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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): February 8, 2017

PILGRIM'S PRIDE CORPORATION

(Exact Name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-9273

(Commission File Number)

75-1285071

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

1770 Promontory Circle
Greeley, CO

(Address of principal executive offices)

80634-9038

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(970) 506-8000**

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure

Attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 is an overview of Pilgrim's Pride Corporation to be referenced during the Company's earnings conference call of February 9, 2017.

The information furnished in Item 7.01 and in Exhibit 99.1 shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or incorporated by reference in any of Pilgrim's Pride Corporation's filings under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibit 99.1 Press release dated February 8, 2017

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

PILGRIM'S PRIDE CORPORATION

Date: February 8, 2017

/s/ Fabio Sandri

Fabio Sandri

Chief Financial Officer

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Exhibit 99.1 Press release dated February 8, 2017



Pilgrim's Pride Corporation
Financial Results for
Fourth Quarter and Year Ended
Dec 25, 2016



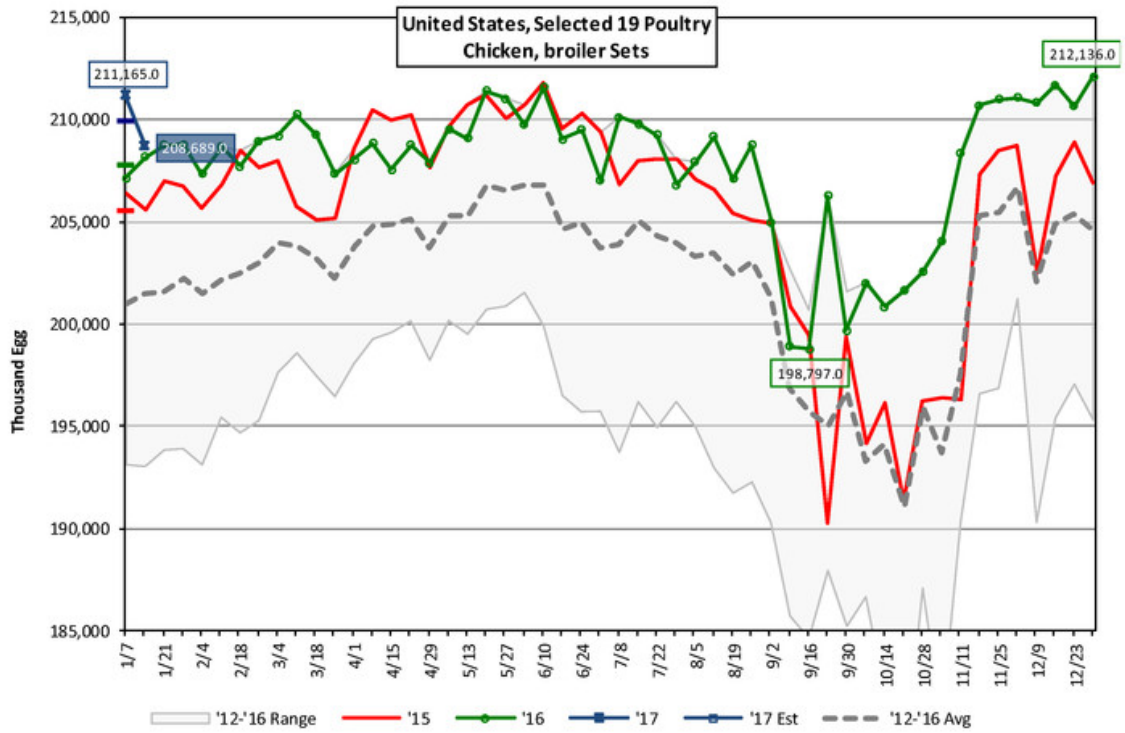


Cautionary Notes and Forward-Looking Statements

- Statements contained in this presentation that share our intentions, beliefs, expectations or predictions for the future, denoted by the words “anticipate,” “believe,” “estimate,” “should,” “expect,” “project,” “plan,” “imply,” “intend,” “foresee” and similar expressions, are forward-looking statements that reflect our current views about future events and are subject to risks, uncertainties and assumptions. Such risks, uncertainties and assumptions include the following matters affecting the chicken industry generally, including fluctuations in the commodity prices of feed ingredients and chicken; actions and decisions of our creditors; our ability to obtain and maintain commercially reasonable terms with vendors and service providers; our ability to maintain contracts that are critical to our operations; our ability to retain management and other key individuals; certain of our reorganization and exit or disposal activities, including selling assets, idling facilities, reducing production and reducing workforce, resulted in reduced capacities and sales volumes and may have a disproportionate impact on our income relative to the cost savings; risk that the amounts of cash from operations together with amounts available under our exit credit facility will not be sufficient to fund our operations; management of our cash resources, particularly in light of our substantial leverage; restrictions imposed by, and as a result of, our substantial leverage; additional outbreaks of avian influenza or other diseases, either in our own flocks or elsewhere, affecting our ability to conduct our operations and/or demand for our poultry products; contamination of our products, which has previously and can in the future lead to product liability claims and product recalls; exposure to risks related to product liability, product recalls, property damage and injuries to persons, for which insurance coverage is expensive, limited and potentially inadequate; changes in laws or regulations affecting our operations or the application thereof; new immigration legislation or increased enforcement efforts in connection with existing immigration legislation that cause our costs of business to increase, cause us to change the way in which we do business or otherwise disrupt our operations; competitive factors and pricing pressures or the loss of one or more of our largest customers; currency exchange rate fluctuations, trade barriers, exchange controls, expropriation and other risks associated with foreign operations; disruptions in international markets and distribution channels; and the impact of uncertainties of litigation as well as other risks described herein and under “Risk Factors” in the Company’s Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”).
- Actual results could differ materially from those projected in these forward-looking statements as a result of these factors, among others, many of which are beyond our control. In making these statements, we are not undertaking, and specifically decline to undertake, any obligation to address or update each or any factor in future filings or communications regarding our business or results, and we are not undertaking to address how any of these factors may have caused changes to information contained in previous filings or communications. Although we have attempted to list comprehensively these important cautionary risk factors, we must caution investors and others that other factors may in the future prove to be important and affecting our business or results of operations.
- This presentation may include information that may be considered non-GAAP financial information as contemplated by SEC Regulation G, Rule 100, including EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA, LTM EBITDA, Net Debt, Free Cash Flow, Adjusted EBITDA Margin and others. Accordingly, we have provided tables in the accompanying appendix and in our previous filings with the SEC that reconcile these measures to their corresponding GAAP-based measures and explain why these measures are useful to investors, which can be obtained from the Consolidated Statements of Income provided with our previous filings with the SEC. Our method of computation may or may not be comparable to other similarly titled measures used in filings with the SEC by other companies. See the consolidated statements of income and consolidated statements of cash flows included in our financial statements.

