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### WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE?

# **Our Factory Free Broilers**

Unvaccinated

Full beak (no cannibalism)

Probiotics (immuno-stimulant)

Composting litter in brooder

(sanitized through decomposition)

Carbon/Nitrogen ration 30:1

Practically no ammonia vapor (smell)

Brooder skylights and access to natural light

Rest at night-lights off, save for moonlight

No medications

No synthetic vitamins

No appetite stimulants

Natural trace minerals (kelp)

Small groups (100 or fewer chickens per doop)

Low stress (group divisions)

Clean air

Fresh air and sunshine

Plenty of exercise

Fresh daily organic pasture

Short transport to processing

Killed by slitting throat

Carefully hand eviscerated

Processing uses only 4 gallons of water/bird

Guts and feathers are used for fertilizer

Effluent used for irrigation

Customer inspected

# **Factory Chicken (free-range, organic, whatever)**

Vaccinated

Debeaked (cannibalism is a problem with packing density)

Antibiotics (immuno-depressant)

Sterilized litter

(sanitized through toxic fumes and sprays)

Carbon/Nitrogen ratio 12:1

Hyper-ammonia toxicity

No sky lights- artificial lighting only

Artificial lighting 24/7

Routine medications

Routine synthetic vitamins

Routine appetite stimulants (arsenic)

Manufactured and acidulated trace minerals

Huge groups (10,000 or more)

High stress

Air hazy with fecal particulate (damages respiratory tract and pulls

vitamins out of body, overloading liver)

Limited air and practically no sunshine

Limited exercise

No green material or bugs

Long transport to processing

Killed by electric shock (inhibits bleeding after throat is slit

mechanically eviscerated (prone to breaking intestines and spilling

feces over carcass

Processing uses 5+ gallons of water/bird

Guts are cooked and rendered, then fed back to chickens

Effluent treated as sewage

Government inspected



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No injections during processing

Low percentage of rejected livers and carcasses

Dead birds composted

Manure falls directly on growing forage and active soil for efficient nutrient cycling-converted

to plants

Sick birds put in hospital pen for a second

chance-most get well

Fresh air and sunshine sanitize processing area

Cooking loss 9% of carcass weight

Long keepers (freeze more than a year)

No drug-resistant diseases

Low saturated fat

No chlorine baths

No irradiation

Environmentally responsible

Promotes family farming

Decentralized food system

Promotes entrepreneurial spirit

Rural revitalization

Locally grown and mixed feed with identifiable ingredients

Consumer/producer relationship

8-12 weeks to butcher weight

3 stage grow-out (brood, pasture pens, day range)

Dust baths

Open farm – see where your chicken is raised

Value based

Rich, delicious taste

**Edible** 

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Routine injections (anything from tenderizing to dyes)

High percentage of liver rejects or carcasses (breast blisters)

Dead birds incinerated or buried (possible contamination

Manure fed to cattle or spread inappropriately (ammonia vaporization-

air pollution, nitrate leaking—water pollution

Sick birds destroyed

Toxic germicides to sanitize processing facility

Cooking loss 20% of carcass weight (plumped/injected)

Short keepers (freeze only 6 months or less)

Drug-resistant disease (R-factor Salmonella)

High Saturated fat

Up to 40 chlorine baths (to kill contaminants)

FDA-approved irradiation (label not required)

Environmentally irresponsible (hidden costs)

Promotes feudal/serf agriculture

Centralized food system

Promotes low-wage/time-clock employment

Urban expansion

Who knows....only the nutritionist

Consumer/ producer alienation

5-7 weeks to butcher weight

All Out - All In buildings

Bathe in urine/waste

Bio-hazard sites – very limited access

Price based

Poor flat taste

**Inedible**