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### National Broiler Market-at-a-Glance

Whole broiler/fryer prices are generally trending steady for all sizes. Offerings of all sizes are moderate to instances heavy in the Eastern region, light to moderate in all other regions. Retail and food service demand is light to moderate for the upcoming weekend. Processing schedules are normal to reduced with a few plants operating Saturday. Floor stocks are adequate. Market activity is slow to moderate. In the parts structure, prices are trending steady to firm for tenders, and steady for wings. Boneless skinless breasts and dark meat items are steady to weak, and the remainder of parts are steady. Supplies of tenders remain well balanced, and wings are mostly moderate. Dark meat cuts and boneless skinless breasts are moderate to heavy with boneless skinless thighs and jumbo size breasts being more available. Market activity for parts is slow to moderate. In production areas, live supplies are moderate to heavy. Weights are mixed, but mostly desirable.

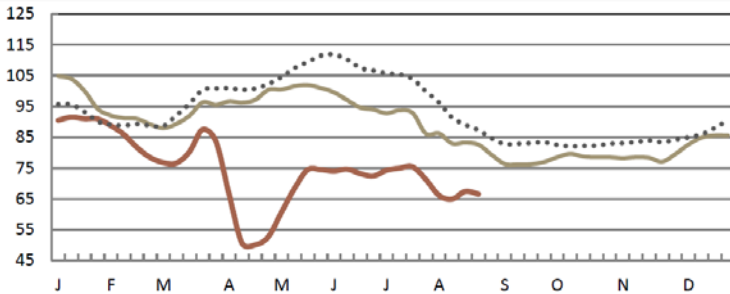
### National Whole Broiler/Fryer

#### National Composite Weighted Average

	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.
<b>This Week:</b>	66.50	↓ -0.88	8,366
<b>Last Week:</b>	67.39		8,946
<b>Last Year:</b>	82.55	↓ -16.05	11,241

#### Monthly Composite Weighted Average

Month	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
<b>Jul</b>	70.41	41,848



### Weekly Poultry Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection

(Preliminary) Week ending 8-Aug-2020

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Duck
----- Thousands -----					
Head	165,413	720	1,683	2,403	345
Avg Wt	6.28	3.44	8.39	6.91	6.88
Head Slaughter Comparisons					
Last week	165,886	716	1,692	2,408	251
Same wk yr ago	172,355	789	1,835	2,624	498
Avg Wt	6.30	3.47	8.41	6.92	6.93
To-date/2020*	5,237,855	24,199	51,904	76,103	12,550
To-date/2019*	5,236,526	25,840	50,892	76,732	13,991
% Change YTD	0%	-6%	2%	-1%	-10%

### Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage

Current week	789,483	1,375	9,672	11,047	1,685
Last week	787,959	1,240	9,713	10,953	1,158
Same wk yr ago	825,236	1,519	10,571	12,090	2,450
To-date/2020*	24,986,668	46,697	294,033	340,730	61,649
To-date/2019*	24,563,748	49,233	286,264	335,497	69,311
% Change YTD	2%	-5%	3%	2%	-11%

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 168.1 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 167.4 million head, or 0.7 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:	65.32	↓ -1.53	3,994	66.85	4,377
WOGS:	65.15	↓ -1.46	1,840	66.62	1,492
<b>New York</b>					
Whole Body:	66.21	↑ 0.82	1,190	65.38	1,190

### Central Region

#### This Week

#### Last Week

	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Whole Body:	63.98	↓ -0.27	2,155	64.24	2,410
WOGS:	63.82	↓ -0.13	1,823	63.95	2,204
<b>Chicago</b>					
Whole Body:	61.72	↓ -0.31	1,058	62.03	1,314

### Western Region

#### This Week

#### Last Week

	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Whole Body:	71.09	↓ -0.89	2,217	71.98	2,159
WOGS:	70.41	↓ -0.55	2,058	70.96	2,039
<b>Los Angeles</b>					
Whole Body:	69.98	↓ -1.41	1,415	71.39	1,375

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

Class	Current Week		Previous Week	
	8/15/2020	(1)	8/8/2020	
Broiler/fryer	167,069	(2)	163,800	
Light hens	755		689	
Heavy hens	1,732		1,668	
Total	169,556		166,157	

(1) ESTIMATED

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 15-Aug-20 is 170.0 million head compared to 176.1 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 167.4 million head or -2.6 million less than estimated available. For the week of 22-Aug-20 the estimated available is 170.4 million head.

