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Chicago Broiler/Fryer

Preliminary for Delivery the Week of 13-Feb-2012

	Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Loads
Whole Body 1/	78-90	80-84	83.03	38

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 11-Feb-12

	Current Week	Previous Week
Broiler/fryer	153,419	154,723

Georgia Fob Dock Prices

Wed - 91.00 Fri Preliminary Wtd Avg - 90.44

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	192.00	1,041
Breasts - B/S	147.50	4,524
Breasts - Whole	90.50	1,007
Thigh Meat - B/S	117.50	872
Thighs	72.00	757
Drumsticks	70.50	762
Leg Quarters	53.50	5,392
Wings	183.00	2,265

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

Midwest Region Broiler/Fryer Preliminary majority prices were 10 cents higher into Chicago and TFEWR elsewhere. Whole bird prices are firm with offers light. Retail and food service demand is light to instances moderate, fast food interest is good. Floor stocks are closely balanced. Sizes are desirable to heavy. Whole bird market activity is light to moderate. Supplies of small wings are balanced, jumbo wings more available while boneless breast are moderate to heavy and dark meat items light to moderate. Prices trended barely steady to weak on wings and boneless breasts, steady on bone in breast and steady to instances firm on leg items. Parts market activity is light to moderate with wings interest slowing.

Weekly National Frozen Whole Young Turkeys,

Weighted Average Prices, cents per pound, FOB Shipper Dock Basis - Week Ending February 10, 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		January 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)	98.07	387	95.92	3,040	87.59	1,020	98.35	106.54	88.14
16-24 lb. (Toms)	98.12	226	96.42	2,349	87.67	1,100	98.76	107.01	88.14

¹ based on offers.

Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection

Week Ending 04-Feb-2012 (Preliminary)

Live Poultry - Young Chickens

	---thousands---
Head	151,562
Avg Wt	5.79
Last week	152,226
Same wk yr ago	156,612
Avg Wt	5.63
To-date/2012*	740,028
To-date/2011*	799,763
% Change YTD	-7%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage	
Current week	658,158
Last week	666,750
Same wk yr ago	656,886
To-date/2012*	3,165,216
To-date/2011*	3,400,130
% Change YTD	-7%
Dressing %	75.0%

Live Turkeys - Young Hens

	-----thousands-----
Head	1,769
Avg Wt	15.76
Last week	1,699
Same wk yr ago	1,689
Avg Wt	17.29
To-date/2012*	8,364
To-date/2011*	8,662
% Change YTD	-3%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage	
Current week	22,304
Last week	23,518
Same wk yr ago	23,362
To-date/2012*	113,158
To-date/2011*	117,430
% Change YTD	-4%
Dressing %	80.0%

Young Toms

	-----thousands-----
Head	2,466
Avg Wt	41.57
Last week	2,453
Same wk yr ago	2,530
Avg Wt	39.55
To-date/2012*	11,935
To-date/2011*	12,334
% Change YTD	-3%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage	
Current week	82,005
Last week	81,706
Same wk yr ago	80,049
To-date/2012*	400,439
To-date/2011*	399,475
% Change YTD	0%
Dressing %	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	551.00 586.00	560.60
168 3 Round, top inside round	214.00 225.00	217.36
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	520.00 547.00	526.91
Ground Beef 81%	181.00 196.71	188.21

Source: USDA/AMS, Livestock and Grain Market News