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DELMARVA BROILER/FRYER FACTS FAX

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DELMARVA BROILER/FRYER MARKET, US Grade A, Week Ending 05-DEC-08

DATE	PRODUCTION (000)		ICE-PACKED, MULTI-DROP, IMMEDIATE DELIVERY		
	Actual Slaughter	Live Weight	Price Range	Weighted Price	# of Boxes
12/01	2,083	6.18	76-92	(A)	(A)
12/02	1,991	6.14	73-96	(A)	(A)
12/03	2,116	6.22	74-93	(A)	(A)
12/04	2,148	6.08	69-96	(A)	(A)
12/05	2,320	5.90	76-96	(A)	(A)
Weekly	10,657	6.10	Cumulative:	(A)	(A)

(A)Not released to avoid disclosing individual operations

NEGOTIATED TRADING, USDA GRADE A WHOLE ICE-PACKED, Week of 08-DEC-08

Weighted Averages for:	Current Week	Last Week	Year Ago
New York	77.73	77.86	66.50
Chicago	76.56	76.23	63.69
Detroit	77.25	77.25	65.88
Los Angeles	93.20	93.12	82.16
Composite Weighted Average	82.26	82.36	70.40

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Ice-Packed, Delivered first receivers, pool and trucklot volumes, cents per pound, Week Ending 05-DEC-2008

	Weekly Weighted Average Price	Total Volume/Pounds
Breast – B/S	110.36	2,179,001
Tenderloins	111.96	518,798
Breast – With Ribs	70.17	621,120
Breast – Line Run	66.39	281,400
Legs	41.16	884,420
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	27.73	1,848,265
Drumsticks	50.16	379,498
Thighs	52.51	273,290
B/S Thighs	98.04	192,960
Wings (Whole)	115.64	785,355

(Includes NY City metro area, RI, Northern NJ, MA, CT, PA (NE of Harrisburg)

BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED (000), Week Ending 29-NOV-08

	Current Week	Last Week	Year Ago	10-Weeks Prior	7-Weeks Prior
Eggs Set	203,287	202,339	221,543	193,548	194,857
Chicks Placed	158,749	152,417	177,182	168,066	160,059

SLAUGHTER OF YOUNG CHICKENS UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION W/E 29-NOV-08

	Current Week	Last Week	Year Ago
Head (000)	116,875	156,960	169,092
Average Live Weight	5.56	5.52	5.66
To Date 2008 (000)	7,816,299	7,699,424	--------
To Date 2007 (000)	7,767,006	7,597,914	--------

MONTHLY COLD STORAGE: Total frozen poultry supplies on October 31, 2008 were down 2 % from the previous month but up 22 % from a year ago. Total stocks of chicken were up 3 % from the previous month and up 13 % from last year. Total pounds of turkey in freezers were down 8 % from last month but up 37 % from October 31, 2007.

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