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Beef

IMPS#	Description	Wts	lbs./loads	Avg	Change Prv/wk
Boxed Beef Cuts, Select 1-3					
113C	Chuck, Semi-bnls, neck/off		406,300	192.35	-7.88
115	Chuck, 2-pc bnls	50-80 Lbs	27,307	219.97	-2.02
116A	Chuck Roll, n/o 1x1	13-25 Lbs	665,270	210.39	3.56
120	Brisket	6-14 Lbs	503,116	196.24	-0.66
123A	Short Rib	1-4 Lbs	36,708	332.95	14.59
160	Round, Bn-in	50-85 Lbs	19,746	199.57	-4.38
161	Round, Bnls	42-80 Lbs	26,266	216.19	-1.78
168	Inside Round	14-26 Lbs	202,281	201.04	2.43
170	Gooseneck Round	18-33 Lbs	22,868	196.00	-6.82
	Blended Coarse ground Blend 81%		147,186	201.27	-7.59
	Blended Coarse ground Blend 85%		99,248	219.91	-1.62
Cow Cuts/ Boneless Processing Items					
	Boneless Chuck 85%		88,155	213.54	1.43
	Top Inside Round (168)	10-up Lbs	138,359	209.78	-9.47
Bnls Processing Beef/ Beef Trimmings, Fresh					
	90% Chemical Lean		4,131,748	206.30	-0.79
	50% Chemical Lean		3,232,399	89.23	-2.99
Pork					
	Pork Loins, Fresh 1/4" Trim	21 Lbs/dn	46.5	121.02	-3.01
	Boston Butt, Fresh 1/4" Trim	5-10 Lbs	89.5	107.48	-0.86
	Spareribs, Fresh	4.25 Lbs/dn	25.5	151.20	-4.42
	Ham, Bone-in, Trmd TS 1	17-20 Lbs	5.0	71.80	--
	Ham, Bone-in, Trmd TS 1	20-23 Lbs	7.0	69.86	-6.14
	Belly, Sdls, Skin-on, Trmd	14-16 Lbs	12.0	103.33	-6.67
	Belly, Sdls, Skin-on, Trmd	16-18 Lbs	6.0	103.33	-6.67
	Boneless Picnic Meat, Fresh		17.0	67.00	-3.00
	72% Chemical Lean		21.0	59.29	-3.96

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Madison, WI
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Butter

Bulk butter, f.o.b. producing plant, national price range, truckload quantities
This Week Last Week
1.4825- 1.6025 1.4600 - 1.5800

American Cheese

Process cheese, 5-pound loaf, national price range, dollars/lb.
This Week Last Week
1.4825- 1.6025 1.4600 - 1.5800

Fluid Milk - April 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%)	1.3465	-0.0550	-0.3242
Whole Milk	1.3160	-0.0528	-0.3084
Reduced Fat Milk (2%)	1.1667	-0.0412	-0.2314
Fat-free Milk	0.9843	-0.0272	-0.1382

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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** 102.36 **New York** 95.82
Whole Body 2/: **Chicago** 93.20

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)	134.51	53.14
Southern States (FOB)	129.42	49.09

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 23, 2012

	Wtd Avg (cents/lb)	Volume (000 lbs)
8-16 lb. (Hens)	104.50	40
16-24 lb. (Toms)	104.50	30

¹Based 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 128-132
Southeast	Midwest 104-112
Midwest	USDA Grade AA & Grade AA
S. Central	S. CA 122-134

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 56.50-60.00 **Whites** 47.00-55.00 **Yolks** 70.00-76.00

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

	Trucklot	Less-than-Trucklot
Whole	74.00-84.00	78.00-80.00
Whites	68.00-75.00	73.00-74.00

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

Whole	2.39-2.80	Yolks	1.75-2.02	Blends^{1/}	2.20-2.25
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^{1/} Whole plus sweetener.

Fruit & Vegetable Market News
Washington, DC
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Fruits

Apples, Red Delicious, WAExFancy, cartons tray pack, 100s, Yakima Valley and Wenatchee District, WA	18.00
Blueberries, 12-6 ounce cups with lids, medium-large, Chile through Philadelphia	21.00
Strawberries, 8-1 pound containers with lids, med-large Oxnard District CA	11.50
Central FL small-medium	8.90
Oranges, 7/10 bushel cartons, Navel, 88s, Shippers first grade, Central & Southern CA and AZ	10.24
Watermelons, Red Flesh Seedless Type, cartons per lb, 5s, Mexico Crossings through Nogales, AZ	.39
Grapes, Thompson Seedless, 18 lb containers bagged, large, Chile Imports-Port of Entry Philadelphia Area	17.00

Vegetables

Broccoli, Bunched 14s, Cartons, Central and Western AZ	8.95
Carrots, medium-large Sacks, 48 1-lb film bags, Kern District CA	12.88
Celery, 2 1/2 dozen, cartons, Oxnard District CA	7.00
Lettuce, Iceberg, 24s, cartons film lined, Western AZ	7.08
Peppers, Bell Type, Green, 1 1/9 bushel cartons, large, Central & South FL	10.60
Tomatoes, 85% U.S. One or Better 25lb cartons loose, Mature Greens, 6x6 size, South FL	9.45
Onions, Yellow Hybrid, 50 lb sacks, Jumbo, Idaho and Malheur County, OR	5.50
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.