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Prices began the week sharply higher in all areas except New York where prices were unchanged. As the week progressed prices were unchanged in most areas but were trending sharply higher for next week. New York prices have been moving up sharply during the current week. The trade sentiment was firm on all sizes. Demand was moderate to very good in areas with feature activity. Supplies were tight to balanced for the larger sizes and adequate to fully adequate for the balance. All breaking stock prices were unchanged to higher during the week. Offerings were mostly tight to instances adequate with demand light to fairly good. Sellers were asking higher prices and holding with confidence as some buyers resist and work from internal supplies. Floor stocks were closely balanced to adequate. Schedules were full time. Trade sentiment was fully steady to firm. Removal costs for spent hens were unchanged to slightly higher. Offerings were usually adequate for the fair demand. The trade sentiment was steady. Removal prices ranged 4.5-9 cents, mostly 5-8.5 cents per head.



PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

MIDWEST REGIONAL Prices to producers in IA-MN-WI were higher for large and medium. Other reported prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was firm for all sizes. Retail demand was moderate to very good. Loose egg demand was fairly good to good. Supplies were adequate to close for the larger sizes and adequate to fully adequate for the balance. Central states breaking stock prices were higher. Offerings were mostly tight to at times adequate for the fairly good demand. Sellers were asking higher prices and holding with confidence. Floor stocks were closely balanced to adequate. Schedules full time. Trade sentiment steady to firm.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	39-49	40-46
LARGE	38-48	39-42
MEDIUM	20-30	22-25

MIDWEST AREA: IA,IL,IN,KY,MI,MN,OH,NE,ND,SD,WI,WV, Western NY, and Western PA

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged, however all sizes were trending sharply higher. Trade sentiment remained firm. Demand was moderate to good. Supplies were adequate to close. Breaking stock offerings were usually adequate for the moderate demand. Spent hens were at least sufficient for processing requirements.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	52-67	53-56
LARGE	46-60	51-55
MEDIUM	23-36	28-30

NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, Eastern NJ, Eastern NY, PA, RI, Northern VA, and VT

SHELL EGGS-COMBINED REGIONAL AUGUST 19, 2005

Average prices on sales to volume buyers, Grade A Large or better, White eggs in cartons, delivered warehouse, cents per dozen.

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	49.00	46.00	25.00
SOUTHEAST	46.50	44.50	24.00
MIDWEST	38.00	35.50	19.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	54.50	47.50	25.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	47.36	43.54	23.57

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS FOR LOOSE EGGS AT FARM, CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS, CENTS PER DOZEN

	08-23-05	08-16-05	08-24-04
Large	21-30	16-25	24-31
Medium	11-15	7-11	10-14

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT-AM AUG 22, 2005

STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/ 2/
(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

		NO	SO	SO	5-Area		
		Northeast	CENT	Atl	Pacific		
Jumbo	Curr Wk	7.8	10.1	4.3	9.2	10.3	41.7
	Change	0.8	2.5	-0.6	-0.8	1.2	8%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	23.2	34.7	8.9	19.5	32.6	118.9
	Change	-1.0	-3.5	-6.0	-0.7	1.2	-8%
Large	Curr Wk	39.0	139.9	41.3	72.6	80.6	373.4
	Change	-1.6	-13.1	-8.2	-6.0	-0.4	-7%
Medium	Curr Wk	17.4	57.8	19.3	28.8	36.0	159.3
	Change	1.9	-5.6	0.7	0.7	-1.3	-2%
Small	Curr Wk	10.8	9.2	6.5	12.2	6.6	45.3
	Change	1.6	-1.3	0.0	4.3	0.3	12%
Misc	Curr Wk	4.7	45.0	9.4	18.3	6.1	83.5
	Change	0.3	5.3	1.9	2.9	-0.5	13%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	17.6	39.0	9.6	26.3	27.4	119.9
	Change	1.7	-5.8	-3.1	9.9	-8.3	-4%
Total	Curr Wk	120.5	335.7	99.3	186.9	199.6	942.0
	Percent Change	3%	-6%	-13%	6%	-4%	-3%

TOTAL Number of Cases Percent Change Number of Cooperators

Shell Egg	942.0	-3%	175
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	264.5	5%	35
Total Shell Egg	1,206.5	-2%	210

1/ Information supplied by a universe of 175 cooperators who normally have stocks on hand each Monday A.M. and is on the basis of matched plants reporting in both the current and previous weeks.

