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CHICAGO BROILER/FRYER

Preliminary for Delivery the Week of 17-Sep-2012

	Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Loads
Whole Body 1/	64-96	66-78	75.67	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 15-Sep-12

	Current Week	Previous Week
Broiler/fryer	157,048	143,131

GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES

Wed – 95.75 Fri Preliminary Wtd Avg – 95.50

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	208.00	1,105
Breasts - B/S	173.00	4,460
Breasts - Whole	102.50	1,160
Thigh Meat - B/S	130.00	948
Thighs	74.00	1,043
Drumsticks	73.50	886
Leg Quarters	52.00	7,120
Wings	182.50	2,916

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

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER The preliminary majority price into the Chicago area for next week is unchanged from Monday's majority price. Whole bird prices are steady to fully steady. Additional offerings are moderate. Demand into retail and food service channels is moderate with good weekend interest and movement. Fast food is moderate. Floor stocks are mixed. Sizes are in a desirable range. Whole bird market activity is slow to moderate. Supplies of jumbo wings are light, breast cuts moderate to heavy, and on the balance of parts moderate. Parts prices trended steady to firm on jumbo wings, weak to lower on breast cuts, and generally steady on the remainder of parts. Market activity on parts is slow. Trucking issues pertaining to availability continue for some.

WEEKLY NATIONAL FROZEN WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS,

Weighted Average Prices, cents per pound, FOB Shipper Dock Basis - Week Ending September 14, 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		August 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	80	110.50 ¹		104.00	40	108.53	106.43	105.39
16-24 lb. (Toms)	110.50 ¹		110.50 ¹		108.70 ¹		109.04	106.96	106.91

¹based on offers.

SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION Week Ending 08-Sep-2012 (Preliminary)

Live Poultry - Young Chickens		Live Turkeys - Young Hens		Young Toms	
---thousands---		-----thousands-----			
Head	139,196	Head	1,493		2,430
Avg Wt	5.74	Avg Wt	16.75		37.79
Last week	156,776	Last week	1,708		2,602
Same wk yr ago	141,495	Same wk yr ago	1,725		2,161
Avg Wt	5.73	Avg Wt	16.90		37.99
To-date/2012*	5,483,642	To-date/2012*	64,675		91,990
To-date/2011*	5,721,012	To-date/2011*	64,828		92,361
% Change YTD	-4%	% Change YTD	0%		0%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage		Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage			
Current week	603,234	Current week	20,008		73,471
Last week	678,236	Last week	23,139		82,996
Same wk yr ago	604,021	Same wk yr ago	23,322		65,677
To-date/2012*	23,611,736	To-date/2012*	869,395		2,951,370
To-date/2011*	24,370,233	To-date/2011*	880,582		2,864,231
% 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	665.00 699.52	671.57
168 3 Round, top inside round	209.50 236.50	215.25
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	485.00 528.00	493.55
Ground Beef 81%	177.80 215.50	189.17

Source: USDA/AMS, Livestock and Grain Market News