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ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER
UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR W/E 23-May-09

	Current Week	Previous Week
Broiler/fryer	164,951	162,796

MIDWEST BROILER/FRYER - The preliminary delivered prices on next week's trade into the Chicago area were 2 cents higher. Whole broiler/fryer trade sentiment was steady to firm, and offerings were light. Retail and food service demand was light to good. Catering, retail and fast food orders up slightly entering the holiday weekend. Floor stocks were in a full range; weights desirable. Part supplies were tight to adequate with dark meat cuts in tightest position. The market tone was fully steady to firm on dark meat items, and steady on the balance of parts.

CHICAGO BROILER/FRYER
Preliminary for Delivery the Week of 25-MAY-2009

	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG	LOADS
WHOLE BODY 1/	79-89	79-86	84.11	39

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

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GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES
WEDNESDAY – 87.00 FRIDAY PRELIM. WTD. AVG. – 87.49
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	176.50	1,184
BREASTS - B/S	161.00	5,109
BREASTS - WHOLE	93.50	1,257
THIGH MEAT - B/S	124.50	1,110
THIGHS	63.00	885
DRUMSTICKS	63.50	925
LEG QUARTERS	49.50	7,324
WINGS	137.00	2,759

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 MAY 22, 2009

8-16 LB HENS	CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO
EASTERN REGION	78.50 **	82.00	89.40**
CENTRAL REGION	81.50	78.50**	90.00
WESTERN REGION	78.50 **	78.50**	90.40**

**BASED ON OFFERS

16-24 LB TOMS	CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO
EASTERN REGION	78.50 **	82.00	90.00
CENTRAL REGION	81.50	78.50 **	89.40 **
WESTERN REGION	78.50 **	78.50 **	89.90 **

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
W/E 16-MAY-2009 (PRELIMINARY)

	Young Chickens Thousands
Head	159,312
Avg Wt	5.56
Last week	159,004
Same wk yr ago	169,562
Avg Wt	5.49
To-date/2009*	2,952,319
To-date/2008*	3,147,672
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage	
Current week	659,902
Last week	656,257
Same wk yr ago	693,517
To-date/2009*	12,095,364
To-date/2008*	12,944,538
Dressing %	74.5%

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

LIVE TURKEYS SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
W/E 16-MAY-2009 (PRELIMINARY)

	Young Hens	Young Toms
	Thousands	
Head	2,006	2,749
Avg Wt	16.10	38.21
Last week	1,956	2,727
Same wk yr ago	2,450	2,430
Avg Wt	18.78	38.85
To-date/2009*	35,641	49,748
To-date/2008*	37,381	52,054
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage		
Current week	25,522	82,982
Last week	25,118	82,652
Same wk yr ago	36,349	74,580
To-date/2009*	472,872	1,533,305
To-date/2008*	487,168	1,621,606
Dressing %	79.0%	79.0%

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

FRESH BEEF CUTS
FOB Negotiated

	PRICE RANGE		WTD AVG
112A 3 **Rib**, ribeye, bnls, heavy	495.00	535.00	512.58
168 3 **Round**, top inside round	148.00	160.00	152.70
180 3 **Loin**, strip, bnls, 0x1	611.50	640.00	619.72
Ground Beef 81%	129.00	146.00	137.93

Source: USDA/AMS, Livestock and Grain Market News