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At the beginning of the week prices were unchanged in New York and higher in all other reported markets. During the week all reported prices were unchanged. The trade sentiment was steady. Retail and distributive demand was light to fairly good. Supplies were balanced to adequate for the larger sizes and fully adequate to available for mediums. Breaking stock prices were unchanged to lower throughout the week. Offerings were tight to instances adequate for the good demand. Schedules were full-time. The trade sentiment was steady. In the north central region spent hen removal costs remained unchanged. Demand was light to moderate with offerings mostly light. The trade sentiment was steady. North central spent hen removal costs continued to be 0-9 cents mostly 4-6 cents per head.

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

MIDWEST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment steady. Retail demand was light to at times fairly good. Food service movement was light to mostly moderate. Supplies were adequate to balanced. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Offerings were tight to just adequate with demand remaining good. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	114-123	117-120
LARGE	113-122	115-118
MEDIUM	80-89	82-85

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 mostly steady. Demand was light to moderate. Supplies were available on mediums, but in fair balance on large and heavier sizes. Eastern region breaking stock demand was moderate to good for short to barely adequate offerings. Light type hen offerings were at least adequate for a light to fair demand.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	123-141	124-127
LARGE	117-131	122-126
MEDIUM	80-93	85-88

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

COMBINED REGIONAL

August 31 2007

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	116.50	115.00	85.50
SOUTHEAST	115.50	113.50	84.00
MIDWEST	109.50	107.50	82.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	123.50	115.50	87.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	116.61	112.97	84.99

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

	09-04	08-28	09-05
Large	95-104	86-95	35-44
Medium	64-69	61-66	9-15

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT-SEP 04, 2007

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

		No	So	So	Atl	Pacific	5-Area
Jumbo	Curr Wk	5.3	14.1	6.4	8.5	11.0	45.3
	Change	-1.1	2.0	0.6	1.8	2.0	13%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	17.6	36.4	12.6	22.9	29.1	118.6
	Change	-4.6	0.9	1.1	3.7	-2.1	-1%
Large	Curr Wk	27.3	87.4	68.0	103.3	88.3	374.3
	Change	-1.5	8.6	5.7	25.0	-6.9	9%
Medium	Curr Wk	13.5	42.2	20.5	21.0	42.4	139.6
	Change	1.9	-0.6	-1.3	-3.0	5.4	2%
Small	Curr Wk	3.5	10.6	3.0	4.8	4.4	26.3
	Change	-1.5	1.7	1.1	-2.5	-2.7	-13%
Misc	Curr Wk	5.1	23.4	9.0	11.1	7.8	56.4
	Change	2.8	1.0	1.5	-1.6	0.6	8%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	4.5	54.2	9.9	18.0	18.4	105.0
	Change	-8.4	16.3	1.6	-1.1	-6.5	2%
Total	Curr Wk	76.8	268.3	129.4	189.6	201.4	865.5
	Percent Change	-14%	13%	9%	13%	-5%	5%
TOTAL		Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators			

Shell Egg	865.5	5%	155
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	220.6	-1%	33
Total Shell Egg	1086.1	4%	188

1/ Information supplied by a universe of 155 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.

2/ Due to changes in the cooperator universe, the relevant totals for the previous week were ADJUSTED. This adjustment is necessary to facilitate valid comparisons. The revised figures are:

	NO	SO	SO	5-AREA
NORTHEAST	CENT	CENT	ATL	PACIFIC
	89.2	238.4	119.1	167.3
				211.6
				825.6

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 01-SEP-2007

	Cases	(Lbs In Thousands) (Excludes Ingredients)				
		Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CW	1,265,953	32,421	10,628	5,573	2,315	4,134
PW	1,307,180	34,405	10,767	5,753	2,210	4,566
LY	1,318,808	33,261	11,834	6,119	2,654	4,458
% Chg PWK	-3%	-6%	-1%	-3%	5%	-9%
% Chg LY	-4%	-3%	-10%	-9%	-13%	-7%
2007	44,250,746	1,094,454	409,020	219,910	88,502	151,606
2006	45,331,169	1,111,431	424,686	225,637	102,377	152,697
% Chg YTD	-2%	-2%	-4%	-3%	-14%	-1%

Average Yield Per Case -	Current Week	Previous Week	Last Year
(Inedible Included)	41.67	42.45	42.21
(Inedible Excluded)	38.41	38.96	38.83

