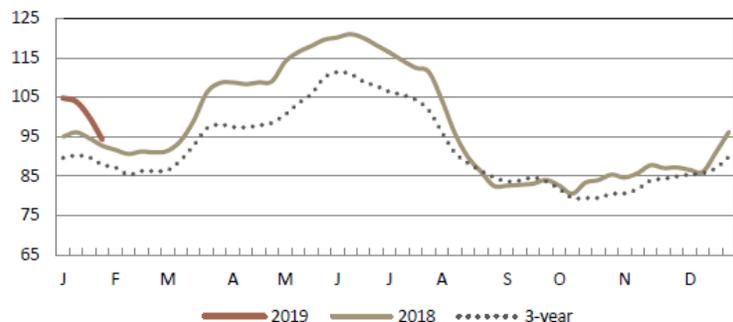
National Whole Broiler/Fryer

National Composite Weighted Average*

	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.
This Week:	94.22	↓ -5.74	11,789
Last Week:	99.96		10,728
Last Year:	92.72	↑ 1.50	12,388

Monthly Composite Weighted Average

Month	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Dec	89.75	47,974



	This Week		Last Week	
	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Eastern				
Whole Body:	96.90	4,359	100.84	4,257
WOGS:	94.80	1,353	101.03	1,317
New York				
Whole Body:	93.19	1,216	98.65	1,216
Central				
Whole Body:	87.12	3,582	94.11	3,119
WOGS:	86.41	3,362	93.71	2,959
Chicago				
Whole Body:	91.12	1,716	94.99	1,553
Western				
Whole Body:	97.80	3,848	104.27	3,352
WOGS:	97.35	3,748	103.95	3,252
Los Angeles				
Whole Body:	96.32	2,086	103.43	1,630

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 Poultry Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection

(Preliminary) Week ending 19-Jan-2019

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Duck
	Thousands				
Head	167,857	899	1,615	2,514	423
Avg Wt	6.13	3.51	8.11	6.47	7.17
Last week	165,877	1,053	1,624	2,677	434
Same wk yr ago	147,632	1,036	1,410	2,446	551
Avg Wt	6.21	3.62	8.09	6.20	6.65
To-date/2019*	471,616	2,701	4,312	7,013	1,229
To-date/2018*	441,975	3,021	4,348	7,369	1,485
% Change YTD	7%	-11%	-1%	-5%	-17%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	782,012	1,751	8,972	10,723	2,153
Last week	777,830	2,016	8,966	10,982	2,089
Same wk yr ago	696,764	2,081	7,814	9,895	2,602
To-date/2019*	2,210,590	5,239	24,061	29,300	5,993
To-date/2018*	2,084,102	5,860	23,898	29,758	7,438
% Change YTD	6%	-11%	1%	-2%	-19%

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 ** million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 169.9 million head.

(B) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update.

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

The USDA-NASS data used to populate this data is not available

Estimated U.S. Live Poultry Slaughter

Under Federal Inspection

Class	Current Week 1/26/2019 (1)	Previous Week 1/19/2019
	Thousand head	
Broiler/fryer	158,669 (2)	169,668
Light hens	1,018	901
Heavy hens	1,465	1,623
Total	161,152	172,192

(1) Estimated

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 26-Jan-19 is ** million head compared to 168.0 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 159.0 million head. For the week of 02-Feb-19 the estimated available is ** million head.

**The USDA-NASS data used to populate this number is not available. **

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	903	109.24
Tenderloins	477	180.94
Breast - Line Run	476	92.89
Front Halves	443	69.29
Legs	790	33.84
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	819	24.83
Leg Quarters (4/10)	825	26.70
Wings (Whole)	507	162.08
Wings (Cut)	480	180.41
Drumsticks	823	25.61
Thighs	444	35.73
B/S Thighs	581	114.74

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

Range	Today's Average	5-Day Average
41.00 - 56.50	46.19	47.06

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	101.63	2,095,730
Tenderloins	157.77	830,840
Breast - With Ribs	121.46	248,183
Breast - Line Run	100.52	366,343
Legs	51.82	294,320
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	30.06	1,094,960
Drumsticks	33.19	1,431,647
Thighs	65.92	106,960
B/S Thighs	116.72	744,320
Wings (Whole)	181.30	907,000
Backs and Necks	10.00	659,401
Livers (5 Pound Tubs)	66.78	59,070
Gizzards (Hearts)	79.43	66,960

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 mostly steady. Demand ranges light to moderate into domestic and export channels. Supplies are moderate to fully adequate. Processing schedules return full-time. Market activity is slow to instances moderate. Supplies of raw materials are generally moderate. Frame prices are trading at 6-10 cents FOB, mostly 8 to 10 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 21-Jan-19 to 25-Jan-2019

