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****Effective January 4, 2013 the following reports will be discontinued: Daily New York, Chicago, Midwest, Northeast, Southern, Delmarva, Los Angeles, Western Region Broiler Report, Weekly Composite Weighted Average for RTC Broiler Report, Weekly Eastern, Central, and Western WOG Report, Weekly Final/Preliminary Broiler Report, and Weekly Mississippi Final/Preliminary Broiler Report. The weighted average prices and volumes reported on these reports will continue to be published on the Weekly National Whole Broiler/Fryer Report. The new report can be found at www.ams.usda.gov/PYMReportWholeBroilerFryer.****

CHICAGO BROILER/FRYER

Preliminary for Delivery the Week of 26-Nov-2012

	Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Loads
Whole Body 1/	92-105	92-99	96.75	29

1/: Whole Body category includes whole body birds with or without giblets, all grades, brands, and packaging.

GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES Wed - 97.00

There will not be another market report until Monday the 26th of November due to the Thanksgiving Day holiday weekend.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER The preliminary majority for next week's delivery into the Chicago area is higher than Monday's final majority. Whole bird prices are firm with offers very light. Retail and food service demand is moderate following the Thanksgiving holiday. Best movement on deli, rotisserie, and fast food items going into the weekend. Floor stocks are closely balanced to light. Sizes are desirable. Whole bird market activity is moderate. Parts supplies are light to moderate. Prices trended generally steady on all part items. Market activity on parts is slow.

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

Under Federal Inspection for Week Ending 24-Nov-12
Broiler/fryer **CW:** 122,460 **PW:** 160,103

WEEKLY NATIONAL FROZEN WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS,

Weighted Average Prices, cents per pound, FOB Shipper Dock Basis - Week Ending November 23, 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		October 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)	106.15	219	107.07	286	112.50	200	110.27	110.54	114.83
16-24 lb. (Toms)	108.52	270	112.92	125	114.46	218	112.18	110.70	111.95

¹based on offers.

SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION Week Ending 17-Nov-2012 (Preliminary)

Live Poultry - Young Chickens		Live Turkeys - Young Hens		Young Toms	
---thousands---		-----thousands-----			
Head	151,106	Head	2,118		2,898
Avg Wt	5.83	Avg Wt	16.88		38.47
Last week	154,621	Last week	2,828		2,991
Same wk yr ago	147,263	Same wk yr ago	2,210		2,761
Avg Wt	5.67	Avg Wt	16.66		38.66
To-date/2012*	7,020,721	To-date/2012*	85,630		120,455
To-date/2011*	7,261,250	To-date/2011*	86,995		119,776
% Change YTD	-3%	% Change YTD	-2%		1%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage		Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage			
Current week	665,116	Current week	28,601		89,189
Last week	692,261	Last week	40,655		89,850
Same wk yr ago	626,236	Same wk yr ago	29,454		85,393
To-date/2012*	30,414,781	To-date/2012*	1,160,904		3,825,663
To-date/2011*	31,040,115	To-date/2011*	1,186,674		3,703,880
% Change YTD	-2%	% Change YTD	-2%		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	717.00 775.00	746.79
168 3 Round, top inside round	200.00 228.89	219.15
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	470.00 529.73	484.04
Ground Beef 81%	171.00 202.89	181.21

Source: USDA/AMS, Livestock and Grain Market News