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Trade sentiment was generally steady. Demand was mostly fair to moderate best where features were noted. In the parts complex, wings and dark meat cuts were balanced to adequate. Breast items and tenders were in good balance to well cleared. Weights were mixed but mostly desirable.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
Classified by Weight - Week Ending Mar 07, 2009

	4.25 lbs. & down	4.26 - 6.25 lbs	6.26 - 7.75 lbs	7.76 lbs & up	Total
Head (1,000's)	36,178	82,768	22,056	14,053	155,055
Avg. Live Weight	3.81	5.4	7.02	8.28	5.52
% of Total	23%	54%	14%	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.	3,754	2.42%
3.61 - 3.80 lbs.	2.5 - 2.63 lbs.	7,883	5.08%
3.81 - 4.00 lbs.	2.63 - 2.75 lbs.	15,583	10.05%
4.01 - 4.25 lbs.	2.75 - 2.9 lbs.	8,958	5.78%
		36,178	23.33%

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 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
Feb 21	**205,286**	**94**	**163,268**	92	205,239	94	168,697	95	154,812	100
Feb 21	**206,401**	**94**	**166,849**	94	203,420	93	168,244	94	155,055	100

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 Mar 09,2009

	Majority	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year
Grade A, ice-packed:				
New York:	73-76	74.40	75.38	78.65
Los Angeles:	94	92.10	92.32	88.29
Whole Body: /3				
Chicago:	58-70	64.29	66.01	--
Weekly Composite:		77.05	79.18	79.87
Southern States Index:		51.35	52.08	53.79
Georgia Dock (FOB, wtd avg)(Wed Dock 86.50):		85.57	85.87	79.12

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) 3/6/2009	Sthrn States (FOB) 3/6/2009	Georgia (FOB) 3/9/2009	
Bnls/Sknls Breast	132.90	136.18	146.00	
Tenderloins	156.39	159.11	179.50	(line-run)
Breast - Line Run	79.33	78.24	78.50	(whole)
Leg Quarters	36.46	34.28	35.50	
Wings	150.56	145.09	147.50	