



NATIONAL EGG REVIEW

Prices in New York were sharply lower throughout the week. Elsewhere prices were unchanged but trending lower for next week. The market tone was barely steady to weak in most regions as market conditions continue to make adjustments. Demand was light to good as interest improved for the holiday weekend. Supplies were in close balance to available. Central states breaking stock prices were about unchanged. Checks and undergrade prices were unchanged. Offerings were adequate to ample. Demand was usually light as breakers prepare for shortened holiday schedules. Floor stocks in close balance to fully adequate. Schedules were full-time. Trade sentiment was steady to occasionally barely steady. Spent hen removal costs remain unchanged. Demand was fair to fairly good for the adequate offerings. Schedules were full-time. Trade sentiment was steady. Removal costs were 4.5 to 9 cents, mostly 4.5 to 5.5 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 lower for all sizes. Midwest delivered prices were unchanged with asking prices for next week's delivery trending sharply lower. Trade sentiment was weak. Retail demand was moderate to very good but not up to expected holiday levels. Loose egg sales were usually light to moderate. Supplies were fully adequate to ample and were building in some areas. Central States breaking stock prices were unchanged. Offerings were adequate to ample for the usually light demand. Floor stock in close balance to fully adequate. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment steady to occasionally barely steady.

RANGE MOSTLY

EXTRA LARGE	87-96	90-93
LARGE	86-95	88-91
MEDIUM	67-76	69-72

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 weak on larger sizes, mixed on mediums. Demand was moderate to good. Supplies were fully adequate to ample with larger sizes remaining in the longest position. Breaking stock offerings were sufficient for the light to moderate demand. Light type hen offerings were fully adequate for the fair demand.

RANGE MOSTLY

EXTRA LARGE	92-106	95-99
LARGE	89-103	94-98
MEDIUM	68- 81	73-75

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

COMBINED REGIONAL

Dec 15, 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	97.00	96.00	74.00
SOUTHEAST	96.50	94.50	73.00
MIDWEST	91.50	89.50	70.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	99.50	98.50	75.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	96.26	94.80	73.35

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

	12-19-06	12-12-06	12-20-05
Large	65-74	68-77	53-62
Medium	49-55	49-55	27-33

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT- DEC 18, 2006

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

		North				5-Area	
		Northeast	Cent	South	South Atl	Pacific	
Jumbo	Curr Wk	7.5	21.3	8.1	12.3	13.9	63.1
	Change	-0.5	-1.7	-1.1	1.5	-2.4	-6%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	23.8	62.1	12.3	26.0	43.0	167.2
	Change	-1.7	-9.4	-5.2	-1.7	4.7	-7%
Large	Curr Wk	36.4	143.5	91.0	126.8	141.5	539.2
	Change	-7.6	-24.6	-10.9	-6.5	6.4	-7%
Medium	Curr Wk	7.6	35.2	21.6	14.7	34.2	113.3
	Change	0.3	2.3	-1.8	-0.3	0.0	0%
Small	Curr Wk	2.0	5.5	2.3	2.9	2.4	15.1
	Change	-1.0	2.2	-0.4	0.3	0.0	8%
Misc	Curr Wk	2.8	30.8	12.9	11.8	7.5	65.8
	Change	-0.6	2.0	1.7	-2.9	0.1	0%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	13.7	36.9	21.4	24.8	23.7	120.5
	Change	-5.6	-7.9	-0.1	-4.7	-1.5	-14%
Total	Curr Wk	93.8	335.3	169.6	219.3	266.2	1084.2
	Change	-15%	-10%	-9%	-6%	3%	-7%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
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Shell Egg	1084.2	-7%	165
Shell Egg Breaking Stock ***	218.0	-11%	33

Total Shell Egg	1302.2	-8%	198
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1/ Information supplied by a universe of 165 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.

