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CHICAGO BROILER/FRYER

PRELIMINARY FOR DELIVERY THE WEEK OF 30-MAY-2005

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD. AVG.	LOADS
US GRADE A	55-77	66-69	68.02	30

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 28-May-05

	Current Week	Previous Week
Broiler/fryer	169,660	169,717

GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES

WEDNESDAY

74.50

FRIDAY PRELIM. WTD. AVG.:

74.38

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

ITEM	WTD. AVG. (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	176.00	1,238
BREASTS - B/S	146.00	5,613
BREASTS - WHOLE	84.00	1,363
THIGH MEAT - B/S	103.50	947
LEG QUARTERS	39.00	6,897
WINGS	84.50	2,923

This information is supplied by the Georgia Department of Agriculture's Poultry Market News Service.

MIDWEST Preliminary majority prices for next week's deliveries into the Chicago area were unchanged from Monday's final. The market tone remained steady on whole broiler/fryers. Offerings and trade call were generally limited and in balance. Movement into all channels was irregular and for the most part the quote by businesses was often disappointment. Fast food and catering were instances very good in some areas and into some retail centers. Floor stocks were close to fully adequate; weights mostly desirable. Parts trade continued on light side with transport issues continuing. All parts were available with dark meat cuts very limited due to continued strength in export trade. The market tone was fully steady to firm on dark meat, weak on tenderloins, and steady on the balance.

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 MAY 27, 2005

	CURRENT			LAST			SAME WEEK		
	WEEK	WEEK	YEAR AGO	WEEK	WEEK	YEAR AGO	WEEK	WEEK	YEAR AGO
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION	67.70**	68.50	67.50						
CENTRAL REGION	67.00	67.10**	67.00						
WESTERN REGION	67.70**	67.80**	67.30**						
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION	67.10**	68.25	67.50						
CENTRAL REGION	67.75	66.40**	67.17						
WESTERN REGION	67.00	67.00	67.40**						

**BASED ON OFFERS

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 21-May-2005 (PRELIMINARY)

	YOUNG CHICKENS THOUSANDS
Head	163,035
Avg Wt	5.30
Last week	163,338
Same wk yr ago	159,896
Avg Wt	5.20
To-date/2005	3,161,879
To-date/2004	3,086,458

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED

	YOUNG HENS	YOUNG TOMS
	THOUSANDS	
Head	1,980	2,623
Avg Wt	16.55	38.28
Last week	1,924	2,561
Same wk yr ago	1,802	2,567
Avg Wt	16.02	37.23
To-date/2005	32,323	50,816
To-date/2004	34,366	49,643

FRESH PORK CUTS

FOB Negotiated	PRICE RANGE	WTD AVG
Loin		
1/8" Trm/less 21#DN-LGT	136.00	136.00
BNLS Strap-on 5-11#	165.00 - 169.00	167.00
Trimmed Butt		
1/4" Trim Stk Rdy	100.00	100.00
SPARERIB		
3BAG/3 PCVAC4.25#/DN-LGT	150.00 - 160.00	155.00

FRESH BEEF CUTS

FOB Negotiated	PRICE RANGE	WTD AVG
112A 3 Rib, ribeye, bnls, heavy	520.00 565.00	528.95
168 3 Round, top inside round	172.15 183.00	178.88
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	638.43 684.00	642.99
Ground Beef 81%	125.00 152.93	134.09

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