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ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR W/E 20-SEP-08

	Current Week	Previous Week
Broiler/fryer	170,276	165,112

CHICAGO BROILER/FRYER

PRELIMINARY for Delivery the Week of 22-SEP-2008

	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG	LOADS
US GRADE A	55-76.75	65-69	64.90	22

GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES

WEDNESDAY – 88.25

FRIDAY PRELIM. WTD. AVG. – 87.72

Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed PRELIMINARY weighted average price on ice-packed parts:

ITEM	WTD AVG (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000) POUNDS
LINE RUN TENDERS	175.00	1,134
BREASTS - B/S	140.50	5,063
BREASTS - WHOLE	82.00	1,139
THIGH MEAT - B/S	129.50	1,031
THIGHS	61.50	579
DRUMSTICKS	71.50	692
LEG QUARTERS	55.00	7,959
WINGS	97.00	2,455

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

MIDWEST BROILER/FRYER - Preliminary majority delivered prices were lower into the Chicago market. Whole broiler/fryer ended the week on a barely steady to weak market tone. Producer offerings continued to oversupply current light trade needs. Retail and food service movement was slow to moderate overall; some Ohio area fast food/restaurant operations were seeing fairly good traffic, due to storm related issues. Floor stocks were adequate to ample; weights desirable to heavy. Parts trade was best on wings and several distributors noted incoming orders short on wings; boneless/skinless breast was in balance, demand was moderate; and remaining parts were available on mixed clearance. Trade sentiment was fully steady to mostly firm on wings, and steady on breast cuts and mostly steady to instances weak on dark meat lines.

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, DENTS PER LB, DELIVERED, (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) W/E SEPTEMBER 19, 2008

8-16 LB HENS	CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO	16-24 LB TOMS	CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO
EASTERN REGION	99.79	100.00	93.00	EASTERN REGION	99.00	100.10 **	94.00 **
CENTRAL REGION	98.57	99.00	92.62	CENTRAL REGION	96.00	99.00	93.00
WESTERN REGION	99.00	102.00	92.50 **	WESTERN REGION	99.00	102.00	93.00 **

**BASED ON OFFERS

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 13-SEP-2008 (PRELIMINARY)

Young Chickens	
	Thousands
Head	167,637
Avg Wt	5.46
Last week	144,936
Same wk yr ago	168,326
Avg Wt	5.48
To-date/2008	6,073,047
To-date/2007	5,942,411
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage	
Current week	681,897
Last week	612,231
Same wk yr ago	687,208
Dressing %	74.5%

LIVE TURKEYS SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

Young Hens		Young Toms	
	Thousands		Thousands
Head	2,137		2,671
Avg Wt	16.73		37.94
Last week	1,775		2,254
Same wk yr ago	2,112		2,753
Avg Wt	16.96		36.69
To-date/2008	73,451		101,033
To-date/2007	72,695		96,053
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage			
Current week	28,780		81,577
Last week	24,277		70,256
Same wk yr ago	28,835		81,311
Dressing %	80.5%		80.5%

FRESH BEEF CUTS

FOB Negotiated	PRICE	RANGE	WTD AVG
112A 3 Rib, ribeye, bnls, heavy	460.00	515.00	466.77
168 3 Round, top inside round	183.65	199.75	184.68
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	460.00	485.25	464.88
Ground Beef 81%	149.40	158.00	153.30

Source: USDA/AMS, Livestock and Grain Market News