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 lbs. (000)	wtd. avg.
	This report not Available at time Of publication	

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

	Price per lb.	Mostly
WEEK OF 10-AUG-2020 TO 14-AUG-2020, CENTS PER POUND		
BREAST - B/S	104.00 - 115.00	110.00 - 115.00
TENDERLOINS	142.00 - 175.00	160.00 - 169.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	63.00 - 68.00	63.00 - 65.00
LEGS	23.00 - 40.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	19.00 - 33.00	22.00 - 25.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	20.00 - 33.00	20.00 - 23.00
DRUMSTICKS	30.00 - 39.00	-
THIGHS	29.00 - 48.00	29.00 - 35.00
B/S THIGHS	75.00 - 83.00	75.00 - 81.00
WINGS (WHOLE)	195.00 - 209.00	198.00 - 205.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	17.00 - 54.00	-
LIVERS	32.00 - 51.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	54.00 - 61.00	-

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	116.95	2,293,416
TENDERLOINS	174.01	892,840
BREAST - WITH RIBS	106.96	175,565
BREAST - LINE RUN	83.57	317,440
LEGS	39.32	471,138
LEG QUARTERS	26.08	1,182,631
DRUMSTICKS	39.45	2,014,483
THIGHS	42.59	535,660
B/S THIGHS	82.26	779,740
WINGS (WHOLE)	200.10	1,330,450
BACKS AND NECKS	10.00	659,052
LIVERS (5 POUND)	65.38	59,170
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	78.94	78,760

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.

Major Wholesale Markets – Mexico City

Cents per pound for the week ending August 07, 2020

	Whole Chickens	Breasts	Legs w/ Thighs	Necks, Backs & Wings	Livers/ Gizzards	Hens
RAYON						
	Low	80.89	137.52	80.89	56.62	16.18
	High	82.31	145.61	88.98	62.69	18.20
	Mostly	81.30	141.56	84.94	58.65	16.18
SAN						
	Low	80.69	137.52	78.87	56.62	16.18
	High	81.30	145.61	86.96	62.69	18.20
	Mostly	80.89	141.56	82.91	58.65	16.18
NEW SAN						
	Low	81.90	139.54	82.91	58.65	16.18
	High	83.93	147.63	91.00	64.71	18.20
	Mostly	82.91	143.58	86.96	60.67	16.18
BECERRA						
	Low	82.51	141.56	84.94	60.67	16.18
	High	83.93	149.65	93.03	66.74	18.20
	Mostly	83.52	145.61	88.98	62.69	16.18

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 for both frozen and fresh. Domestic and export demand are moderate for fresh MSC; light to moderate for frozen. Supplies are sufficient for current needs while utilizing all available options to maintain product movement. Schedules are normal to less than normal as dealers continue to assess market developments due to some disruptions in processing schedules. Market activity is moderate to slow. Supplies of raw materials are moderate. Frame prices are trending steady with trading at 9-11.5 cents FOB, mostly 10-11 FOB.

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

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	14-Aug-20	Last Week	Last Year	14-Aug-20	Last Week	Last Year
<b>15% or Less</b>						
Price Range			-			-
Wtd Avg Price			-			-
Volume Traded	-	-	-	-	-	-
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>15-20%</b>						
Price Range	28.00 - 35.00	28.00 - 35.00	26.50-28.00	25.00 - 28.00	22.25 - 30.00	19.00-24.00
Wtd Avg Price	30.72	30.30	27.00	26.52	26.05	22.38
Volume Traded	1,601	2,097	805	2,387	2,203	1,673
Volume Exported	1,601	1,957	805	-	204	163
<b>20% or More</b>						
Price Range			-			-
Wtd Avg Price			-			-
Volume Traded	-	-	-	-	-	-
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-

Young Chickens Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection

Week ending 8-Aug-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	31,556	46,968	47,098	39,791	165,413
Avg Live Wgt	3.71	5.12	6.87	8.98	6.28
% of total /1	19%	28%	28%	24%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	33,521	49,019	43,120	40,226	165,886
Avg Live Wgt	3.78	5.23	6.85	8.92	6.25
% of total /1	20%	30%	26%	24%	100%
Year Ago 2/	39,826	40,632	50,900	40,997	172,355
Avg Live Wgt	3.76	5.24	6.96	8.98	6.30
% of total /1	23%	24%	30%	24%	100%
To date/2020*	1,116,954	1,438,918	1,424,912	1,257,071	5,237,855
To date/2019*	1,156,681	1,595,414	1,296,759	1,187,672	5,236,526
% Change YTD	-3%	-10%	10%	6%	0%

