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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/PYMNReportWholeBroilerFryer.****

NOTE: The Georgia Dept. of Agriculture office will be closed Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 24 and 25th for Christmas. Therefore, today's reported prices are final weighted averages instead of normal preliminary weighted average prices. The next report will come out on Wednesday, Dec. 26th.

CHICAGO BROILER/FRYER

Preliminary for Delivery the Week of 24-Dec-2012

	Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Loads
Whole Body 1/	90-103.25	90-97	95.70	31

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

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER The preliminary majority price for next week's delivery into the Chicago area on whole birds is unchanged to higher. Whole bird prices are trending firm with offerings seasonally light. Retail and food service demand is light to moderate going into the weekend with best movement on features, small wings, and eight piece cut-ups. Floor stocks are balanced. Sizes are desirable to heavy. Whole bird market activity is moderate to active. Supplies of bone-in breasts and wings are light to moderate with the balance of parts moderate to available. Parts prices trended generally steady on all items. Market activity on parts is slow to moderate.

GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES

Wed - 97.75

Final Wtd Avg - 97.41

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	191.00	1,603
Breasts - B/S	161.50	6,603
Breasts - Whole	100.00	1,116
Thigh Meat - B/S	134.50	845
Thighs	73.50	1,497
Drumsticks	74.50	1,143
Leg Quarters	53.00	8,573
Wings	187.50	3,313

Info supplied by the GA Dept. of AG Poultry Market News Service.

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

Under Federal Inspection for Week Ending 22-Dec-12

Broiler/fryer **CW:** 158,288 **PW:** 154,917

WEEKLY NATIONAL FROZEN WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS

Weighted Average Prices, cents per pound, FOB Shipper Dock Basis - Week Ending December 21, 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		November 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)	99.50	120	95.50	80	101.83	960	108.86	110.27	113.57
16-24 lb. (Toms)	99.81	146	97.33	60	103.19	846	110.46	112.18	113.08

¹based on offers.

SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

Week Ending 15-Dec-2012 (Preliminary)

Live Poultry - Young Chickens

	---thousands---
Head	152,381
Avg Wt	5.83
Last week	153,222
Same wk yr ago	148,975
Avg Wt	5.65
To-date/2012*	7,603,571
To-date/2011*	7,822,961
% Change YTD	-3%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage	
Current week	670,728
Last week	687,155
Same wk yr ago	631,282
To-date/2012*	33,008,551
To-date/2011*	33,468,941
% Change YTD	-1%

Live Turkeys - Young Hens

	-----thousands-----
Head	2,046
Avg Wt	16.65
Last week	1,967
Same wk yr ago	1,569
Avg Wt	16.45
To-date/2012*	92,382
To-date/2011*	93,389
% Change YTD	-1%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage	
Current week	27,253
Last week	25,886
Same wk yr ago	20,648
To-date/2012*	1,250,077
To-date/2011*	1,270,266
% Change YTD	-2%

Young Toms

	-----thousands-----
Head	2,629
Avg Wt	40.98
Last week	2,597
Same wk yr ago	2,454
Avg Wt	41.08
To-date/2012*	130,041
To-date/2011*	129,116
% Change YTD	1%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage	
Current week	86,189
Last week	86,096
Same wk yr ago	80,654
To-date/2012*	4,139,655
To-date/2011*	4,001,644
% Change YTD	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	638.59 723.00	670.38
168 3 Round, top inside round	215.00 235.00	225.64
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	480.00 528.00	499.84
Ground Beef 81%	162.00 210.60	176.21

Source: USDA/AMS, Livestock and Grain Market News