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CHICAGO BROILER/FRYER

PRELIMINARY FOR DELIVERY THE WEEK OF 06-MAR-2006

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD. AVG.	LOADS
US GRADE A	44-69.25	51-54	52.73	26

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 04-MAR-06

	Current Week	Previous Week
BRO-FRY	163,964	161,783

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES

WEDNESDAY

68.75

FRIDAY PRELIM. WTD. AVG.

68.66

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	138.50	1,191
BREASTS - B/S	112.50	5,545
BREASTS - WHOLE	57.50	1,274
THIGH MEAT - B/S	85.50	1,074
LEG QUARTERS	20.00	8,466
WINGS	101.50	2,872

MIDWEST Preliminary majority prices for next week's deliveries into the Chicago area moved 1 cent lower from Monday's final. Whole broiler/fryer market tone was barely steady to weak on fully generous offerings. Movement into all channels continued to show irregularity and a full range; generally moderate overall. Floor stocks were well cleared to long; weights for the most part were in a desirable range. Trade activity on parts was very light, best call on medium wings, small random boneless/skinless breast and tenderloins. Supplies were very heavy on dark meat cuts and jumbo wings, all other parts were available for immediate trade needs. The trade sentiment was steady on tenderloins and small random boneless/skinless breast; all other parts were about steady to weak.

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 OF MARCH 03, 2006

8-16 LB HENS	CURRENT	LAST	SAME WEEK	16-24 LB TOMS	CURRENT	LAST	SAME WEEK
	WEEK	WEEK	YEAR AGO		WEEK	WEEK	YEAR AGO
EASTERN REGION	68.99	66.00	64.00 **	EASTERN REGION	69.25	66.00	64.00
CENTRAL REGION	66.06	65.65	64.00	CENTRAL REGION	66.11	66.51	62.00 **
WESTERN REGION	66.30 **	66.25 **	64.70 **	WESTERN REGION	66.30 **	66.25 **	62.70 **

**BASED ON OFFERS

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 25-FEB-2006 (PRELIMINARY)

YOUNG CHICKENS

THOUSANDS

Head	158,438
Avg Wt	5.48
Last week	162,394
Same wk yr ago	156,421
Avg Wt	5.24
To-date/2006	1,283,395
To-date/2005	1,250,969

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED

YOUNG

HENS

YOUNG

TOMS

THOUSANDS

Head	1,691	2,404
Avg Wt	16.74	38.66
Last week	1,417	2,546
Same wk yr ago	1,473	2,441
Avg Wt	16.17	38.60
To-date/2006	12,656	19,600
To-date/2005	12,233	20,073

FRESH BEEF CUTS

FOB Negotiated

PRICE RANGE

WTD AVG

112A 3 Rib, ribeye, bnls, heavy	519.30	590.00	532.94
168 3, Round, top inside round	157.30	174.00	161.88
180 3 Loins, strip, bnls, 0x1	529.30	558.95	532.12
Ground Beef 81%	135.00	151.70	138.31