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Chicago Broiler/Fryer

Preliminary for Delivery the Week of 07-May-2012

	Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Loads
Whole Body 1/	75-91	76-81	80.67	37

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 05-May-12

	Current Week	Previous Week
Broiler/fryer	153,733	152,091

Georgia Fob Dock Prices

Wed – 93.50

Fri Preliminary Wtd Avg – 92.91

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	211.00	1,012
Breasts - B/S	164.50	4,396
Breasts - Whole	102.50	949
Thigh Meat - B/S	137.00	811
Thighs	75.50	740
Drumsticks	74.00	732
Leg Quarters	54.50	5,301
Wings	180.00	2,188

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

Midwest Region Broiler/Fryer Preliminary majority prices into Chicago were higher for next week. Whole bird prices are firm to higher with offers light. Retail and food service demand is light to instances good going into the weekend. Fast food demand is moderate to good, especially into promotions. Floor stocks are mixed. Weights are desirable. Whole bird market activity is light to moderate. Parts supplies are moderate to heavy on wings, bone-in breasts, legs, and leg meat; boneless skinless breasts and tenders light; and light to moderate on the balance of parts. Prices trended firm to higher boneless skinless breasts; firm on tenders; steady to weak on wings, bone-in breasts, legs, and leg meat; and steady on the remainder of parts. Parts market activity is light to moderate.

Weekly National Frozen Whole Young Turkeys,

Weighted Average Prices, cents per pound, FOB Shipper Dock Basis - Week Ending May 04, 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		April 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)	108.50 ¹		105.51	122	97.00	12	106.89	103.70	96.68
16-24 lb. (Toms)	107.00	249	108.43	516	97.33	12	107.69	104.45	99.33

¹ based on offers.

Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection

Week Ending 28-Apr-2012 (Preliminary)

Live Poultry - Young Chickens

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Head	152,792
Avg Wt	5.85
Last week	154,825
Same wk yr ago	156,149
Avg Wt	5.80
To-date/2012*	2,554,038
To-date/2011*	2,706,199
% Change YTD	-6%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage	
Current week	674,844
Last week	668,627
Same wk yr ago	674,720
To-date/2012*	11,005,979
To-date/2011*	11,499,053
% Change YTD	-4%

Live Turkeys - Young Hens

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Head	1,883	2,684
Avg Wt	16.76	40.16
Last week	1,992	2,610
Same wk yr ago	1,803	2,621
Avg Wt	16.70	39.41
To-date/2012*	30,276	42,385
To-date/2011*	29,678	43,023
% Change YTD	2%	-1%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage		
Current week	25,244	86,238
Last week	25,798	84,809
Same wk yr ago	23,938	82,118
To-date/2012*	408,143	1,393,142
To-date/2011*	405,737	1,359,358
% Change YTD	1%	2%

Dressing % 75.5%

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	575.00 615.00	602.12
168 3 Round, top inside round	202.00 219.00	207.57
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	578.01 611.50	591.81
Ground Beef 81%	202.00 223.40	211.42

Source: USDA/AMS, Livestock and Grain Market News