This is a representative sample of the U.S. inventory and includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous months' figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

Northeast- CT, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT
North Central - IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI
South Central - AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX
South Atlantic - AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, WV
Pacific- AZ, CA, ID, MT, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY

EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION - W/E 20-AUG-05
(LBS IN THOUSANDS)

	CASES BROKEN	LIQUID (EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)			DRIED	INED
		LIQUID WHOLE	LIQUID WHITE	LIQUID YOLK		
CW	1,364,266	31,375	12,916	7,457	3,011	4,398
PW	1,367,911	32,488	12,983	6,778	2,863	4,407
LY	1,308,226	30,939	12,861	6,387	2,798	4,381
% Chg PWK	0%	-3%	-1%	10%	5%	0%
% Chg LY	4%	1%	0%	17%	8%	0%
2005	43,090,417	1,013,512	425,494	228,525	96,839	146,047
2004	40,451,123	959,997	388,375	211,305	91,580	138,592
% Chg YTD	7%	6%	10%	8%	6%	5%

Average Yield Per Case	Current Week	Previous Week	Last Year
(Inedible Included)	41.15	41.42	41.71
(Inedible Excluded)	37.93	38.20	38.36

IN-LINE PRODUCTION (of total production; lbs. in thousands; may include limited amount of off-line source material)

	CASES BROKEN		LIQUID WHOLE	
	Cases	% of Total	lbs.	% of Total
CURRENT WEEK	551,288	40.4%	13,919	44.4%
PREVIOUS WEEK	549,663	40.2%	14,376	44.3%
LAST YEAR	508,999	38.9%	13,614	44.0%

BROILER HATCHERY

STATE	Broiler Eggs Set in 19 Selected States		Broiler Chicks Placed in 19 Selected States	
	AUG 13	AUG 20	AUG 13	AUG 20
	Thousand			
AL	31,532	31,132	21,274	21,529
AR	*29,854	30,050	24,555	25,084
DE	3,940	3,938	5,998	6,431
FL	1,382	1,287	1,635	1,511
GA	34,107	34,871	27,746	26,589
KY	7,101	6,842	*6,271	6,103
LA	4,135	4,120	4,053	3,936
MD	8,731	8,889	5,327	4,502
MS	18,998	18,906	17,466	17,240
NC	*18,339	18,142	*15,162	15,168
OK	6,643	6,588	5,100	4,906
PA	*4,107	4,220	*3,360	3,108
SC	5,198	5,110	*4,007	4,721
TX	*13,830	15,001	12,724	12,595
VA	6,274	6,270	*5,019	5,466
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*17,652	18,366	*16,355	16,685

19 State Total *211,823 213,732 *176,052 175,574

Previous Year Total 213,309 212,926 175,391 176,170

Pct. of Prev. Year 99 100 100 100

* Revised

WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 01-Oct-05 is estimated at 161.9 million head. This compares to 162.0 million head the previous week and to 164.9 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 164.0 million head and the composite weighted average price was 69.92 cents per pound.

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES - WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES
(CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 08/18/05-08/24/05

CURRENT LDS 66.75 FUTURE LDS 54.00 TOTAL LDS 120.75

CLASS	SE		NE		MW		LOADS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W 1	40.00	40.50	36.08	38.00	—	34.50	12.00
GNR BR 1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.00
GL W J	—	—	—	—	—	51.00	1.00
GL W XL	—	51.00	49.00	48.89	44.09	44.00	33.25
GL W LG	—	46.71	42.17	44.73	37.69	34.00	40.50
GL W MD	—	—	25.00	27.00	24.13	29.00	16.25
GL W SM	15.75	18.38	13.00	14.75	12.00	—	10.00
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	28.00	28.23	22.00
NRBS - 42	—	—	—	—	—	22.75	4.00
NRBS - 39	—	—	—	—	16.50	18.00	3.00

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS W/E 20-AUG-2005

SELECTED CONSUMING CENTERS	CW THOUSANDS		PW	PCT CHG	
				PW	LY
Atlanta	23.9	26.7		-10	0
Boston	3.3	3.2		3	-8
Chicago	91.8	90.6		1	56
Detroit	30.3	27.3		11	3
Kansas City	5.2	3.0		73	93
Los Angeles	117.5	115.5		2	30
New Orleans	6.5	6.2		5	-8
New York	29.3	29.1		1	6
St. Louis	19.5	19.1		2	15
San Francisco	18.6	18.9		-2	-4
Total	345.9	339.6		2	24
4 Week Moving Avg.	324.7				

