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ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR W/E 14-FEB-09

	Current Week	Previous Week
Broiler/fryer	159,496	159,459

CHICAGO BROILER/FRYER

Preliminary for Delivery the Week of 16-FEB-2009

	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG	LOADS
WHOLE BODY 1/	53-90	61-73	68.09	36

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

MIDWEST BROILER/FRYER - Preliminary delivered majority prices on whole birds for week into the Chicago area were unchanged. The market tone on whole broiler/fryers was steady. Offerings adequate on light trade call. Retail and food service demand was light to moderate; best into sports bars, fast food, retail features and some restaurants. Floor stocks were limited to adequate; weights desirable. Trade in the parts centered on boneless/skinless breast and wings. Offerings of wings were very limited, other parts varied, light to moderate. Trade sentiment was steady to weak on breast cuts and generally steady on the balance of parts.

GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES

WEDNESDAY - 86.75 FRIDAY PRELIM. WTD. AVG. - 86.45

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	182.00	1,175
BREASTS - B/S	131.50	5,077
BREASTS - WHOLE	76.50	1,426
THIGH MEAT - B/S	114.00	1,307
THIGHS	53.50	729
DRUMSTICKS	59.50	914
LEG QUARTERS	34.50	6,887
WINGS	149.00	2,670

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 FEBRUARY 13, 2009

8-16 LB HENS	CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO	16-24 LB TOMS	CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO
EASTERN REGION	75.00	72.70**	76.00**	EASTERN REGION	75.00	72.70**	76.00**
CENTRAL REGION	73.80**	72.70**	77.00	CENTRAL REGION	73.80**	72.70**	77.00
WESTERN REGION	74.33	72.70**	76.00**	WESTERN REGION	74.09	72.70**	76.00**

**BASED ON OFFERS

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 07-FEB-2009 (PRELIMINARY)

Young Chickens	
Thousands	
Head	155,496
Avg Wt	5.49
Last week	148,079
Same wk yr ago	165,446
Avg Wt	5.52
To-date/2009*	779,016
To-date/2008*	828,203
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage	
Current week	635,986
Last week	616,682
Same wk yr ago	680,380
To-date/2009*	3,196,593
To-date/2008*	3,381,116
Dressing %	74.5%

(A) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update.

*Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

LIVE TURKEYS SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

Young Hens		Young Toms	
Thousands			
Head	1,678	2,735	
Avg Wt	15.98	38.87	
Last week	1,785	2,611	
Same wk yr ago	1,991	2,901	
Avg Wt	16.24	39.19	
To-date/2009*	8,931	13,451	
To-date/2008*	9,441	14,330	
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage			
Current week	21,450	85,038	
Last week	24,075	82,879	
Same wk yr ago	25,867	90,952	
To-date/2009*	117,410	425,740	
To-date/2008*	120,854	457,118	
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	395.00 445.00	400.81
168 3 Round, top inside round	168.00 185.00	177.04
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	396.00 436.00	407.03
Ground Beef 81%	125.00 140.40	130.10

Source: USDA/AMS, Livestock and Grain Market News