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CHICAGO BROILER/FRYER

Preliminary for Delivery the Week of 03-Sept -2012

	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG	LOADS
WHOLE BODY 1/	62.00-93.00	62-74	72.23	35
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 31-Aug-12

	Current Week	Previous Week
Broiler/fryer	156,925	159,748

GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES

WEDNESDAY – 95.50 FRIDAY PRELIM. WTD. AVG. – 95.29

Confirmed preliminary prices on ice-packed parts:

ITEM	WTD AVG (CENTS PER LB)	VOL (000 LBS)
Line Run Tenders	208.50	1,072
Breasts - B/S	176.00	4,428
Breasts - Whole	102.50	943
Thigh Meat - B/S	131.50	883
Thighs	73.00	1,043
Drumsticks	73.50	886
Leg Quarters	52.00	7,055
Wings	185.50	2,852

This info is supplied by the GA Dept. of Ag/Poultry Market News Service.

MIDWEST BROILER/FRYER - Preliminary majority prices into Chicago are steady to lower than Monday's final majority. Whole bird prices are lower. Additional offerings are moderate to at times heavy. Demand into retail and food service channels is light to moderate at best going into the holiday weekend. A slight improvement was noted late in the trading period. Fast food demand is light to moderate. Floor stocks are mixed. Sizes are desirable to at times heavy. Whole bird market activity is slow to moderate. Supplies of boneless skinless breasts and small wings are moderate to heavy, light on tenders, and moderate on the balance of parts. Parts prices trended firm on tenders and jumbo wings, steady on dark meat items, and weak to lower on boneless skinless breasts and small wings. Market activity on parts is slow to moderate.

WEEKLY NATIONAL FROZEN WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS

Weighted Average Prices, cents per pound, FOB Shipper Dock Basis - Week Ending August 31, 2012

Frozen Whole Body Trading - 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)	107.57	280	111.65	260	107.40 ¹		108.53	106.43	103.14
16-24 lb. (Toms)	110.33	21	111.82	150	107.50 ¹		109.04	106.96	105.06

¹ based on offers.

SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION Week Ending 25-Aug-2012 (Preliminary)

LIVE POULTRY Young Chickens ---Thousands---		LIVE TURKEYS Young Hens Young Toms -----Thousands-----	
Head	157,800	Head	1,905 2,735
Avg Wt	5.79	Avg Wt	17.05 38.34
Last week	157,872	Last week	1,784 2,659
Same wk yr ago	157,223	Same wk yr ago	1,959 2,458
Avg Wt	5.63	Avg Wt	16.69 37.07
To-date/2012*	5,187,670	To-date/2012*	61,474 86,958
To-date/2011*	5,418,103	To-date/2011*	61,291 87,624
% Change YTD	-4%	% Change YTD	0% -1%
<i>Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage</i>		<i>Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage</i>	
Current week	689,815	Current week	25,981 83,879
Last week	671,059	Last week	23,378 80,174
Same wk yr ago	659,448	Same wk yr ago	26,157 72,894
To-date/2012*	22,330,266	To-date/2012*	826,248 2,794,903
To-date/2011*	23,087,983	To-date/2011*	833,733 2,721,789
% Change YTD	-3%	% Change YTD	-1% 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	670.61 700.00	684.19
168 3 Round, top inside round	209.73 230.00	221.07
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	490.00 541.00	502.82
Ground Beef 81%	186.41 215.00	205.44

Source: USDA/AMS, Livestock and Grain Market News