USDA AMS Weekly Fast Food Fax Report **February 23, 2009**
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Trade sentiment was steady. Demand was mostly fair to moderate best where features were planned. In the parts complex, wings, dark meat cuts and bone-in breast were balanced to adequate. Boneless skinless breast were well cleared. Tenders were available. Weights were mixed but mostly desirable.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
Classified by Weight - Week Ending Feb 21, 2009

	4.25 lbs. & down	4.26 - 6.25 lbs	6.26 - 7.75 lbs	7.76 lbs & up	Total
Head (1,000's)	41,184	76,740	22,902	13,723	154,549
Avg. Live Weight	3.84	5.43	6.96	8.26	5.48
% of Total	27%	49%	15%	9%	100

FAST FOOD AND FOOD SERVICE SIZES

live weight	RTC wog weight	head (000)	% of Total Slaughter
3.60 lbs & lighter	Under 2.5 lbs.	5,832	3.77%
3.61 - 3.80 lbs.	2.5 - 2.63 lbs.	6,399	4.14%
3.81 - 4.00 lbs.	2.63 - 2.75 lbs.	9,739	6.30%
4.01 - 4.25 lbs.	2.75 - 2.9 lbs.	19,214	12.43%
		41,184	26.64%

Broiler Egg Set Chicks Placed In 19 States Compared With U.S. Broiler Slaughter

Slaughter Week	Egg Sets (000)	% [1]	Chicks Placed (000)	% [1]	Eggs Set 10 Weeks Previous (000)	% [1]	Chicks Placed 7 Weeks Previous (000)	% [1]	Preliminary Federal Inspection (000)	% [2]
Jan 17	**203,245**	**94**	**167,308**	94	193,090	89	159,455	90	160,046	96
Jan 24	**201,358**	**92**	**167,707**	94	202,159	94	166,179	94	148,579	93
Jan 31	**198,868**	**91**	**166,613**	95	203,665	93	167,898	94	148,079	100
Feb 07	**201,851**	**93**	**167,579**	95	204,740	92	168,188	94	155,496	105
Feb 14	**203,511**	**93**	**166,662**	94	200,766	94	166,229	95	154,549	99

NOTE: Data in bold subject to revision; 1/ Percent of previous year; 2/ Percent change from previous week

Whole Broiler/Fryers (cents/lb) Week of Feb 23,2009

	Majority	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year
Grade A, ice-packed:				
New York:	74-77	75.35	75.48	77.41
Los Angeles:	95	93.90	93.85	86.62
Whole Body: /3				
Chicago:	60-72	61.73	66.75	--
Weekly Composite:		80.10	78.81	80.78
Southern States Index:		51.91	51.96	55.17
Georgia Dock (FOB, wtd avg)(Wed Dock 86.50):		86.34	86.48	78.30

Note: 3/ Chicago contains whole body, with or without giblets, all grades, brands, and packaging.

Broiler/Fryer Parts (cents/lb.)
Weekly Weighted Average Price

	Northeast (delivered) 2/20/2009	Sthrn States (FOB) 2/20/2009	Georgia (FOB) 2/23/2009	
Bnls/Sknls Breast	118.15	116.04	128.50	
Tenderloins	159.51	157.88	181.00	(line-run)
Breast - Line Run	78.09	77.15	77.00	(whole)
Leg Quarters	36.64	34.07	35.00	
Wings	152.74	145.04	149.00	