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CHICAGO BROILER/FRYER

PRELIMINARY FOR DELIVERY THE WEEK OF 22-NOV-2004

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD. AVG.	LOADS
US GRADE A	52-74.5	58-61	60.89	28

GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES

WEDNESDAY

74.50

FRIDAY PRELIM. WTD. AVG.:

74.19

Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed preliminary weighted average price on ice packed parts:

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 20-Nov-04

	Current Week	Previous Week
Broiler/fryer	161,742	166,356

ITEM	WTD. AVG. (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	167.00	1,400
BREASTS - B/S	141.50	5,523
BREASTS - WHOLE	73.00	1,351
THIGH MEAT - B/S	71.50	957
LEG QUARTERS	31.00	7,027
WINGS	90.00	2,953

MIDWEST Preliminary majority prices for next week's deliveries were unchanged from Monday's final. The market tone on whole fryers was steady. Offerings were light to moderate for a generally limited trade need. Movement into all channels was seasonally light, instances moderate into sports bars and fast food. Floor stocks were adequate to at times long. A majority of businesses were reducing normal commitments for next week, anticipating a sluggish demand for product over the holiday. Weights were mixed. Parts offerings were light to moderate. Trade interest was mainly focused on deliveries and placement of more traditional proteins for weekend advertisement and orders. Supplies of wings remained tight and wanted; tenders and dark meat were in balance; leg quarters and breast cuts were available. The market tone was fully steady to firm on wings and steady on the remaining parts.

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 19, 2004

	CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO		CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO
8-16 LB HENS				16-24 LB TOMS			
EASTERN REGION	77.25	77.50	69.20**	EASTERN REGION	73.76	76.50	64.40**
CENTRAL REGION	78.74	78.50**	68.00	CENTRAL REGION	74.45	76.00**	63.20**
WESTERN REGION	80.87	79.00**	71.00	WESTERN REGION	76.58	77.00**	66.00

**BASED ON OFFERS

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 13-November -2004 (PRELIMINARY)

YOUNG CHICKENS

	THOUSANDS
Head	161,965
Avg Wt	5.30
Last week	159,561
Same wk yr ago	157,078
Avg Wt	5.30
To-date/2004	7,074,371
To-date/2003	6,959,977

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED

YOUNG HENS YOUNG TOMS THOUSANDS

	YOUNG HENS	YOUNG TOMS
Head	2,403	2,885
Avg Wt	16.08	35.36
Last week	2,332	2,834
Same wk yr ago	2,541	3,250
Avg Wt	15.57	33.65
To-date/2004	79,258	116,045
To-date/2003	86,314	124,965

FRESH PORK CUTS

FOB Negotiated	PRICE RANGE	WTD AVG
Loin		
1/8" Trm/less 21#DN-LGT	106.00	106.00
BNLS Strap-on 5-11#	149.00	149.00
Trimmed Butt		
1/4" Trim Stk Rdy	99.00 - 105.00	103.13
SPARERIB		
3BAG/3 PCVAC4.25#/DN-LGT		unq

FRESH BEEF CUTS

FOB Negotiated	PRICE RANGE	WTD AVG
112A 3 Rib, ribeye, bnls, heavy	510.02 605.75	552.02
168 3 Round, top inside round	162.89 180.00	165.22
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	383.50 445.00	399.49
Ground Beef 81%	124.35 137.15	130.75

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