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED W/E 20-AUG-05

	YOUNG		YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD	TOTAL TURKEYS
	HENS	TOMS			
	-----THOUSANDS-----				
Head	1,929	2,691	19	1	4,640
Avg Wt	15.68	35.21	25.64	42.67	27.05
Last week	2,000	2,603	37	3	4,643
Same wk yr ago	1,760	2,647	85	13	4,505
Avg Wt	15.65	35.49	22.62	23.63	27.46
To-date/2005	57,135	84,428	782	122	142,467
To-date/2004	57,081	83,682	1,662	252	142,677

NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTS

	Week ending 20-AUG-05					
	(Preliminary) (Released 1:00 Eastern Time)					
	—YOUNG TURKEYS—		LIVE WT -THOUSAND	OLD BANDED	TOTAL TURKEYS AVG	
	THOUSAND	PCT CHG				AVG
North East	758	2	22.86	(A)	759	22.86
South Atlantic	704	9	32.20	(A)	704	32.20
North Central	2,154	-2	30.27	(A)	2,154	30.27
South Central	669	-6	17.43	(A)	669	17.43
West	354	1	24.43	(A)	354	24.43
U.S. total	4,639(B)	0	27.05	1	4,640	27.05
To-date						
2005	142,345(B)			122	142,467	
To-date						
2004	142,425(B)			252	142,677	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 19,000; for the current year to date 782,000; for last year to date 1,662,000.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION (Preliminary)

Week ending 20-Aug-2005

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
	Thousands				
Head	167,810	1,302	1,712	3,014	489
Avg Wt	5.23	3.39	8.03	6.03	6.38
Last week	168,700	1,187	1,720	2,907	484
Same wk yr ago	163,809	1,657	1,298	2,955	506
Avg Wt	5.18	3.20	8.41	5.49	6.73
To-date/2005	5,316,814	49,600	47,076	96,676	16,347
To-date/2004	5,146,848	44,931	43,552	88,483	15,397

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 166.8 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 169.8 million head, or 3.0 million more than estimated available.

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 27-AUG-05

CLASS	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	08/27/05(1)	08/20/05
	-----THOUSAND HEAD-----	
Broiler/fryer	169,236(2)	168,293
Light hens	1,469	1,288
Heavy hens	1,535	1,708
Total	172,240	171,289

(1) ESTIMATED

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 27-Aug-05 is 165.7 million head compared to 166.7 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 169.6 million head or 3.9 million more than estimated available. For the week of 03-Sep-05 the estimated available is 163.7 million head.

**ESTIMATED U.S. FRYER SLAUGHTER/
FRYER AVAILABILITY COMPARISON**

WEEK ENDING	MILLION HEAD		PCT	AVG WT
	SLAUGHTERED	AVAILABLE		
July	16	170.5	166.6	102%
	23	172.1	166.7	103%
	30	170.9	167.1	102%
August	6	171.9	167.4	103%
	13	170.7	167.6	102%
	20	169.8	166.8	102%
Year to date	5381.3	5439.4	99%	
August	27		165.7	
September	3		163.7	

FINAL BROILER/FRYERS Final report of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook broiler/fryers (includes branded product) to be delivered to first receivers at major market centers week of 22/AUG//2005 (cents per lb.)

	U.S. GRADE A			COMPOSITE		
	MAJ	WTD AVG	LDS	WTD AVG	LDS	
	Chicago	65.00-68.00	67.69	39	68.58	72
Los Angeles	81.00	80.00	60	73.56	137	
New York	67.00-70.00	68.87	23	70.25	48	

COMPOSITE WTD AVERAGE PRICES FOR RTC BROILER/FRYERS

22-AUG-2005	Change from		15-AUG-2005	23-AUG-2004
	15-AUG-2005			
71.38	.06		71.32	74.34
NUMBER OF LOADS	585			

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	LBS (000)
CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/				
8-16 LB HENS				
EASTERN REGION 3/	74-81	75-80	77.27	22
CENTRAL REGION 4/	74-81	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	74-81	74	74.00	20

16-24 LB TOMS

EASTERN REGION	74-76	75	75.00	20
CENTRAL REGION	74-76	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	74-76	74	74.00	20

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F.

2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days.

3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting.

4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting.

5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting.

COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS - SELECTED CENTERS

(INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

		Processed other		
		Frozen Eggs/LBS	Turkeys/LBS	Poultry/LBS
AM	08/22/05	3,570	114,980	51,858
AM	08/01/05	3,491	118,501	47,724
CHG		79	-3521	4134
PCT CHG		2%	-3%	9%

HEN MARKETS

HEAVY TYPE (7 pounds and up) *Final Price, Generally for slaughter the week of 22-AUG-05

REGIONS	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD. AVG
Southeast (1)	9.75-16 CENTS/LB.	12-14	13.26
Southeast (2)	TFEWR		
South Central (1)	9.5-16.25 CENTS/LB.	11.75-13.75	13.00

(1) At Farm Buyer Loading (2) At Farm Producer Loading

*Weights under 7 lbs. subject to discount.

