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## NATIONAL EGG REVIEW

Prices in all reported markets have been unchanged throughout the entire week. The trade sentiment was reported as steady. Retail and distributive demand was light to mostly moderate. Supplies ranged from balanced to instances available, but were usually reported as adequate to fully adequate. Breaking stock prices were unchanged throughout the week. Offerings were light to adequate for the fair to good demand. Schedules were full-time. The trade sentiment remained steady. In the north central region spent hen removal costs remained unchanged. Demand was fairly good for the adequate offerings. 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 about steady. Retail demand continued light to very good where featured. Food service movement was light to instances moderate. Supplies were adequate to cover needs. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Offerings were light to adequate. 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 cautiously steady. Demand was slow to moderate for the available offerings. However, supplies were reported as in fair balance to adequate for current needs. Breaking stock offerings in the Eastern region were barely adequate to adequate for a moderate demand. Offerings of light hens 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

September 07, 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	125.50	124.00	86.50
SOUTHEAST	124.50	122.50	85.00
MIDWEST	118.50	116.50	83.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	132.50	124.50	88.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	125.61	121.96	86.00

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

	09-11	09-04	09-12
Large	95-104	95-104	33-42
Medium	64-69	64-69	14-20

## WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT-SEP 10, 2007

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

		Northeast		No Cent	So Cent	So Atl Pacific 5-Area		
Jumbo	Curr Wk	5.0	16.9	7.7	8.8	11.1	49.5	
	Change	-0.3	2.8	1.3	0.3	0.1	9%	
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	19.6	29.1	14.0	25.4	30.9	119.0	
	Change	2.0	-7.3	1.4	2.5	1.8	0%	
Large	Curr Wk	29.2	75.0	77.7	110.5	90.2	382.6	
	Change	1.9	-12.4	9.7	7.2	1.9	2%	
Medium	Curr Wk	11.3	44.9	21.4	19.8	40.5	137.9	
	Change	-2.2	2.7	0.9	-1.2	-1.9	-1%	
Small	Curr Wk	5.7	9.6	3.9	5.8	7.2	32.2	
	Change	2.2	-1.0	0.9	1.0	2.8	22%	
Misc	Curr Wk	3.4	24.3	9.6	10.3	4.9	52.5	
	Change	-1.7	0.9	0.6	-0.8	-2.9	-7%	
Ungraded	Curr Wk	9.7	55.0	10.8	17.9	26.2	119.6	
	Change	5.2	0.8	0.9	-0.1	7.8	14%	
Total	Curr Wk	83.9	254.8	145.1	198.5	211.0	893.3	
	Change	9%	-5%	12%	5%	5%	3%	
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>Number of Cases</b>		<b>Percent Change</b>		<b>Number of Cooperators</b>		

Shell Egg	893.3	3%	155
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	235.7	7%	33

Total Shell Egg	1129.0	4%	188
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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.

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 08-Sep-2007	(lbs. in thousands) (Excludes Ingredients)					
Total	Cases	Liquid	Liquid	Liquid	Dried	Ined
Production	Broken	Whole	Whites	Yolk		
CW	1,243,996	30,943	11,044	6,093	1,956	4,094
PW	1,265,953	32,421	10,628	5,573	2,315	4,134
LY	1,278,334	31,632	11,953	5,964	2,624	4,454
% PW	-2%	-5%	4%	9%	-16%	-1%
% LY	-3%	-2%	-8%	2%	-25%	-8%
2007	45,494,742	1,125,396	420,064	226,004	90,458	155,700
2006	46,609,503	1,143,063	436,639	231,601	105,001	157,151
% YTD	-2%	-2%	-4%	-2%	-14%	-1%
		<b>CW</b>	<b>PW</b>	<b>LY</b>		
Average Yield Per Case - (Inedible Included)		41.94	41.67	42.24		
Average Yield Per Case - (Inedible Excluded)		38.65	38.41	38.76		

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

	Cases Broken		Liquid Whole	
	Cases	% of Total	Lbs.	% of Total
CURRENT WEEK	624,846	50.2%	16,677	53.9%
PREVIOUS WEEK	604,818	47.8%	16,506	50.9%
LAST YEAR	599,837	46.9%	16,444	52.0%