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	604,818	47.8%	16,506	50.9%
PREVIOUS WEEK	607,715	46.5%	17,257	50.2%
LAST YEAR	593,114	45.0%	16,972	51.0%

BROILER HATCHERY

19 Selected States STATE	Broiler Eggs Set In		Broiler Chicks Placed	
	AUG 25	SEP 1	AUG 25	SEP 1
	Thousand			
AL	*31,528	31,163	*21,361	21,512
AR	*28,234	28,271	24,673	24,551
DE	3,958	3,974	*5,224	4,935
FL	1,366	1,344	1,374	1,474
GA	*35,676	36,031	*30,272	28,900
KY	7,666	7,575	*6,040	6,672
LA	4,044	4,038	3,835	3,865
MD	*8,624	8,360	*5,575	6,108
MS	17,771	17,633	17,090	17,135
NC	19,885	19,341	16,123	16,300
OK	6,780	6,720	4,205	4,383
PA	4,246	4,173	2,954	3,121
SC	5,592	5,370	4,430	4,830
TX	14,981	14,956	12,016	12,341
VA	6,349	6,274	5,080	4,734
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*19,255	19,717	*17,309	17,123
19 State Total	*215,955	214,940	*177,561	177,984
Prev Yr Total	213,141	211,613	174,052	173,686
% of Prev Year	101	102	102	102

* Revised

WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING

Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 13-Oct-07 is estimated at 164.0 million head. This compares to 164.0 million head the previous week and to 163.3 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 163.7 million head and the composite weighted average price was 65.23 cents per pound.

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES – WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES

(CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 08/30/07 - 09/05/07

CLASS	CURRENT LDS 67.25		FUTURE LDS 71.25		TOTAL LDS 138.50		LOADS
	SE	NE	SE	NE	MW	MW	
GNR W 1	99.00	106.50	100.38	102.29	98.67	102.00	43.00
GNR W 4	--	77.00	--	--	--	--	3.00
GNR BR 2	--	--	--	--	--	103.00	1.00
GL W XL	117.33	123.00	115.75	114.62	106.38	--	30.25
GL W LG	--	117.00	111.25	110.90	102.60	--	17.00
GL W MD	79.00	--	67.50	70.00	69.56	74.50	13.00
GL W SM	--	59.00	57.40	59.50	54.88	--	9.00
GL BR J	--	--	--	--	--	--	.50
GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.25
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	--	83.00	22.00
NRBS - 39	--	--	68.50	72.00	65.89	--	10.00
NRBS - 36	--	--	48.00	49.00	--	--	1.00

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS W/E 01-SEP-07

SELECTED CONSUMING CENTERS	THOUSANDS		PCT CHG	
	CW	PW	PW	LY
Atlanta	29.6	26.7	11	3
Boston	3.1	3.0	3	0
Chicago	55.8	63.7	-12	-26
Detroit	10.2	10.4	-2	-1
Los Angeles	80.3	108.5	-26	-25
New Orleans	5.6	5.7	-2	4
New York	28.2	26.0	8	1
St. Louis	13.4	10.0	34	-11
San Francisco	14.0	13.6	3	-23
Total	240.2	267.6	-10	-17
4 Week Moving Avg.	244.8			

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED W/E 01-SEP-07

	YOUNG		YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD	TOTAL TURKEYS
	HENS	TOMS			
Head	2,361	2,796	37	2	5,196
Avg Wt	16.47	36.20	24.07	31.37	27.15
Last week	2,162	2,706	27	2	4,897
Same wk yr ago	1,801	2,664	2	8	4,475
Avg Wt	16.86	34.78	26.00	27.78	27.55
To-date/2007	68,602	91,008	748	175	160,533
To-date/2006	67,045	89,333	850	168	157,396

NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTS

W/E 01-SEP-07

	(Preliminary)		Avg Live wt	Old Banded	Total Turkeys
	---Young turkeys---				
	Thousand Head	Pct chg PW			
North East	765	-3	23.75	(A)	766 23.75
South Atlantic	848	19	29.49	(A)	849 29.49
North Central	2,307	0	31.28	(A)	2,307 31.28
South Central	732	3	18.46	(A)	732 18.46
West	542	44	22.41	(A)	542 22.41
U.S. total	5,194(B)	6	27.15	2	5,196 27.15
To-date 2007	160,358(B)			175	160,533
To-date 2006	157,228(B)			168	157,396