	Price per lb.		Mostly
Breast - B/S	82.00 - 102.00		87.00 - 95.00
Tenderloins	149.00 - 159.00		153.00 - 155.00
Breast - Line Run	81.00 - 104.00		81.00 - 86.00
Legs	43.00 - 60.00		-
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	24.00 - 33.00		25.00 - 28.00
Leg Quarters (4/10)	27.00 - 38.00		29.00 - 31.00
Drumsticks	31.00 - 35.00		-
Thighs	44.00 - 50.00		44.00 - 46.00
B/S Thighs	95.00 - 116.00		-
Wings (Whole)	136.00 - 200.00		144.00 - 154.00
Backs & Necks (Stripped)	17.00 - 31.00		-
Livers	32.00 - 51.00		-
Gizzards (Hearts)	42.00 - 61.00		-

Major Wholesale Markets – Mexico City

Cents per pound for the week ending January 18, 2019

	Whole Chickens	Breasts	Legs w/ Thighs	Necks, Backs & Wings	Livers/ Gizzards	Hens
Rayon						
Low	91.87	139.69	68.66	37.88	18.94	104.18
High	93.29	149.16	78.13	44.99	21.31	104.18
Mostly	92.34	144.43	73.40	40.25	18.94	104.18
San Juan						
Low	91.39	139.69	66.30	35.52	18.94	104.18
High	92.34	149.16	75.77	42.62	21.31	104.18
Mostly	91.87	144.43	71.03	37.88	18.94	104.18
New San Juan						
Low	92.10	142.06	71.03	40.25	18.94	104.18
High	94.00	151.53	80.50	47.35	21.31	104.18
Mostly	92.34	146.80	75.77	42.62	18.94	104.18
Becerra						
Low	92.34	142.06	49.72	42.62	18.94	104.18
High	94.71	151.53	59.19	49.72	21.31	104.18
Mostly	93.29	146.80	54.46	44.99	18.94	104.18

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

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	25-Jan-19	Last Week	Last Year	25-Jan-19	Last Week	Last Year
15% or Less						
Price Range			-			-
Wtd Avg Price			-			-
Volume Traded	-	-	-	-	-	-
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-20%						
Price Range	21.00 - 26.00	21.00 - 25.00	28.00-33.00	19.00 - 23.00	19.00 - 24.00	18.00-25.00
Wtd Avg Price	24.48	23.90	30.53	20.69	21.11	22.62
Volume Traded	695	550	1,035	2,060	1,795	1,897
Volume Exported	495	550	1,035	530	-	-
20% or More						
Price Range			-			-
Wtd Avg Price			-			-
Volume Traded	-	-	-	-	-	-
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-

Young Chickens Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection

Week ending 19-Jan-19

(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	44,431	45,712	39,173	38,541	167,857
Avg Live Wgt	3.82	5.32	6.84	9.02	6.13
% of total /1	26%	27%	23%	23%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	37,759	54,693	37,338	36,087	165,877
Avg Live Wgt	3.68	5.38	6.97	9.13	6.17
% of total /1	23%	33%	23%	22%	100%
Year Ago 2/	36,745	46,349	31,992	32,546	147,632
Avg Live Wgt	3.74	5.35	7.09	9.35	6.21
% of total /1	25%	31%	22%	22%	100%
To date/2019*	115,949	137,237	112,003	106,427	471,616
To date/2018*	112,065	129,592	106,813	93,505	441,975
% Change YTD	3%	6%	5%	14%	7%

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*	Percent	Avg Wt
12/15	158.7	155.40	102%	6.14
12/22	164.4	156.10	105%	6.07
12/29	119.1	156.70	76%	6.27
1/5	139.6	155.30	90%	6.21
1/12	167.9	**	**	6.17
1/19	169.9	**	**	6.13
Year to date	477.4	**	**	
1/26		**		
2/2		**		

*Based on chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier.

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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.	3,390	2.02%
3.61 - 3.80 lbs.	2.5 - 2.63 lbs.	18,898	11.26%
3.81 - 4.00 lbs.	2.63 - 2.75 lbs.	6,539	3.90%
4.01 - 4.25 lbs.	2.75 - 2.9 lbs.	15,605	9.30%
Totals:		44,432	26.47%

Estimated Slaughter of Broiler-Fryers

	Estimated (1,000)	Actual (1,000)	Avg Wt	Actual (1,000)	Avg Wt
	1/25	1/24	1/23	1/23	1/22
AL	4,037	3,948	3,846	3,978	5.47
AR	4,576	4,996	4,681	4,754	6.03
Delmarva	2,591	2,234	2,156	2,208	6.68
KY-LA-TN	2,583	2,488	2,508	2,448	5.57
MS	2,772	2,821	2,878	2,422	6.27
NC	3,906	3,341	3,245	3,245	8.01
TX	2,860	2,514	2,508	2,530	6.65
Total	23,325	22,342	21,822	21,585	6.34
Mon-Fri	105,733	(A)			111,642
Saturday	1,199	(included in total for date shown)			3,937

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 25-Jan-19 and 26-Jan-19 is estimated to be 35,499,000 head down 7.33 percent from a week ago and up 4.7 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 38,307,000, last year 33,897,000)

Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the week ending 26-Jan-19 is estimated to be 160,062,000 head down 4.64 percent from a week ago, and down 3.60 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 167,857,000, last year 166,031,000) Actual data incorporated when available.

