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DELMARVA BROILER/FRYER FACTS FAX

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DELMARVA BROILER/FRYER MARKET, US Grade A, Week Ending 30-Jan-04

DATE	PRODUCTION (000)		ICE-PACKED, MULTI-DROP, IMMEDIATE DELIVERY			
	Actual Slaughter	Live Weight	Price Range	Weighted Price	# of Boxes	
01-26	1,089	6.22	61-88	76.21	8,557	
01-27	2,208	5.61	74-88	78.79	3,840	
01-28	2,172	5.54	74-85	76.80	7,590	
01-29	2,136	5.42	74-87	79.59	4,964	
01-30	3,115	5.24	68-87	78.96	9,206	
Weekly	10,720	5.51	Cumulative:	77.87	34,157	

NEGOTIATED TRADING, USDA GRADE A WHOLE ICE-PACKED, week of 02-Feb-04

Weighted Averages for:	Current Week	Last Week	Year Ago
New York	77.17	73.58	55.48
Chicago	72.59	69.54	55.24
Detroit	71.86	70.62	56.08
Los Angeles	76.21	74.84	67.02
Composite Weighted Average	74.90	72.54	60.49

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Ice-Packed, Delivered first receivers, pool and trucklot volumes, cents per pound, Week Ending 30-Jan-04

	Weekly Weighted Average Price	Total Volume/Pounds
Breast - B/S	168.86	2,381,264
Tenderloins	162.56	532,680
Breast - With Ribs	100.27	813,960
Breast - Line Run	97.83	558,120
Legs	44.05	1,347,362
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	32.76	2,054,623
Drumsticks	43.60	652,940
Thighs	44.92	412,820
B/S Thighs	93.60	347,982
Wings (Whole)	121.54	464,430

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

BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED (000), Week Ending 24-Jan-04

	Current Week	Last Week	Year Ago	10-Weeks Prior	7-Weeks Prior
Eggs Set	205,000	207,059	204,707	205,388	204,376
Chicks Placed	165,359	166,475	166,045	155,730	167,623

SLAUGHTER OF YOUNG CHICKENS UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION, W/E 24-JAN-04

	Current Week	Last Week	Year Ago
Head (000)	147,528	157,478	144,124
Average Live Weight	5.24	5.20	5.17
To Date 2004 (000)	463,841	316,313	-----
To Date 2003 (000)	449,815	305,691	-----

MONTHLY COLD STORAGE: Total frozen poultry supplies on **December 31, 2003** were up 5% from last month but down 13% from last year's level. Total stocks of chicken were up 7% from last month but 21% below last year. Total pounds of turkey in freezers increased 1% from last month and were 6% above last year.

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