



NATIONAL EGG REVIEW



Early week prices were higher on the larger sizes but unchanged on the smaller sizes in all locations. During the week prices continued to be higher in New York on heavier weights and unchanged on mediums while all other reported prices were unchanged. The market tone was fully steady to firm. Retail and distributive demand was light to good. Supplies were adequate to at times tight. Breaking stock prices and checks and undergrade prices were unchanged. Offerings were mostly tight with a light demand. Floor stocks were balanced to fully adequate. Schedules were full time. Trade sentiment was steady. Spent hen removal costs were unchanged. Offerings were fully adequate with a fairly good demand, best into rendering operations. The trade sentiment was steady. Removal prices remained 0-8.5 cents per head.

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

MIDWEST REGIONAL Prices to producers in IA-MN-WI were 2 cents higher for large. All other reported prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was fully steady to firm. Cartoned egg sales were fairly good to good. Food service movement was light to about moderate. Supplies were adequate to usually tight and were still being held with confidence. Central States breaking stock prices unchanged. Offerings were mostly tight to adequate for the light to moderate demand. Floor stocks balanced to fully adequate. Schedules full time. Trade sentiment steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	41-50	44-47
LARGE	40-49	42-45
MEDIUM	33-42	35-38

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 the larger sizes continued to trend higher. Trade sentiment was steady on mediums and fully steady on the heavier weight eggs. Demand into all channels was moderate to fairly good. Supplies were generally adequate for full trade needs. Breaking stock offerings were usually sufficient for the light demand. Spent hens were at least adequate to fully adequate for slaughter requirements.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	48-62	51-55
LARGE	44-58	51-53
MEDIUM	37-50	41-44

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

COMBINED REGIONAL

Feb 17, 2006

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	52.50	51.00	42.50
SOUTHEAST	50.50	48.50	41.00
MIDWEST	43.50	41.50	36.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	51.50	49.50	44.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	49.55	47.68	41.27

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

	02-21-06	02-14-06	02-22-05
Large	22-31	20-29	27-36
Medium	15-21	15-21	14-20

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT- FEBRUARY 20, 2006

STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/

(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

		NO	SO	SO	5-Area		
		Cent	Cent	Atl	Pacific		
Jumbo	Curr Wk	11.3	19.1	6.3	18.6	11.5	66.8
	Change	1.6	-1.3	0.4	2.9	-0.2	5%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	22.5	47.9	8.1	19.7	35.8	134.0
	Change	2.3	-11.0	0.7	-5.4	2.4	-8%
Large	Curr Wk	34.2	110.0	67.2	81.9	104.5	397.8
	Change	-1.4	-16.2	14.6	-3.0	-5.0	-3%
Medium	Curr Wk	12.9	61.9	11.2	17.0	33.1	136.1
	Change	1.5	-6.3	-1.4	0.6	0.1	-4%
Small	Curr Wk	7.6	10.9	1.4	6.3	9.1	35.3
	Change	1.0	0.8	0.3	-0.9	0.1	4%
Misc	Curr Wk	1.9	43.1	6.8	12.4	5.0	69.2
	Change	0.5	1.8	-1.9	-1.4	0.9	0%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	16.8	48.2	26.4	27.3	31.3	150.0
	Change	-3.2	-4.6	-0.3	-4.2	-2.2	-9%
Total	Curr Wk	107.2	341.1	127.4	183.2	230.3	989.2
	Percent Change	2%	-10%	11%	-6%	-2%	-4%

TOTAL

	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg	989.2	-4%	168
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	232.0	1%	35
Total Shell Egg	1221.2	-3%	203

1/ Information supplied by a universe of 168 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 18-FEB-06

	(LBS IN THOUSANDS)					
	(EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)					
	CASES	LIQUID	LIQUID	LIQUID	DRIED	INED
	BROKEN	WHOLE	WHITE	YOLK		
CW	1,277,719	31,341	12,671	6,805	3,000	4,405
PW	1,333,180	32,373	12,554	7,245	4,090	4,549
LY	1,237,180	30,390	11,764	6,064	2,544	4,324
% Chg PWK	-4%	-3%	1%	-6%	-27%	-3%
% Chg LY	3%	3%	8%	12%	18%	2%
2006	8,976,204	216,845	86,416	47,824	22,634	30,733
2005	8,610,570	205,053	84,516	45,079	20,861	30,346
% Chg YTD	4%	6%	2%	6%	8%	1%
Average Yield Per Case -			Current	Previous	Last	
			Week	Week	Year	
(Inedible Included)			43.22	42.55	42.47	
(Inedible Excluded)			39.77	39.13	38.97	

