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National Broiler Market-At-A-Glance

Whole broiler/fryer prices are steady to firm, mostly firm. Offerings are very light to light in the West, light to moderate elsewhere with some premiums being commanded. Retail and food service demand entering the weekend is in a full range, but mostly moderate. Floor stocks are very light to in balance. Market activity is moderate to active. In the parts structure, movement improved slightly to cover weekend business, but otherwise moderate. Prices were weak to lower for wings, steady to weak for bone-in dark meat items, and steady to firm for tenders. Supplies of wings and bone-in dark meat cuts are moderate to heavy and slow to clear, and tenders are very light to moderate. All other parts are sufficient. Market activity for parts is slow to moderate. In production areas, live supplies are moderate for mostly desirable weights.

National Whole Broiler/Fryer

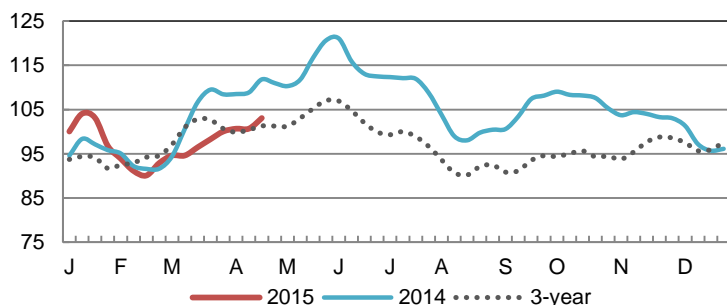
	This Week		Last Week	
	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Eastern				
Whole Body:	104.43	5,208	102.58	5,255
WOGS:	105.34	1,409	102.94	1,453
New York				
Whole Body:	102.78	1,385	100.20	1,427
Central				
Whole Body:	99.80	4,100	97.26	4,565
WOGS:	98.95	3,185	96.47	3,655
Chicago				
Whole Body:	100.29	2,690	98.03	2,600
Western				
Whole Body:	105.46	2,660	102.99	2,449
WOGS:	104.90	2,410	102.65	2,305
Los Angeles				
Whole Body:	104.63	1,730	101.86	1,739

National Composite Weighted

	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.
This Week:	103.07	↑ 2.39	11,968
Last Week:	100.68		12,269
Last Year:	108.88	↓ 5.81	11,323

Monthly Composite Weighted Average

Mar	98.88	48,470
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Georgia Fob Dock or Equivalent Wtd Avg Prices

Monday Final	113.42
Next Week Trading Quote.....	114.75
Friday Prelim.....	114.12

Confirmed Prelim. Wtd Avg price on ice-packed parts:

Item	Wtd Avg (cents/lb.)	Vol (000 lbs.)
Line Run Tenders	209.00	1,677
Breasts - B/S	203.00	7,139
Breasts - Whole	124.50	870
Thigh Meat - B/S	147.50	1,961
Thighs	76.00	1,094
Drumsticks	61.50	1,470
Leg Quarters	49.00	7,222
Wings	170.00	3,549

Data Source: Georgia Department of Agriculture, Poultry Market News Service

Weekly Poultry Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection

(Preliminary) Week ending 4-Apr-15

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Duck
	----- Thousands -----				
Head	153,000	1,419	1,505	2,924	490
Avg Wt	6.06	3.23	7.96	5.66	6.86
Last week	157,384	1,325	1,466	2,791	408
Same wk yr ago	155,489	1,725	1,592	3,317	451
Avg Wt	5.83	3.17	8.63	5.79	6.89
To-date/2015*	2,023,739	19,725	20,752	40,477	5,976
To-date/2014*	1,980,815	19,663	19,095	38,758	5,667
% Change YTD	2%	0%	9%	4%	5%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	704,657	2,544	8,206	10,750	2,387
Last week	727,240	2,559	8,204	10,763	1,822
Same wk yr ago	688,941	2,980	9,480	12,460	2,222
To-date/2015*	9,334,547	35,482	114,512	149,994	28,459
To-date/2014*	8,763,626	34,031	106,819	140,850	27,002
% Change YTD	7%	4%	7%	6%	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 159.0 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 154.9 million head, or 4.1 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 Week Ending 11-Apr-2015