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.
 (B) Number of young banded breeder turkeys included: this week 37,000; for the current year to date 748,000; for last year to date 850,000.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

(PRELIMINARY) W/E 01-SEP-2007	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
-----THOUSANDS-----					
Head	171,530	1,034	1,563	2,597	456
Avg Wt	5.37	3.30	8.12	6.20	6.59
Last week	166,796	1,155	1,622	2,777	498
Same wk yr ago	168,295	931	1,557	2,488	428
Avg Wt	5.18	3.08	8.26	6.32	6.18
To-date/2007	5,624,589	39,056	50,877	89,933	17,624
To-date/2006	5,645,608	38,718	52,005	90,723	17,544

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 165.9 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 173.6 million head, or 7.7 million more than estimated available.

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 08-SEP-07

Class	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	09/08/07 (1)	09/01/07
Broiler/fryer	153,100 (2)	171,266
Light hens	896	1,136
Heavy hens	1,109	1,558
Total	155,105	173,960

(1) ESTIMATED

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 08-Sep-07 is 164.8 million head compared to 156.5 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 153.4 million head or 11.4 million less than estimated available. For the week of 15-Sep-07 the estimated available is 168.4 million head.

ESTIMATED U.S. FRYER SLAUGHTER/ FRYER AVAILABILITY COMPARISON

WEEK ENDING	SLTRD	AVAIL	PCT	AVG WT
July 28	166.4	170.3	98%	5.48
Aug 4	165.7	170.2	97%	5.31
11	167.4	170.5	98%	5.31
18	167.7	169.5	99%	5.40
25	168.8	168.9	100%	5.30
Sept 1	173.6	165.9	105%	5.37
Year to date	5692.7	5767.8	99%	
Sept 8		164.8		
15		168.4		

FINAL BROILER/FRYER REPORT Prices negotiated for truck-lot sales of ready-to-cook ice-packed broiler/fryers (includes branded product) to be delivered to first receivers at major market centers week of: 03-SEP-2007 (cents per lb)

	U.S. GRADE A			COMPOSITE	
	MAJ	WTD AVG	LDS	WTD AVG	LDS
Chicago	74.00-77.00	76.46	35	76.79	63
Los Angeles	89.00	88.35	60	85.32	136
New York	75.00-78.00	76.85	20	78.48	39

COMPOSITE WTD AVG PRICES FOR RTC BROILER/FRYERS

WEEKLY	Change from		
03-SEP-2007	27-AUG-2007	27-AUG-2007	04-SEP-2006
80.56	.81	79.75	69.32
NUMBER OF LOADS	505		

MONTHLY	WTD AVG	LOADS
August	78.82	2,365.20

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/	90-93	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	90-93	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	90-93	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS				
EASTERN REGION	90-93	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	90-93	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	90-93	-	-	-

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

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS -

Selected Centers	(Inc. Gov't Stocks)		(In Thousands)
	Frozen Eggs	Processed Turkeys	Processed other Poultry
AM 09/04/07	3,249	113,808	80,111
AM 08/01/07	3,152	107,664	81,493
CHG	97	6144	-1382
PCT CHG	3%	6%	-2%

Based on the historical relationship of the preliminary U.S. Cold Storage holdings report of Jul 31, 2007 and the selected centers storage report, the expected U.S. holdings on Sep 01, 2007 are:

Frozen Eggs	18 MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5%
Processed Turkeys	531 MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5%
Processed Other Poultry	635 MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5%

HEN MARKETS HEAVY TYPE

(7 pounds and up)* FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 03-SEP-07

REGIONS	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
Southeast (1)	8-13 CENTS/LB.		10.08
Southeast (2)	TFEWR		
South Central (1)	7.75-13.25 CENTS/LB.		9.91

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

*Weights under 7 lbs. subject to discount.

LIGHT TYPE - REMOVAL COSTS

Cents per head, generally for removal within the next 10 days,(includes handling, freight and any other charges, weights average about 3.50 pounds) 31-AUG-07

REGIONS	RANGE	MAJORITY
Eastern	3-12	5-8
South Central	Too Few To Report	
North Central	0-9	4-6

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT (Receipts From Producers)

W/E 01-01-SEP-2007	Cases (In thousands)	% Change From LW	LY
North Atlantic	182.4	5	0
East North Central	624.5	-3	-2
West North Central	280.6	0	-3
South Atlantic	171.2	2	-11
South Central	52.7	-7	-6
West	179.0	-1	-8
Total	1490.4	-1	-4
Matched plants reporting		81	81