LIGHT TYPE Cents per Head, generally for removal within the next 10 days (includes handling, freight and any other charges, weights average about 3.50 pounds)

19-AUG-05

REMOVAL COST

	RANGE	MAJORITY
Eastern	4-10	7-8
South Central	Too Few To Report	
North Central	4.5-9	5-8.5

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT

(Receipts From Producers)

W/E 20-AUG-05	CASES (IN THOUS)	PERCENT CHANGE FROM PW	LY
North Atlantic	236.6	0	-3
East North Central	622.2	7	13
West North Central	303	7	8
South Atlantic	189.7	3	-11
South Central	58.8	-4	-16
West	206.9	-2	10
Total	1,617.2	4	5
Matched plants reporting		86	85

Areas Covered:

North Atlantic (ME,VT,MA,RI,CT,NH,NY,PA,NJ,MD,DE)

East North Central (WI,IL,MI,OH,IN)

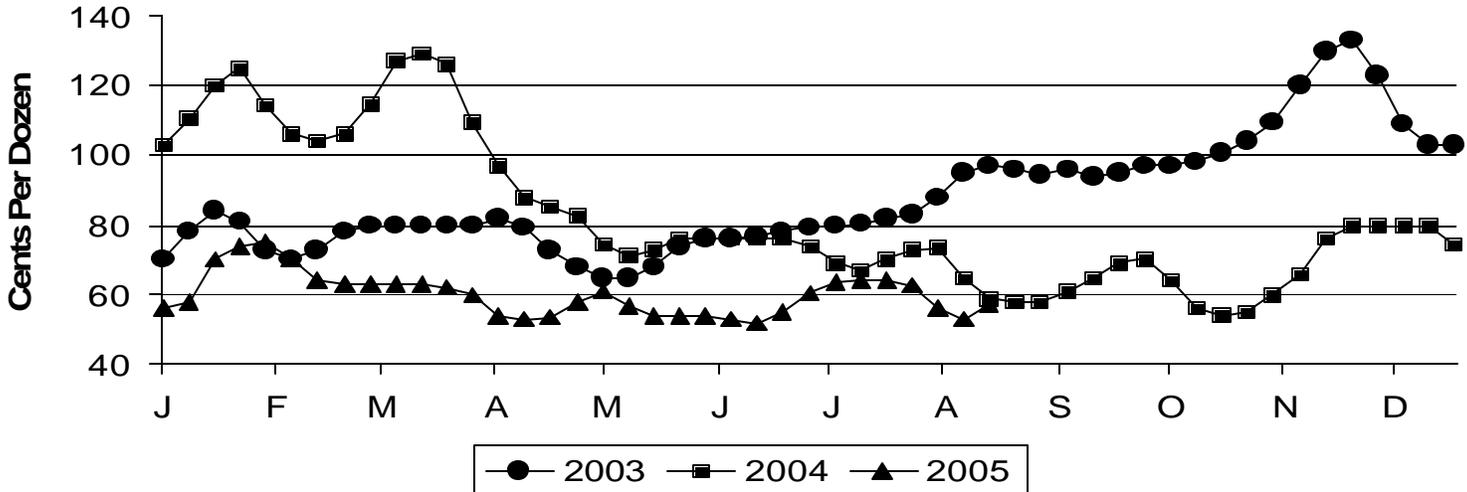
West North Central (IA,MN,MO,KS,SD)

South Atlantic (SC,NC,VA,GA,FL,KY)