**BROILER HATCHERY**

STATE	Broiler Eggs Set, 19 Selected States		Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States	
	01-Sep 2007	08-Sep 2007	01-Sep 2007	08-Sep 2007
	Thousands			
AL	*31,432	30,964	*21,594	20,767
AR	28,271	27,155	24,551	23,745
DE	3,974	3,954	*4,937	4,874
FL	1,344	1,344	1,474	1,354
GA	36,031	34,273	28,900	29,648
KY	*7,616	7,214	*6,170	6,500
LA	4,038	4,037	3,865	3,979
MD	8,360	8,500	*5,860	6,109
MS	17,633	18,093	*17,079	16,947
NC	19,341	17,926	16,300	15,934
OK	6,720	6,749	*4,521	4,897
PA	*4,179	4,194	*3,126	3,249
SC	5,370	5,390	4,830	4,057
TX	*14,970	14,189	*12,345	12,486
VA	*6,290	6,211	*4,916	5,271
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*19,438	18,857	*17,144	17,177
19 State Total	*215,007	209,050	*177,612	176,994
Previous Year Total	211,613	204,137	173,686	174,016
Pct. of Prev. Year	102	102	102	102

**WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING** Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 20-Oct-07 is estimated at 163.4 million head. This compares to 164.0 million head the previous week and to 162.9 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 167.6 million head and the composite weighted average price was 65.57 cents per pound.

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES** - WEEKLY (5-DAY) WTD AVG PRICES (CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR SEP 06, 2007-SEP 12, 2007

Current Loads	93.50	Future Loads	62.00	Total Loads	155.50		
	SE	NE	MW				
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	99.50	107.50	100.40	101.78	101.63	96.00	56.00
GNR W 3	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00
GNR W 4	--	77.00	--	--	--	--	2.00
GNR BR 1	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00
GL W J	108.00	--	--	--	109.00	119.00	2.00
GL W XL	117.33	118.50	115.12	111.59	101.86	106.00	37.00
GL W LG	--	117.40	111.88	109.25	99.13	--	31.25
GL W MD	73.67	--	70.00	73.00	73.18	76.00	20.25
GL W SM	59.00	57.00	57.83	60.67	55.25	59.67	11.00
GL BR J	--	--	--	--	--	--	.50
GL BR XL	--	--	--	--	107.00	--	.25

**MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS** W/E 08-SEP-2007

Selected Consuming Centers	CW (Cases In Thousands)	LW	% Change LW	LY
Atlanta	26.4	29.6	-11	1
Boston	3.1	3.1	0	7
Chicago	62.4	55.8	12	-27
Detroit	10.7	10.2	5	-1
Los Angeles	118.8	80.3	48	12
New Orleans	5.5	5.6	-2	8
New York	24.9	28.2	-12	-5
St. Louis	14.7	13.4	10	-3
San Francisco	13.5	14.0	-4	-26
Total	280.0	240.2	17	-5
4 Week Moving Avg.	255.0			

**TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS**

W/E 08-SEP-07 (Preliminary)	-----Young turkeys-----			Old	Total turkeys	
	Pct Chg	Avg	Banded			
	-Thousand Head-	Prev wk	Live wt	--Thousand head--	Live wt	
North East	733	-4	24.43	(A)	734	24.43
South						
Atlantic	777	-8	27.33	(A)	778	27.33
North Central	1,827	-21	31.82	(A)	1,828	31.82
South Central	672	-8	18.70	(A)	673	18.70
West	312	-42	25.64	(A)	312	25.64
U.S. total	4,321 (B)	-17	27.28	4	4,325	27.28
To-date						
2007	164,679 (B)			179	164,858	
To-date						
2006	161,175 (B)			177	161,352	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.  
(B) Number of young banded breeder turkeys included: this week 48,000; for the current year to date 796,000; for last year to date 856,000.

**LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION**

W/E 08-SEP-2007 (Preliminary)	Young		Young	Old	Total
	Hens	Toms	Breeders		Turkeys
	-----Thousands-----				
Head	1,981	2,292	48	4	4,325
Avg Wt	16.26	36.65	33.84	32.22	27.28
Last week	2,361	2,796	37	2	5,196
Same wk yr ago	1,875	2,066	6	9	3,956
Avg Wt	16.28	35.67	23.14	27.45	26.44
To-date/2007	70,583	93,300	796	179	164,858
To-date/2006	68,920	91,399	856	177	161,352

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

W/E 08-SEP-2007	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
-----THOUSANDS-----					
Head	149,496	795	1,119	1,914	460
Avg Wt	5.39	3.41	7.96	6.07	6.78
Last week	171,530	1,034	1,563	2,597	456
Same wk yr ago	154,603	876	1,242	2,118	535
Avg Wt	5.39	3.31	8.18	6.17	6.45
To-date/2007	5,774,085	39,851	51,996	91,847	18,084
To-date/2006	5,800,211	39,594	53,247	92,841	18,079

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 164.8 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 151.3 million head, or 13.5 million less than estimated available.

