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Chicago Broiler/Fryer

Preliminary for Delivery the Week of 28-Mar-2011

	Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Loads
Whole Body 1/	62-86.25	75-79	74.99	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 26- Mar-11

	Current Week	Previous Week
Broiler/fryer	159,886	163,126

Georgia Fob Dock Prices

Wed – 86.25

Fri Preliminary Wtd Avg – 86.16

Confirmed preliminary prices on ice-packed parts:

Item	Weighted Average (cents/lb)	Volume (000 lbs)
LINE RUN TENDERS	192.00	1,104
BREASTS - B/S	159.50	4,993
BREASTS - WHOLE	90.00	1,032
THIGH MEAT - B/S	115.00	886
THIGHS	59.50	742
DRUMSTICKS	62.00	784
LEG QUARTERS	46.50	6,978
WINGS	94.50	2,538

This info is supplied by the GA Dept. of Ag/Poultry Market News Service.

Midwest Broiler/Fryer – Preliminary prices are 3 cents lower than last Monday's majority into Chicago. Whole bird prices are steady to slightly lower. Whole bird offerings are moderate for the light buyer interest. Demand into retail outlets is light to moderate, while food service demand was mixed with fast food demand seasonally normal to good. Weights are desirable to light. Market activity on whole birds is slow to moderate. Parts prices remain mixed with bone in breast, jumbo wings and leg items steady and small wings and boneless breast slightly lower. Supplies of all parts are moderate for current needs. Demand for all parts is light to moderate. Market activity is moderate to good for jumbo wings and leg items and moderate for the balance of the parts items.

Weekly National Frozen Whole Young Turkeys,

Weighted Average Prices, cents per pound, FOB Shipper Dock Basis

Frozen Whole Body Trading - Week Ending March 25, 2011 – (commodity pack or equivalent; minimum 10,000 lb. lots)

U.S. Grade A - FROZEN	Current Week		Last Week		Last Year		February 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)	92.25	40	92.50 ¹		76.54	840	89.97	88.14	75.25
16-24 lb. (Toms)	92.80	1	92.50 ¹		81.85	200	90.08	88.14	75.26

¹ based on offers.

Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection Week Ending 19-Mar-2011 (Preliminary)

Live Poultry - Young Chickens

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Head	160,009
Avg Wt	5.65
Last week	157,830
Same wk yr ago	159,740
Avg Wt	5.58
To-date/2011*	1,754,747
To-date/2010*	1,745,930
% Change YTD	1%
<i>Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage</i>	
Current week	673,518
Last week	661,994
Same wk yr ago	664,055
To-date/2011*	7,423,518
To-date/2010*	7,224,957
% Change YTD	3%
Dressing %	74.5%

Live Turkeys - Young Hens

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Head	1,789	2,516
Avg Wt	16.63	39.13
Last week	1,684	2,586
Same wk yr ago	1,849	2,580
Avg Wt	16.84	38.42
To-date/2011*	19,140	27,724
To-date/2010*	19,619	27,769
% Change YTD	-2%	0%
<i>Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage</i>		
Current week	23,803	78,760
Last week	23,225	80,801
Same wk yr ago	24,910	79,299
To-date/2011*	262,325	881,005
To-date/2010*	266,395	873,395
% Change YTD	-2%	1%
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	519.92 595.00	545.05
168 3 Round, top inside round	222.00 230.00	225.72
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	525.60 542.12	528.37
Ground Beef 81%	179.97 194.00	188.10

Source: USDA/AMS, Livestock and Grain Market News