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CHICAGO BROILER/FRYER

Preliminary for Delivery the Week of 22-Oct-2012

	Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Loads
Whole Body 1/	72-96	75-83	80.09	35

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 13-Oct-12

	Current Week	Previous Week
Broiler/fryer	155,110	155,849

GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES

Wed - 95.75

Fri Preliminary Wtd Avg - 95.57

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

Item	Wtd Avg (cents/lb)	Volume (000 lbs)
Line Run Tenders	195.00	1,108
Breasts - B/S	156.50	4,397
Breasts - Whole	98.00	949
Thigh Meat - B/S	131.50	886
Thighs	72.00	1,019
Drumsticks	63.00	878
Leg Quarters	53.00	6,605
Wings	182.50	2,719

This information is supplied by the Georgia Department of Agriculture's Poultry Market News Service.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER The preliminary majority price for next week's delivery into Chicago is higher than Monday's final majority. Prices for whole bird trended firm. Additional offers are light. Demand into retail and foodservice channels is light to instances good going into the weekend. Retail features, sport bars, and eight piece cut-ups into fast food channels provided best movement. Floor stocks are balanced to light. Sizes are desirable to light. Whole bird market activity is moderate to active with best interest on the heavier sizes. Supplies of wings and boneless skinless breasts are light to moderate with the balance of parts moderate to heavy. Prices are steady for wings, steady to weak on breast cuts and dark meat items, and weak on tenders. Market activity on parts is slow.

WEEKLY NATIONAL FROZEN WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS,

Weighted Average Prices, cents per pound, FOB Shipper Dock Basis - Week Ending October 19, 2012

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

U.S. Grade A - FROZEN	Current Week		Last Week		Last Year		September Averages		
	wtd avg (cents/lb.)	volume (000 lbs.)	wtd avg (cents/lb.)	volume (000 lbs.)	wtd avg (cents/lb.)	volume (000 lbs.)	This Month	Last Month	Last Year
8-16 lb. (Hens)	109.48	164	111.13	1,725	113.25	80	110.54	108.53	109.79
16-24 lb. (Toms)	112.15	164	113.17	1,481	114.00	240	110.70	109.04	108.87

¹based on offers.

SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION Week Ending 13-Oct-2012 (Preliminary)

Live Poultry - Young Chickens		Live Turkeys - Young Hens		Young Toms	
---thousands---		-----thousands-----			
Head	154,969	Head	1,669		2,747
Avg Wt	5.86	Avg Wt	16.69		38.93
Last week	154,442	Last week	1,760		2,863
Same wk yr ago	150,088	Same wk yr ago	1,970		2,597
Avg Wt	5.86	Avg Wt	16.44		38.43
To-date/2012*	6,257,782	To-date/2012*	73,418		105,726
To-date/2011*	6,501,074	To-date/2011*	74,566		105,472
% Change YTD	-4%	% Change YTD	-2%		0%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage		Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage			
Current week	685,629	Current week	22,288		85,551
Last week	696,124	Last week	23,705		87,192
Same wk yr ago	659,637	Same wk yr ago	25,909		79,842
To-date/2012*	27,034,459	To-date/2012*	989,464		3,372,492
To-date/2011*	27,772,925	To-date/2011*	1,014,077		3,265,953
% Change YTD	-3%	% Change YTD	-2%		3%
Dressing %	75.5%	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	650.00 715.00	662.52
168 3 Round, top inside round	213.50 243.00	227.24
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	485.00 560.00	515.65
Ground Beef 81%	181.27 214.00	195.37

Source: USDA/AMS, Livestock and Grain Market News