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DELMARVA BROILER/FRYER FACTS FAX

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DELMARVA BROILER/FRYER MARKET, US Grade A, Week Ending 02-JAN-09

DATE	PRODUCTION (000)		ICE-PACKED, MULTI-DROP, IMMEDIATE DELIVERY		
	Actual Slaughter	Live Weight	Price Range	Weighted Price	# of Boxes
12/29	2,209	6.04	69-91	(A)	(A)
12/30	2,171	5.86	73-91	(A)	(A)
12/31	1,778	5.87	75-93	(A)	(A)
01/01	H O L I D A Y			(A)	(A)
01/02	3,694	5.95	75-94	(A)	(A)
Weekly	9,852	5.94	Cumulative:	(A)	(A)

(A)Not released to avoid disclosing individual operations

NEGOTIATED TRADING, USDA GRADE A WHOLE ICE-PACKED, Week of 05-JAN-09

Weighted Averages for:	Current Week	Last Week	Year Ago
New York	80.71	78.70	74.90
Chicago	78.00	76.20	73.16
Detroit	80.55	77.92	71.95
Los Angeles	94.22	92.71	83.34
Composite Weighted Average	82.58	82.03	77.53

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Ice-Packed, Delivered first receivers, pool and trucklot volumes, cents per pound, Week Ending 02-JAN-2009

	Weekly Weighted Average Price	Total Volume/Pounds
Breast – B/S	112.26	1,378,999
Tenderloins	127.42	473,880
Breast – With Ribs	70.47	564,800
Breast – Line Run	69.85	295,200
Legs	48.66	748,560
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	31.59	1,433,680
Drumsticks	51.41	407,560
Thighs	54.48	217,880
B/S Thighs	106.84	141,520
Wings (Whole)	125.29	554,352

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

BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED (000), Week Ending 27-DEC-08

	Current Week	Last Week	Year Ago	10-Weeks Prior	7-Weeks Prior
Eggs Set	202,701	203,336	218,815	188,880	193,090
Chicks Placed	165,637	168,345	175,417	162,698	155,281

SLAUGHTER OF YOUNG CHICKENS UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION W/E 27-DEC-08

	Current Week	Last Week	Year Ago
Head (000)	108,455	153,795	123,442
Average Live Weight	5.53	5.48	5.52
To Date 2008 (000)	8,396,968	8,288,513	--------
To Date 2007 (000)	8,402,576	8,279,134	--------

MONTHLY COLD STORAGE: Total frozen poultry supplies on November 30, 2008 were down 13 % from the previous month but up 28 % from a year ago. Total stocks of chicken were up 4 % from the previous month and up 14 % from last year. Total pounds of turkey in freezers were down 36 % from last month but up 79 % from November 30, 2007.

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