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	593,282	46.4%	15,838	50.5%
PREVIOUS WEEK	617,006	46.3%	15,790	48.8%
LAST YEAR	495,111	40.0%	13,237	43.6%

BROILER HATCHERY

STATE	Broiler Eggs Set in		Broiler Chicks Placed	
	19 Selected States		in 19 Selected States	
	FEB 11	FEB 18	FEB 11	FEB 18
	Thousand			
AL	31,668	31,713	21,412	20,803
AR	30,728	31,127	*25,383	23,786
DE	3,700	3,987	*5,268	5,874
FL	1,343	1,354	1,843	1,496
GA	*33,661	34,154	*27,662	28,117
KY	7,440	7,210	*6,354	6,037
LA	4,136	4,166	3,950	4,229
MD	*8,622	8,901	*6,021	4,960
MS	18,082	18,108	16,244	16,547
NC	*19,063	19,438	*14,471	14,951
OK	*6,665	6,799	*4,781	5,948
PA	*4,145	3,711	*2,858	2,997
SC	5,345	5,369	*5,239	4,562
TX	15,121	15,147	13,002	13,151
VA	6,360	6,296	4,913	4,996
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*17,464	17,854	*16,496	15,918
19 State Total	*213,543	215,334	*175,897	174,372
Previous Year Total	213,830	213,897	175,504	175,869
Pct. of Prev. Year	100	101	100	99
* Revised				

WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 01-Apr-06 is estimated at 161.2 million head. This compares to 160.9 million head the previous week and to 165.4 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 156.9 million head and the composite weighted average price was 73.65 cents per pound.

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES - WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES
(CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 02/16/06-02/22/06

CLASS	CURRENT LDS 99.00 FUTURE LDS 70.75 TOTAL LDS 169.75						
	SE		NE		MW		
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
LOADS							
GNR W 1	28.75	33.80	33.83	32.11	35.43	—	30.00
GNR W 2	—	—	—	—	—	—	4.00
GL W J	51.00	—	44.50	46.25	50.50	—	4.00
GL W XL	48.00	44.78	40.13	43.64	39.92	—	35.00
GL W LG	—	44.03	39.00	40.50	38.16	—	62.75
GL W MD	35.00	34.30	29.83	31.67	30.67	—	18.25
GL W SM	24.38	26.81	22.00	24.00	—	23.00	7.00
GL BR LG	—	—	52.00	—	55.00	—	4.00
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	—	26.75	18.00
NRBS - 42	—	—	—	—	—	26.00	5.00
NRBS - 39	—	—	—	—	—	18.00	4.00
NRBS - 36	—	—	—	—	14.50	16.00	1.00

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS W/E 18-Feb-2006

SELECTED CONSUMING CENTERS	CW		PW	PCT CHG	
	THOUSANDS			PW	LY
Atlanta		31.8	26.2	21	28
Boston		3.1	3.3	-6	-6
Chicago		81.9	74.0	11	19
Detroit		24.8	22.4	11	-14
Kansas City		5.1	6.0	-15	-43
Los Angeles		114.5	114.1	0	16
New Orleans		6.9	5.1	35	-7
New York		31.2	32.4	-4	10
St. Louis		18.2	17.3	5	14
San Francisco		18.7	18.6	1	-5
Total		336.2	319.4	5	10
4 Week Moving Avg.		325.9			

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED W/E 18-Feb-06

	YOUNG		YOUNG	OLD	TOTAL TURKEYS
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS		
	-----THOUSANDS-----				
Head	1,417	2,546	9	1	3,973
Avg Wt	17.52	38.87	27.67	49.75	31.23
Last week	1,777	2,429	14	5	4,225
Same wk yr ago	1,427	2,489	38	7	3,961
Avg Wt	15.94	38.46	25.27	34.08	28.02
To-date/2006	10,965	17,196	128	30	28,319
To-date/2005	10,760	17,632	210	32	28,634

NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTS

	Week ending 18-Feb-06						
	(Preliminary) (Released 1:00 Eastern Time)						
	---YOUNG TURKEYS---			OLD	TOTAL TURKEYS		
	THOUSAND	PCT CHG	AVG	BANDED	AVG		
HEAD	PW	LIVE WT	-THOUSAND	HEAD-	LIVE WT		
North East	698	-7	25.54	(A)	699	25.54	
South Atlantic	775	18	32.64	(A)	775	32.64	
North Central	1,648	-12	37.74	(A)	1,648	37.74	
South Central	590	-16	19.77	(A)	590	19.77	
West	261	12	27.04	(A)	261	27.04	
U.S. total	3,972(B)	-6	31.23	1	3,973	31.23	
To-date							
2006	28,289(B)			30	28,319		
To-date							
2005	28,602(B)			32	28,634		

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 9,000; for the current year to date 128,000; for last year to date 210,000.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION (Preliminary)

W/E 18-FEB-2005	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
-----THOUSANDS-----					
Head	162,394	1,029	1,294	2,323	522
Avg Wt	5.38	3.74	7.93	6.07	5.99
Last week	164,473	1,269	1,349	2,618	519
Same wk yr ago	156,653	1,277	1,161	2,438	462
Avg Wt	5.16	3.23	7.79	5.40	6.71
To-date/2006	1,124,957	9,388	9,593	18,981	3,459
To-date/2005	1,094,548	9,757	8,674	18,431	3,501

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 164.0 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 164.3 million head, or 0.3 million more than estimated available.

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 25-Feb-06

CLASS	Current Week	Previous Week
	02/25/06(1)	02/18/06
-----THOUSAND HEAD-----		
Broiler/fryer	161,783(2)	166,223
Light hens	1,061	1,058
Heavy hens	1,434	1,328
Total	164,278	168,609

(1)ESTIMATED

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 25-Feb-06 is 163.9 million head compared to 158.3 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 162.1 million head or 1.8 million less than estimated available. For the week of 04-Mar-06 the estimated available is 163.4 million head.

ESTIMATED U.S. FRYER SLAUGHTER/ FRYER AVAILABILITY COMPARISON

WEEK ENDING	MILLION HEAD SLAUGHTERED	MILLION HEAD AVAILABLE	PCT	AVG WT
January 14	169.3	160.4	106%	5.35
21	156.4	162.4	96%	5.4
28	164.9	164.5	100%	5.35
February 4	165.3	165.4	100%	5.45
11	166.5	164.0	102%	5.41
18	164.3	164.0	100%	5.38
Year to date	1138.5	1137.2	100%	
February 25		163.9		
March 4		163.4		

FINAL BROILER/FRYER Final report of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook ice-packed broiler/fryers (includes branded product) to be delivered to first receivers at major market centers week of 20-FEB-2006 (cents per lb)

	U.S. GRADE A		LDS	COMPOSITE	
	MAJ	WTD AVG		WTD AVG	LDS
Chicago	52.00-55.00	56.23	41 :	57.24	77
Los Angeles	76.00	74.26	68 :	69.60	153
New York	55.00-58.00	57.17	24 :	60.66	60

COMPOSITE WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR RTC BROILER/FRYERS

20-FEB-2006	Change from		
	13-FEB-2006	13-FEB-2006	21-FEB-2005
63.59	.72	62.87	71.47

NUMBER OF LOADS 591

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

CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/ 8-16 LB HENS	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	LBS (000)
EASTERN REGION 3/	65-67	66	66.00	20
CENTRAL REGION 4/	65-67	65-67	65.59	1500
WESTERN REGION 5/	65-67	-	-	-

16-24 LB TOMS

EASTERN REGION	65-67	66	66.00	20
CENTRAL REGION	65-67	65-67	66.71	840
WESTERN REGION	65-67	-	-	-

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)

	Frozen Eggs/LBS	Turkeys/LBS	Processed other Poultry/LBS
AM 02/20/06	3,363	61,976	70,304
AM 02/01/06	3,481	52,434	73,883
CHG	-118	9542	-3579
PCT CHG	-3%	18%	-5%

HEN MARKETS

HEAVY TYPE (7 pounds and up)* Final Price, Generally for slaughter the week of 20-FEB-06