Eastern Region Misc. Poultry

Week of January 21, 2019

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	205-220	215-230

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)	92.00-112.50	102.00-105.00
Vacuum Packed (6-9 Per Box)	94.00-113.00	106.00-109.00

Squabs: NY area wholesale prices, frozen, Plant Grade, dollars/dozen, 1-10 boxes

11 oz 92.16- 103.68 **13 oz.** 113.40- 147.09 **15 oz.** 123.20- 154.71
Eastern Region: CT,DE,FL,GA,MA,MD,ME,NC,NH,NJ,NY,PA,RI,SC,VA,VT,WV

Central Region Ducklings

Week of January 21, 2019

All prices are steady. Demand remains fairly good to good as we near the Chinese New Year. Supplies are moderate to instances short of full needs. Processing schedules are full-time to extended. Market activity is moderate to active. 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

Live Spent Heavy Fowl

Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading: Price Range Wtd Avg

Prices in cents per pound. 3.0-9.0 8.09
(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 - 01-22-19						
All Papers Required To Sell All Out Of State Poultry						
Hackettstown, NJ Heavy Fowl			Graystone Small Animal, Manheim, PA Price Range - cents per lb.			
Low	High	Avg	Red Fowl		Crossbred Fowl	
per lb.:	-	-	5-6 lbs:	1.50 - 1.60	5-9 lbs: 1.40 - 1.45	
each:	3.00	5.00	4-5 lbs:	1.25 - 1.40		

Delmarva Broiler/Fryer Market US Grade A

Date	Production (000) Actual Slaughter	Live Weight
1/18	3,148	6.63
1/17	2,250	6.67
1/16	2,198	6.83
1/15	2,209	6.85
1/14	2,115	6.71
Weekly	11,921	6.74

Cattle/Hog Weekly Estimated Slaughter

	Under Federal Inspection (in 000's)				
W/E	01/26/19	01/19/19	% chg	01/27/18	% chg
Cattle	610	620	0.98	594 ¹	1.03
Hogs	2501	2503	1.00	2363 ¹	1.06

¹ Actual data incorporated when available.

Totals adjusted to reflect USDA, NASS revisions.

Broiler Hatchery

US/Canadian Live Poultry Slaughtered Under Inspection

Week Ending Jan 19, 2019 (Preliminary)

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U.S. Fowl Slaughtered Domestically

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	-----Thousands-----		
Head	899	1,615	2,514
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,053	1,624	2,677
Same week yr ago	1,036	1,410	2,446
To-date/2019*	2,701	4,312	7,013
To-date/2018*	3,021	4,348	7,369

U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	-----Thousands-----		
Head	184	7	191
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	273	0	273
Same week yr ago	285	0	285
To-date/2019*	846	7	853
To-date/2018*	743	0	743

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

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

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	-----Thousands-----		
Head	1,083	1,622	2,705
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,326	1,624	2,950
Same week yr ago	1,321	1,410	2,731
To-date/2019*	3,547	4,319	7,866
To-date/2018*	3,764	4,348	8,112

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

Weekly Cold Storage Holdings

Processed other Poultry (000) lbs Selected Centers, incl Gov't Stocks			Cold Storage Holdings Pacific without Denver		
			01/21/19	01/14/19	01/22/18
AM	01/21/19	72,792	Pacific Coast:		
AM	01/01/19	74,212	8859	9412	8218
CHG		-1420	Los Angeles:		
PCT CHG		-2%	618	596	1693

Fresh Beef Cuts - FOB Negotiated

	Price Range	Wtd Avg
112A 3 Rib, ribeye, bnls, heavy	750.00 770.00	755.02
168 3 Round, top inside round	221.25 236.25	224.94
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	533.00 562.00	546.67
Ground Beef 81%	187.29 207.25	196.52

Fresh Pork Cuts - FOB Negotiated

	Wtd Avg
Loin - 1/8 Trimmed Loin VAC	81.34
Bnls CC Strap-on	106.88
Butt - 1/8 Trim Steak Ready Butt Vac	101.01
Sparerib - Trimd Sparerib - MED	134.46

Weekly Fryers Available For Marketing

Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 02-Mar-19 is estimated at ** ** million head. This compares to ** ** million head the previous week and to 166.4 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 167.3 million head and the national weighted average price was 91.66 cents per pound.

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