



**United States Department of Agriculture
Agricultural Marketing Service
Poultry Market News**

May 06, 2003

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYER FACTS FAX

The "Source" of Poultry and Egg Market Information

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYER MARKET, US Grade A, Week Ending 02-May-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>	
04-28	2,213	5.46	45-65	55.06	10,888	
04-29	2,286	5.25	50-71	54.93	8,912	
04-30	2,342	5.16	50-66	54.64	7,836	
05-01	2,281	5.13	50-71	56.11	8,341	
05-02	2,216	5.06	50-63	55.08	10,348	
Weekly	11,338	5.21	Cumulative:	55.16	46,326	

NEGOTIATED TRADING, USDA GRADE A WHOLE ICE-PACKED, Week of 05-May-03

Weighted Averages for:	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year Ago</u>
New York	52.39	52.36	48.59
Chicago	50.36	50.09	48.40
Detroit	50.60	50.67	48.70
Los Angeles	67.01	67.59	65.53
12-City Composite	57.89	58.10	55.83

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Ice-Packed, Delivered first receivers, pool and trucklot volumes, cents per pound, Week Ending 02-May-03

	<u>Weekly Weighted Average Price</u>	<u>Total Volume/Pounds</u>
Breast - B/S	148.60	2,397,680
Tenderloins	133.43	703,870
Breast - With Ribs	84.20	934,520
Breast - Line Run	79.77	510,280
Legs	30.35	1,320,760
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	20.82	2,468,832
Drumsticks	29.64	669,980
Thighs	33.69	297,890
B/S Thighs	65.14	442,190
Wings (Whole)	65.90	975,636

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

BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED (000), Week Ending 26-Apr-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	209,218	208,793	210,178	202,449	207,539
Chicks Placed	171,781	166,755	172,792	165,871	165,230

SLAUGHTER OF YOUNG CHICKENS UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION, W/E 26-APR-03

	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year Ago</u>
Head (000)	153,380	144,469	157,688
Average Live Weight	5.16	5.31	5.01
To Date 2003 (000)	2,540,928	2,387,548	-----
To Date 2002 (000)	2,603,211	2,445,523	-----

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.

For additional information call (404) 562-5850, FAX (404) 562-5875

Internet: www.ams.usda.gov/marketnews.htm