**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 15-SEP-07**

Class	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	09/15/07 (1)	09/08/07
----- Thousand head -----		
Broiler/fryer	167,313 (2)	153,100
Light hens	1,042	896
Heavy hens	1,531	1,109
Total	169,886	155,105

(1) ESTIMATED

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 15-Sep-07 is 168.4 million head compared to 168.5 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 167.6 million head or 0.8 million less than estimated available. For the week of 22-Sep-07 the estimated available is 169.1 million head.

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

WEEK ENDING	MILLION HEAD		PCT	AVG WT
	SLTRD	AVAIL		
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
8	151.3	164.8	92%	5.39
Year to date	5844.0	5932.6	99%	
Sept 15		168.4		
22		169.1		

**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: 10-SEP-2007 (cents per lb)

	U.S. GRADE A		COMPOSITE	
	MAJ	WTD AVG	LDS	WTD AVG
Chicago	74.00-77.00	76.09	34	76.61
Los Angeles	89.00	88.29	55	84.96
New York	75.00-78.00	76.95	21	78.58

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

WEEKLY	Change from		
10-SEP-2007	03-SEP-2007	03-SEP-2007	11-SEP-2006
80.37	-18	80.56	69.86
NUMBER OF LOADS	497		

**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)
<b>8-16 LB HENS</b>				
EASTERN REGION 3/	92-96	93.5-96	93.83	92
CENTRAL REGION 4/	92-95	93-95	93.15	65
WESTERN REGION 5/	92-93	-	-	-

**16-24 LB TOMS**

EASTERN REGION	92-96	93.5-96	94.00	100
CENTRAL REGION	92-94	93	93.00	60
WESTERN REGION	92-94	-	-	-

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) Processed other Poultry
	Frozen Eggs	Processed Turkeys	
	Lbs	Lbs	Lbs
AM 09/10/07	3,144	113,469	72,567
AM 09/01/07	3,249	113,808	80,111
CHG	-105	-339	-7544
PCT CHG	-3%	0%	-9%

**HEN MARKETS**

**HEAVY TYPE**

(7 pounds and up)\* FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 10-SEP-07

REGIONS	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
Southeast (1)	8-13 CENTS/LB.		10.12
Southeast (2)		TFEWR	
South Central (1)	7.5-13 CENTS/LB.		9.89

(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) 07-SEP-07

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

**COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT** (Receipts From Producers)

W/E 08-SEP-2007	Cases (In thousands)	% Change From	
REGIONS		LW	LY
North Atlantic	174.8	-4	-3
East North Central	639.6	2	2
West North Central	280.4	0	0
South Atlantic	176.5	3	-10
South Central	53.3	1	-6
West	186.3	4	-6
Total	1510.9	1	-2
Matched plants reporting		81	81

Areas Covered:

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

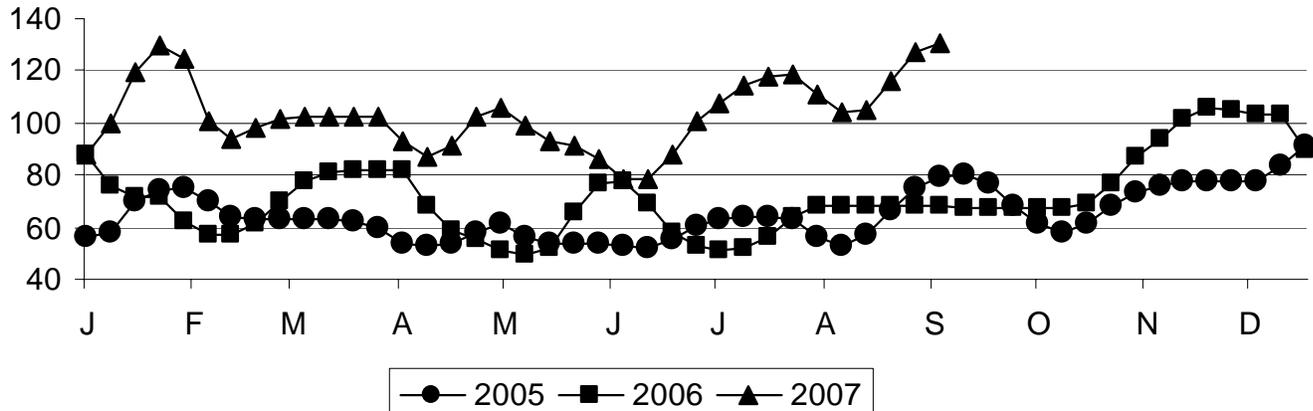
East North Central (WI, IL, MI, OH, IN)

