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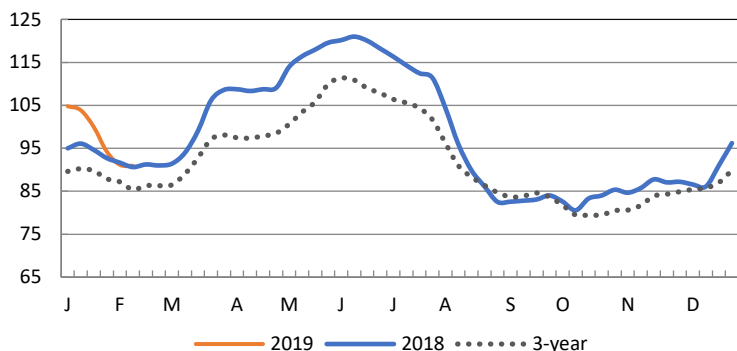
National Broiler Market-At-A-Glance

Whole broiler/fryer prices are steady in the East, but steady to weak in the Central and Western regions. Offerings are light to moderate to satisfy current trade needs. Retail demand is in a full range but mostly light to moderate. Food service is slow to moderate. Floor stocks are adequate to heavier than normal. Market activity is slow to moderate. In the parts structure, wings continue steady to weak, and all other items are mostly steady. Supplies of wings are available to heavy and often competitively priced to help move. Dark meat and breast items are light to moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. In production areas, live supplies are moderate at mostly desirable weights.

National Whole Broiler/Fryer

National Composite Weighted Average*

	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.
This Week:	90.94	↓ -0.23	12,161
Last Week:	91.16		12,233
Last Year:	91.24	↓ -0.30	12,476
Monthly Composite Weighted Average			
Jan	98.90		56,548



Weekly Poultry Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection

(Preliminary) Week ending 9-Feb-2019

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Duck
----- Thousands -----					
Head	162,013	771	1,358	2,129	508
Avg Wt	6.07	3.33	8.24	6.46	7.33
Last week	163,174	912	1,544	2,456	420
Same wk yr ago	162,822	1,129	1,465	2,594	312
Avg Wt	6.12	3.35	7.97	5.96	6.68
To-date/2019*	954,889	5,402	8,662	14,064	2,607
To-date/2018*	936,163	5,899	8,817	14,716	2,726
% Change YTD	2%	-8%	-2%	-4%	-4%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	747,398	1,425	7,665	9,090	2,644
Last week	757,715	1,827	8,525	10,352	2,007
Same wk yr ago	757,318	2,099	7,998	10,097	1,480
To-date/2019*	4,452,194	10,457	48,315	58,772	12,964
To-date/2018*	4,402,833	11,401	48,004	59,405	13,304
% Change YTD	1%	-8%	1%	-1%	-3%

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 164.9 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 164.0 million head, or 0.9 million less 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

Class	Current Week 2/16/2019 (1)	Previous Week 2/9/2019
----- Thousand head -----		
Broiler/fryer	164,777 (2)	164,693
Light hens	625	763
Heavy hens	1,656	1,279
Total	167,058	166,735

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 16-Feb-19 is 168.2 million head compared to 165.5 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 165.1 million head or -3.1 million less than estimated available. For the week of 23-Feb-19 the estimated available is 165.5 million head.

	This Week		Last Week	
	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Eastern				
Whole Body:	95.70	4,856	93.38	4,723
WOGS:	93.79	1,460	89.89	1,719
New York				
Whole Body:	94.46	1,295	93.05	1,295
Central				
Whole Body:	81.33	3,813	82.81	3,622
WOGS:	80.51	3,473	82.03	3,282
Chicago				
Whole Body:	81.82	1,832	85.49	1,912
Western				
Whole Body:	94.81	3,492	96.25	3,888
WOGS:	94.23	3,392	95.77	3,788
Los Angeles				
Whole Body:	93.86	1,652	94.56	2,086

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.
Breast - B/S	1,224	118.21
Tenderloins	595	186.92
Breast - Line Run	511	92.16
Front Halves	545	67.16
Legs	1,094	34.48
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	1,053	25.76
Leg Quarters (4/10)	973	27.78
Wings (Whole)	601	169.65
Wings (Cut)	605	188.65
Drumsticks	982	25.19
Thighs	531	36.14
B/S Thighs	655	117.09

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

Range	Today's Average	5-Day Average
42.50 - 54.50	46.41	46.46

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.