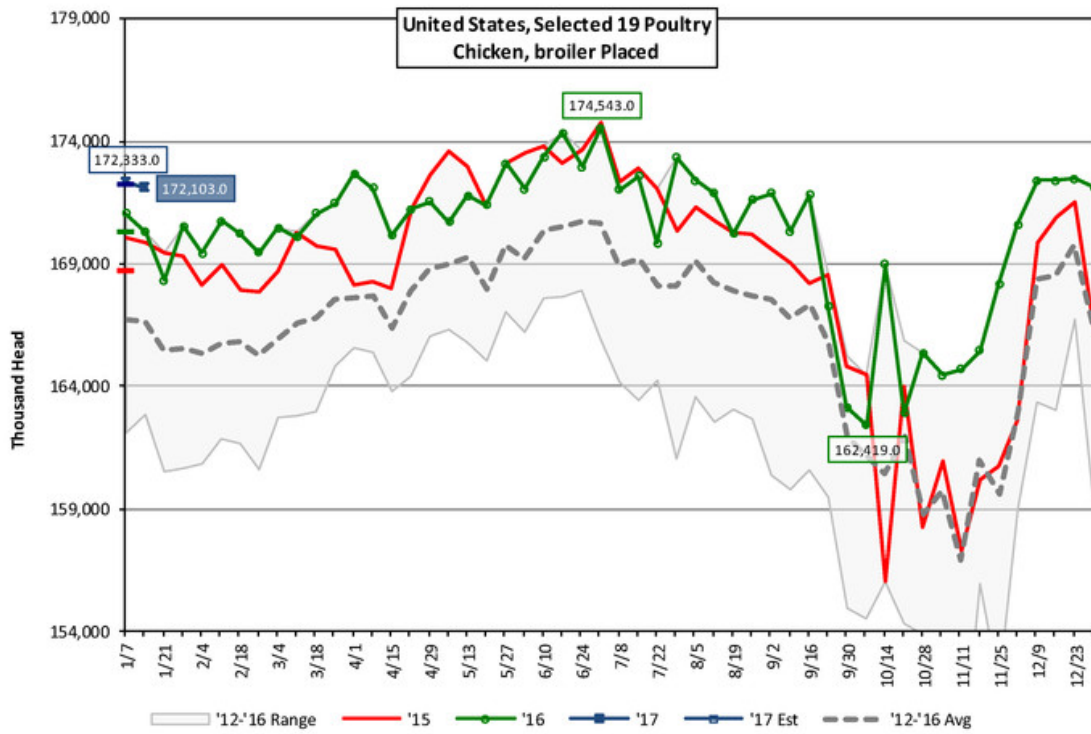


Eggs Sets Average Marginally Up in 2016 from 2015



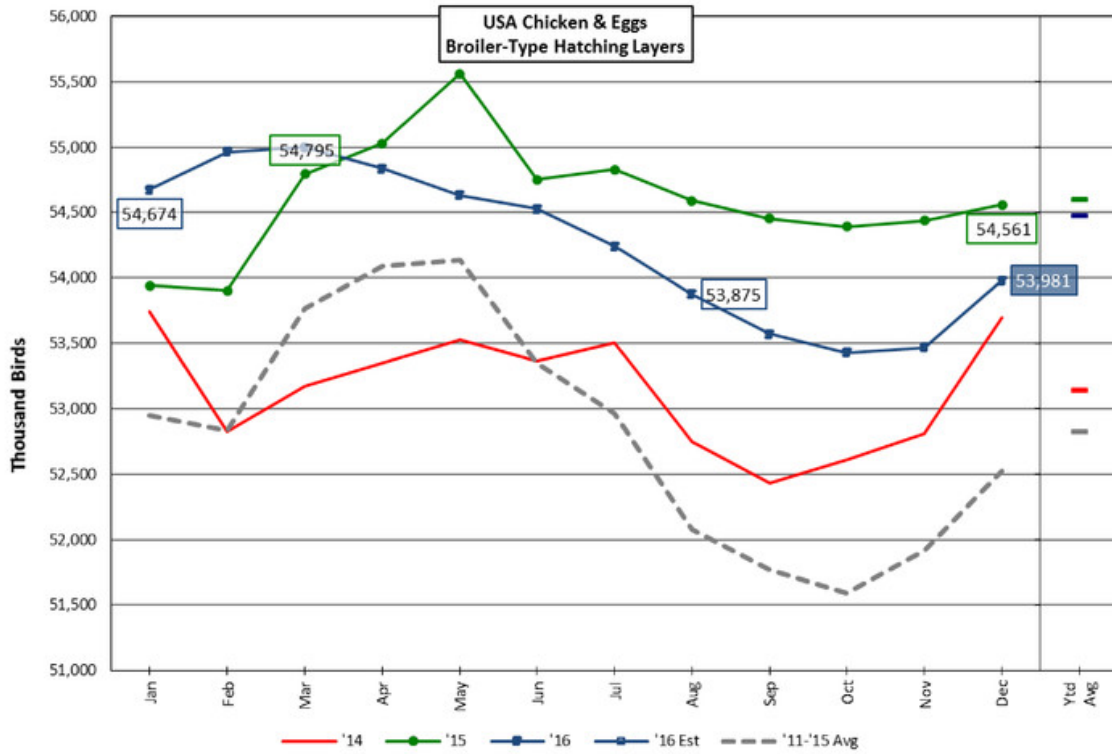


2016 Placements In-line with Prior Year



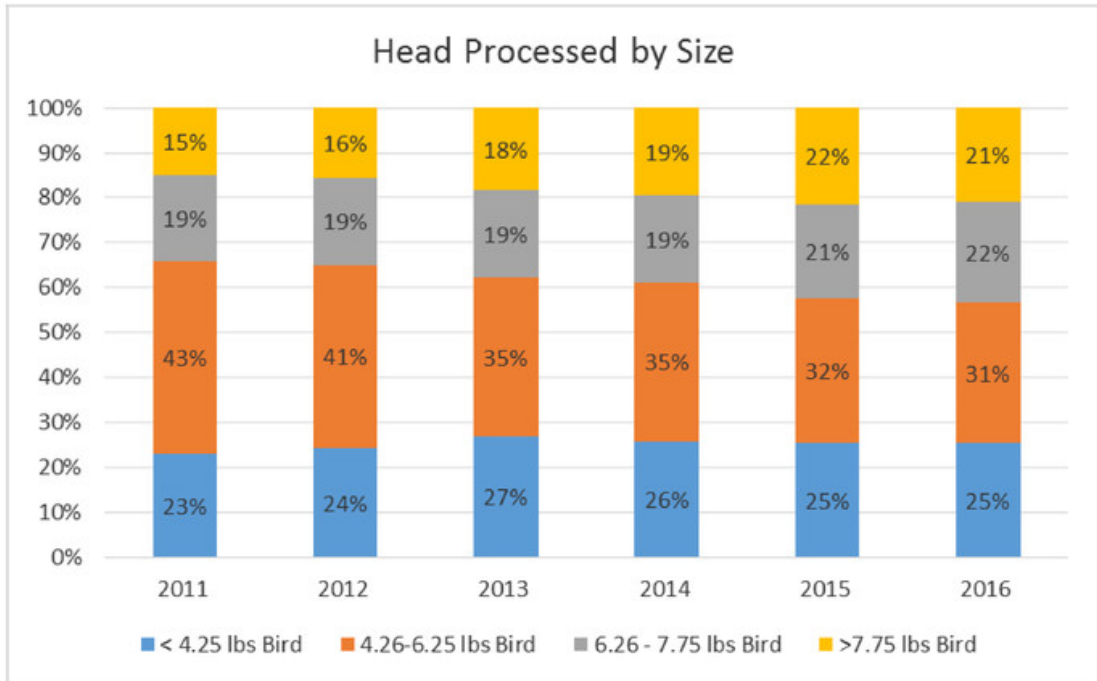


Broiler Type Hatching Layers Down Slightly in 2016





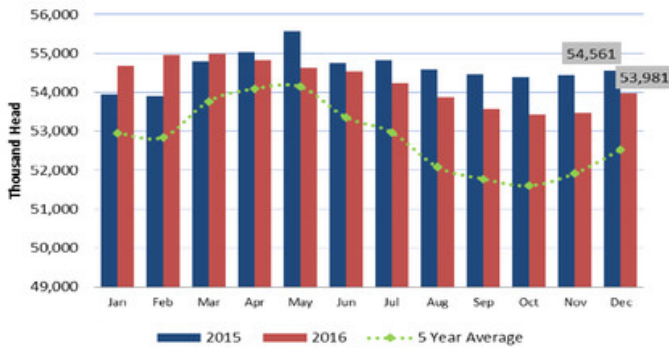
Jumbo Bird Share Remains Steady After Significant Increase Since 2011



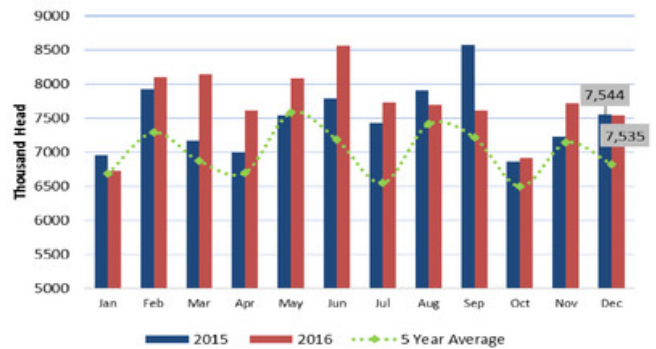


