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Chicago Broiler/Fryer

Preliminary for Delivery the Week of 07-May-2012

	Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Loads
Whole Body 1/	72-95	78-86	83.95	33

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 12-May-12

	Current Week	Previous Week
Broiler/fryer	157,718	153,733

Georgia Fob Dock Prices

Wed – 94.00 Fri Preliminary Wtd Avg – 93.48

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	220.50	984
Breasts - B/S	173.00	4,367
Breasts - Whole	106.00	920
Thigh Meat - B/S	139.50	816
Thighs	75.50	742
Drumsticks	75.00	734
Leg Quarters	55.00	5,304
Wings	181.50	2,195

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. Prices of whole birds trended steady to firm. Additional offerings are light to moderate. Retail demand is light to instances good with promotional items receiving best call. Food service demand is moderate to good with good movement into fast food channels and restaurants for the Mother's Day holiday weekend. Floor stocks are mixed. Sizes are light to heavy. Whole bird market activity is light to moderate. Supplies of breast cuts and tenders light; most dark meat items light to moderate; and moderate on the remainder of parts. Prices trended firm to higher on breast cuts and tenders with the balance of parts steady to firm. 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 11, 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		108.50 ¹		100.25	10	106.89	103.70	96.68
16-24 lb. (Toms)	104.00	40	107.00	249	104.00	108	107.69	104.45	99.33

¹ based on offers.

Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection

Week Ending 05-May-2012 (Preliminary)

Live Poultry - Young Chickens

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Head	151,715
Avg Wt	5.79
Last week	152,792
Same wk yr ago	159,052
Avg Wt	5.79
To-date/2012*	2,705,753
To-date/2011*	2,865,251
% Change YTD	-6%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage	
Current week	663,215
Last week	674,844
Same wk yr ago	686,079
To-date/2012*	11,669,194
To-date/2011*	12,185,132
% Change YTD	-4%

Live Turkeys - Young Hens

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Head	1,658	2,837
Avg Wt	16.90	39.77
Last week	1,883	2,684
Same wk yr ago	1,829	2,642
Avg Wt	17.38	39.55
To-date/2012*	31,934	45,222
To-date/2011*	31,507	45,665
% Change YTD	1%	-1%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage		
Current week	22,417	90,269
Last week	25,244	86,238
Same wk yr ago	25,271	83,070
To-date/2012*	430,560	1,483,411
To-date/2011*	431,008	1,442,428
% Change YTD	0%	3%

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	591.00 620.00	604.83
168 3 Round, top inside round	205.00 225.00	213.91
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	591.00 618.00	602.50
Ground Beef 81%	208.50 221.00	216.19

Source: USDA/AMS, Livestock and Grain Market News