

# **Gordon Food Service Market Updates**

## **Poultry section for Market Update: January 18, 2019**

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### **Poultry | Chicken**

Demand for whole chickens has faded, prices are easing.

Breast and Tenders:

Both jumbo and medium breast meat is well cleared. Jumbo sized chicken slaughter has been running 8% lower as chickens are harvested early to keep sizing smaller. This has helped balance supply/demand for all sizes. Strong demand for tenders by boneless wing processors have kept prices in an uptrend.

Wings:

Jumbo wing prices may be peaking with extra product showing up for prompt ship.

Dark Meat:

Strong export demand has yet to lift leg quarter prices back to where they were last year -- probably the result of Mexico's tariffs. Leg meat and thigh meat prices are firm.

### **Poultry | Turkey**

Hens and smaller sized toms are in great shape; larger toms are still a little pushy. Bone-in breast prices are at least steady.