Hatching Layers Lower vs 2015, Placements Flat

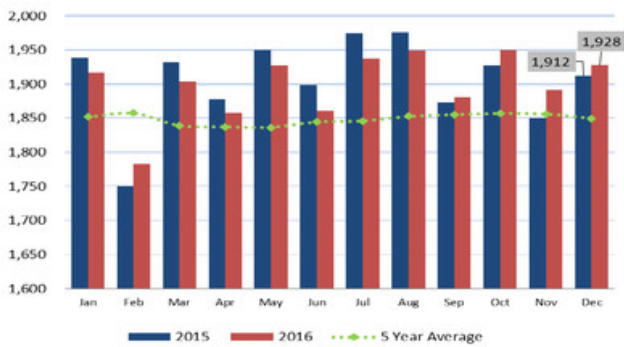
Broiler Type Hatching Layers



Intended Pullet Placements



Egg Production Per 100 Layers

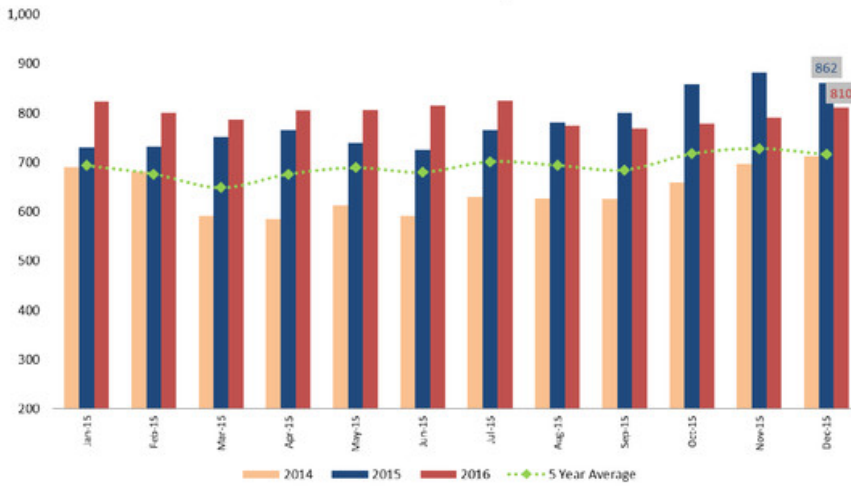


- Hatching layers fell in Dec and remain lower than 2015 levels.
- Egg production is higher in Dec, while pullet placements are flat year on year, supportive of a modest production growth in 2017.



