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**DELMARVA BROILER/FRYER FACTS FAX**

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**DELMARVA BROILER/FRYER MARKET, US Grade A, Week Ending 23-Apr-04**

DATE	PRODUCTION (000)		ICE-PACKED, MULTI-DROP, IMMEDIATE DELIVERY		
	Actual Slaughter	Live Weight	Price Range	Weighted Price	# of Boxes
04/19	2,200	5.46	70-91	78.37	7,653
04/20	2,212	5.45	70-89	78.57	7,504
04/21	2,201	5.48	70-91	78.92	6,272
04/22	2,213	5.32	70-91	79.42	8,426
04/23	2,022	5.38	76-92	79.58	7,999
Weekly	10,848	5.42	Cumulative:	78.99	37,855

**NEGOTIATED TRADING, USDA GRADE A WHOLE ICE-PACKED, Week of 26-Apr-04**

Weighted Averages for:	Current Week	Last Week	Year Ago
New York	76.36	76.04	52.36
Chicago	74.50	74.29	50.09
Detroit	75.62	75.75	50.67
Los Angeles	79.63	79.73	67.59
12-City Composite	76.05	76.53	58.10

**NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Ice-Packed, Delivered first receivers, pool and trucklot volumes, cents per pound, Week Ending 23-Apr-04**

	Weekly Weighted Average Price	Total Volume/Pounds
Breast - B/S	216.69	3,094,984
Tenderloins	224.72	488,420
Breast - With Ribs	120.63	711,310
Breast - Line Run	116.00	591,280
Legs	42.54	1,626,115
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	33.08	1,901,782
Drumsticks	38.66	662,280
Thighs	47.84	337,380
B/S Thighs	108.74	366,890
Wings (Whole)	125.30	686,320

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

**BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED (000), Week Ending 17-Apr-04**

	Current Week	Last Week	10-Weeks Prior	7-Weeks Prior
Eggs Set	213,662	212,939	208,865	210,864
Chicks Placed	171,422	171,566	168,183	168,319

**SLAUGHTER OF YOUNG CHICKENS UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION, W/E 17-APR-04**

	Current Week	Last Week	Year Ago
Head (000)	152,185	150,462	144,469
Average Live Weight	5.26	5.22	5.31
To Date 2004 (000)	2,297,086	2,144,901	-----
To Date 2003 (000)	2,260,755	2,116,286	-----

**MONTHLY COLD STORAGE:** Total frozen poultry supplies on **March 31, 2004** were 10% higher than the previous month, but were 7% lower than a year ago. Total stocks of chicken were up 10% from the previous month, but down 7% from last year. Total pounds of turkey in freezers were up 9% from last month, but down 6% from March 31, 2003.

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