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CHICAGO BROILER/FRYER

PRELIMINARY For Delivery the Week of 21-APR-2008

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS
CHICAGO	68-86.75	72-75	73.86	25

GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES

WEDNESDAY – 82.00

FRIDAY PRELIM. WTD. AVG. – 81.05

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	177.50	1,098
BREASTS - B/S	145.50	4,947
BREASTS - WHOLE	82.50	1,099
THIGH MEAT - B/S	121.00	1,004
LEG QUARTERS	45.50	7,613
WINGS	113.50	2,411

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR W/E 19-Apr-08

	Current Week	Previous Week
Broiler/fryer	168,876	168,048

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

MIDWEST BROILER/FRYER - Preliminary delivered prices on next week's trade into the Chicago area were unchanged. Whole broiler/fryer market tone was steady to fully steady. Offers remained limited on light to moderate trade inquiry. Retail and food service movement was light to moderate, occasionally fairly good on some retail accounts. Floor stocks were close to fully adequate; weights desirable. Parts trade was light. Supplies of large wings adequate to in balance, small wings ample and sharply discounted to help clear; breast cuts adequate and dark meat lines were tight. The market tone was steady to firm on dark meat lines and breast, and steady to weak on wings and tenders.

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 APRIL 18, 2008

8-16 LB HENS	CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO	16-24 LB TOMS	CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO
EASTERN REGION	87.00	86.00	75.00 **	EASTERN REGION	85.60 **	84.90 **	75.00 **
CENTRAL REGION	85.60 **	85.00	73.00	CENTRAL REGION	85.60 **	84.90 **	73.00
WESTERN REGION	85.60 **	84.90 **	75.00 **	WESTERN REGION	85.60 **	84.90 **	75.00 **

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 12-Apr-2008 (PRELIMINARY)

YOUNG CHICKENS THOUSANDS

Head	165,977
Avg Wt	5.57
Last week	166,456
Same wk yr ago	159,407
Avg Wt	5.39
To-date/2008	2,444,531
To-date/2007	2,346,495

LIVE TURKEYS SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

YOUNG HENS YOUNG TOMS THOUSANDS

Head	1,872	2,658
Avg Wt	16.43	39.03
Last week	1,923	2,646
Same wk yr ago	1,983	2,524
Avg Wt	16.64	37.61
To-date/2008	28,125	40,966
To-date/2007	27,647	37,497

FRESH BEEF CUTS

FOB Negotiated

	PRICE RANGE	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
112A 3 Rib, ribeye, bnls, heavy	479.50 528.87	496.06
168 3 Round, top inside round	178.50 200.00	189.63
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	536.65 585.00	553.71
Ground Beef 81%	130.90 151.00	141.43

Source: USDA/AMS, Livestock and Grain Market News