Cold Storage Levels Lower Than 2015

Chicken Cold Storage

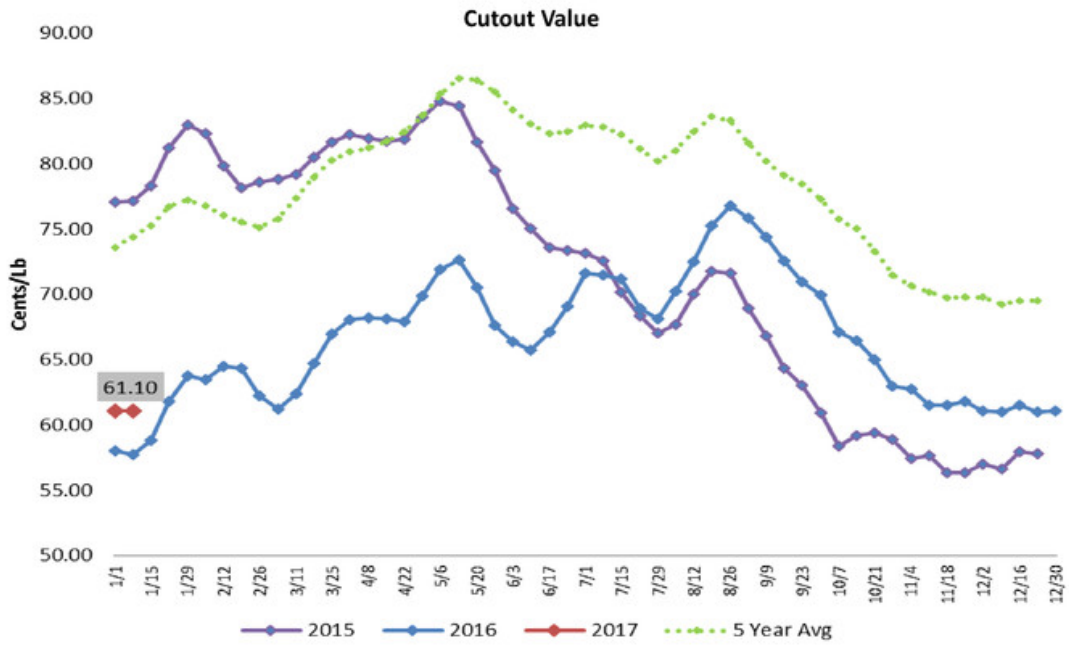


Part	Dec-15	Dec-16	% Change
Broilers	15,031	15,457	2.8%
Hens	7,657	8,087	5.6%
Breast Meat	171,896	192,682	12.1%
Drumsticks	37,153	16,577	-55.4%
Leg Quarters	140,098	131,425	-6.2%
Legs	19,406	10,906	-43.8%
Thighs	18,121	9,230	-49.1%
Thigh meat	24,267	26,184	7.9%
Wings	78,254	78,509	0.3%
Paws and feet	21,650	18,273	-15.6%
Other	328,106	302,451	-7.8%
Total Chicken	861,639	809,781	-6.0%

- Overall inventories 6% lower than 2015 levels. Leg Quarters continue to remain lower year on year driven by strong exports.

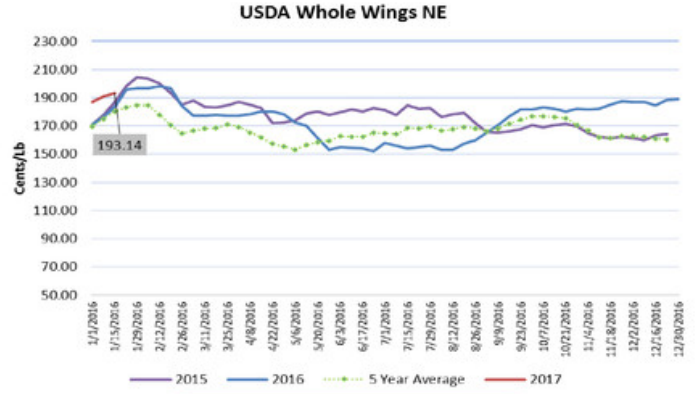
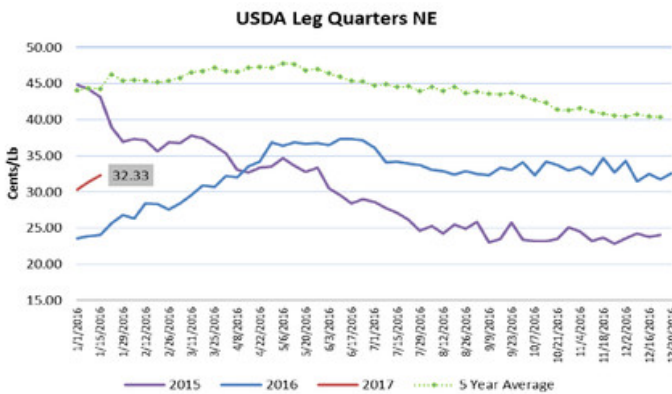
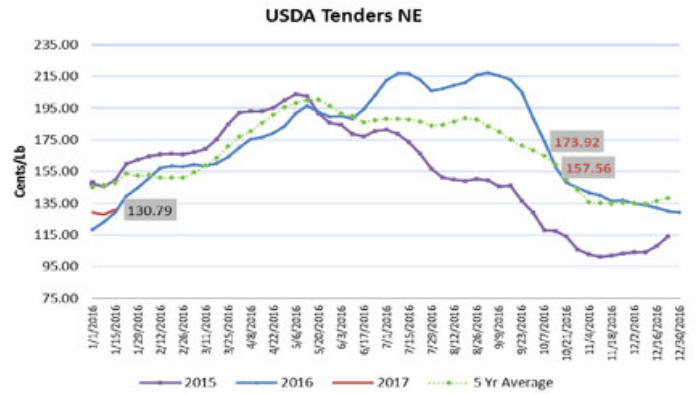
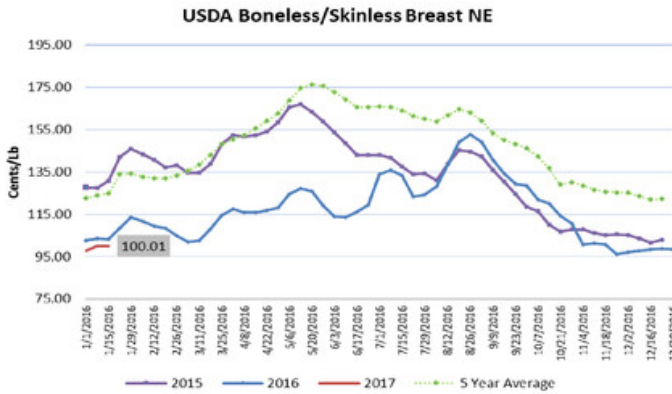


