



Fast Food Fax

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Young Chickens Slaughtered under Federal Inspection Classified by Weight, WEEKENDING: 23-FEB-2008

Weight Range	4.25 & Down	4.26-6.25	6.26-7.75	7.76 & Up	Total
Total (000)	43,371	80,947	24,199	18,183	166,700
WT Avg Live Wgt	3.91	5.40	6.89	8.25	5.54
Percentage of total	26%	46%	14%	11%	100 %

Fast Food and Food Service Sizes		No. of Head	Percentage of
Live Weights	RTC WOG Weights	(000)	Total Slaughter
3.60 lbs. & Lighter	Under 2 lbs., 8 oz.	1,554	0.93
3.61 - 3.80 lbs.	2 lbs., 8 oz. - 2 lbs., 10 oz.	7,022	4.21
3.81 - 4.00 lbs.	2 lbs., 10 oz., - 2 lbs., 12 oz.	12,276	7.36
4.01 - 4.25 lbs.	2 lbs., 12 oz. - 2 lbs., 15 oz.	22,519	13.51
		43,371	26.01

Trade sentiment was generally no better than steady at best. Demand was mostly fair to moderate. In the parts complex, breast items and tenders were at least adequate to fully adequate. Wings were mixed with the larger sizes in the longest position. Most dark meat cuts were sufficient for current needs. Weights were mostly desirable.

BROILER EGG SET CHICKS PLACED IN 19 STATES COMPARED WITH U.S. BROILER SLAUGHTER

Slaughter Week	Egg Sets		Chicks Placed		Eggs Set 10 Weeks Previous		Chicks Placed 7 Weeks Previous		Prelim. Fed. Insp. Million head Slaughtered	
	(000)	%*	(000)	%*	(000)	%*	(000)	%*	(000)	%**
Dec 29	219,528	104	176,434	105	202,935	103	167,202	104	123,442	71
Jan 05	215,665	102	178,590	103	202,112	105	164,694	105	136,027	110
Jan 12	216,449	102	179,257	105	206,241	104	168,999	104	168,128	124
Jan 19	217,393	104	179,768	104	217,441	105	177,932	106	168,551	100
Jan 26	218,132	104	178,806	104	216,134	102	176,696	103	159,983	95
Feb 02	219,038	104	176,282	103	219,800	104	179,506	104	166,096	104
Feb 09	212,295	103	176,724	103	222,116	104	180,139	104	165,446	100
Feb 16	218,031	102	177,841	104	214,621	104	176,021	104	163,748	99
Feb 23	219,325	102	178,465	103	217,794	103	177,800	103	166,700	102

Data in bold are subject to revision *Percent of previous year **Percent change from previous week

Whole Broiler/Fryers (cents/lb.)	Majority	Current Week	Previous Week	Year Ago
Week of 03/03/08				
NEW YORK Grade A Ice-packed	77-80	78.64	78.65	78.82
CHICAGO Grade A Ice-packed	75-78	76.82	77.11	75.40
LOS ANGELES Grade A Ice-packed	87	86.47	86.62	82.67
12-CITY COMPOSITE Weighted Avg.		79.60	80.78	78.33
GEORGIA DOCK FOB Wtd. Avg. (Wed Dock 80.25)		78.61	78.30	74.27
SOUTHERN STATES FOB Whole Body 5 Day Avg.		52.84	55.17	66.34

Broiler/Fryer Parts (cents/lb.)	Northeast (Delivered)	Southern States (FOB)	Georgia (FOB)
Weekly Weighted Average	02/29/08	02/29/08	03/03/08
Breast - B/S	143.04	137.98	148.00
Tenderloins	137.59	140.84	173.00 (Line run)
Breast - Line Run	80.70	82.78	82.50 (Whole)
Leg Quarters	44.29	40.32	43.00
Wings	120.86	116.49	125.50