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DELMARVA BROILER/FRYER FACTS FAX

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DELMARVA BROILER/FRYER MARKET, US Grade A, Week Ending 06-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>	
12/02	2,313	5.20	44-65	51.22	8,715	
12-03	2,391	5.17	44-62	50.86	8,211	
12-04	2,095	5.27	45-65	51.88	8,250	
12-05	2,119	5.26	46-65	51.75	5,831	
12-06	2,346	5.12	46-65	52.90	5,331	
Weekly	11,264	5.20	Cumulative:	51.62	36,339	

NEGOTIATED TRADING, USDA GRADE A WHOLE ICE-PACKED, Week of 09-Dec-02

Weighted Averages for:	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year Ago</u>
New York	49.73	47.30	46.91
Chicago	45.02	43.88	48.34
Detroit	44.45	43.38	49.36
Los Angeles	64.51	65.00	66.42
12-City Composite	53.73	53.14	55.60

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Ice-Packed, Delivered first receivers, pool and trucklot volumes, cents per pound, Week Ending 06-Dec-02

	<u>Weekly Weighted Average Price</u>	<u>Total Volume/Pounds</u>
Breast - B/S	126.88	1,379,116
Tenderloins	102.56	532,228
Breast - With Ribs	64.40	761,394
Breast - Line Run	60.46	656,080
Legs	30.21	856,720
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	18.05	1,973,768
Drumsticks	26.28	462,800
Thighs	29.58	255,150
B/S Thighs	63.87	312,560
Wings (Whole)	45.86	858,530

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

BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED (000), Week Ending 30-Nov-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	200,843	199,513	211,929	189,766	192,103
Chicks Placed	161,040	154,558	165,267	165,368	153,824

SLAUGHTER OF YOUNG CHICKENS UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION, W/E 30-NOV-02

	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year Ago</u>
Head (000)	115,454	149,717	157,112
Average Live Weight	4.98	5.16	5.18
To Date 2002 (000)	7,418,921	7,303,467	-----
To Date 2001 (000)	7,363,281	7,206,169	-----

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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