Cutout Values Ended Year Higher vs 2015



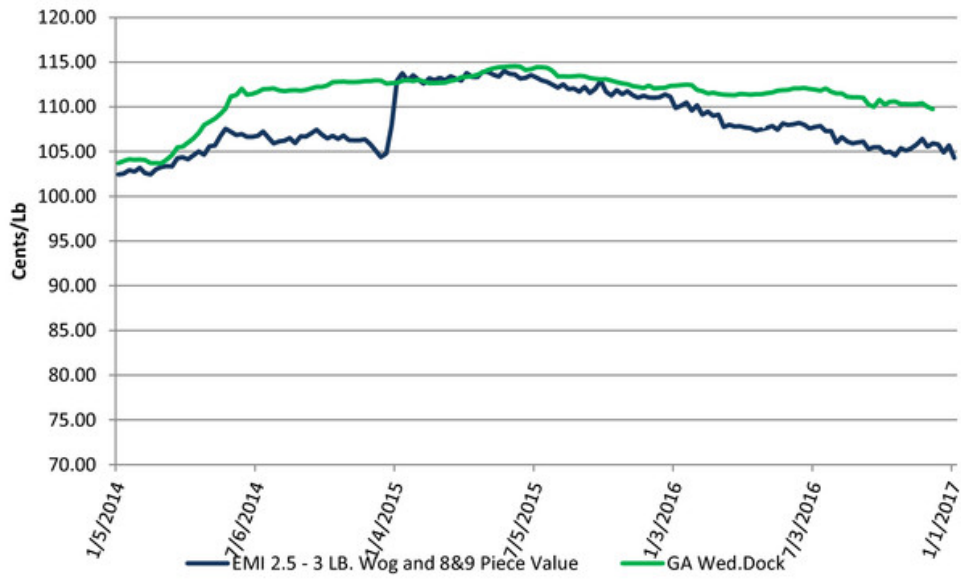


Leg Quarters Improved vs 2015, Other Parts In-line with Normal Seasonality





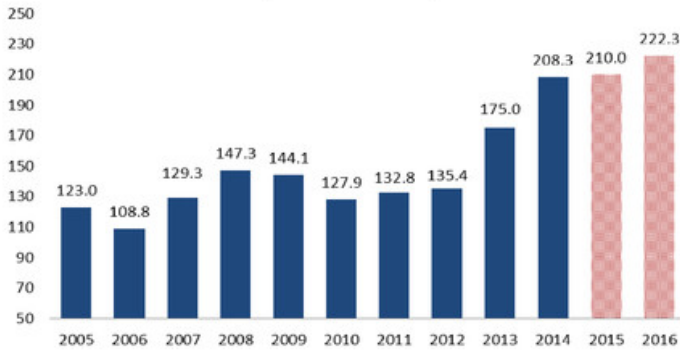
High Correlation of GA Dock and EMI Small Bird Value



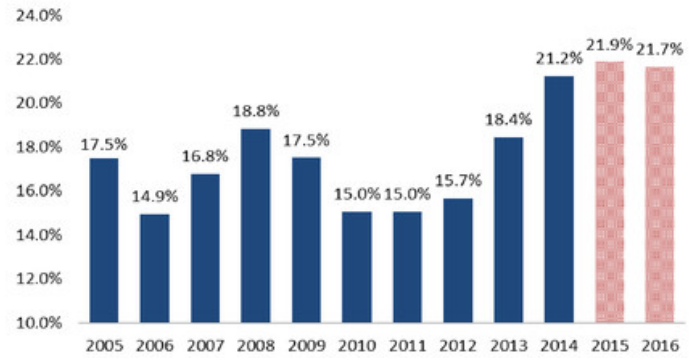


Corn Stocks at Record High Levels

Global Corn Stocks
(Million Metric Tons)



Global Corn Stocks/Use

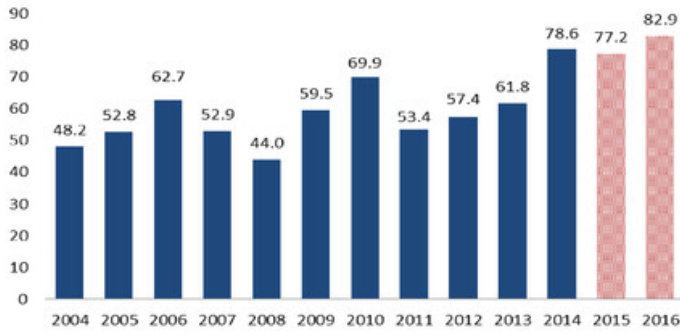


- Global stocks continue to stay at record high levels.
- 2016 stocks-to-use global inventories have backed off slightly compared to historically high in 2015 but still elevated.