Areas Covered:

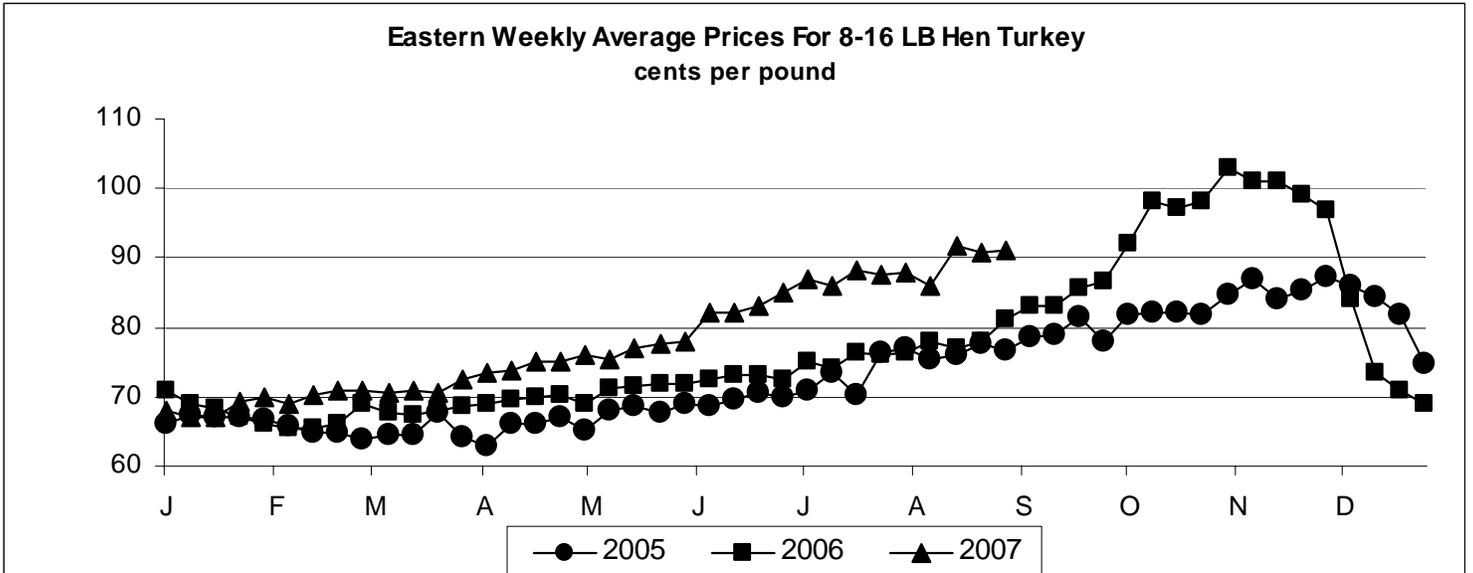
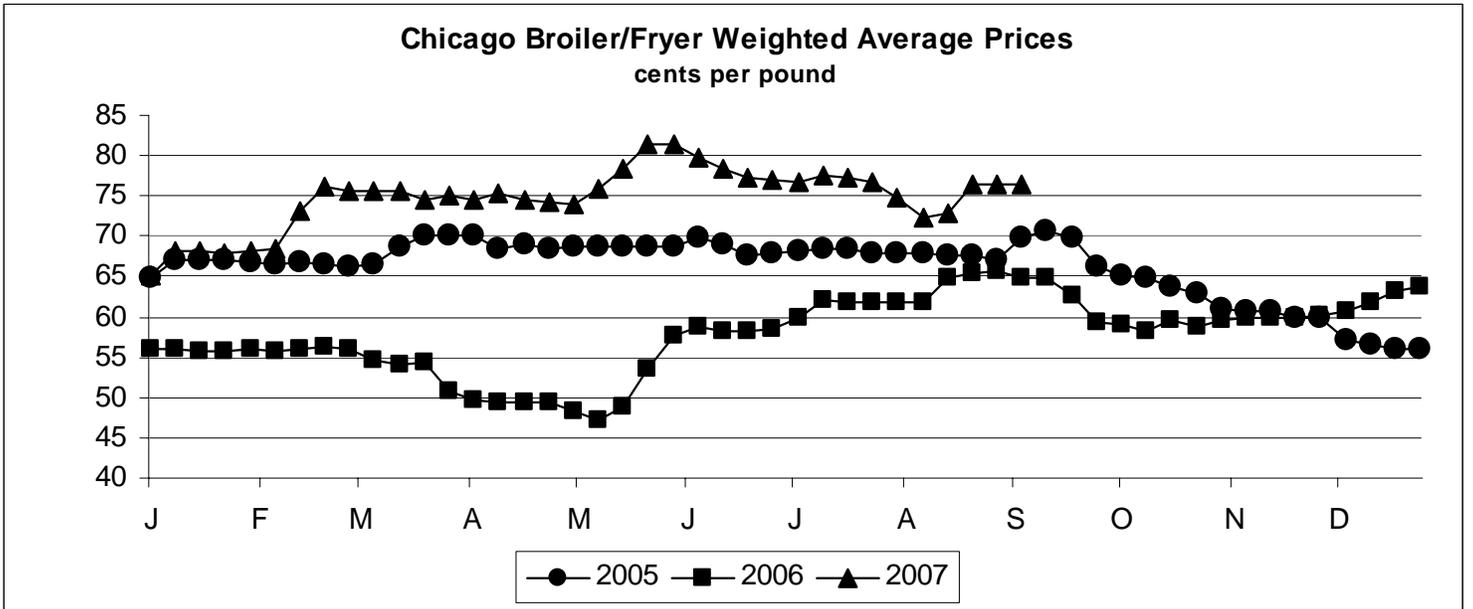
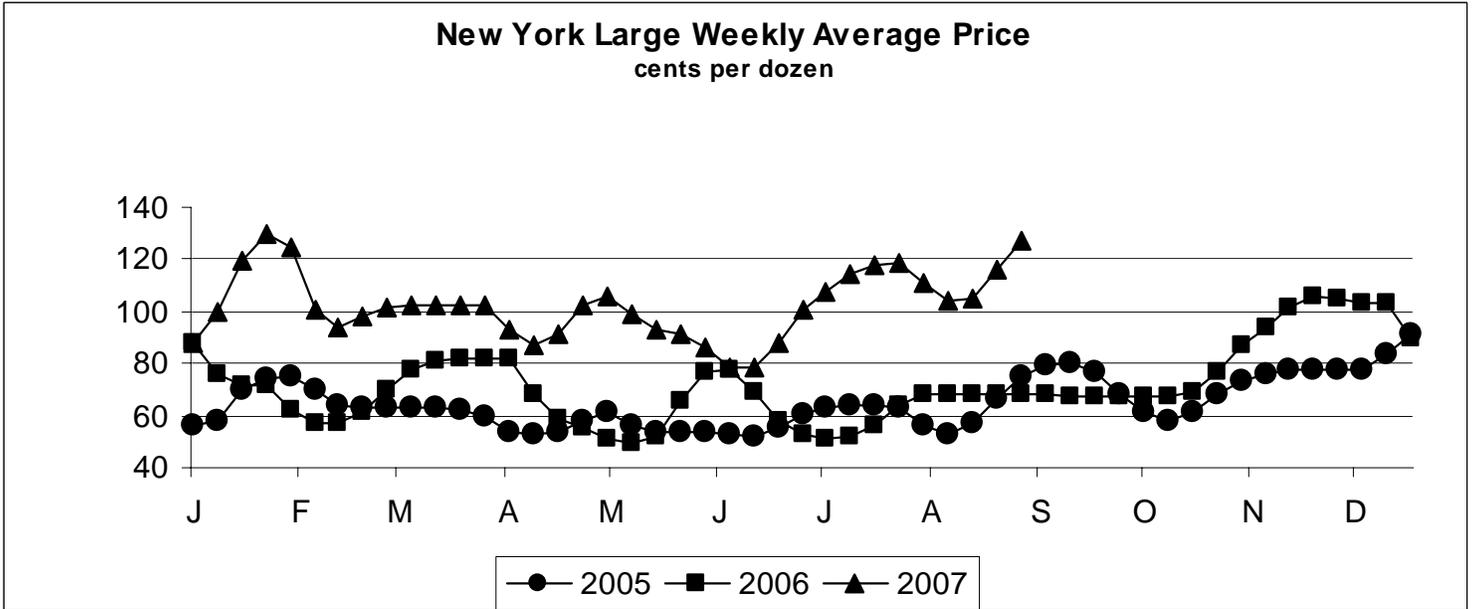
North Atlantic (ME, VT, MA, RI, CT, NH, NY, PA, NJ, MD, DE)

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)



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