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Trade sentiment was fully steady. Demand was at least moderate, best where features were in progress. In the parts complex, most dark meat cuts, wings and tenders were well cleared. Breast items were at least sufficient. Weights were mixed but mostly desirable.

Young Chickens Slaughtered under Federal Inspection Classified by Weight, WEEKENDING: 27-Dec-2008

Weight Range	4.25 & Down	4.26–6.25	6.26-7.75	7.76 & Up	Total
Total (000)	24,945	56,397	15,184	11,929	108,455
WTAvg Live Wgt	3.82	5.40	6.90	8.35	5.53
Percentage of total	23%	52%	14%	11%	100 %

Fast Food and Food Service Sizes Live Weights	RTC WOG Weights	No. of Head (000)	Percentage of Total Slaughter
3.60 lbs. & Lighter	Under 2 lbs., 8 oz.	1,468	1.35
3.61 – 3.80 lbs.	2 lbs., 8 oz. – 2 lbs., 10 oz.	8,194	7.56
3.81 – 4.00 lbs	2 lbs., 10 oz., -2 lbs., 12 oz.	11,351	10.47
4.01 – 4.25 lbs.	2 lbs., 12 oz. - 2 lbs., 15 oz	3,932	3.63
		24,945	23.01

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)	%* *
Nov 01	**185,344**	**90**	**158,445**	**93**	206,726	96	170,616	97	**162,059**	**99**
Nov 08	**193,001**	**89**	**155,283**	**93**	204,908	95	168,066	96	**163,184**	**101**
Nov 15	**200,631**	**93**	**156,435**	**96**	202,299	97	165,726	97	**159,887**	**98**
Nov 22	**202,339**	**92**	**152,417**	**91**	197,850	96	162,423	96	**156,960**	**98**
Nov 29	**203,287**	**92**	**158,749**	**90**	193,548	91	160,059	92	**116,875**	**74**
Dec 06	**201,254**	**94**	**166,086**	**94**	198,764	96	162,698	96	**160,358**	**137**
Dec 13	**202,822**	**93**	**168,010**	**94**	188,449	88	154,391	88	**158,061**	**99**
Dec 20	**203,336**	**93**	**168,345**	**94**	194,857	93	158,766	93	**153,795**	**97**
Dec 27	**202,701**	**93**	**165,637**	**94**	188,880	93	155,281	93	**108,455**	**71**

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

Whole Broiler/Fryers (cents/lb.) Week of 01/05/09	**Majority**	**Current Week**	**Previous Week**	**Year Ago**
NEW YORK Grade A Ice-packed	79-82	80.71	78.70	74.90
CHICAGO Grade A Ice-packed	71-76	77.25	76.20	73.16
LOS ANGELES Grade A Ice-packed	95	94.22	92.71	83.34
12-CITY COMPOSITE Weighted Avg.		82.58	82.03	77.53
GEORGIA DOCK FOB Wtd. Avg. (Wed Dock 87.25)		86.61	85.78	76.43
SOUTHERN STATES FOB Whole Body 5 Day Avg.		49.66	49.26	49.29

Broiler/Fryer Parts (cents/lb.) Weekly Weighted Average	**Northeast (Delivered) 01/02/09**	**Southern States (FOB) 01/02/09**	**Georgia (FOB) 01/05/09**
Breast – B/S	112.26	116.77	121.50
Tenderloins	127.42	127.99	165.00 (Line run)
Breast – Line Run	69.85	69.61	73.50 (Whole)
Leg Quarters	31.59	31.35	32.00
Wings	125.29	118.76	127.00

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