*****Breaking stock inventory reflects a change in the cooperator universe, no adjustment to previous inventory necessary.**

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 16-DEC-06

	(LBS IN THOUSANDS)					
	(EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)					
	CASES BROKEN	LIQUID WHOLE	LIQUID WHITE	LIQUID YOLK	DRIED	INED
CW	1,262,206	32,716	10,937	5,676	2,439	4,576
PW	1,274,340	33,325	10,691	5,605	2,283	4,186
LY	1,239,764	31,901	10,257	5,389	2,345	4,257
% Chg PWK	-1%	-2%	2%	1%	7%	9%
% Chg LY	2%	3%	7%	5%	4%	8%
2006	64,480,486	1,603,153	591,295	312,783	135,124	217,145
2005	65,423,722	1,561,420	626,856	336,081	143,085	221,091
% Chg YTD	-1%	3%	-6%	-7%	-6%	-2%

Average Yield Per Case -	Current Week	Previous Week	Last Year
(Inedible Included)	42.71	42.22	41.78
(Inedible Excluded)	39.08	38.94	38.35

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	585,720	46.4%	17,094	52.3%
PREVIOUS WEEK	615,480	48.3%	17,959	53.9%
LAST YEAR	512,157	41.3%	15,696	49.2%

BROILER HATCHERY

STATE	Broiler Eggs Set in 19 Selected States		Broiler Chicks Placed in 19 Selected States	
	DEC 09	DEC 16	DEC 09	DEC 16
	Thousand			
AL	*30,593	30,327	*19,686	20,024
AR	28,614	29,789	*23,250	24,249
DE	*3,963	3,913	*5,287	4,366
FL	1,356	1,353	1,484	1,685
GA	*34,244	35,819	28,138	28,590
KY	6,698	7,465	6,174	5,922
LA	3,712	3,742	3,635	3,606
MD	8,482	8,531	*5,761	6,675
MS	17,147	17,960	15,762	16,075
NC	18,660	19,039	15,496	15,454
OK	6,447	6,177	5,424	4,180
PA	*3,919	3,943	*2,897	3,012
SC	5,471	5,530	4,578	4,521
TX	14,080	14,138	12,142	12,085
VA	*5,959	6,075	*4,776	5,186
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*17,863	17,678	*17,163	16,350
19 State Total	*207,208	211,479	*171,653	171,980
Previous Year Total	213,249	215,686	173,392	175,810
Pct. of Prev. Year	97	98	99	98

* Revised

WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 27-Jan-07 is estimated at 158.4 million head. This compares to 156.7 million head the previous week and to 164.5 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 164.9 million head and the composite weighted average price was 62.40 cents per pound.

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES - WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES
(CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 12/14/06-12/20/06

CLASS	CURRENT LDS 81.25 FUTURE LDS 111.50 TOTAL LDS 192.75					
	SE		NE		MW	
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST
GNR W 1	67.13	—	68.67	67.95	63.00	70.60
GNR W 4	—	—	41.00	42.00	—	—
GL W J	—	—	87.00	89.00	50.00	—
GL W XL	—	64.25	74.30	69.97	48.34	53.25
GL W LG	—	—	—	64.29	47.33	—
GL W MD	—	64.33	60.25	62.50	46.50	56.00
GL W SM	48.00	50.00	43.88	45.47	42.00	45.50
GL BR LG	—	—	—	—	—	—
NRBS - 50	—	—	—	39.00	—	40.00
NRBS - 48	—	—	34.00	36.00	37.00	39.67
NRBS - 45	—	—	—	—	—	38.00
NRBS - 42	—	—	40.00	42.00	—	34.00

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS

SELECTED CONSUMING CENTERS	W/E 16-DEC-2006		PCT PW	CHG LY
	CW THOUSANDS	PW THOUSANDS		
Atlanta	30.2	29.3	3	-7
Boston	3.1	3.0	3	-6
Chicago	87.2	85.7	2	-15
Detroit	18.4	25.6	-28	-34
Kansas City	5.1	4.9	4	-6
Los Angeles	111.6	109.5	2	-6
New Orleans	5.9	6.1	-3	-26
New York	30.3	28.1	8	-15
St. Louis	24.5	23.6	4	3
San Francisco	18.5	18.7	-1	-4
Total	334.8	334.5	0	-11
4 Week Moving Avg.	320.0			

