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## NATIONAL EGG REVIEW

Prices began the week with mediums slightly lower in the Northeast and Southeast, all other prices were unchanged. During the week prices were unchanged in all locations. The trade sentiment was steady. Demand into all outlets ranged light to fairly good. Supplies ranged adequate to fully adequate. Breaking stock prices as well as check and undergrade prices were unchanged. The demand was light with offerings tight to adequate. Floor stocks were balanced to adequate. Schedules were full-time. Trade sentiment was mostly steady. Spent hen removal costs continue to be unchanged. Offerings were fully adequate to mostly ample as demand was light to very light, best into rendering operations. Schedules were mixed. Trade sentiment was steady. Removal costs remain 4.5 to 10.5 cents, mostly 5.5 to 10 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 unchanged. Trade sentiment remained steady. Retail demand was moderate to instances fairly good, best for areas with feature activity. Food service movement was usually light. Supplies were adequate for the larger sizes and fully adequate for mediums and smalls. Central States breaking stock prices were unchanged. Offerings were adequate to close for the quiet demand. Floor stocks were in balance to mostly adequate. Schedules were full time. Trade sentiment steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	54-63	57-60
LARGE	53-62	55-58
MEDIUM	27-36	29-32

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

**NORTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady. Retail and distributive demand ranged light to at times fairly good. Supplies were adequate to fully adequate for current trade requirements. Breaking stock offerings were mixed for a light to moderate demand. Spent hens were readily available for the light to fair at best demand.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	60-79	65-68
LARGE	54-68	59-63
MEDIUM	28-41	33-35

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

**COMBINED REGIONAL** Aug 18, 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	66.50	61.00	36.00
SOUTHEAST	66.50	64.50	35.00
MIDWEST	58.50	56.50	30.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	71.50	64.50	37.00
COMBINED REGIONAL	66.01	61.72	34.72

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

	08-22-06	08-15-06	08-23-05
Large	35-44	35-44	21-30
Medium	9-15	9-15	11-15

## WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT- AUGUST 21, 2006

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

		NO		SO		5-Area	
		Northeast	CENT	SO	Atl	Pacific	
Jumbo	Curr Wk	6.5	15.0	5.4	11.6	14.1	52.6
	Change	1.0	2.2	0.1	2.0	2.3	17%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	25.3	49.9	11.4	20.0	38.3	144.9
	Change	8.2	3.8	-1.1	1.0	-2.7	7%
Large	Curr Wk	41.3	148.1	65.3	84.4	107.0	446.1
	Change	4.8	25.9	3.3	1.7	-7.1	7%
Medium	Curr Wk	16.1	52.5	25.3	25.9	34.1	153.9
	Change	3.2	-24.2	-2.8	-3.8	-3.9	-17%
Small	Curr Wk	5.9	11.3	2.4	5.9	6.4	31.9
	Change	1.1	0.8	1.0	-1.1	2.6	16%
Misc	Curr Wk	3.2	44.3	7.6	12.7	5.1	72.9
	Change	0.1	-11.0	-1.2	-16.8	1.1	-28%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	10.3	62.3	24.8	26.1	28.2	151.7
	Change	-2.5	2.8	8.7	1.9	-0.3	8%
Total	Curr Wk	108.6	383.4	142.2	186.6	233.2	1054.0
	Change	17%	0%	6%	-7%	-3%	0%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
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Shell Egg	1054.0	0%	166
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	238.4	-7%	35
<b>Total Shell Egg</b>	<b>1292.4</b>	<b>-1%</b>	<b>201</b>

1/ Information supplied by a universe of 166 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 19-AUG-06**(LBS IN THOUSANDS)  
(EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)

	CASES BROKEN	LIQUID WHOLE	LIQUID WHITE	LIQUID YOLK	DRIED	INED
CW	1,360,697	32,375	12,951	6,468	2,882	4,469
PW	1,299,523	31,819	11,946	5,922	2,481	4,247
LY	1,364,266	31,375	12,916	7,457	3,011	4,398
% Chg PWK	5%	2%	8%	9%	16%	5%
% Chg LY	0%	3%	0%	-13%	-4%	2%
2006	42,684,767	1,046,086	400,679	213,107	97,178	143,749
2005	43,090,417	1,013,512	425,494	228,525	96,839	146,047
% Chg YTD	-1%	3%	-6%	-7%	0%	-2%

