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CHICAGO BROILER/FRYER

Preliminary for Delivery the Week of 29-Oct-2012

	Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Loads
Whole Body 1/	81-96	81-87	85.70	27

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 27-Oct-12

	Current Week	Previous Week
Broiler/fryer	153,519	155,110

GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES

Wed - 96.00

Fri Preliminary Wtd Avg - 95.59

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	197.00	1,059
Breasts - B/S	161.50	4,255
Breasts - Whole	100.00	892
Thigh Meat - B/S	131.50	873
Thighs	73.00	959
Drumsticks	71.00	818
Leg Quarters	53.00	6,530
Wings	182.50	2,661

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

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER The preliminary majority price for next week's delivery into Chicago is higher than Monday's majority. Prices for whole bird trended firm with offers light. Demand into retail and foodservice channels is light to moderate with best movement on retail features and fast food promotions. Floor stocks are closely balanced to light as many buyers are content with regular orders. Sizes are desirable. Whole bird market activity is moderate. Supplies of wings and breasts are light to moderate with tenders and dark meat items moderate to heavy. Prices are steady for wings and steady to weak on breast cuts and dark meat items. 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 October 26, 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		September 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)	110.07	1,637	109.48	164	117.54	128	110.54	108.53	109.79
16-24 lb. (Toms)	114.16	1,292	112.15	164	111.36	410	110.70	109.04	108.87

¹based on offers.

SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION Week Ending 20-Oct-2012 (Preliminary)

Live Poultry - Young Chickens		Live Turkeys - Young Hens		Young Toms
---thousands---		-----thousands-----		
Head	155,464	Head	2,143	2,794
Avg Wt	5.95	Avg Wt	17.90	38.78
Last week	154,969	Last week	1,669	2,747
Same wk yr ago	155,241	Same wk yr ago	2,326	2,681
Avg Wt	5.81	Avg Wt	17.55	38.99
To-date/2012*	6,413,246	To-date/2012*	75,561	108,520
To-date/2011*	6,656,315	To-date/2011*	76,892	108,153
% Change YTD	-4%	% Change YTD	-2%	0%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage		Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage		
Current week	698,383	Current week	30,688	86,681
Last week	685,629	Last week	22,288	85,551
Same wk yr ago	676,463	Same wk yr ago	32,662	83,633
To-date/2012*	27,732,842	To-date/2012*	1,020,152	3,459,173
To-date/2011*	28,449,388	To-date/2011*	1,046,739	3,349,586
% Change YTD	-3%	% Change YTD	-3%	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	675.00 724.00	682.60
168 3 Round, top inside round	218.00 233.00	221.45
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	485.00 551.00	499.29
Ground Beef 81%	176.00 205.00	180.73

Source: USDA/AMS, Livestock and Grain Market News