Midwest Region Broiler/Fryer Parts

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 11-Feb-19 to 15-Feb-2019

	Price per lb.		Mostly	
Breast - B/S	92.00 - 111.00		97.00 - 110.00	
Tenderloins	158.00 - 183.00		160.00 - 178.00	
Breast - Line Run	84.00 - 107.00		84.00 - 90.00	
Legs	39.00 - 50.00		-	
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	24.00 - 29.00		25.00 - 29.00	
Leg Quarters (4/10)	29.00 - 36.00		29.00 - 32.00	
Drumsticks	31.00 - 49.00		31.00 - 33.00	
Thighs	44.00 - 50.00		-	
B/S Thighs	109.00 - 116.00		-	
Wings (Whole)	160.00 - 198.00		160.00 - 169.00	
Backs & Necks (Stripped)	17.00 - 33.00		-	
Livers	32.00 - 55.00		-	
Gizzards (Hearts)	45.00 - 55.00		-	

Major Wholesale Markets – Mexico City

Cents per pound for the week ending February 08, 2019

	Whole Chickens	Breasts	Legs w/ Thighs	Necks, Backs & Wings	Livers/ Gizzards	Hens
Rayon						
Low	90.49	145.26	71.44	40.48	19.05	97.63
High	91.92	154.79	80.96	47.63	21.43	97.63
Mostly	91.20	150.02	76.20	42.86	19.05	97.63
San Juan						
Low	90.25	142.88	66.68	40.48	19.05	97.63
High	91.20	152.40	76.20	47.63	21.43	97.63
Mostly	90.49	147.64	71.44	42.86	19.05	97.63
New San Juan						
Low	90.49	145.26	71.44	45.25	19.05	97.63
High	92.63	154.79	80.96	52.39	21.43	97.63
Mostly	91.20	150.02	76.20	47.63	19.05	97.63
Becerra						
Low	91.20	147.64	73.82	47.63	19.05	97.63
High	92.87	157.17	83.35	54.77	21.43	97.63
Mostly	91.92	152.40	78.58	50.01	19.05	97.63

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	107.22	2,969,340
Tenderloins	173.45	1,025,120
Breast - With Ribs	122.93	149,046
Breast - Line Run	102.23	512,620
Legs	47.52	343,170
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	29.99	1,388,220
Drumsticks	31.44	1,444,088
Thighs	65.62	104,300
B/S Thighs	115.64	855,360
Wings (Whole)	189.88	1,258,690
Backs and Necks	10.00	653,036
Livers (5 Pound Tubs)	66.18	54,330
Gizzards (Hearts)	78.26	72,400

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. Domestic and export spot market demand is light to moderate with much of the business completed last week prior to the IPPE in Atlanta. Supplies are mostly moderate. Processing schedules are full-time. Market activity is slow to moderate. Supplies of raw materials are mixed, however reported as clearing. Frame prices are trading at 8-10 cents FOB.

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

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	15-Feb-19	Last Week	Last Year	15-Feb-19	Last Week	Last Year
15% or Less						
Price Range			-			-
Wtd Avg Price			-			-
Volume Traded	-	-	-	-	-	-
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-20%						
Price Range	24.00 - 26.00	24.00 - 26.00	30.00-33.00	19.00 - 23.00	19.00 - 24.00	20.00-25.00
Wtd Avg Price	25.25	25.00	31.29	20.88	21.72	23.16
Volume Traded	660	440	699	979	1,854	1,734
Volume Exported	660	440	699	-	-	41
20% or More						
Price Range			-			-
Wtd Avg Price			-			-
Volume Traded	-	-	-	-	-	-
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-

