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CHICAGO BROILER/FRYER

PRELIMINARY FOR DELIVERY THE WEEK OF 13-SEP-2004

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD. AVG.	LOADS
US GRADE A	44-78.5	58-61	61.03	30

GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES

WEDNESDAY

78.50

FRIDAY PRELIM. WTD. AVG.:

78.33

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

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 11-Sep-04

	Current Week	Previous Week
Broiler/fryer	153,951	175,449

ITEM	WTD. AVG. (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	231.50	1,444
BREASTS - B/S	187.00	5,528
BREASTS - WHOLE	105.50	1,539
THIGH MEAT - B/S	79.50	1,078
LEG QUARTERS	31.50	7,550
WINGS	111.50	2,980

MIDWEST Preliminary majority prices for next week's deliveries into the Chicago area were unchanged from Tuesday's final. Heavy broiler/fryer offerings remained ample on a weak market undertone while smaller birds were in balance with a steady market tone. Retail demand was light to moderate, although several businesses were noting fairly good demand, especially for planned features. Food service demand was light to moderate. Floor stocks were in a full range. Weights were mostly desirable. Parts offerings were at least adequate and for the most part fully adequate to ample. Trade interest varied, light to at times moderate. The market tone was steady to barely steady on leg quarters and wings and weak on remaining parts.

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 10, 2004

8-16 LB HENS	CURRENT	LAST	SAME WEEK	16-24 LB TOMS	CURRENT	LAST	SAME WEEK
	WEEK	WEEK	YEAR AGO		WEEK	WEEK	YEAR AGO
EASTERN REGION	73.75**	73.60**	62.31	EASTERN REGION	73.75**	73.40**	59.33
CENTRAL REGION	73.25**	74.00	62.00	CENTRAL REGION	73.25**	74.00	58.70**
WESTERN REGION	73.00	73.50**	61.50	WESTERN REGION	73.75**	73.40**	60.40

**BASED ON OFFERS

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 04-September-2004 (PRELIMINARY)

YOUNG CHICKENS

	THOUSANDS
Head	167,764
Avg Wt	5.16
Last week	164,670
Same wk yr ago	137,041
Avg Wt	5.15
To-date/2004	5,479,282
To-date/2003	5,381,911

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED

YOUNG HENS YOUNG TOMS
THOUSANDS

	YOUNG HENS	YOUNG TOMS
Head	1,827	2,716
Avg Wt	15.68	34.80
Last week	1,878	2,750
Same wk yr ago	1,670	2,356
Avg Wt	15.40	34.38
To-date/2004	60,786	89,148
To-date/2003	65,508	95,304

FRESH PORK CUTS

FOB Negotiated	PRICE RANGE	WTD AVG
Loin		
1/8" Trm/less 21#DN-LGT	119.00 - 121.00	120.00
BNLS Strap-on 5-11#	160.00	160.00
Trimmed Butt		
1/4" Trim Stk Rdy	88.00 - 95.00	91.50
SPARERIB		
3BAG/3 PCVAC4.25#/DN-LGT	122.00	122.00

FRESH BEEF CUTS

FOB Negotiated	PRICE RANGE	WTD AVG
112A 3 Rib, ribeye, bnls, heavy	480.00 515.00	489.45
168 3 Round, top inside round	149.00 165.00	157.91
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	409.15 433.48	416.84
Ground Beef 81%	123.75 137.72	129.56

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