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DELMARVA BROILER/FRYER FACTS FAX

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DELMARVA BROILER/FRYER MARKET, US Grade A, Week Ending 13-MAR-09

DATE	PRODUCTION (000)		ICE-PACKED, MULTI-DROP, IMMEDIATE DELIVERY		
	Actual Slaughter	Live Weight	Price Range	Weighted Price	# of Boxes
03/09	2,161	5.95	58-92	(A)	(A)
03/10	2,116	5.94	61-90	(A)	(A)
03/11	2,140	5.95	61-87	(A)	(A)
03/12	2,163	5.82	61-89	(A)	(A)
03/13	2,128	5.86	58-89	(A)	(A)
Weekly	10,708	5.90	Cumulative:	(A)	(A)

(A)Not released to avoid disclosing individual operations

NEGOTIATED TRADING, USDA GRADE A WHOLE ICE-PACKED, Week of 16-MAR-09

Weighted Averages for:	Current Week	Last Week	Year Ago
New York	71.48	74.40	78.81
Detroit	72.50	75.13	79.30
Los Angeles	91.93	92.10	88.24
Composite Weighted Average	75.52	77.05	81.15

Whole Body, with or without giblets, all grades, brands, and packaging

Weighted Averages for:	Current Week	Last Week	Year Ago
Chicago	62.48	64.29	

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Ice-Packed, Delivered first receivers, pool and trucklot volumes, cents per pound, Week Ending 13-MAR-2009

	Weekly Weighted Average Price	Total Volume/Pounds
Breast – B/S	137.70	2,562,828
Tenderloins	156.68	591,158
Breast – With Ribs	81.93	622,490
Breast – Line Run	79.58	297,000
Legs	55.25	694,850
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	36.18	1,370,080
Drumsticks	64.35	329,508
Thighs	60.89	364,440
B/S Thighs	116.01	237,600
Wings (Whole)	150.07	913,519

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

BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED (000), Week Ending 07-MAR-09

	Current Week	Last Week	Year Ago	10-Weeks Prior	7-Weeks Prior
Eggs Set	203,328	206,401	219,337	202,373	203,806
Chicks Placed	167,561	166,849	179,798	166,229	167,727

SLAUGHTER OF YOUNG CHICKENS UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION W/E 07-MAR-09

	Current Week	Last Week	Year Ago
Head (000)	153,409	155,055	164,514
Average Live Weight	5.53	5.52	5.52
To Date 2009 (000)	1,396,841	1,243,432	---
To Date 2008 (000)	1,489,075	1,324,561	---

MONTHLY COLD STORAGE: Total frozen poultry supplies on January 31, 2009 were down 2 % from the previous month but up 4 % from a year ago. Total stocks of chicken were down 10 % from the previous month and down 11 % from last year. Total pounds of turkey in freezers were up 15 % from last month and up 39 % from January 31, 2008.

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