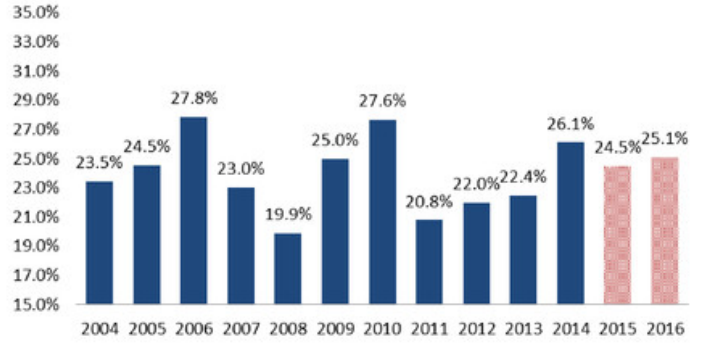


Global Soybean Inventories Grow

Global Soybean Stocks
(Million Metric Tons)



Global Soybean Stocks/Use



- Global inventories of soybeans remain high and at record high levels, surpassing 2014 previous highs.
- Demand for oilseed products estimated to grow to finish out 2016.



Fiscal Year 2016 Financial Review

Main Indicators (\$M)	FY-16	FY-15
Net Revenue	7,931.1	8,180.1
Gross Profit	914.4	1,254.4
SG&A	200.9	209.5
Operating Income	713.5	1,044.9
Net Interest	44.2	33.9
Net Income	440.5	645.9
Earnings Per Share (EPS)	1.73	2.50
Adjusted EBITDA*	899.3	1,213.5
<i>Adjusted EBITDA Margin*</i>	<i>11.3%</i>	<i>14.8%</i>

* This is a non-GAAP measurement considered by management to be useful in understanding our results. Please see the appendix and most recent SEC financial filings for definition of this measurement and reconciliation to GAAP.

- Mix changes and new strategic capital investment projects raised overall costs and impacted near-term profitability but will translate into more consistent, higher margin, less commoditized portfolio, and stronger key customer relationships.
- SG&A benefited from MX synergies.
- Adjusted FY-16 EBITDA margin remains in the double digit range and compares favorably with historicals.

In \$M	U.S.	MX
Net Revenue	6,671.4	1,259.7
Operating Income	572.6	140.9
<i>Operating Income Margin</i>	<i>8.6%</i>	<i>11.2%</i>



Fourth Quarter 2016 Financial Review

Main Indicators (\$M)	Q4-16	Q4-15
Net Revenue	1,908.2	1,960.8
Gross Profit	180.5	160.7
SG&A	56.1	52.9
Operating Income	124.3	107.8
Net Interest	10.2	10.1
Net Income	70.6	63.1
Earnings Per Share (EPS)	0.28	0.25
Adjusted EBITDA*	172.2	150.0
<i>Adjusted EBITDA Margin*</i>	<i>9.0%</i>	<i>7.7%</i>

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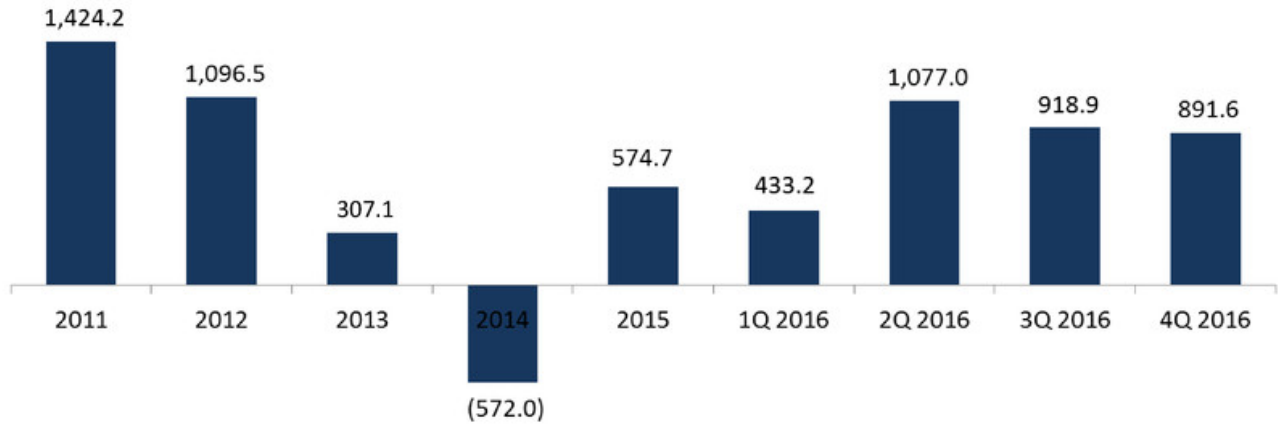
- Solid Q4 results in Fresh, case-ready and small birds outperformed; MX performed well but was impacted by a stronger than expected \$, synergy capture \$10MM above expectations.
- SG&A impacted by increase in bonus accruals.
- Adjusted Q4-16 EBITDA above Q4-15 despite strategic investment impacts, indicating underlying strength of overall portfolio.

In \$M	U.S.	MX
Net Revenue	1,599.1	309.1
Operating Income	92.3	32.0
<i>Operating Income Margin</i>	<i>5.8%</i>	<i>10.4%</i>



