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DELMARVA BROILER/FRYER FACTS FAX

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DELMARVA BROILER/FRYER MARKET, US Grade A, Week Ending 18-Apr-03

DATE	PRODUCTION (000)		ICE-PACKED, MULTI-DROP, IMMEDIATE DELIVERY			
	Actual Slaughter	Live Weight	Price Range	Weighted Price	# of Boxes	
04-14	2,364	5.23	52-66	54.90	8,743	
04-15	2,316	5.18	50-66	53.99	9,899	
04-16	2,292	5.15	50-63	55.35	8,042	
04-17	2,309	5.08	50-71	55.71	8,373	
04-18	1,884	5.15	51-66	54.64	9,643	
Weekly	11,166	5.16	Cumulative:	54.88	44,699	

NEGOTIATED TRADING, USDA GRADE A WHOLE ICE-PACKED, Week of 21-Apr-03

Weighted Averages for:	Current Week	Last Week	Year Ago
New York	52.24	52.14	45.86
Chicago	50.37	50.10	44.88
Detroit	50.60	50.60	45.80
Los Angeles	67.41	67.19	63.97
12-City Composite	57.61	57.87	53.09

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Ice-Packed, Delivered first receivers, pool and trucklot volumes, cents per pound, Week Ending 18-Apr-03

	Weekly Weighted Average Price	Total Volume/Pounds
Breast - B/S	148.37	2,241,230
Tenderloins	134.93	465,310
Breast - With Ribs	83.02	927,480
Breast - Line Run	80.09	474,440
Legs	31.36	1,466,060
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	21.17	1,857,932
Drumsticks	29.70	537,380
Thighs	32.49	292,044
B/S Thighs	66.54	359,020
Wings (Whole)	63.91	902,280

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

BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED (000), Week Ending 12-Apr-03

	Current Week	Last Week	Year Ago	10-Weeks Prior	7-Weeks Prior
Eggs Set	209,026	207,900	211,198	203,905	204,584
Chicks Placed	169,038	167,672	169,433	166,420	164,469

SLAUGHTER OF YOUNG CHICKENS UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION, W/E 12-APR-03

	Current Week	Last Week	Year Ago
Head (000)	152,185	156,255	157,463
Average Live Weight	5.17	5.06	5.10
To Date 2003 (000)	2,243,079	2,090,894	-----
To Date 2002 (000)	2,286,883	2,129,420	-----

MONTHLY COLD STORAGE: Total frozen poultry supplies on 03/31/03 were up 3% from last month but down 7% from last year's level. Total stocks of chicken were down 4% from last month and down 20% from last year's level. Total pounds of turkeys in freezers increased 14% from last month and 16% above last year.

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