Average Yield Per Case -	Current Week	Previous Week	Last Year
(Inedible Included)	41.35	41.50	41.15
(Inedible Excluded)	38.06	38.23	37.93

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	605,652	44.5%	15,541	48.0%
PREVIOUS WEEK	576,918	44.4%	15,409	48.4%
LAST YEAR	551,288	40.4%	13,919	44.4%

**BROILER HATCHERY**

STATE	Broiler Eggs Set in 19 Selected States		Broiler Chicks Placed in 19 Selected States	
	AUG 12	AUG 19	AUG 12	AUG 19
	Thousand			
AL	31,738	31,873	21,798	22,310
AR	30,200	30,346	22,938	23,662
DE	4,112	4,008	4,662	5,331
FL	1,344	1,353	1,410	1,510
GA	34,513	35,047	*29,068	27,811
KY	*7,253	7,195	*5,741	6,173
LA	3,954	3,954	3,668	3,629
MD	8,797	8,862	6,454	5,844
MS	17,693	17,628	15,975	15,894
NC	18,406	18,350	*15,198	15,464
OK	6,633	6,264	5,873	5,239
PA	3,984	4,104	*3,042	3,067
SC	*5,328	5,261	*4,304	4,417
TX	14,758	14,794	12,411	12,390
VA	6,326	5,917	4,775	4,995
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*17,985	18,093	*17,033	16,727
19 State Total	*213,024	213,049	*174,350	174,463
Previous Year Total	210,010	212,244	177,045	176,063
Pct. of Prev. Year	101	100	98	99

\* Revised

**WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING** Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 30-Sep-06 is estimated at 160.7 million head. This compares to 161.1 million head the previous week and to 165.1 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 164.7 million head and the composite weighted average price was 70.21 cents per pound.

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES** - WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES  
(CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 08/17/06-08/23/06

CURRENT LDS 140.25 FUTURE LDS 59.25 TOTAL LDS 199.50

CLASS	SE		NE		MW		LOADS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W 1	37.50	—	38.38	40.40	—	—	10.00
GL W J	—	—	59.00	60.00	—	—	1.00
GL W XL	—	54.14	51.67	54.58	47.93	49.00	51.25
GL W LG	—	56.67	—	50.00	42.65	51.00	42.25
GL W MD	28.00	24.64	19.82	21.75	21.22	25.36	28.75
GL W SM	22.88	26.38	22.17	25.33	19.00	21.67	12.50
GL BR J	—	—	—	—	55.00	—	.25
GL BR XL	—	—	62.00	—	55.00	85.50	1.00
GL BR LG	—	—	61.00	—	53.00	84.50	1.50
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	31.00	32.00	9.00
NRBS - 42	—	—	—	—	—	21.75	16.00
NRBS - 39	—	—	—	—	16.50	18.00	3.00
NRBS - 36	—	—	—	—	14.50	16.00	1.00

**MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS W/E 19-AUG-2006**

SELECTED CONSUMING CENTERS	CW THOUSANDS		PW	PCT CHG	
				PW	LY
Atlanta	28.3	26.4	7	18	
Boston	3.1	3.1	0	-6	
Chicago	52.3	64.9	-19	-43	
Detroit	17.2	18.1	-5	-29	
Kansas City	4.0	4.3	-7	-23	
Los Angeles	104.8	111.1	-6	-11	
New Orleans	6.2	5.6	11	-5	
New York	29.4	28.2	4	0	
St. Louis	18.0	15.1	19	-8	
San Francisco	17.6	17.2	2	-5	
Total	280.9	294.0	-4	-17	
4 Week Moving Avg.	282.4				

**LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED W/E 19-AUG-06**

	YOUNG		YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD	TOTAL TURKEYS
	HENS	TOMS			
	-----THOUSANDS-----				
Head	2,108	2,624	18	5	4,755
Avg Wt	16.91	35.53	25.24	30.37	27.23
Last week	1,850	2,850	34	1	4,735
Same wk yr ago	1,929	2,691	19	1	4,640
Avg Wt	15.68	35.21	25.64	42.67	27.05
To-date/2006	63,371	83,893	800	159	148,223
To-date/2005	57,135	84,428	782	122	142,467

**NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTS**

	Week ending 19-AUG-06					
	(Preliminary) (Released 1:00 Eastern Time)					
	—YOUNG TURKEYS—			OLD		TOTAL TURKEYS
THOUSAND	PCT CHG	AVG	BANDED	HEAD-	LIVE WT	
HEAD	PW	LIVE WT	THOUSAND	HEAD-	LIVE WT	
North East	758	12	23.43	(A)	759	23.43
South Atlantic	781	-9	32.42	(A)	782	32.42
North Central	2,146	-4	31.13	(A)	2,147	31.13
South Central	728	6	16.67	(A)	729	16.67
West	337	17	21.71	(A)	338	21.71
U.S. total	4,750(B)	0	27.23	5	4,755	27.23
To-date						
2006	148,064(B)			159	148,223	
To-date						
2005	142,345(B)			122	142,467	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 18,000; for the current year to date 800,000; for last year to date 782,000.

**LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION** (Preliminary)

W/E 19-AUG-2006	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
-----THOUSANDS-----					
Head	160,682	902	1,759	2,661	462
Avg Wt	5.27	3.38	7.74	6.26	6.34
Last week	162,061	975	1,586	2,561	490
Same wk yr ago	167,810	1,302	1,712	3,014	489
Avg Wt	5.23	3.39	8.03	6.03	6.38
To-date/2006	5,310,881	36,832	48,895	85,727	16,655
To-date/2005	5,316,814	49,600	47,076	96,676	16,347

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 164.3 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 162.6 million head, or 1.7 million less than estimated available.

**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER**

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 26-Aug-06

CLASS	CW - 08/26/06(1)	PW - 08/19/06
-----THOUSAND HEAD-----		
Broiler/fryer	165,873(2)	163,609
Light hens	981	971
Heavy hens	1,575	1,689
Total	168,429	166,269

(1) ESTIMATED

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 26-Aug-06 is 163.6 million head compared to 169.5 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 166.2 million head or 2.6 million more than estimated available. For the week of 02-Sep-06 the estimated available is 162.6 million head.

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

WEEK ENDING	MILLION HEAD SLAUGHTERED	MILLION HEAD AVAILABLE	PCT	AVG WT	
July	15	162.4	163.7	99%	5.34
	22	164.8	164.1	100%	5.29
	29	163.2	164.0	100%	5.22
August	5	164.1	163.8	100%	5.31
	12	164.0	164.2	100%	5.24
	19	162.6	164.3	99%	5.27
Year to date	5375.3	5409.1	99%		
August	26	163.6			
September	2	162.6			

**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 21-AUG-2006 (cents per lb)

	U.S. GRADE A			COMPOSITE		
	MAJ	WTD AVG	LDS	WTD AVG	LDS	
Chicago	63.00-66.00	65.27	35	67.14	63	
Los Angeles	78.00	76.73	67	72.82	154	
New York	64.00-67.00	65.87	23	66.95	50	

**COMPOSITE WTD AVERAGE PRICES FOR RTC BROILER/FRYERS**

	Change from			
	21-AUG-2006	14-AUG-2006	14-AUG-2006	22-AUG-2005
	69.07	.03	69.04	71.38
NUMBER OF LOADS	572			

**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/	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	LBS (000)
8-16 LB HENS				
EASTERN REGION 3/	78-82	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	78-82	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	78-82	-	-	-

**16-24 LB TOMS**

EASTERN REGION	78-83	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	78-79.5	79.5	79.50	30
WESTERN REGION	78-82	-	-	-

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. Gov't Stocks)** (IN THOUSANDS)

	Frozen Eggs/LBS	Turkeys/LBS	Processed other Poultry/LBS
AM 08/21/06	3,198	106,615	68,342
AM 08/01/06	3,272	110,271	63,810
CHG	-74	-3656	4532
PCT CHG	-2%	-3%	7%

