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### Chicago Broiler/Fryer

Whole Body 1/

Preliminary for Delivery the Week of 27-Feb-2012

Wtd

 Range
 Majority
 Avg
 Loads

 81-94.25
 88-92
 88.70
 37

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

#### **Estimated U.S. Live Poultry Slaughter**

Under Federal Inspection for Week Ending 25-Feb-12

Current Week Previous Week

Broiler/fryer 153,026 150,358

# **Georgia Fob Dock Prices**

Wed – 91.50 Fri Preliminary Wtd Avg – 90.87

Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed preliminary weighted average price on ice-packed parts:

	Wtd Avg	Volume
Item	(cents/lb)	(000 lbs)
Line Run Tenders	188.50	955
Breasts - B/S	149.50	4,338
Breasts - Whole	91.00	891
Thigh Meat - B/S	123.00	757
Thighs	71.50	735
Drumsticks	70.50	729
Leg Quarters	54.00	5,260
Wings	183.00	2,137
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<u>Midwest Region Broiler/Fryer</u> Preliminary majority was 2 cents lower into Chicago from Tuesday close. Whole bird prices are steady with offers adequate for current needs. Retail and food service demand is light to instances moderate, fast food interest is slowing. Floor stocks are balanced. Sizes are desirable to heavy. Whole bird market activity is light to moderate at best. Supplies of small wings are balanced to tight, jumbo wings readily available while boneless breast are light to moderate and dark meat items mixed. Prices trended barely steady to weak on wings, firm on boneless breasts, steady bone in breast and steady to instances firm on leg items. Parts market activity is light to moderate with wings interest fair.

### Weekly National Frozen Whole Young Turkeys,

Weighted Average Prices, cents per pound, FOB Shipper Dock Basis - Week Ending February 24, 2012

FROZEN Whole Body Turkeys - commodity pack or equivalent; minimum 10,000 lb. lots; current negotiation for delivery within two weeks.

	Current Week		Last Week		Last Year	
U.S. Grade A - FROZEN	wtd avg	volume	wtd avg	volume	wtd avg	volume
	(cents/lb.)	(000 lbs.)	(cents/lb.)	(000 lbs.)	(cents/lb.)	(000 lbs.)
8-16 lb. (Hens)	102.00	600	100.90 <sup>1</sup>		90.33	960
16-24 lb. (Toms)	102.10	954	100.07	134	90.50	680

January Averages			
This	Last	Last	
Month	Month	Year	
98.35	106.54	88.14	
98.76	107.01	88.14	

## <sup>1</sup>based on offers.

Slaught	ered Under Federal Inspectio	n Week Ending 18-	Feb-2012 (Pre	eliminary)
Live Poultry - Your	ng Chickens	Live Turkeys - Yo	ung Hens	Young Toms
	thousands		tho	ousands
Head	150,497	Head	1,671	2,555
Avg Wt	5.70	Avg Wt	17.13	41.54
Last week	149,825	Last week	1,673	2,483
Same wk yr ago	162,177	Same wk yr ago	1,931	2,609
Avg Wt	5.71	Avg Wt	17.46	39.55
To-date/2012*	1,040,350	To-date/2012*	11,708	16,973
To-date/2011*	1,119,887	To-date/2011*	12,207	17,763
% Change YTD	-7%	% Change YTD	-4%	-4%
Ready-to-Cook Weig	ht and Dressing Percentage	Ready-to-Cook Wei	ght and Dressi	ng Percentage
Current week	643,375	Current week	22,898	84,900
Last week	652,862	Last week	22,541	81,941
Same wk yr ago	689,893	Same wk yr ago	26,972	82,549
To-date/2012*	4,461,453	To-date/2012*	158,597	567,280
To-date/2011*	4,756,038	To-date/2011*	166,817	568,226
% Change YTD	-6%	% Change YTD	-5%	0%
Dressing %	75.0%	Dressing %	80.0%	80.0%

(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	600.00	620.00	609.50
168 3 Round, top inside round	221.00	232.00	223.42
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	574.50	601.50	580.55
Ground Beef 81%	174.73	196.71	187.27
Source: USDA/AMS, Livestock and Grain Mar	ket News		