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Chicago Broiler/Fryer

Preliminary for Delivery the Week of 30-Jul-2012

	Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Loads
Whole Body 1/	59-92	64-82	73.10	32

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 28-Jul-12

	Current Week	Previous Week
Broiler/fryer	159,514	164,620

Georgia Fob Dock Prices

Wed - 94.75

Fri Preliminary Wtd Avg - 94.27

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	200.00	1,162
Breasts - B/S	158.50	4,284
Breasts - Whole	100.50	921
Thigh Meat - B/S	130.00	873
Thighs	74.50	959
Drumsticks	74.00	818
Leg Quarters	51.00	5,222
Wings	187.50	2,295

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

Midwest Region Broiler/Fryer Preliminary majority prices into Chicago are unchanged to lower from Monday's final. Whole bird prices are steady to weak with offers moderate to heavy. Retail and food service demand is light to moderate; best movement on eight piece cut-ups and into local fairs, picnics, and festivals. Fast food is light to moderate with slight improvements noted for weekend orders. Floor stocks are closely balanced to long. Sizes are light to heavy. Whole bird market activity is light. Supplies of wings and tenders are light; bone in breasts and dark meat items light to moderate; and boneless skinless breasts moderate to heavy. Prices are steady to firm on wings and tenders; steady on dark meat items and bone- in breasts; and weak on boneless skinless breasts. Market activity on parts is light.

Weekly National Frozen Whole Young Turkeys,

Weighted Average Prices, cents per pound, FOB Shipper Dock Basis - Week Ending July 27, 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		July 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)	107.50	80	106.50 ¹		104.00 ¹		106.43	106.00	104.00
16-24 lb. (Toms)	106.34	19	107.00 ¹		105.50 ¹		106.96	106.51	105.08

¹based on offers.

Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection Week Ending 21-Jul-2012 (Preliminary)

Live Poultry - Young Chickens

	---thousands---
Head	158,653
Avg Wt	5.67
Last week	156,299
Same wk yr ago	160,496
Avg Wt	5.66
To-date/2012*	4,403,827
To-date/2011*	4,628,374
% Change YTD	-5%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage	
Current week	679,170
Last week	656,112
Same wk yr ago	676,763
To-date/2012*	18,967,708
To-date/2011*	19,761,370
% Change YTD	-4%

Live Turkeys - Young Hens

	-----thousands-----
Head	1,792
Avg Wt	16.25
Last week	1,778
Same wk yr ago	1,825
Avg Wt	16.36
To-date/2012*	52,262
To-date/2011*	51,952
% Change YTD	1%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage	
Current week	23,293
Last week	23,440
Same wk yr ago	23,886
To-date/2012*	704,149
To-date/2011*	709,977
% Change YTD	-1%

Young Toms

	-----thousands-----
Head	2,908
Avg Wt	38.75
Last week	2,430
Same wk yr ago	2,701
Avg Wt	37.05
To-date/2012*	73,563
To-date/2011*	74,482
% Change YTD	-1%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage	
Current week	90,143
Last week	74,311
Same wk yr ago	80,058
To-date/2012*	2,387,599
To-date/2011*	2,326,621
% Change YTD	3%

Dressing % 75.5%

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	568.92 635.00	610.74
168 3 Round, top inside round	200.00 217.00	206.49
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	480.00 541.00	491.25
Ground Beef 81%	148.00 192.00	150.36

Source: USDA/AMS, Livestock and Grain Market News