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CHICAGO BROILER/FRYER

PRELIMINARY For Delivery the Week of 17-DEC-2007

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS
CHICAGO	54-79.75	61-64	64.08	24

GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES

WEDNESDAY – 76.75

FRIDAY PRELIM. WTD. AVG. – 76.09

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	158.00	1,088
BREASTS - B/S	130.50	4,898
BREASTS - WHOLE	76.00	1,087
THIGH MEAT - B/S	114.00	974
LEG QUARTERS	42.00	7,544
WINGS	110.50	2,384

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

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR W/E 15-Dec-07

	Current Week	Previous Week
Broiler/fryer	171,706	171,618

MIDWEST BROILER/FRYER - Chicago preliminary majority prices were unchanged. Whole broiler/fryer market tone was steady. Offerings were limited on light to moderate trade call. Retail and food service trade covered the full range, mostly slow to moderate; best into some catering, shopping centers and restaurants. Winter storms were a factor in decreased or increased movement as market areas affected differently by either mostly ice, or ice/snow, or snow, or rain. Floor stocks were in a full range, attributed to the weather forcing some cancellation while others were caught short. Weights were mixed, but generally in a desirable range. Parts trade was light to moderate. Breast cuts and boneless dark meat was in close balance to tight, balance of parts adequate or available. The market tone was steady on parts.

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, DENTS PER LB, DELIVERED, (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) W/E DECEMBER 14, 2007

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	85.25	88.00	73.45	EASTERN REGION	86.00 **	88.43	73.21
CENTRAL REGION	87.17	87.83	70.00	CENTRAL REGION	86.00 **	88.30 **	74.82
WESTERN REGION	86.00 **	90.00	72.70 **	WESTERN REGION	86.00 **	89.67	72.40 **

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 08-Dec-2007 (PRELIMINARY)

YOUNG CHICKENS THOUSANDS

Head	169,272
Avg Wt	5.61
Last week	169,092
Same wk yr ago	163,326
Avg Wt	5.49
To-date/2007	7,936,278
To-date/2006	7,897,646

LIVE TURKEYS SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

YOUNG HENS YOUNG TOMS THOUSANDS

Head	2,260	2,894
Avg Wt	16.21	38.95
Last week	2,163	2,827
Same wk yr ago	2,141	2,704
Avg Wt	15.50	38.22
To-date/2007	98,151	130,294
To-date/2006	96,509	126,560

FRESH BEEF CUTS

FOB Negotiated

	PRICE	RANGE	WTD AVG
112A 3 Rib, ribeye, bnls, heavy	680.00	780.00	715.83
168 3 Round, top inside round	163.00	175.00	168.20
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	516.20	535.25	524.45
Ground Beef 81%	100.25	122.50	108.10

Source: USDA/AMS, Livestock and Grain Market News