**HEN MARKETS****HEAVY TYPE**

(7 pounds and up)\* Final price, cents per lb., Generally for slaughter the week of 21-AUG-06

REGIONS	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
Southeast (1)	2-7 CENTS/LB.		4.92
Southeast (2)	TFEWR		
South Central(1)	2-8 CENTS/LB.		4.94

(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) 18-AUG-06

**REMOVAL COST**

REGIONS	RANGE	MAJORITY
Eastern	5-11	8-10
South Central	Too Few To Report	
North Central	4.5-10.5	5.5-10

**COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT**

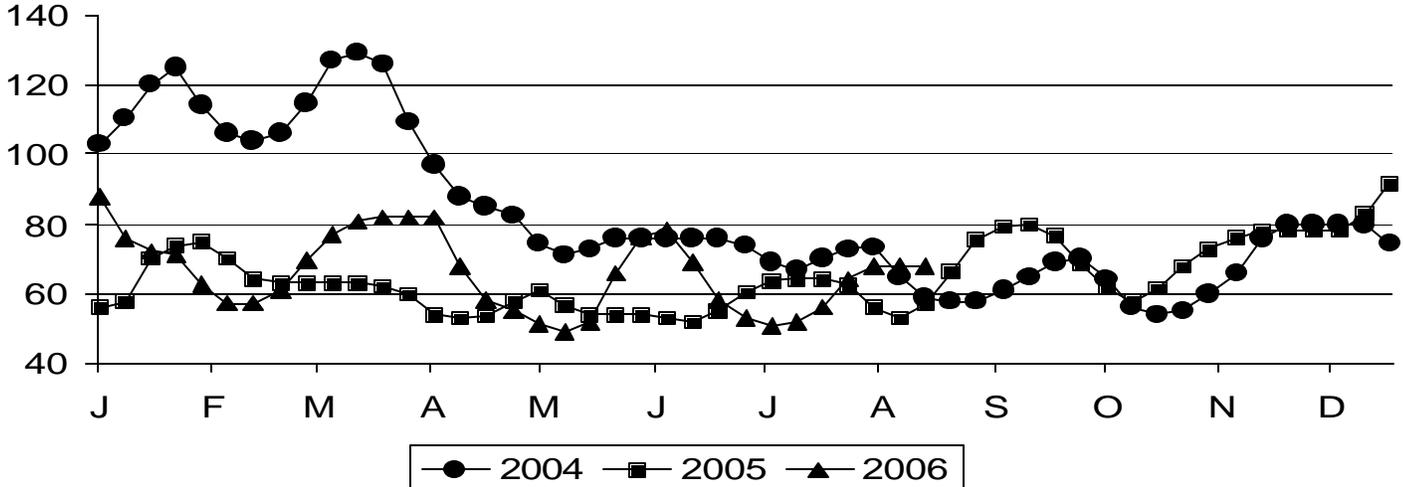
(Receipts From Producers)

W/E 19-AUG-2006	CASES (IN THOUS)	PW	LY
REGIONS			
North Atlantic	190.6	1	-7
East North Central	632.2	2	1
West North Central	282.8	2	-4
South Atlantic	187.2	3	4
South Central	59.2	0	1
West	199.3	4	-4
Total	1551.3	2	-1

