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 Des Moines, IA  
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**Beef**

IMPS#	Description	Wts	lbs./loads	Avg	Change Prv/wk
<b>Boxed Beef Cuts, Select 1-3</b>					
113C	Chuck, Semi-bnls, neck/off		227,785	200.23	-8.97
115	Chuck, 2-pc bnls	50-80 Lbs	19,841	221.99	-10.02
116A	Chuck Roll, n/o 1x1	13-25 Lbs	2,465,274	206.82	-14.89
120	Brisket	6-14 Lbs	1,101,324	196.91	-7.45
123A	Short Rib	1-4 Lbs	33,932	318.36	10.79
160	Round, Bn-in	50-85 Lbs	7,106	203.95	-6.83
161	Round, Bnls	42-80 Lbs	17,462	217.97	-3.38
168	Inside Round	14-26 Lbs	334,707	198.62	-6.71
170	Gooseneck Round	18-33 Lbs	17,811	202.82	5.04
	Blended Coarse ground Blend 81%		187,733	208.86	0.14
	Blended Coarse ground Blend 85%		52,917	221.53	-5.44
<b>Cow Cuts/</b>					
<b>Boneless Processing Items</b>					
	Boneless Chuck 85%		67,032	212.11	-2.68
	Top Inside Round (168)	10-up Lbs	83,763	219.25	-12.04
<b>Bnls Processing Beef/</b>					
<b>Beef Trimmings, Fresh</b>					
	90% Chemical Lean		4,131,748	206.30	-0.79
	50% Chemical Lean		4,104,914	92.22	-6.55
<b>Pork</b>					
	Pork Loin, Fresh 1/4" Trim	21 Lbs/dn	35.0	124.03	-0.84
	Boston Butt, Fresh 1/4" Trim	5-10 Lbs	88.0	108.34	-1.41
		4.25	35.5	155.62	-2.56
	Spareribs, Fresh	Lbs/dn			
	Ham, Bone-in, Trm'd TS 1	17-20 Lbs			--
	Ham, Bone-in, Trm'd TS 1	20-23 Lbs	11.0	76.00	1.00
	Belly, Sdls, Skin-on, Trm'd	14-16 Lbs	2.0	110.00	--
	Belly, Sdls, Skin-on, Trm'd	16-18 Lbs	2.0	110.00	--
	Boneless Picnic Meat, Fresh		6.0	70.00	
	72% Chemical Lean		29.0	63.24	-0.01

**Dairy Market News**  
 Madison, WI  
 608.278.4150

**Butter**

Bulk butter, f.o.b. producing plant, national price range, truckload quantities  
 This Week Last Week  
 1.4600- 1.5800 1.4100 - 1.5300

**American Cheese**

Process cheese, 5-pound loaf, national price range, dollars/lb.  
 This Week Last Week  
 1.5975- 2.3600 1.6100 - 2.3600

**Fluid Milk - March 2012**

Base prices paid for raw milk by Class I milk processors, dollars/gallon

Product	Price Level	Change from Prv/Month	Change from Prv/Year
Class I Base (3.5%)	1.4015	-0.0628	-0.1660
Whole Milk	1.3688	-0.0610	-0.1512
Reduced Fat Milk (2%)	1.2079	-0.0529	-0.0781
Fat-free Milk	1.0115	-0.0430	0.0103

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**Final Broiler/Fryers**

Ready-to-Cook, Ice-packed, cents/lb., Delivered to First Receivers 1/  
 U.S. Grade A: **Los Angeles** 102.68 **New York** 95.86  
 Whole Body 2/: **Chicago** 94.38  
 1/: Includes branded product. 2/: Whole Body category includes whole body birds with or without giblets, all grades, brands, & packaging.

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**Broiler/Fryer Parts Bulk** - Ready-to-Cook, Ice-packed, cents/lb.  
 Weekly Weighted Average Price

	Breast B/S	Leg Quarters
Northeast (Delivered)	133.04	53.26
Southern States (FOB)	134.36	49.18

**National Turkeys** - Frozen Whole Body Trading, (commodity pack or equivalent; min. 10,000 lb. lots) U.S. Grade A, FOB Shipper Dock basis  
 Week Ending March 09, 2012

	Wtd Avg (cents/lb)	Volume (000 lbs)
8-16 lb. (Hens)	102.33	60
16-24 lb. (Toms)	104.00	172

<sup>1</sup>Based on offers

**Table Eggs** - Large, sales to volume buyers, white (in cartons), cents/doz.

Delivered Warehouse	Delivered Store Door Metropolitan Areas
USDA Grade A & Grade A	USDA Grade A & Grade A
Northeast	New York 114-118
Southeast	Midwest 91-99
Midwest	<b>USDA Grade AA &amp; Grade AA</b>
S. Central	S. CA 109-121

**National Egg Products** - F.O.B. Shipper Dock Basis; Wholesale prices; cents per pound unless otherwise noted.

**Liquid** - non-pasteurized in trucklots, current trading for delivery within 14 days. (Range)

Whole	Whites	Yolks	TFEWR
55.00-59.00	48.00-51.00		

**Frozen** - Packed in 30-pound containers; less-than-trucklot reflects a minimum volume of 25 containers. (Range)

	Trucklot	Less-than-Trucklot
<b>Whole</b>	67.00-76.00	74.00-75.00
<b>Whites</b>	69.00-75.00	74.00-76.00

**Dried** - Prices in dollars per pound; in containers; includes trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes. (Range)

Whole	Yolks	Blends <sup>1/</sup>
2.25-2.75	1.66-2.10	2.20-2.50

<sup>1/</sup> Whole plus sweetener.

**Fruit & Vegetable Market News**  
 Washington, DC  
 202.720.2745

**Fruits**

Apples, Red Delicious, WAExFancy, cartons tray pack, 100s, Yakima Valley & Wenatchee District, WA	18.00
Blueberries, 12-1 pint cups with lids, medium-large, Chile through Philadelphia	27.00
Strawberries, 8-1 pound containers w/ lids, medium-large Oxnard District CA Central FL small-medium	10.50 7.90
Oranges, 7/10 bushel cartons, Navel, 88s, Shippers first grade, Central & Southern CA & AZ	9.24
Watermelons, Red Flesh Seedless Type, cartons per lb, 5s, Mexico crossings through Nogales, AZ	.38
Grapes, Thompson Seedless, 18 lb containers bagged, large, Chile Imports-Port of Entry Philadelphia Area	17.00

**Vegetables**

Broccoli, Bunched 14s, Cartons, Central & Western AZ	13.13
Carrots, medium-large Sacks, 48 1-lb film bags, Kern District CA	12.88
Celery, 2 1/2 dozen, cartons, Oxnard District CA	7.96
Lettuce, Iceberg, 24s, cartons film lined, Western AZ	6.48
Peppers, Bell Type, Green, 1 1/9 bushel cartons, large, Central & South FL	15.35
Tomatoes, 85% U.S. One or Better 25lb cartons loose, Mature Greens, 6x6 size, South FL	13.95
Onions, Yellow Hybrid, 50 lb sacks, Jumbo, Idaho & Malheur County, OR	4.50
Potatoes, Russet Burbank, U.S. One, 50 lb cartons, 70s, Upper Valley, Twin Falls-Burley District ID	13.00

**Simple average of week ending prices of stated grades or stock of generally good merchantable quality & condition. Prices f.o.b. shipping point basis. Dollars per unit.**