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED W/E 16-DEC-06

	YOUNG		YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD	TOTAL TURKEYS
	HENS	TOMS			
	-----THOUSANDS-----				
Head	2,117	2,655	22	12	4,806
Avg Wt	15.60	38.19	29.13	24.48	28.16
Last week	2,141	2,704	19	0	4,864
Same wk yr ago	1,937	2,564	19	1	4,521
Avg Wt	15.67	38.78	27.79	44.26	28.83
To-date/2006	98,626	129,215	1,356	217	229,414
To-date/2005	92,117	129,182	1,225	211	222,735

NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTS

	Week ending 16-DEC-06 (Preliminary)					
	--YOUNG TURKEYS--			OLD BANDED	TOTAL TURKEYS	
	THOUSAND	PCT CHG	AVG		HEAD--	LIVE WT AVG
	HEAD	PW	LIVE WT	THOUSAND	HEAD--	LIVE WT
North East	743	0	23.64	(A)	746	23.64
South Atlantic	730	-4	35.04	(A)	733	35.04
North Central	2,132	-1	32.45	(A)	2,134	32.45
South Central	779	-9	17.77	(A)	781	17.77
West	410	18	21.74	(A)	412	21.74
U.S. total	4,794(B)	-1	28.16	12	4,806	28.16
To-date						
2006	229,197(B)			217	229,414	
To-date						
2005	222,524(B)			211	222,735	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 22,000; for the current year to date 1,356,000; for last year to date 1,225,000.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION (Preliminary)

W/E 16-DEC-2006	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
	-----THOUSANDS-----				
Head	160,125	1,111	1,518	2,629	540
Avg Wt	5.31	3.44	7.77	5.94	6.45
Last week	163,326	1,157	1,529	2,686	567
Same wk yr ago	164,304	1,404	1,488	2,892	521
Avg Wt	5.37	3.28	7.87	5.64	6.71
To-date/2006	8,057,771	53,519	74,427	127,946	25,046
To-date/2005	8,049,593	71,036	70,846	141,882	24,974

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 156.8 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 162.1 million head, or 5.3 million more than estimated available.

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 23-Dec-06

CLASS	CW - 12/23/06(1)	PW - 12/16/06
	-----THOUSAND HEAD -----	
Broiler/fryer	162,044(2)	163,751
Light hens	1,165	1,232
Heavy hens	1,513	1,519
Total	164,722	166,502

(1)ESTIMATED

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 23-Dec-06 is 153.4 million head compared to 153.5 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 162.4 million head or 9.0 million more than estimated available. For the week of 30-Dec-06 the estimated available is 149.2 million head.

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

WEEK ENDING	MILLION HEAD SLAUGHTERED	MILLION HEAD AVAILABLE	PCT	AVG WT
November 11	168.3	159.9	105%	5.50
18	162.4	156.3	104%	5.49
25	122.0	156.7	78%	5.44
December 2	166.4	156.8	106%	5.53
9	165.3	156.6	106%	5.49
16	162.1	156.8	103%	5.31
Year to date	8155.5	8149.9	100%	
December 23		153.4		
30		149.2		

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:

18-DEC-2006 (cents per lb)

	U.S. GRADE A		LDS	COMPOSITE	
	MAJ	WTD AVG		WTD AVG	LDS
Chicago	61.00-64.00	63.26	35 :	64.85	60
Los Angeles	76.00	74.87	65 :	70.28	153
New York	63.00-66.00	64.82	22 :	60.43	59

COMPOSITE WTD AVG PRICES FOR RTC BROILER/FRYERS

	Change from		
18-DEC-2006	11-DEC-2006	11-DEC-2006	19-DEC-2005
66.39	.26	66.13	63.76
NUMBER OF LOADS	552		

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/	70-71	70.5	70.50	40
CENTRAL REGION 4/	70-71.5	71.5	71.50	40
WESTERN REGION 5/	70-71	-	-	-

16-24 LB TOMS

EASTERN REGION	70-71	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	70-71	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	70-71	-	-	-

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)