Young Chickens Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection

Week ending 9-Feb-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	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%
Comparisons					
Last week	35,792	52,169	36,621	38,592	163,174
Avg Live Wgt	3.68	5.21	6.80	8.91	6.11
% of total /1	22%	32%	22%	24%	100%
Year Ago 2/	37,020	48,420	44,477	32,905	162,822
Avg Live Wgt	3.68	5.16	6.87	9.29	6.12
% of total /1	23%	30%	27%	20%	100%
To date/2019*	216,202	301,348	224,586	212,753	954,889
To date/2018*	213,629	295,081	225,967	201,486	936,163
% Change YTD	1%	2%	-1%	6%	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
1/5	139.6	156.00	89%	6.21
1/12	167.9	156.80	107%	6.17
1/19	169.9	157.20	108%	6.13
1/26	160	158.40	101%	6.13
2/2	165.2	162.60	102%	6.11
2/9	164	164.90	99%	6.07
Year to date	966.6	955.90	101%	
2/16		168.20		
2/23		165.50		

*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.	6,589	4.07%
3.61 - 3.80 lbs.	2.5 - 2.63 lbs.	9,261	5.72%
3.81 - 4.00 lbs.	2.63 - 2.75 lbs.	8,459	5.22%
4.01 - 4.25 lbs.	2.75 - 2.9 lbs.	9,770	6.03%
Totals:		34,079	21.03%

Estimated Slaughter of Broiler-Fryers

	Estimated (1,000)	Actual (1,000)	Avg Wt	Actual (1,000)	Avg Wt
2/15	2/14	2/13	2/12	2/13	2/12
AL	4,066	4,049	3,847	3,910	5.45
AR	4,731	4,992	4,441	4,442	5.89
Delmarva	2,304	2,242	2,009	2,127	6.61
KY-LA-TN	2,378	2,370	2,244	2,392	5.37
MS	2,756	2,790	2,840	2,919	6.33
NC	3,540	3,346	3,225	3,225	7.87
TX	2,545	2,561	2,347	2,540	6.75
Total	22,320	22,350	20,953	21,555	6.28
Mon-Fri	110,314	(A)			107,755
Saturday	847	(included in total for date shown)			1,190

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 15-Feb-19 and 16-Feb-19 is estimated to be 33,969,000 head up 2.20 percent from a week ago and up 7.7 percent from a year ago. (Last week 33,238,000, last year 31,549,000)

Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the week ending 16-Feb-19 is estimated to be 165,714,000 head up 2.28 percent from a week ago, and up 1.35 percent from a year ago. (Last week 162,013,000, last year 163,506,000) Actual data incorporated when available.

Eastern Region Misc. Poultry

Week of February 11, 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)	92.00-109.50	102.00-105.00
Vacuum Packed (6-9 Per Box)	94.00-111.00	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 February 11, 2019

Prices are unchanged. Demand is moderate to instances fairly good. Supplies are light to 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

Live Spent Heavy Fowl

Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading: Price Range Wtd Avg
Prices in cents per pound. 3.0-9.0 7.97

(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 - 02-12-19			
All Papers Required To Sell All Out Of State Poultry			
Hackettstown, NJ	Graystone Small Animal, Manheim, PA		
Due to inclement weather, this report is delayed, but will be released next week if information becomes available. We apologize for any inconvenience.			
	Price Range - cents per lb.		
	Red Fowl	Crossbred Fowl	
	5-6 lbs:	- .75	5-9 lbs: - .85
	4-5 lbs:	.60 - .70	

Delmarva Broiler/Fryer Market US Grade A

Date	Production (000) Actual Slaughter	Live Weight
2/8	2,250	6.61
2/7	2,171	6.67
2/6	2,170	6.65
2/5	2,189	6.82
2/4	2,163	6.75
Weekly	10,944	6.70

Cattle/Hog Weekly Estimated Slaughter

	Under Federal Inspection (in 000's)				
W/E	02/16/19	02/09/19	% chg	02/17/18	% chg
Cattle	596	620	0.96	589 ¹	1.01
Hogs	2,514	2,516	1.00	2,389 ¹	1.05

¹ Actual data incorporated when available.