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

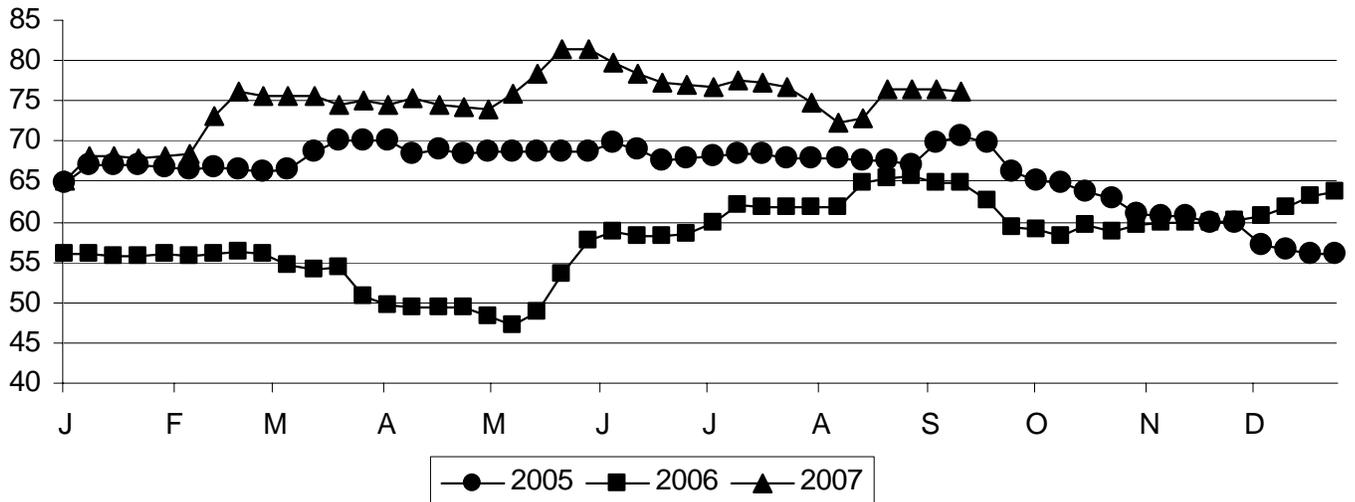
South Atlantic (SC, NC, VA, GA, FL, KY)

South Central (TN, AL, AR, MS, OK) West (CA, CO, WA, OR, UT)

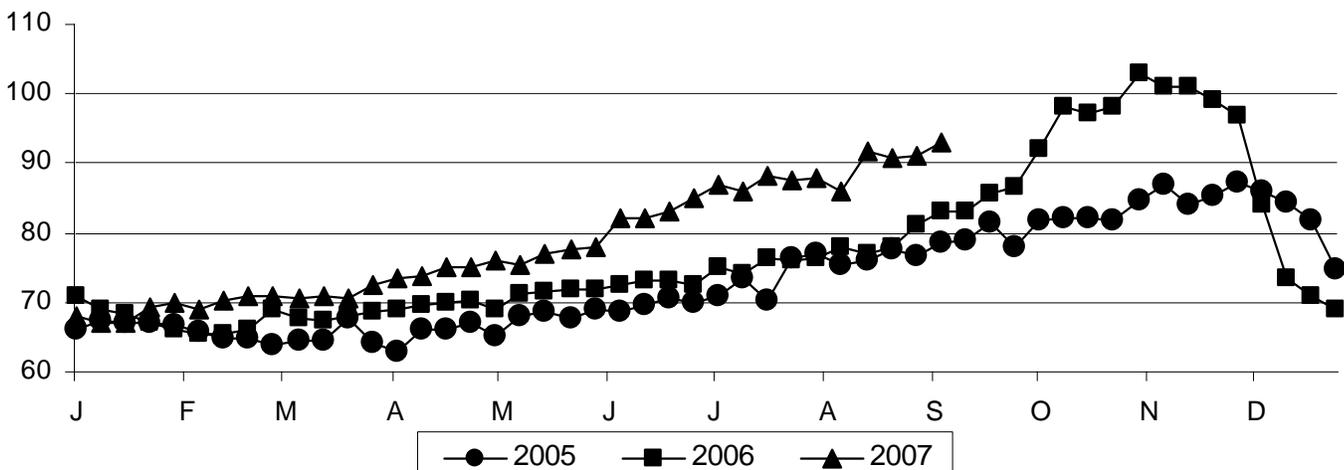
**New York Large Weekly Average Price**  
cents per dozen



**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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