		Frozen Eggs/LBS	Turkeys/LBS	Processed other Poultry/LBS
		(THOUSANDS)		
AM	12/18/06	3,201	33,924	62,250
AM	12/01/06	3,159	38,753	65,295
CHG		42	-4829	-3045
PCT CHG		1%	-12%	-5%

HEN MARKETS**HEAVY TYPE**

(7 pounds and up)* Final price, cents per lb., Generally for slaughter the week of 18-DEC-06

REGIONS	RANGE	MAJORITY	AVG
Southeast (1)	2-7 CENTS/LB.	-	4.51
Southeast (2)	TFEWR		
South Central(1)	2-7.5 CENTS/LB.	-	4.93

(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) 15-DEC-06

REGIONS	RANGE	MAJORITY
Eastern	5-12	7-9
South Central	Too Few To Report	
North Central	4.5-9	4.5-5.5

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT

(Receipts From Producers)

W/E 16-DEC-2006	CASES (IN THOUS)	PW	LY
REGIONS			
North Atlantic	193.6	3	-9
East North Central	633.7	-1	-2
West North Central	304.5	9	1
South Atlantic	200.2	-2	-1
South Central	61.5	3	1
West	206.2	3	0
Total	1599.7	2	-2
Matched Plants reporting		82	82

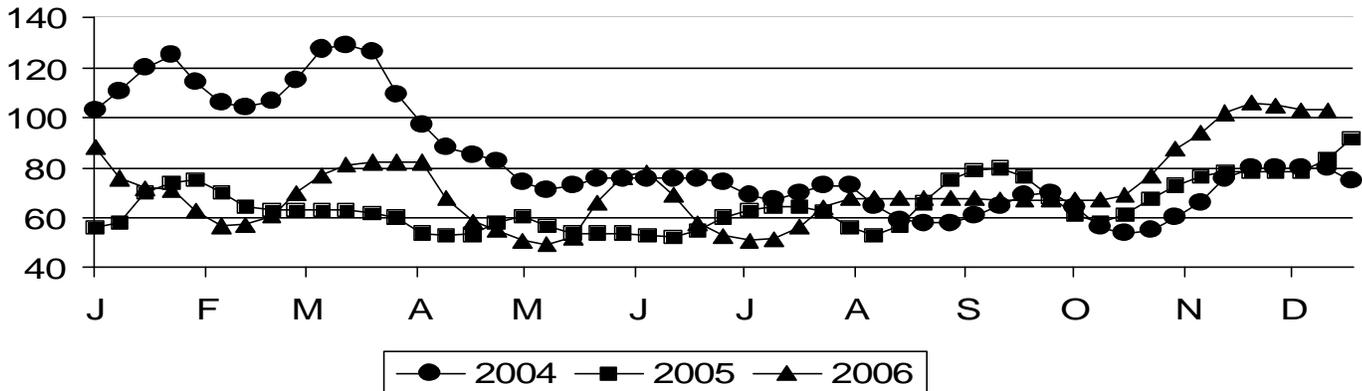
Areas Covered: North Atlantic (ME,VT,MA,RI,CT,NH,NY,PA,NJ,MD,DE)