Totals adjusted to reflect USDA, NASS revisions.

Broiler Hatchery

Broiler-Type Eggs Set in the United States Up 1 Percent

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 228 million eggs in incubators during the week ending February 9, 2019, up 1 percent from a year ago. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 82.1 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 3 Percent

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 183 million chicks for meat production during the week ending February 9, 2019, up 3 percent from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 5, 2019 through February 9, 2019 for the United States were 1.10 billion. Cumulative placements were up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

State	Broiler-Type Eggs Set,		Broiler-Type Chicks Placed,	
	Feb 02, 2019	Feb 09, 2019	Feb 02, 2019	Feb 09, 2019
AL.....	31,728	31,594	23,006	22,709
AR.....	23,895	24,499	22,669	21,397
DE.....	5,354	5,318	5,259	4,843
FL.....	1,209	1,225	1,323	1,333
GA.....	34,957	34,539	27,887	27,440
KY.....	7,903	7,710	5,789	5,982
LA.....	3,774	3,743	3,195	3,148
MD.....	7,807	7,892	5,780	6,613
MS.....	18,317	18,231	15,477	15,491
MO.....	8,217	8,150	6,157	5,978
NC.....	23,568	22,137	19,002	18,096
OK.....	7,750	7,702	3,727	4,660
PA.....	5,297	5,295	3,957	4,058
SC.....	5,651	5,704	4,579	5,320
TX.....	16,925	16,802	13,021	13,566
VA.....	6,454	6,351	5,082	4,957
CA, TN, & WV.....	11,932	11,621	10,115	9,912
Other States.....	9,743	9,824	7,770	7,768
United States.....	230,481	228,337	183,795	183,271
Percent of Prev Year...	102	101	102	103

Source: USDA, NASS

<https://release.nass.usda.gov/reports/brls0719.pdf>

Weekly Fryers Available For Marketing

Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 23-Mar-19 is estimated at 161.8 million head. This compares to ** ** million head the previous week and to 164.1 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 165.5 million head and the national weighted average price was 91.24 cents per pound.

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

US/Canadian Live Poultry Slaughtered Under Inspection

Week Ending Feb 09, 2019 (Preliminary)

U.S. Fowl Slaughtered Domestically

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
-----Thousands-----			
Head	771	1,358	2,129
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	912	1,544	2,456
Same week yr ago	1,129	1,465	2,594
To-date/2019*	5,402	8,662	14,064
To-date/2018*	5,899	8,817	14,716

U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
-----Thousands-----			
Head	229	0	229
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	152	0	152
Same week yr ago	79	0	79
To-date/2019*	1,575	7	1,582
To-date/2018*	1,275	8	1,283

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	1,000	1,358	2,358
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,064	1,544	2,608
Same week yr ago	1,208	1,465	2,673
To-date/2019*	6,977	8,669	15,646
To-date/2018*	7,174	8,825	15,999

*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		
			02/11/19	02/04/19	02/12/18
AM	02/11/19	68,067			
AM	02/01/19	** **			
CHG		** **			
PCT CHG		** **			
			Pacific Coast:		
			8107	8259	8759
			Los Angeles:		
			604	600	1619

Fresh Beef Cuts - FOB Negotiated

	Price Range	Wtd Avg
112A 3 Rib, ribeye, bnls, heavy	750.00 772.25	754.60
168 3 Round, top inside round	219.79 230.75	224.55
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	532.00 567.25	543.60
Ground Beef 81%	165.00 189.03	172.66

Fresh Pork Cuts - FOB Negotiated

	Wtd Avg
Loin - 1/8 Trimmed Loin VAC	90.36
Bnls CC Strap-on	115.32
Butt - 1/8 Trim Steak Ready Butt Vac	115.32
Sparerib - Trimd Sparerib - MED	133.46