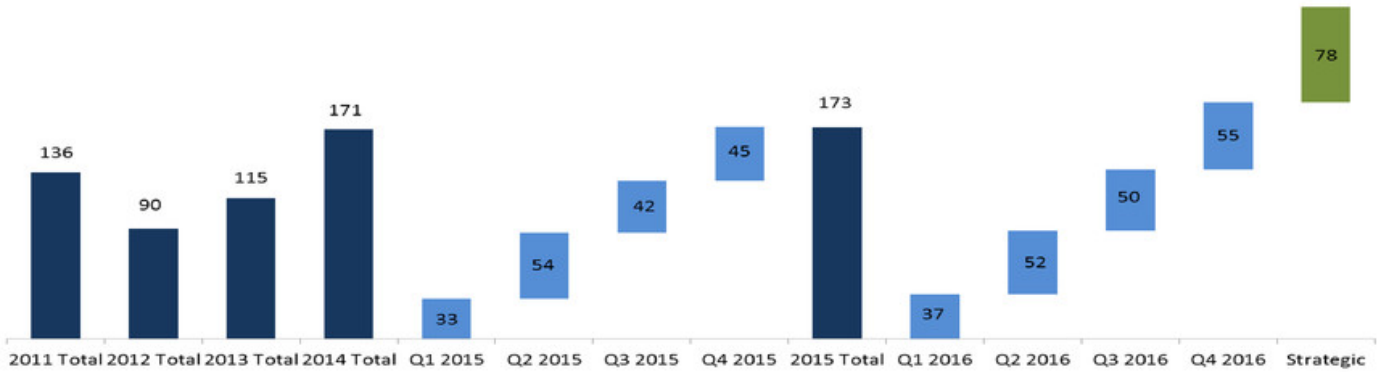
Balance Sheet Strong, With Plenty of Room for Strategic Investments

Net Debt (\$MM)



- Cash Flow From Operations generation of \$224MM in the quarter.
- Net debt multiple remains low at 0.99x LTM EBITDA, well below target of 2-3x.

Capex (US\$M)



- Strong Free Cash Flow generation has enabled us to direct more capital spending towards identified projects with rapid payback and structural projects.
- New strategic projects will support key customers growth and de-emphasize our exposure to commodity markets by bringing more differentiated portfolio.



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Appendix: EBITDA Reconciliation

“EBITDA” is defined as the sum of net income (loss) plus interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization. “Adjusted EBITDA” is calculated by adding to EBITDA certain items of expense and deducting from EBITDA certain items of income that we believe are not indicative of our ongoing operating performance consisting of: (i) income (loss) attributable to non-controlling interests, (ii) restructuring charges, (iii) reorganization items, (iv) losses on early extinguishment of debt and (v) foreign currency transaction losses (gains). EBITDA is presented because it is used by management and we believe it is frequently used by securities analysts, investors and other interested parties, in addition to and not in lieu of results prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the US (“GAAP”), to compare the performance of companies. We believe investors would be interested in our Adjusted EBITDA because this is how our management analyzes EBITDA. The Company also believes that Adjusted EBITDA, in combination with the Company’s financial results calculated in accordance with GAAP, provides investors with additional perspective regarding the impact of certain significant items on EBITDA and facilitates a more direct comparison of its performance with its competitors. EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA are not measurements of financial performance under GAAP. They should not be considered as an alternative to cash flow from operating activities or as a measure of liquidity or an alternative to net income as indicators of our operating performance or any other measures of performance derived in accordance with GAAP.

PILGRIM'S PRIDE CORPORATION Reconciliation of Adjusted EBITDA

(Unaudited)	Thirteen Weeks Ended		Fifty-Two Weeks Ended	
	December 25, 2016	December 27, 2015	December 25, 2016	December 27, 2015
	(In thousands)			
Net income	\$ 70,149	\$ 63,050	\$ 439,729	\$ 645,962
Add:				
Interest expense, net	10,158	10,091	44,197	33,875
Income tax expense (benefit)	40,844	33,045	232,906	346,796
Depreciation and amortization	46,059	42,490	180,515	158,975
Minus:				
Amortization of capitalized financing costs	972	930	3,832	3,638
EBITDA	166,238	147,746	893,515	1,181,970
Add:				
Foreign currency transaction losses (gains)	4,734	2,134	3,897	25,940
Restructuring charges	790	—	1,069	5,605
Minus:				
Net income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interest	(469)	(98)	(803)	48
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 172,231	\$ 149,978	\$ 899,284	\$ 1,213,467



Appendix: Reconciliation of LTM EBITDA

The summary unaudited consolidated income statement data for the twelve months ended December 25, 2016 (the LTM Period) have been calculated by summing each of the unaudited thirteen week periods within the audited fifty-two week period ended December 25, 2016.

PILGRIM'S PRIDE CORPORATION Reconciliation of LTM Adjusted EBITDA

(Unaudited)	Thirteen Weeks Ended March 27, 2016	Thirteen Weeks Ended June 26, 2016	Thirteen Weeks Ended September 25, 2016	Thirteen Weeks Ended December 25, 2016	LTM Ended December 25, 2016
	(In thousands)				
Net income	\$ 118,011	\$ 153,042	\$ 98,527	\$ 70,149	\$ 439,729
Add:					
Interest expense, net	11,340	10,865	11,834	10,158	44,197
Income tax expense (benefit)	62,604	78,398	51,060	40,844	232,906
Depreciation and amortization	42,391	46,293	45,772	46,059	180,515
Minus:					
Amortization of capitalized financing costs	928	962	970	972	3,832
EBITDA	233,418	287,636	206,223	166,238	893,515
Add:					
Foreign currency transaction losses (gains)	(235)	(4,744)	4,142	4,734	3,897
Restructuring charges	—	—	279	790	1,069
Minus:					
Net income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interest	(360)	156	(130)	(469)	(803)
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 233,543	\$ 282,736	\$ 210,774	\$ 172,231	\$ 899,284



Appendix: EBITDA Margin Reconciliation

EBITDA margins have been calculated by taking the relevant unaudited EBITDA figures, then dividing by Net Revenue for the applicable period.

