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ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR W/E 07-MAR-09

	Current Week	Previous Week
Broiler/fryer	154,203	157,173

MIDWEST BROILER/FRYER - Preliminary delivered majority prices on next week's trade into the Chicago area moved one cent lower. Whole broiler/fryer market tone was steady on moderate offerings. Fill-in trade was noted on 3 up wogs at 55 and 56 cents delivered. First of the month demand was slightly elevated into retail, while food service though irregular, was generally light to moderate. Eight-piece cutup, wings and fast food drove interest in food service sector. Floor stocks were adequate to long; weights desirable. Parts movement was best on breast cuts and dark meat cuts saw fairly good interest as well. Supplies of boneless/skinless breast remained tight, bone-in breast mixed, large wings increased in availability and dark meat lines were adequate to tight. Trade sentiment was steady to firm on boneless/skinless breast and thighs; other parts were steady.

CHICAGO BROILER/FRYER

Preliminary for Delivery the Week of 09-MAR-2009

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS
WHOLE BODY 1/	50-89.25	58-70	63.57	45

1/: Whole Body category includes whole body birds with or without giblets, all grades, brands, and packaging.

GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES

WEDNESDAY – 86.00 FRIDAY PRELIM. WTD. AVG. – 85.89

GA f.o.b. dock confirmed preliminary WTD AVG price on ice-packed parts:

ITEM	WTD AVG (CENTS PER LB)	VOL (000 POUNDS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	180.00	1,175
BREASTS - B/S	146.00	5,077
BREASTS - WHOLE	78.50	1,426
THIGH MEAT - B/S	114.00	1,307
THIGHS	53.50	729
DRUMSTICKS	61.00	914
LEG QUARTERS	35.50	6,886
WINGS	147.50	2,670

This info is supplied by the GA Dept. of Ag/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 MARCH 06, 2009**

8-16 LB HENS	CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO
EASTERN REGION	75.00 **	75.00 **	82.46
CENTRAL REGION	76.00	72.50	82.00
WESTERN REGION	76.00	75.00 **	82.00

BASED ON OFFERS

16-24 LB TOMS	CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO
EASTERN REGION	74.50	75.25 **	81.93
CENTRAL REGION	76.00	73.25	82.00
WESTERN REGION	76.00	75.00 **	82.00

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 28-Feb-2009 (PRELIMINARY)

	YOUNG CHICKENS THOUSANDS
Head	155,055
Avg Wt	5.52
Last week	154,812
Same wk yr ago	165,910
Avg Wt	5.49
To-date/2009*	1,243,432
To-date/2008*	1,324,561
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage	
Current week	637,648
Last week	632,035
Same wk yr ago	678,580
To-date/2009*	5,097,238
To-date/2008*	5,427,214
Dressing %	74.5%

(A) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update.
**Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.*

LIVE TURKEYS SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

	YOUNG HENS THOUSANDS	YOUNG TOMS THOUSANDS
Head	2,178	2,565
Avg Wt	16.95	39.14
Last week	2,020	2,454
Same wk yr ago	1,949	2,816
Avg Wt	16.16	39.21
To-date/2009*	15,193	20,997
To-date/2008*	15,363	22,582
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage		
Current week	29,531	80,306
Last week	28,441	77,759
Same wk yr ago	25,197	88,332
To-date/2009*	203,453	664,118
To-date/2008*	197,817	715,941
Dressing %	80.0%	80.0%

(A) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update.
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FRESH BEEF CUTS

FOB Negotiated	PRICE	RANGE	WTD AVG
112A 3 **Rib**, ribeye, bnls, heavy	411.00	455.00	445.39
168 3 **Round**, top inside round	164.83	182.00	168.97
180 3 **Loin**, strip, bnls, 0x1	396.25	445.00	406.83
Ground Beef 81%	112.00	122.05	114.84

Source: USDA/AMS, Livestock and Grain Market News