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DELMARVA BROILER/FRYER FACTS FAX

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DELMARVA BROILER/FRYER MARKET, US Grade A, Week Ending 01-Mar-03

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>	
02-24	2,331	5.17	54-72	59.89	9,128	
02-25	2,350	5.08	52-70	59.85	8,665	
02-26	2,337	5.20	49-70	59.04	9,057	
02-27	2,314	5.14	49-70	60.39	7,259	
02-28	2,224	5.06	49-70	58.84	8,719	
Weekly	11,556	5.13	Cumulative:	59.57	42,827	

NEGOTIATED TRADING, USDA GRADE A WHOLE ICE-PACKED, Week of 03-Mar-03

Weighted Averages for:	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year Ago</u>
New York	55.73	56.57	47.45
Chicago	55.49	55.32	47.70
Detroit	56.23	56.60	48.80
Los Angeles	67.42	65.50	65.85
12-City Composite	60.83	60.38	55.39

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Ice-Packed, Delivered first receivers, pool and trucklot volumes, cents per pound, Week Ending 28-Feb-03

	<u>Weekly Weighted Average Price</u>	<u>Total Volume/Pounds</u>
Breast - B/S	137.50	2,481,510
Tenderloins	116.45	636,900
Breast - With Ribs	86.67	1,189,760
Breast - Line Run	79.65	705,280
Legs	30.95	1,757,356
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	20.93	2,251,245
Drumsticks	28.65	639,340
Thighs	32.83	321,190
B/S Thighs	65.01	372,660
Wings (Whole)	71.73	1,007,116

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

BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED (000), Week Ending 22-Feb-03

	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year Ago</u>	<u>10-Weeks Prior</u>	<u>7-Weeks Prior</u>
Eggs Set	203,562	202,463	211,110	203,451	204,119
Chicks Placed	164,979	166,036	170,461	162,898	164,413

SLAUGHTER OF YOUNG CHICKENS UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION, W/E 22-FEB-03

	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year Ago</u>
Head (000)	147,355	152,044	155,982
Average Live Weight	5.04	5.15	5.15
To Date 2003 (000)	1,177,523	1,030,168	-----
To Date 2002 (000)	1,215,914	1,059,932	-----

MONTHLY COLD STORAGE: Total frozen poultry supplies on 01/31/03 were up 5% from last month and were 7% above last year's level. Total stocks of chicken were down 6% from last month and down slightly from last year. Total pounds of turkeys in freezers increased 31% from last month and were 23% above last year.

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