



NATIONAL EGG REVIEW



Prices in New York increased 6 cents on the larger sizes and were 2 cents higher on mediums. Prices in all other regions remained unchanged to slightly higher on the larger sizes during the week with a firm undertone. Trade sentiment was fully steady to firm. Retail demand ranged light to very good but usually moderate to good. Food service movement was light to moderate. Supplies were tight to barely adequate and held with confidence in the Midwest and South Central regions. Other regional supplies were reported as adequate to sufficient. Breaking stock prices, along with checks and undergrades, were slightly higher for the period. Offerings remained tight to occasionally more available in limited locations. Demand was fairly good to good. Floor stocks were in close balance. Breaking schedules were full-time. The trade sentiment was fully steady. North central regional light hen removal costs were unchanged for the period. Demand was moderate to good, with offerings mostly adequate. Schedules were full-time. The trade sentiment was steady.

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 to producers in IA-MN-WI were higher for large and medium and unchanged for small. Midwest delivered prices were unchanged but were trending higher for next week. Trade sentiment fully steady to firm. Cartoned egg sales ranged light to very good, usually moderate to good. Loose egg movement was light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to close and held with confidence. Central States breaking stock prices were unchanged. Offerings were tight to slightly more available for the fairly good to mostly good demand. Floor stocks closely balanced. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment fully steady.

Table with 3 columns: RANGE, MOSTLY, and egg sizes (EXTRA LARGE, LARGE, MEDIUM)

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 all sizes were trending significantly higher. Trade sentiment was fully steady to firm. Demand into all channels was moderate. Supplies were adequate to in balance for trade needs. Eastern region breaking stock offerings were barely sufficient to tight for full time to reduced schedules. Light type hens were adequate for normal processing schedules.

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

COMBINED REGIONAL FEB 22, 2008

Average prices on sales to volume buyers, Grade A Large or better, White eggs in cartons, delivered warehouse, cents per dozen.

Table with 4 columns: REGIONS, EX LARGE, LARGE, MEDIUM

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

Table with 4 columns: egg sizes (Large, Medium) and price ranges (02-26-08, 02-19-08, 02-27-07)

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT

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

Table with columns: FEB 25, 2008, Northeast, No Cent, So Cent, So Atl Pacific 5-Area, and various egg categories (Jumbo, Ex Lge, Large, Medium, Small, Misc, Ungraded, Total)

Table with 4 columns: TOTAL, Number of Cases, Percent Change, Number of Cooperators

1/ Information supplied by a universe of 153 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 23-FEB-2008 (Lbs In Thousands) (Excludes Ingredients)

Total	Cases	Liquid	Liquid	Liquid	Dried	Inedible
	Broken	Whole	White	Yolk		
CW	1,215,577	30,278	11,109	6,047	2,358	4,205
PW	1,227,757	30,870	11,073	5,853	2,559	4,252
LY	1,243,214	30,911	11,716	6,095	2,651	4,185
% PW	-1%	-2%	0%	3%	-8%	-1%
% LY	-2%	-2%	-5%	-1%	-11%	0%
2008	9,869,311	246,646	88,901	47,748	21,003	34,234
2007	9,545,298	237,871	88,359	47,198	19,795	33,452
% YTD	3%	4%	1%	1%	6%	2%
Average Yield Per Case -		Current	Previous	Last		
		Week	Week	Year		
(Inedible Included)		42.48	42.39	42.56		
(Inedible Excluded)		39.02	38.93	39.19		

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	616,385	50.7%	16,986	56.1%
PREVIOUS WEEK	613,336	50.0%	16,595	53.8%
LAST YEAR	576,025	46.3%	16,225	52.5%

BROILER HATCHERY

19 Selected States STATE	Broiler Eggs Set In		Broiler Chicks Placed	
	FEB 16	FEB 23	FEB 16	FEB 23
	Thousand			
AL	31,899	31,920	*20,896	20,664
AR	28,156	28,592	23,171	23,830
DE	3,999	3,998	4,397	4,104
FL	1,369	1,369	1,382	1,317
GA	35,318	35,186	*28,950	29,129
KY	7,393	7,922	*6,632	6,511
LA	3,924	3,924	3,606	3,835
MD	9,067	8,975	*7,291	7,234
MS	18,510	18,755	17,136	17,348
NC	19,870	19,775	*16,257	16,404
OK	6,487	6,516	5,688	5,374
PA	*4,363	4,302	*3,244	3,317
SC	5,693	5,518	*4,243	4,306
TX	15,710	15,864	12,890	12,827
VA	6,428	6,443	*4,880	4,860
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*19,812	20,266	*16,838	17,405
19 State Total	*217,998	219,325	*177,501	178,465
Previous Year Total	214,750	214,659	171,611	172,634
Pct. of Prev. Year	102	102	103	103

*Revised

Source: NASS, USDA

WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING

Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 05-Apr-08 is estimated at 164.0 million head. This compares to 163.2 million head the previous week and to 162.0 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 155.9 million head and the composite weighted average price was 78.66 cents per pound.

