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DELMARVA BROILER/FRYER FACTS FAX

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DELMARVA BROILER/FRYER MARKET, US Grade A, Week Ending 13-Dec-02

DATE	PRODUCTION (000)	ICE-PACKED, MULTI-DROP, IMMEDIATE DELIVERY			
	<u>Actual Slaughter</u>	<u>Live Weight</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Weighted Price</u>	<u># of Boxes</u>
12/09	1,969	5.17	47-66	53.45	9,031
12-10	2,409	5.26	48-66	53.72	8,040
12-11	2,292	5.14	45-64	54.00	7,586
12-12	2,343	5.10	48-66	55.31	7,941
12-13	2,307	5.19	46-63	54.16	8,860
Weekly	11,321	5.16	Cumulative:	54.11	41,457

NEGOTIATED TRADING, USDA GRADE A WHOLE ICE-PACKED, Week of 16-Dec-02

Weighted Averages for:	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year Ago</u>
New York	50.61	49.73	46.96
Chicago	44.87	45.02	48.05
Detroit	44.33	44.45	48.82
Los Angeles	65.10	64.51	65.10
12-City Composite	53.89	53.73	55.25

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Ice-Packed, Delivered first receivers, pool and trucklot volumes, cents per pound, Week Ending 13-Dec-02

	<u>Weekly Weighted Average Price</u>	<u>Total Volume/Pounds</u>
Breast - B/S	125.62	2,254,440
Tenderloins	104.58	598,702
Breast - With Ribs	66.60	910,400
Breast - Line Run	62.09	614,760
Legs	30.64	982,520
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	18.09	2,102,599
Drumsticks	24.96	644,620
Thighs	30.83	248,670
B/S Thighs	65.08	345,350
Wings (Whole)	46.01	918,057

(Includes NY City metro area, RI, Northern NJ, MA, CT, PA (NE of Harrisburg))

BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED (000), Week Ending 07-Dec-02

	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year Ago</u>	<u>10-Weeks Prior</u>	<u>7-Weeks Prior</u>
Eggs Set	200,727	200,843	204,465	191,826	185,344
Chicks Placed	161,965	161,040	167,382	164,755	155,300

SLAUGHTER OF YOUNG CHICKENS UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION, W/E 07-DEC-02

	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year Ago</u>
Head (000)	151,980	115,454	156,932
Average Live Weight	5.13	4.98	5.26
To Date 2002 (000)	7,570,901	7,418,921	-----
To Date 2001 (000)	7,520,213	7,363,281	-----

MONTHLY COLD STORAGE: Total frozen poultry supplies on 10/31/02 were down 1% from last month but were 31% above last year's level. Total stocks of chicken were up 2% from last month and were 35% above last year. Total pounds of turkeys in freezers decreased 6% from last month but were up 31% above last year.

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