PILGRIM'S PRIDE CORPORATION Reconciliation of EBITDA Margin

(Unaudited)	Thirteen Weeks Ended		Fifty-Two Weeks Ended		Thirteen Weeks Ended		Fifty-Two Weeks Ended	
	December 25, 2016	December 27, 2015	December 25, 2016	December 27, 2015	December 25, 2016	December 27, 2015	December 25, 2016	December 27, 2015
	(In thousands)							
Net income	\$ 70,149	\$ 63,050	\$ 439,729	\$ 645,962	3.68 %	3.22 %	5.54 %	7.90 %
Add:								
Interest expense, net	10,158	10,091	44,197	33,875	0.53 %	0.51 %	0.56 %	0.41 %
Income tax expense (benefit)	40,844	33,045	232,906	346,796	2.14 %	1.69 %	2.94 %	4.24 %
Depreciation and amortization	46,059	42,490	180,515	158,975	2.41 %	2.17 %	2.28 %	1.94 %
Minus:					— %	— %	— %	— %
Amortization of capitalized financing costs	972	930	3,832	3,638	0.05 %	0.05 %	0.05 %	0.04 %
EBITDA	166,238	147,746	893,515	1,181,970	8.71 %	7.54 %	11.27 %	14.45 %
Add:								
Foreign currency transaction losses (gains)	4,734	2,134	3,897	25,940	0.25 %	0.11 %	0.05 %	0.32 %
Restructuring charges	790	—	1,069	5,605	0.04 %	— %	0.01 %	0.07 %
Minus:								
Net income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interest	(469)	(98)	(803)	48	(0.02)%	— %	(0.01)%	— %
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 172,231	\$ 149,978	\$ 899,284	\$ 1,213,467	9.03 %	7.65 %	11.34 %	14.83 %
Net Revenue:	\$ 1,908,150	\$ 1,960,780	\$ 7,931,123	\$ 8,180,104	\$ 1,908,150	\$ 1,960,780	\$ 7,931,123	\$ 8,180,104



Appendix: Reconciliation of Adjusted Earnings

A reconciliation of net income (loss) attributable to Pilgrim's Pride Corporation per common diluted share to adjusted net income (loss) attributable to Pilgrim's Pride Corporation per common diluted share is as follows:

PILGRIM'S PRIDE CORPORATION				
Reconciliation of Adjusted Earnings				
(Unaudited)				
	Thirteen Weeks Ended		Fifty-Two Weeks Ended	
	December 25, 2016	December 27, 2015	December 25, 2016	December 27, 2015
(In thousands, except per share data)				
Net income (loss) attributable to Pilgrim's Pride Corporation	\$ 70,618	\$ 63,148	\$ 440,532	\$ 645,914
Loss on early extinguishment of debt	—	—	—	1,470
Foreign currency transaction losses (gains)	4,734	2,134	3,897	25,940
Income (loss) before loss on early extinguishment of debt and foreign currency transaction losses (gains)	75,352	65,282	444,429	673,324
Weighted average diluted shares of common stock outstanding	251,395	255,478	254,126	258,676
Income (loss) before loss on early extinguishment of debt and foreign currency transaction losses (gains) per common diluted share	\$ 0.30	\$ 0.26	\$ 1.75	\$ 2.60



Appendix: Adjusted EPS Bridge

A reconciliation of GAAP earnings per share (EPS) to adjusted earnings per share (EPS) is as follows:

PILGRIM'S PRIDE CORPORATION				
Reconciliation of GAAP EPS to Adjusted EPS				
(Unaudited)				
	Thirteen Weeks Ended		Fifty-Two Weeks Ended	
	December 25, 2016	December 27, 2015	December 25, 2016	December 27, 2015
(In thousands, except per share data)				
GAAP EPS	\$ 0.28	\$ 0.25	\$ 1.73	\$ 2.50
Loss on early extinguishment of debt	—	—	—	0.01
Foreign currency transaction losses (gains)	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.10
Adjusted EPS	\$ 0.30	\$ 0.26	\$ 1.75	\$ 2.60
Weighted average diluted shares of common stock outstanding	251,395	255,478	254,126	258,676



Appendix: Net Debt / Cash Position Reconciliation

Net debt is defined as total long term debt less current maturities, plus current maturities of long term debt and notes payable, minus cash, cash equivalents and investments in available-for-sale securities. Net debt is presented because it is used by management, and we believe it is frequently used by securities analysts, investors and other parties, in addition to and not in lieu of debt as presented under GAAP, to compare the indebtedness of companies. A reconciliation of net debt is as follows:

PILGRIM'S PRIDE CORPORATION
Reconciliation of Net Debt
(Unaudited)

	December 25, 2016	December 27, 2015	December 28, 2014
	(In thousands)		
Long term debt, less current maturities	\$ 1,011,858	\$ 985,509	\$ 3,980
Add: Current maturities of long term debt and notes payable	94	28,812	262
Minus: Cash and cash equivalents	120,328	439,638	576,143
Minus: Available-for-sale securities	—	—	—
Net debt (cash position)	\$ 891,624	\$ 574,683	\$ (571,901)



Appendix: Segment and Geographic Data

PILGRIM'S PRIDE CORPORATION
Supplementary Selected Segment and Geographic Data

	Thirteen Weeks Ended		Fifty-Two Weeks Ended	
	December 25, 2016	December 27, 2015	December 25, 2016	December 27, 2015
	(Unaudited)			
	(In thousands)			
Sources of net sales by country of origin:				
US:	\$ 1,599,052	\$ 1,663,362	\$ 6,671,403	\$ 7,143,354
Mexico:	309,098	297,418	1,259,720	1,036,750
Total net sales:	\$ 1,908,150	\$ 1,960,780	\$ 7,931,123	\$ 8,180,104
Sources of cost of sales by country of origin:				
US:	\$ 1,458,931	\$ 1,505,335	\$ 5,929,318	\$ 6,016,493
Mexico:	268,792	294,775	1,087,540	909,329
Elimination:	(23)	(23)	(95)	(95)
Total cost of sales:	\$ 1,727,700	\$ 1,800,087	\$ 7,016,763	\$ 6,925,727
Sources of gross profit by country of origin:				
US:	\$ 140,121	\$ 158,025	\$ 742,085	\$ 1,126,861
Mexico:	40,306	2,644	172,180	127,421
Elimination:	23	24	95	95
Total gross profit:	\$ 180,450	\$ 160,693	\$ 914,360	\$ 1,254,377
Sources of operating income by country of origin:				
US:	\$ 92,280	\$ 116,417	\$ 572,558	\$ 949,610
Mexico:	32,000	(8,668)	140,857	95,186
Elimination:	23	24	95	95
Total operating income:	\$ 124,303	\$ 107,773	\$ 713,510	\$ 1,044,891