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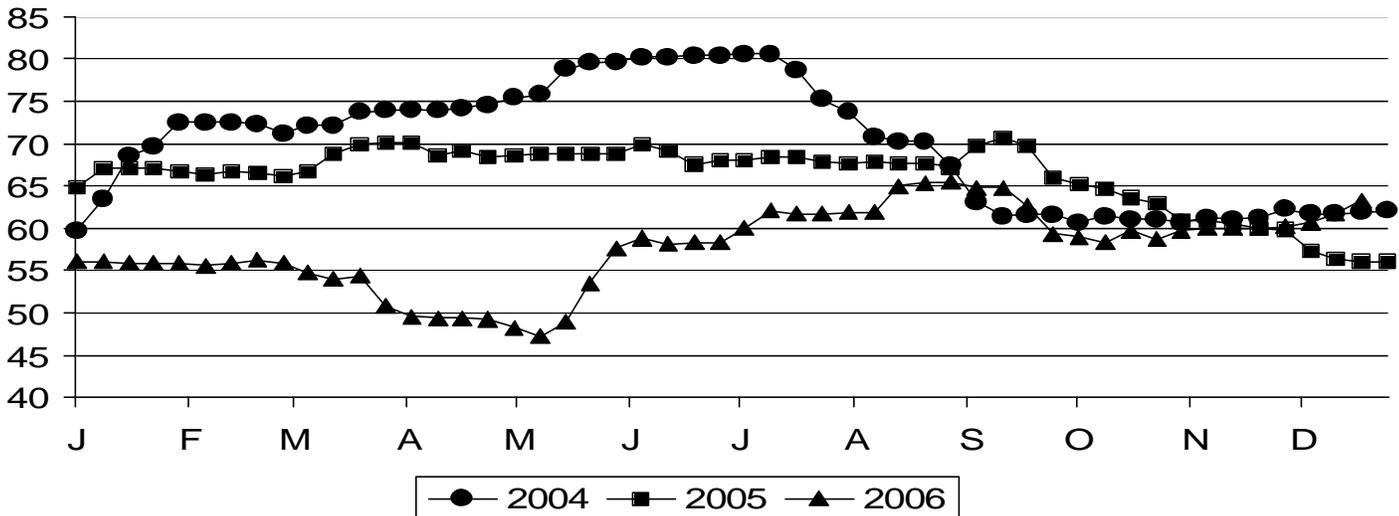
South Atlantic (SC,NC,VA,GA,FL,KY) South Central (TN,AL,AR,MS,OK)

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

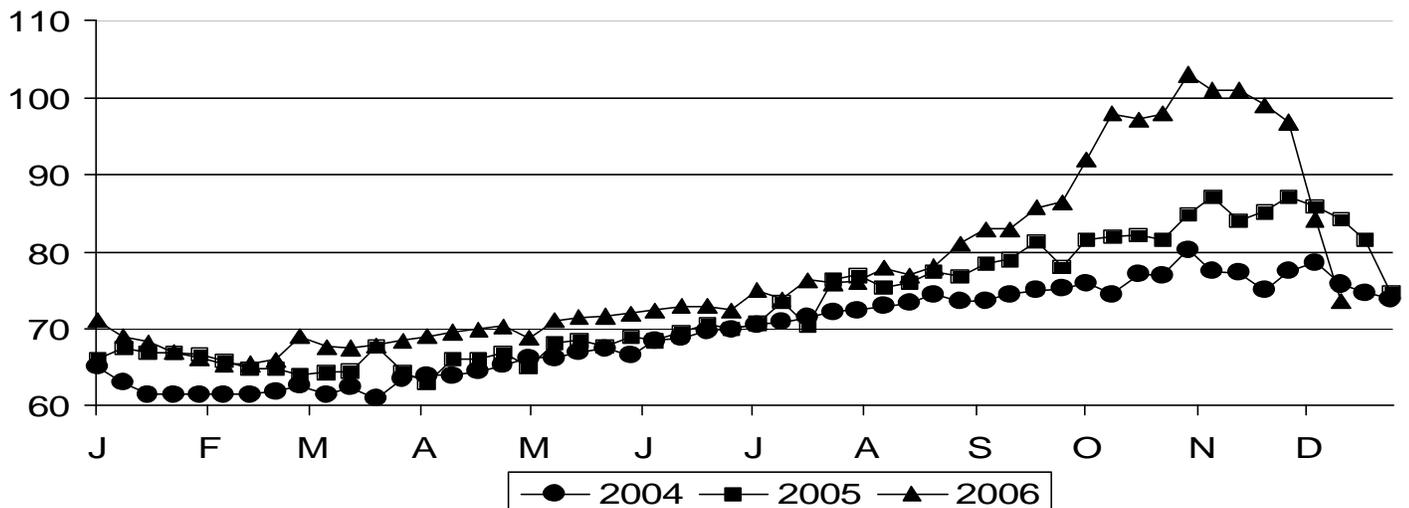
New York Large Weekly Average Price
cents per dozen



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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