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DELMARVA BROILER/FRYER FACTS FAX

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DELMARVA BROILER/FRYER MARKET, US Grade A, Week Ending 25-Mar-05

DATE	PRODUCTION (000)		ICE-PACKED, MULTI-DROP, IMMEDIATE DELIVERY		
	Actual Slaughter	Live Weight	Price Range	Weighted Price	# of Boxes
03/21	2,220	5.58	69-87	77.43	5,381
03/22	2,185	5.57	70-90	76.48	5,744
03/23	1,871	5.27	69-87	77.17	5,592
03/24	2,167	5.45	68-90	76.92	4,312
03/25	1,678	5.61	69-91	76.05	7,588
Weekly	10,121	5.50	Cumulative:	76.75	28,617

NEGOTIATED TRADING, USDA GRADE A WHOLE ICE-PACKED, Week of 28-Mar-05

Weighted Averages for:	Current Week	Last Week	Year Ago
New York	72.75	72.78	76.33
Chicago	70.10	70.01	73.82
Detroit	71.50	71.50	78.50
Los Angeles	79.32	79.42	78.98
Composite Weighted Average	73.65	74.07	76.77

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Ice-Packed, Delivered first receivers, pool and trucklot volumes, cents per pound, Week Ending 25-Mar-05

	Weekly Weighted Average Price	Total Volume/Pounds
Breast - B/S	155.30	2,811,310
Tenderloins	155.10	619,527
Breast - With Ribs	99.28	484,080
Breast - Line Run	90.76	465,400
Legs	44.62	1,285,680
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	32.49	1,270,077
Drumsticks	37.74	619,380
Thighs	47.16	296,420
B/S Thighs	94.71	353,770
Wings (Whole)	103.39	646,800

(Includes NY City metro area, RI, Northern NJ, MA, CT, PA (NE of Harrisburg))

BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED (000), Week Ending 19-Mar-05

	Current Week	Last Week	Year Ago	10-Weeks Prior	7-Weeks Prior
Eggs Set	212,827	213,063	210,144	210,232	212,630
Chicks Placed	176,015	176,613	171,783	173,466	171,340

SLAUGHTER OF YOUNG CHICKENS UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION, W/E 19-MAR-05

	Current Week	Last Week	Year Ago
Head (000)	157,335	157,630	153,006
Average Live Weight	5.20	5.16	5.15
To Date 2005 (000)	1,726,029	1,568,694	-----
To Date 2004 (000)	1,689,638	1,532,632	-----

MONTHLY COLD STORAGE: Total frozen poultry supplies on January 31, 2005 were 3% below the previous month, but were 2% above a year ago. Total stocks of chicken were down 11% from the previous month, but up 19% from last year. Total pounds of turkey in freezers were up 18% from last month, but down 19% from January 31, 2004.

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