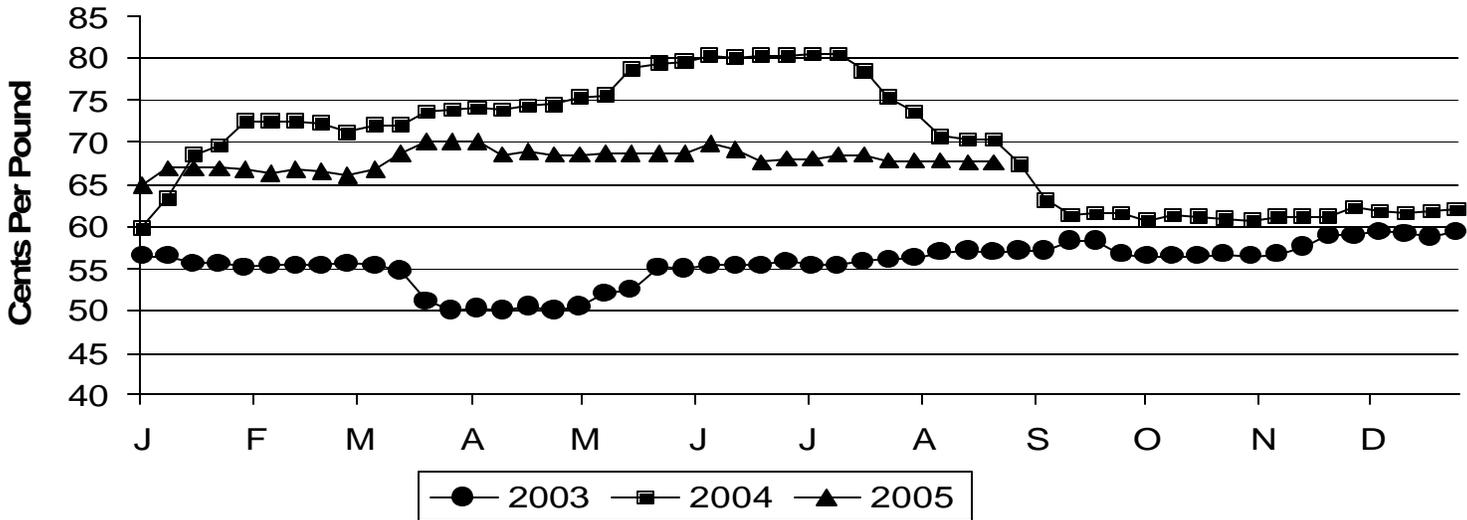
South Central (TN,AL,AR,MS,OK)

West (CA,CO,WA,OR,UT)

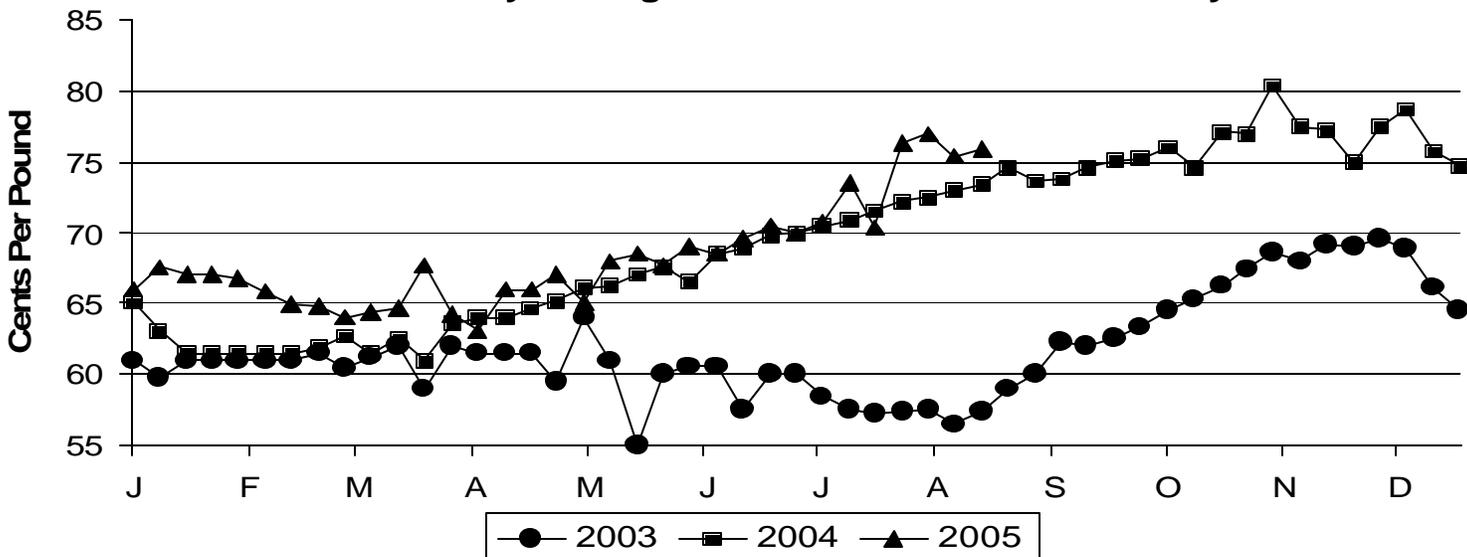
New York Large Weekly Average Price



Chicago Broiler/Fryer Weighted Average Prices



Eastern Weekly Average Prices For 8-16 LB Hen Turkeys



Note: Some Weeks' Average Prices are Based on Offers Only

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