REGIONS	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
Southeast (1)	9.75-15.5 CENTS/LB.	12-14	13.24
Southeast (2)	TFEWR		
South Central(1)	9-15.25 CENTS/LB.	9-11	12.18

(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)

REGIONS	RANGE	MAJORITY
Eastern	3-11	7-10
South Central	Too Few To Report	
North Central	0-8.5	

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT (Receipts From Producers)

W/E 18-FEB-2006	CASES (IN THOUS)	PERCENT CHANGE FROM PW	LY
North Atlantic	210.7	-1	1
East North Central	631.2	2	8
West North Central	293.1	1	4
South Atlantic	193.7	3	-11
South Central	61.2	8	-12
West	187.1	-5	-11
Total	1577.0	1	0
Matched Plants reporting		84	84

Areas Covered: North Atlantic (ME,VT,MA,RI,CT,NH,NY,PA,NJ,MC,DE)

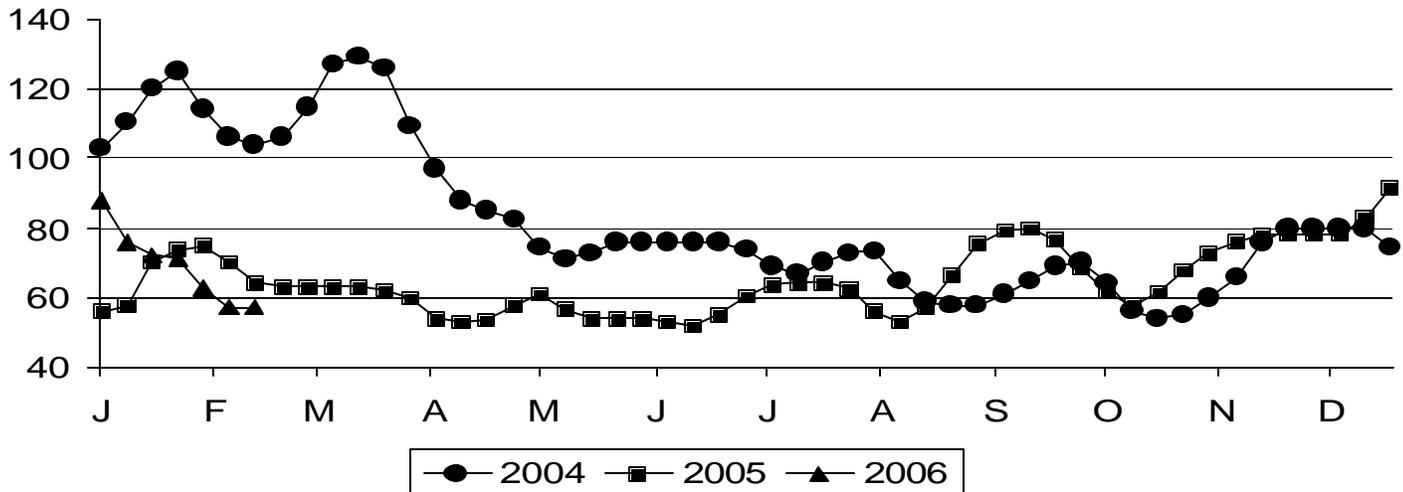
East North Central (WI,IL,MI,OH,IN) West North Central (IA,MN,MO,KS,SD)

South Atlantic (SC,NC,VA,GA,FL,KY) South Central (TN,AL,AR,MS,OK)