	Current Week 4/11/2015 (1)	Previous Week 4/4/2015
Class	----- Thousand head -----	
Broiler/fryer	158,389 (2)	163,800
Light hens	1,559	1,516
Heavy hens	1,725	1,679
Total	161,673	166,995

(1) Estimated

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 11-Apr-15 is 158.5 million head compared to 156.6 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 159.2 million head or 0.7 million more than estimated available. For the week of 18-Apr-15 the estimated available is 158.0 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	2,355	144.11
Tenderloins	705	176.66
Breast - Line Run	341	99.76
Front Halves	440	86.89
Legs	569	31.60
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	985	26.99
Leg Quarters (4/10)	1,180	35.81
Wings (Whole)	698	163.08
Wings (Cut)	766	174.22
Drumsticks	1,006	25.55
Thighs	452	51.02
B/S Thighs	603	104.67

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

Range	Today's Average	5-Day Average
52.75 - 63.00	56.71	56.96

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	151.88	4,990,400
Tenderloins	193.14	942,360
Breast - With Ribs	118.58	232,818
Breast - Line Run	102.99	439,921
Legs	46.03	523,530
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	33.10	2,175,155
Drumsticks	40.64	651,527
Thighs	70.14	167,180
B/S Thighs	107.57	552,880
Wings (Whole)	185.31	925,780
Backs and Necks (Stripped)	18.00	33,360
Livers (5 Pound Tubs)	56.09	66,355
Gizzards (Hearts)	79.40	90,010

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.

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 06-Apr-15 to 10-Apr-2015

	Price per lb.		Mostly
Breast - B/S	139.00 - 166.00	147.00 - 152.00	
Tenderloins	191.00 - 208.00	193.00 - 200.00	
Breast - Line Run	88.00 - 119.00	93.00 - 104.00	
Legs	37.00 - 50.00	-	
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	30.00 - 45.00	33.00 - 35.00	
Leg Quarters (4/10)	35.00 - 44.00	36.00 - 38.00	
Drumsticks	29.00 - 59.00	-	
Thighs	53.00 - 71.00	-	
B/S Thighs	96.00 - 110.00	-	
Wings (Whole)	188.00 - 205.00	195.00 - 201.00	
Backs & Necks (Stripped)	17.00 - 45.00	-	
Livers	32.00 - 60.00	-	
Gizzards (Hearts)	40.00 - 70.00	-	

Major Wholesale Markets – Mexico City

Cents per pound for the week ending April 03, 2015

	Whole Chickens	Breasts	Legs w/ Thighs	Necks, Backs & Wings	Livers/ Gizzards	Hens
Rayon						
Low	105.79	181.87	121.25	39.41	21.22	121.25
High	107.91	194.00	136.40	48.50	24.25	121.25
Mostly	106.09	194.00	130.34	42.44	21.22	121.25
San Juan						
Low	105.18	181.87	121.25	36.37	21.22	121.25
High	107.30	190.96	133.37	45.47	24.25	121.25
Mostly	106.09	184.90	127.31	39.41	21.22	121.25
New San Juan						
Low	106.09	181.87	124.28	42.44	24.25	121.25
High	118.22	194.00	136.40	51.53	27.28	121.25
Mostly	107.91	187.93	130.34	45.47	24.25	121.25
Becerra						
Low	106.09	181.87	124.28	45.47	24.25	121.25
High	109.12	197.03	139.43	54.56	27.28	121.25
Mostly	107.91	190.96	133.37	48.50	24.25	121.25

National Mechanically Separated Chicken

(f.o.b. Shipper Dock or equivalent; negotiated prices in trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes reported in thousand pound quantities, cents/pound; delivery within 2- weeks.)

