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CHICAGO BROILER/FRYER

PRELIMINARY for Delivery the Week of 11-AUG-2008

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS
CHICAGO	57-81	69-72	67.80	21

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR W/E 09-AUG-08

	Current Week	Previous Week
Broiler/fryer	170,594	171,456

MIDWEST BROILER/FRYER - Preliminary majority prices were unchanged from Monday's final. Whole broiler/fryer market tone was steady. Offerings on whole birds were moderate on light trade interest. Retail and food service activity was generally slow to light, instances moderate to fairly good noted in spots. Floor stocks were adequate; weights desirable to at times trending heavier than desired. Supplies of thighs, drums and leg quarters were in close balance, gizzards noted as short of trade needs, wings and breast cuts were adequate, but in better balance over prior trade period. Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady on leg quarters and steady on balance of items.

GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES

WEDNESDAY - 88.50

FRIDAY PRELIM. WTD. AVG. - 87.79

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	174.50	950
BREASTS - B/S	147.00	4,547
BREASTS - WHOLE	84.00	1,042
THIGH MEAT - B/S	128.00	1,006
THIGHS	62.50	546
DRUMSTICKS	70.00	642
LEG QUARTERS	52.50	5,891
WINGS	98.50	2,071

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

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 AUGUST 08, 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	95.70 **	94.00	86.00	EASTERN REGION	95.70 **	94.40 **	88.00 **
CENTRAL REGION	95.70 **	94.40 **	87.00	CENTRAL REGION	95.00	94.40 **	86.55
WESTERN REGION	95.70 **	94.40 **	88.20 **	WESTERN REGION	95.70 **	94.40 **	87.40 **

**BASED ON OFFERS

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 02-AUG-2008 (PRELIMINARY)

Young Chickens Thousands	
Head	166,665
Avg Wt	5.56
Last week	163,014
Same wk yr ago	163,741
Avg Wt	5.31
To-date/2008	5,089,757
To-date/2007	4,955,154
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage	
Current week	690,360
Last week	665,521
Same wk yr ago	647,751
Dressing %	74.5%

LIVE TURKEYS SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

Young Hens		Young Toms Thousands	
Head	2,076		3,023
Avg Wt	16.25		37.08
Last week	2,174		2,835
Same wk yr ago	2,017		2,779
Avg Wt	16.22		36.80
To-date/2008	61,310		84,756
To-date/2007	59,963		80,146
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage			
Current week	27,157		90,235
Last week	27,564		86,768
Same wk yr ago	26,336		82,325
Dressing %	80.5%		80.5%

FRESH BEEF CUTS

FOB Negotiated

	PRICE	RANGE	WTD AVG
112A 3 Rib, ribeye, bnls, heavy	521.00	585.00	535.59
168 3 Round, top inside round	198.59	207.00	201.87
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	464.40	500.25	466.34
Ground Beef 81%	141.25	155.00	145.20

Source: USDA/AMS, Livestock and Grain Market News