\*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
7/4	149.6	152.4	98%	6.15
7/11	167.2	156.3	107%	6.29
7/18	164.1	158.4	104%	6.11
7/25	166.0	163.6	101%	6.16
8/1	167.9	165.6	101%	6.25
8/8	167.4	168.1	100%	6.28
Year to date	5301.5	5321.6	100%	
8/15		170.0		
8/22		170.4		

\*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.	5,019	3.03%
3.61 - 3.80 lbs.	2.5 - 2.63 lbs.	3,467	2.10%
3.81 - 4.00 lbs.	2.63 - 2.75 lbs.	11,111	6.72%
4.01 - 4.25 lbs.	2.75 - 2.9 lbs.	11,959	7.23%
	Totals:	31,556	19.08%

Estimated Slaughter of Broiler-Fryers

	Estimated (1,000)	Actual (1,000)	Avg Wt	Actual (1,000)	Avg Wt
AL	8/14	8/13	8/12	8/11	8/12
AR	3,936	4,255	4,250	4,235	5.55
Delmarva	4,638	4,776	4,795	4,857	6.30
KY-LA-TN	2,012	2,030	2,060	2,032	6.98
MS	2,169	2,315	2,349	2,304	5.89
NC	2,364	2,580	2,739	2,792	6.25
TX	4,257	3,657	3,587	3,509	8.04
Total	2,924	2,829	2,807	2,789	6.78
Mon-Fri	22,300	22,442	22,587	22,518	6.51
Saturday	111,845	(A)			6.54
	1,392	(included in total for date shown)			2,264

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above. Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 14-Aug-20 and 15-Aug-20 is estimated to be 33,939,000 head down 6.78 percent from a week ago and down 10.2 percent from a year ago. (Last week 36,406,000, last year 37,808,000)

Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the week ending 15-Aug-20 is estimated to be 170,368,000 head up 3.00 percent from a week ago, and down 2.09 percent from a year ago. (Last week 165,413,000, last year 173,998,000) Actual data incorporated when available.

Week of August 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	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)	81.00-101.00	81.00-86.00
Vacuum Packed (6-9 per Box)	84.00-108.00	85.00-90.00

**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

Prices remain too few to report this week. Demand is light to moderate. Supplies continue to range heavy to instances short of full needs. Processing schedules are varied. Market activity is slow to moderate. Prices paid to first receivers for 10-18 oz. boneless breasts, bone-in legs, gizzards, wings, livers, and feet are all too few to report.

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	TFEWR	TFEWR

National Fowl Market

**Live Spent Heavy Fowl**

**Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading:** Price Range    Wtd Avg  
 Prices in cents per pound.    0.0 - 4.0    3.40

(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 - 11-Aug-2020**

***AI Papers Required To Sell All Out Of State Poultry***				
Hackettstown, NJ			Graystone Small Animal, Manheim, PA	
	Low	High	Avg	Price Range
HEAVY FOWL lb.	-	-	-	Red Fowl 5-6 LBS .95 - 1.20 lbs.
HEAVY FOWL EA.	5.00	15.00	9.89	Red Fowl 4-5 LBS .65 - .75 lbs.
				Crossbred Fowl 5-9 LBS 1.25 - 1.40 lbs.

Delmarva Broiler/Fryer Market US Grade A

Date	Production (000) Actual Slaughter	Live Weight
8/7	2,410	7.01
8/6	1,972	7.09
8/5	2,001	7.08
8/4	1,033	7.74
8/3	1,945	7.12
Weekly	6,951	7.26

Cattle/Hog Weekly Estimated Slaughter

Under Federal Inspection (in 000's)

W/E	08/15/20	08/08/20	% chg	08/17/19	% chg
<b>Cattle</b>	640	633	1.01	653	0.98
<b>Hogs</b>	2,565	2,534	1.01	2,491	1.03

1 Actual data incorporated when available.

Totals adjusted to reflect USDA, NASS revisions.