Prices of MSC are trending steady to firm on all fat contents. Domestic and export demand is mostly moderate to good. Supplies are light to moderate. Schedules are normal. The spot marketplace is in good shape coming off the holiday last week with good demand and movement on finished goods, MSC, and frames. Buyers are also starting to build inventories of finished goods and make preparations for the upcoming peak season. Industry continues to monitor the marketplace as fresh MSC and frames settle back to more normal seasonal trends after weeks of volatility related to confirmations of highly pathogenic avian influenza; however frozen MSC continues to feel the pressures of the outbreaks. Market activity is in a full range of slow to active, mostly moderate to active. Supplies of raw materials are light to moderate. Frame prices are mostly steady with trading levels between 12.0-15.0 cents FOB, mostly 12.5-14.0 cents FOB.

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

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	10-Apr-15	Last Week	Last Year	10-Apr-15	Last Week	Last Year
15% or Less						
Price Range	-	-	-	28.00	28.00	27.00-28.00
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	28.00	28.00	27.75
Volume Traded	-	-	-	143	163	163
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-20%						
Price Range	28.00 - 33.00	28.00 - 33.00	28.00-33.00	23.00 - 28.00	22.00 - 29.00	23.50-29.00
Wtd Avg Price	30.42	30.27	30.83	25.48	25.19	25.57
Volume Traded	1,485	1,052	1,885	3,040	2,836	2,938
Volume Exported	1,205	1,012	1,885	857	204	490
20% or More						
Price Range	-	-	-	26.00	25.00	22.50
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	26.00	25.00	22.50
Volume Traded	-	-	-	82	82	82
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-

Young Chickens Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection

Week ending 4-Apr-15

(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	41,579	53,862	24,656	32,903	153,000
Avg Live Wgt	3.63	5.53	7.11	9.22	6.06
% of total /1	27%	35%	16%	22%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	40,605	52,971	16,269	47,539	157,384
Avg Live Wgt	3.54	5.42	6.73	8.75	6.08
% of total /1	26%	34%	10%	30%	100%
Year Ago 2/	38,566	59,554	26,122	31,247	155,489
Avg Live Wgt	3.57	5.33	6.73	8.83	5.83
% of total /1	25%	38%	17%	20%	100%
To date/2015*	510,969	691,347	367,721	453,702	2,023,739
To date/2014*	526,526	709,952	363,291	381,046	1,980,815
% Change YTD	-3%	-3%	1%	19%	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	Million Head Slaughtered	Million Head Available*	Pct	Avg Wt
2/28	147.5	160.0	92%	6.11
3/7	156.1	160.1	98%	6.12
3/14	158.3	159.4	99%	6.02
3/21	161.2	159.3	101%	6.01
3/28	159.3	158.2	101%	6.08
4/4	154.9	159.0	97%	6.06
Year to date	2048.2	2054.0	100%	
4/11		158.0		
4/18		157.9		

*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.	11,988	7.84%
3.61 - 3.80 lbs.	2.5 - 2.63 lbs.	19,453	12.71%
3.81 - 4.00 lbs.	2.63 - 2.75 lbs.	5,017	3.28%
4.01 - 4.25 lbs.	2.75 - 2.9 lbs.	5,120	3.35%
Totals:		41,578	27.18%

Estimated Slaughter Of Broiler-Fryers

	Estimated (1,000)	Actual (1,000)	Avg Wt	Actual (1,000)	Avg Wt
AL	3,857	3,787	5.83	2,959	5.83
AR	4,007	4,747	6.09	3,232	6.01
Delmarva	2,242	2,264	6.29	1,492	6.01
KY-LA-TN	2,370	2,515	5.33	2,720	5.30
MS	2,555	2,808	6.34	2,509	6.35
NC	3,685	2,950	7.90	3,131	7.85
TX	2,443	2,342	6.19	2,269	6.16
Total	21,159	21,413	6.29	18,312	6.22
Mon-Fri	104,187	(A)		101,760	(A)
Saturday	1,543	(included in total for date shown)		977	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 10-Apr-15 and 11-Apr-15 is estimated to be 32,202,000 head up 15.20 percent from a week ago and up 7.9 percent from a year ago. (Last week 27,953,000, last year 29,846,000)

Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the week ending 11-Apr-15 is estimated to be 156,707,000 head up 2.42 percent from a week ago, and up 1.29 percent from a year ago. (Last week 153,000,000, last year 154,712,000)

Actual data incorporated when available.

Eastern Region Misc. Poultry For delivery the week of April 6, 2015

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	226-230	231-237
Midwest	197-212	202-218

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

	Range	Mostly
Ice Packed (12/Box)	74.00-89.25	80.00-85.00
Vacuum Packed (6-9/Box)	79.00-91.00	82.00-87.00

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

11 oz	99.63- 117.60	13 oz	108.54- 135.42	15 oz	117.45- 142.65
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Eastern Region: CT,DE,FL,GA,MA,MD,ME,NC,NH,NJ,NY,PA,RI,SC,VA,VT,WV

Central Region Ducklings This Prices are steady. Demand is moderate with some improvement reported. Supplies are light to mostly moderate. Processing schedules are full-time to increased. Market activity is moderate. Prices paid, first receivers for 10-18 oz. boneless breast at \$5.98-9.00, bone-in legs at \$3.70-5.10, gizzards at \$2.25- 2.30, wings at \$.80-1.00, livers at \$1.40-1.82, and feet \$1.00-1.50 cents per lb.

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

Week of April 6, 2015

Origin	Frozen	Fresh
Midwest & Others	189-221	194-227

National Fowl Market

Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading:	Price Range	Wtd Avg
Prices in cents per pound.		
(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 Heavy 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 - 04-07-15

All Papers Required To Sell All Out Of State Poultry

Hackettstown, NJ	Low	High	Avg
Heavy Fowl per pound:	-	-	-
each:	7.50	9.00	8.11

Graystone Small Animal, Manheim, PA

	Price Range
Red Fowl 5-6 lbs:	.75 - .90 per pound
4-5 lbs:	.60 - .70 per pound
Crossbred Fowl 5-9 lbs:	1.00 - 1.70 per pound

Delmarva Broiler/Fryer Market US Grade A

Date	Production (000) Actual Slaughter	Live Weight
4/03	1,492	6.31
4/02	2,222	6.06
4/01	2,274	6.01
3/31	2,240	6.30
3/30	2,162	6.34
Weekly	10,390	6.19

(A) Not released to avoid disclosing individual operations

Cattle/Hog Weekly Estimated Slaughter Under Federal Inspection (in 000's)

W/E	04/11/15	04/04/15	% chg	04/12/14	% chg
Cattle	502	525	-04	575 ¹	-13
Hogs	2,188	2,194	0	2,015 ¹	+09

¹ Actual data incorporated when available.

Totals adjusted to reflect USDA, NASS revisions.