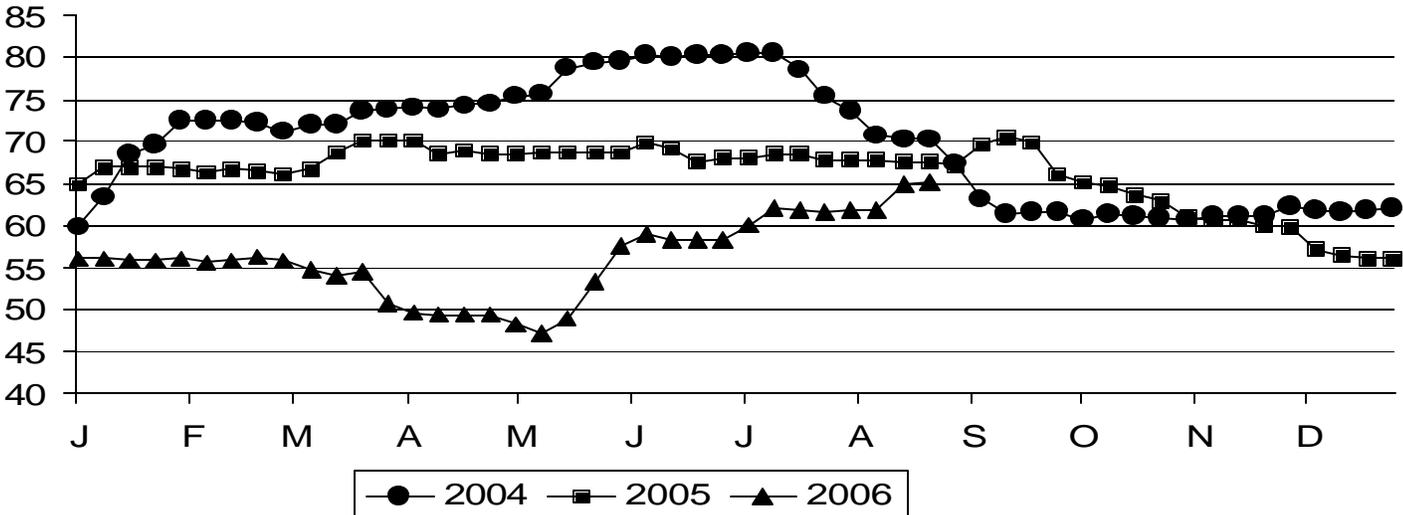
Matched Plants reporting

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

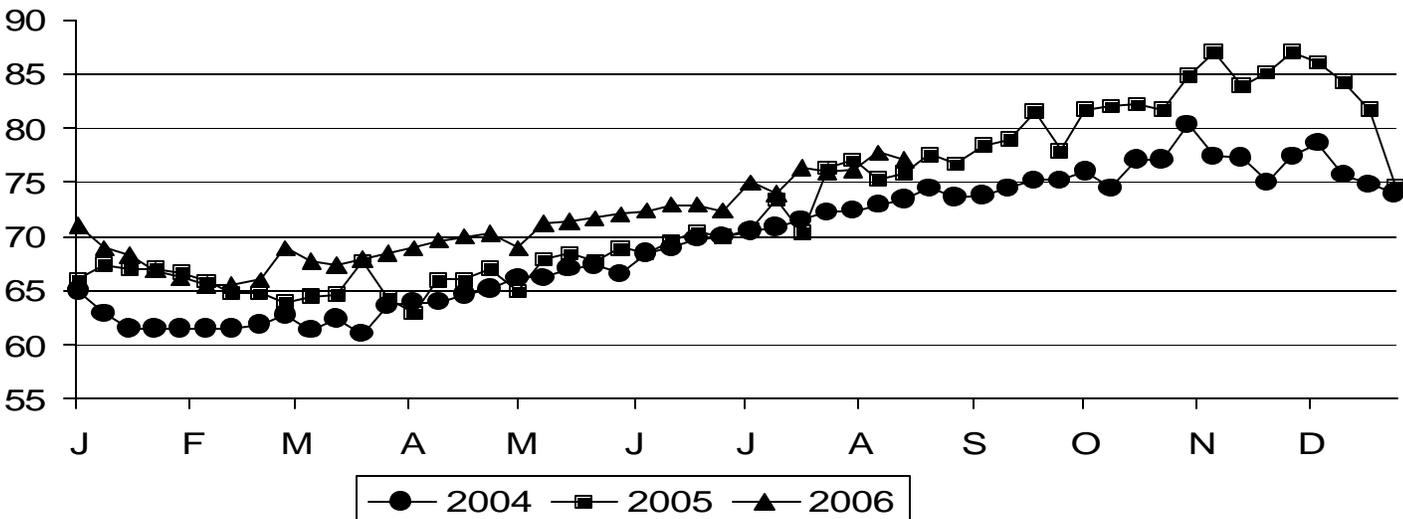
**New York Large Weekly Average Price**  
cents per dozen



**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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