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## CHICAGO BROILER/FRYER

PRELIMINARY For Delivery the Week of 26-MAY-2008

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS
CHICAGO	66-85.25	76-79	76.66	24

## ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR W/E 24-May-08

	Current Week	Previous Week
Broiler/fryer	169,043	173,803

## GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES

WEDNESDAY – 84.00

FRIDAY PRELIM. WTD. AVG. – 83.10

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	179.50	1,062
BREASTS - B/S	152.50	4,818
BREASTS - WHOLE	85.50	1,104
THIGH MEAT - B/S	128.50	968
LEG QUARTERS	48.50	7,527
WINGS	103.50	2,344

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

**MIDWEST BROILER/FRYER** - Preliminary majority delivered prices into the Chicago market were unchanged. The market tone on whole fryers was steady. Whole bird offers were fully adequate on moderate trade call. Fill-in trade noted on 3# wogs at 84 and 69 cents delivered. Food service activity was mixed, slow to light into full-service and casual restaurants, moderate to fairly good demand into fast food and catering. Retail movement was moderate to good. Floor stocks were adequate to more than desired; weights in acceptable range. Transportation issues were affecting deliveries and transactions. Supplies of boneless skinless breasts, tenders, and front halves adequate to ample, wings mixed and dark meat lines tight to short. The market tone was steady to weak on breast cuts and wings; steady to fully steady on dark meat.

**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 MAY 23, 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	89.40 **	89.00 **	77.60 **	EASTERN REGION	90.00	89.00 **	77.60 **
CENTRAL REGION	90.00	88.50 **	77.60 **	CENTRAL REGION	89.40 **	89.00 **	77.60 **
WESTERN REGION	90.40 **	90.00 **	77.60 **	WESTERN REGION	89.90 **	89.50 **	77.60 **

## LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 17-May-2008 (PRELIMINARY)

### YOUNG CHICKENS THOUSANDS

Head	169,562
Avg Wt	5.49
Last week	169,819
Same wk yr ago	164,484
Avg Wt	5.37
To-date/2008	3,283,699
To-date/2007	3,159,621

## LIVE TURKEYS SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

### YOUNG HENS YOUNG TOMS THOUSANDS

Head	2,450	2,430
Avg Wt	18.78	38.85
Last week	2,223	2,750
Same wk yr ago	2,103	2,699
Avg Wt	16.61	37.80
To-date/2008	38,750	54,336
To-date/2007	37,308	50,844

## FRESH BEEF CUTS

### FOB Negotiated

	PRICE	RANGE	WTD AVG
112A 3 Rib, ribeye, bnls, heavy	540.91	565.00	556.16
168 3 Round, top inside round	191.00	200.35	193.64
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	625.00	655.00	635.74
Ground Beef 81%	130.00	149.00	144.58

Source: USDA/AMS, Livestock and Grain Market News