Broiler Hatchery

Week Ending 3/14/2015

State	Broiler-Type Eggs Set,		Broiler-Type Chicks Placed,	
	19 Selected States		19 Selected States	
	Week Ending			
	Mar 28, 2015	Apr 04, 2015	Mar 28, 2015	Apr 04, 2015
	(1,000 eggs)		(1,000 chicks)	
AL.....	28,730	29,684	21,925	21,682
AR.....	21,991	22,057	19,102	17,728
DE.....	4,670	4,750	5,425	5,324
FL.....	1,199	1,201	1,210	1,319
GA.....	34,553	34,046	25,800	26,106
KY.....	7,752	7,735	5,580	6,249
LA.....	3,833	3,833	3,606	3,316
MD.....	7,838	7,856	5,984	5,958
MS.....	17,935	17,728	14,436	15,007
MO.....	8,229	8,212	5,474	5,739
NC.....	21,286	21,249	16,134	17,457
OK.....	6,737	6,726	3,954	5,079
PA.....	4,246	4,486	3,994	3,652
SC.....	5,721	5,761	5,995	4,778
TX.....	15,304	15,633	12,748	11,619
VA.....	6,534	6,534	5,567	6,050
CA, TN, & WV.....	12,027	12,385	11,098	11,212
19 State Total.....	208,585	209,876	168,032	168,275
Percent of Prev. Year	103	103	101	101
Other States	8,097	7,670	6,194	6,126
United States	216,682	217,546	174,226	174,401

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

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 218 million eggs in incubators during the week ending April 4, 2015, up 3 percent from a year ago. Hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 210 million eggs in incubators during the week ending April 4, 2015, up 3 percent from the year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

United States Total (1,000 eggs)	2015	% PY
Eggs Set	217,546	+02

Broiler-Type Chicks Placed in the United States Total Up 2 Percent

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 174 million chicks for meat production during the week ending April 4, 2015, up 2 percent from a year ago. Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 168 million chicks for meat production during the week ending April 4, 2015, up 1 percent from the year earlier. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 10, 2015 through April 4, 2015 for the United States were 2.28 billion. Cumulative placements were up 3 percent from the same period a year earlier.

United States Total (1,000 chicks)	2015	% PY
Chicks Placed	174,401	+03

Source: USDA, NASS

U.S./Canadian Live Poultry Slaughtered Under Inspection

Week Ending Mar 28, 2015 (Preliminary)

	U.S. Fowl Slaughtered Domestically		Total Hens
	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	
	-----Thousands-----		
Head	1,419	1,505	2,924
Last Week	1,325	1,466	2,791
Same week yr ago	1,725	1,592	3,317
To-date/2015*	19,725	20,752	40,477
To-date/2014*	19,663	19,095	38,758

U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada

	Light Hens		Total Hens
	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	
	-----Thousands-----		
Head	231	0	231
Last Week	377	0	377
Same week yr ago	206	0	206
To-date/2015*	5,170	10	5,180
To-date/2014*	4,360	0	4,360

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

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

	Light Hens		Total Hens
	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	
	-----Thousands-----		
Head	1,650	1,505	3,155
Last Week	1,702	1,466	3,168
Same week yr ago	1,931	1,592	3,523
To-date/2015*	24,895	20,762	45,657
To-date/2014*	24,023	19,095	43,118

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

Processed other Poultry (000) lbs.

Weekly Cold Storage Holdings			Cold Storage Holdings		
Selected Centers, incl. Gov't Stocks			Pacific without Denver		
			04/06/15	03/30/15	04/07/14
AM	04/06/15	45,054	Pacific Coast:		
AM	03/01/15	48,653	4492	4082	7416
CHG		-3599	Los Angeles:		
PCT CHG		-7%	978	960	1967

Fresh Beef Cuts - FOB Negotiated

	Price Range	Wtd Avg
112A 3 Rib, ribeye, bnls, heavy	825.00 881.25	851.27
168 3 Round, top inside round	280.00 309.85	290.32
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	730.00 781.25	736.39
Ground Beef 81%	230.27 276.00	249.40

Fresh Pork Cuts - FOB Negotiated

	Wtd Avg
Loin - 1/8 Trimmed Loin VAC	105.50
Bnls CC Strap-on	143.35
Butt - 1/8 Trim Steak Ready Butt Vac	114.01
Sparerib - Trmd Sparerib - MED	171.51

Weekly Fryers Available For Marketing

Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 16-May-15 is estimated at 154.8 million head. This compares to 155.3 million head the previous week and to 156.1 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 157.4 million head and the national weighted average price was 108.51 cents per pound.