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

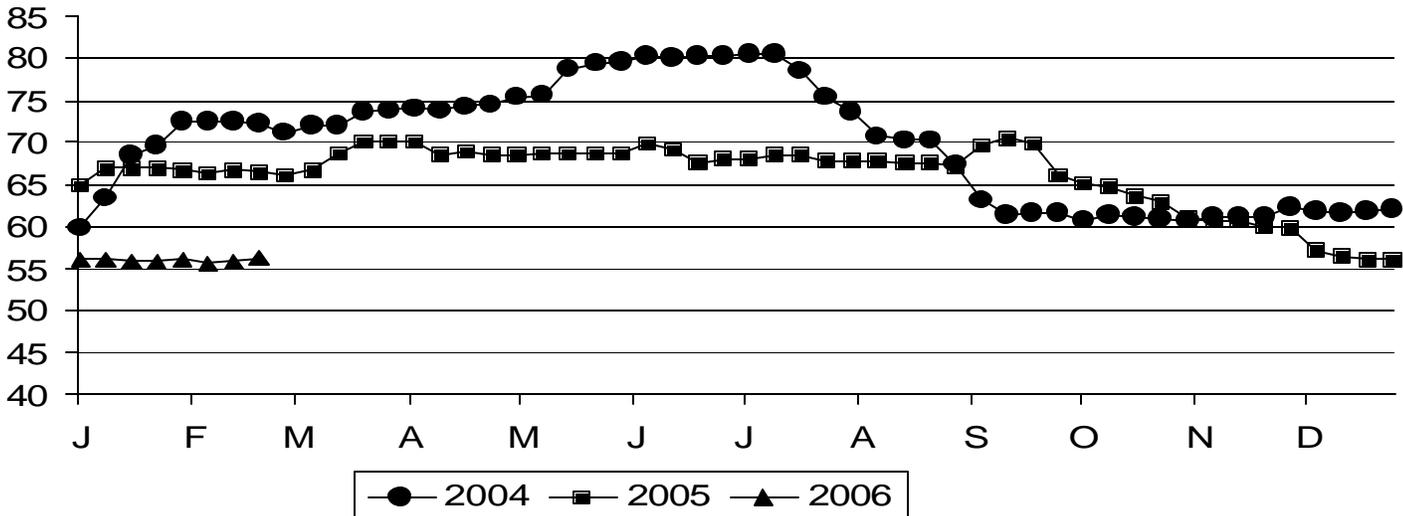
New York Large Weekly Average Price

cents per dozen



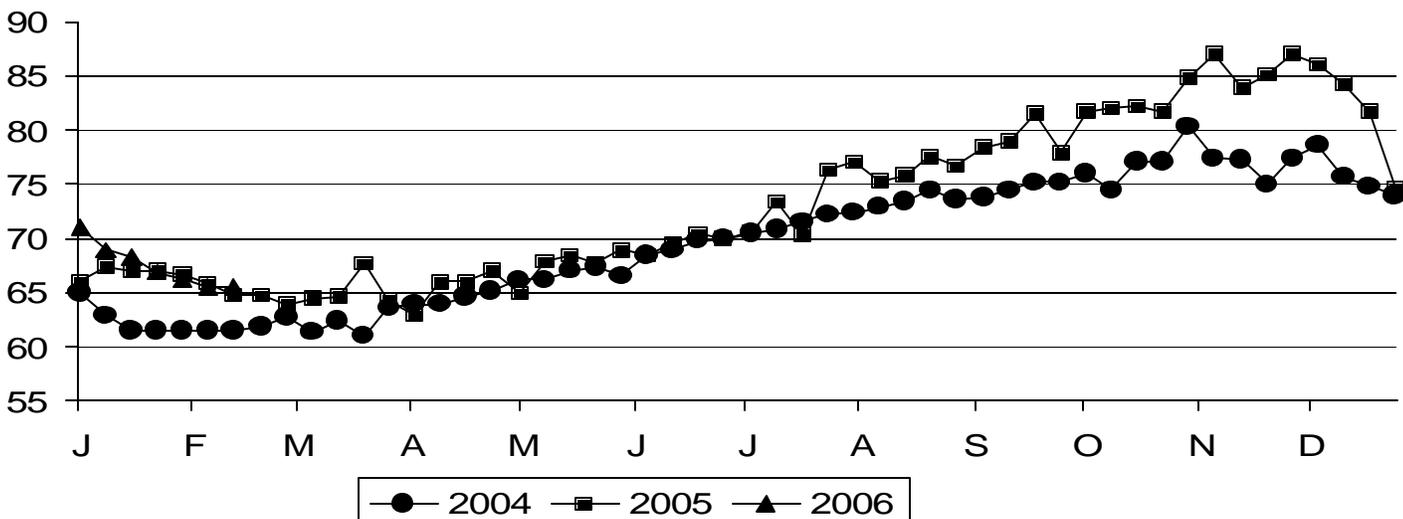
Chicago Broiler/Fryer Weighted Average Prices

cents per pound



Eastern Weekly Average Prices For 8-16 LB Hen Turkey

cents per pound



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