**Broiler Hatchery**

**Broiler-Type Eggs Set in the United States Down 1 Percent**

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 231 million eggs in incubators during the week ending August 8, 2020, down 1 percent from a year ago. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 82.3 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 184 million chicks for meat production during the week ending August 8, 2020, down 3 percent from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 4, 2020 through August 8, 2020 for the United States were 5.95 billion. Cumulative placements were down slightly from the same period a year earlier.

State	Broiler-Type Eggs Set,		Broiler-Type Chicks Placed,	
	19 Selected States and United States			
	Week Ending			
	Aug 01, 2020	Aug 08, 2020	Aug 01, 2020	Aug 08, 2020
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)
AL.....	32,613	32,556	24,595	22,699
AR.....	23,506	23,417	22,847	22,511
DE.....	4,548	4,545	4,981	4,939
FL.....	1,163	1,162	1,245	1,327
GA.....	33,924	33,674	26,513	27,539
KY.....	7,657	7,586	6,862	6,695
LA.....	3,319	3,319	2,923	2,717
MD.....	8,092	8,111	5,357	4,726
MS.....	16,811	16,863	14,614	13,538
MO.....	8,937	8,857	5,319	5,438
NC.....	23,389	24,614	19,295	19,659
OK.....	7,145	7,070	3,182	3,151
PA.....	6,493	6,515	4,923	4,898
SC.....	5,583	5,769	4,939	4,672
TX.....	17,322	17,354	13,827	13,824
VA.....	6,206	6,082	5,814	6,426
CA, TN, & WV.....	12,850	12,021	10,673	9,124
Other States.....	11,077	11,110	8,988	9,778
<b>United States.....</b>	<b>230,635</b>	<b>230,625</b>	<b>186,897</b>	<b>183,661</b>
Percent of Prev Year..	99	99	99	97

Source: USDA, NASS

<https://release.nass.usda.gov/reports/brls3320.pdf>

**Weekly Fryers Available for Marketing**

Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 19-Sep-20 is estimated at 161.9 million head. This compares to 163.3 million head the previous week and to 171.9 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 174.4 million head and the national weighted average price was 83.24 cents per pound.

**US/Canadian Live Poultry Slaughtered Under Inspection**

Week ending	8-Aug-20		
U.S. Fowl Slaughtered Domestically			
	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
----- Thousands -----			
Head	720	1,683	2,403
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	716	1,692	2,408
Same week yr ago	789	1,835	2,624
To-date/2020*	24,199	51,904	76,103
To-date/2019*	26,191	51,021	77,212

**U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada**

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
----- Thousands -----			
Head	37	0	37
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	147	0	147
Same week yr ago	148	0	148
To-date/2020*	4,344	0	4,344
To-date/2019*	7,430	17	7,447

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	757	1,683	2,440
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	863	1,692	2,555
Same week yr ago	937	1,835	2,772
To-date/2020*	28,543	51,904	80,447
To-date/2019*	33,621	51,038	84,659

\*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**

8/10/2020	8/1/2020	Change from First of the Month in Total Pounds	% Change from First of the Month
86,746	88,838	-2,092	-2%

**Cold Storage Holdings - Pacific Coast**

Processed other Poultry	8/10/2020	08/03/20	08/12/19
<b>Pacific w/out Denver:</b>	8,848	8,735	10,173
<b>Los Angeles:</b>	551	550	568

**Fresh Beef Choice Cuts**

FOB Negotiated	# of Trades	Total lbs.	Price Range	Wtd Avg
112A 3 Rib, ribeye, bnls, light	5	30,606	757.00 - 829.25	817.08
168 3 Round, top inside round	19	187,427	227.55 - 244.25	234.96
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	23	101,920	583.00 - 669.50	624.31
<b>GB - Steer/Heifer Source - 10 Pound Chub Basis- Coarse &amp; Fine Grind</b>				
Ground Beef 81%	13	139,303	155.00 - 189.10	164.83

**Fresh Pork Cuts**

FOB Negotiated	Kilo lbs.	Price Range	Wtd Avg
<b>Loin</b>			
1/8 Trimmed Loin VAC	2,462	72.00 - 104.50	85.22
Bnls CC Strap-on	2,732	86.97 - 144.50	112.20
<b>Butt</b>			
1/8 Trim Steak Ready Butt Vac	389	75.00 - 98.32	92.44
<b>Sparerib</b>			
Trmd Sparerib - MED	2,093	113.00 - 149.56	132.74