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES – WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES

(CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 02/21/08 - 02/27/08

CLASS	SE		NE		MW		LOADS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W 1	126.17	132.00	127.70	128.27	128.00	128.25	37.00
GNR W 3	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00
GNR BR 1	--	--	--	--	--	149.00	1.00
GL W J	144.00	--	--	--	141.42	--	4.00
GL W XL	--	145.15	140.10	143.60	138.38	--	22.75
GL W LG	147.00	144.91	135.25	142.63	140.40	137.50	51.50
GL W MD	126.00	124.00	118.17	119.43	119.08	117.00	26.25
GL W SM	--	--	86.63	89.17	--	91.00	4.00
GL BR XL	--	--	--	--	183.67	--	.75
GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	182.40	--	1.25
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	--	115.79	19.00

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS W/E 23-FEB-08

Selected Consuming Centers	CW		PW		PCT CHG	
	Cases, in thousands		PW	LY		
Atlanta	23.7		23.8	0	-22	
Boston	2.9		2.8	4	-9	
Chicago	59.9		68.4	-12	24	
Detroit	10.3		11.6	-11	0	
Los Angeles	124.6		92.3	35	19	
New Orleans	4.6		5.6	-18	-16	
New York	29.8		29.0	3	10	
St. Louis	47.4		43.2	10	54	
San Francisco	14.7		14.6	1	-18	
Total	317.9		291.3	9	21	
4 Week Moving Avg.	296.1					

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED W/E 23-FEB-08

	YOUNG		YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD	TOTAL TURKEYS
	HENS	TOMS			
Head	2,051	2,735	8	2	4,796
Avg Wt	16.19	39.08	24.57	33.49	29.26
Last week	1,922	2,701	10	26	4,659
Same wk yr ago	1,915	2,566	7	5	4,493
Avg Wt	17.06	38.34	20.01	29.90	29.23
To-date/2008	14,783	22,048	108	69	37,008
To-date/2007	14,236	19,855	101	28	34,220

NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTS

W/E 23-FEB-08

	(Preliminary)					
	---Young turkeys---			Old Banded	Total Turkeys	
	Thousand	Pct chg	Avg		Thousand	Avg
	Head	PW	Live wt	-Thousand	head-	Live wt
North East	743	-2	25.01	(A)	744	25.01
South Atlantic	794	14	33.89	(A)	795	33.89
North Central	2,094	-1	33.78	(A)	2,094	33.78
South Central	856	11	18.91	(A)	856	18.91
West	307	7	25.71	(A)	307	25.71
U.S. total	4,794(B)	3	29.26	2	4,796	29.26
To-date						
2008	36,939(B)			69	37,008	
To-date						
2007	34,192(B)			28	34,220	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turkeys included: this week 8,000; for the current year to date 108,000; for last year to date 101,000.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

(PRELIMINARY) W/E 23-FEB-2008	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
-----Thousands-----					
Head	166,700	1,204	1,546	2,750	443
Avg Wt	5.54	3.70	7.98	6.11	6.84
Last week	163,748	1,315	1,576	2,891	424
Same wk yr ago	159,231	1,142	1,427	2,569	515
Avg Wt	5.21	3.29	7.92	5.86	6.79
To-date/2008	1,294,678	10,979	11,777	22,756	3,655
To-date/2007	1,236,197	8,735	10,902	19,637	4,114

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 168.5 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 168.7 million head, or 0.2 million more than estimated available.

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

Week Ending	Million Head Slaughtered	Million Head Available	Pct	Avg Wt
Jan 19	170.6	167.1	102%	5.35
26	161.9	167.6	97%	5.48
Feb 2	168.1	169.3	99%	5.47
9	167.5	167.7	100%	5.52
16	165.7	167.0	99%	5.57
23	168.7	168.5	100%	5.54
Year to date	1310.4	1327.7	99%	
Mar 1		168.4		
8		167.6		

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 01-MAR-08

Class	Current Week	Previous Week
	03/01/08 (1)	02/23/08
	----- Thousand head -----	
Broiler/fryer	166,086 (2)	165,428
Light hens	1,353	1,175
Heavy hens	1,543	1,539
Total	168,982	168,142

(1) ESTIMATED

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 01-Mar-08 is 168.4 million head compared to 162.0 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 166.4 million head or 2.0 million less than estimated available. For the week of 08-Mar-08 the estimated available is 167.6 million head.

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: 25-FEB-2008

(cents per lb)

	U.S. GRADE A			COMPOSITE		
	MAJ	WTD AVG	LDS	WTD AVG	LDS	
Chicago	75.00-78.00	77.11	34	75.20	65	
Los Angeles	87.00	86.62	58	87.62	128	
New York	77.00-80.00	78.65	20	78.86	53	

COMPOSITE WTD AVG PRICES FOR RTC BROILER/FRYERS

WEEKLY	Change from		
25-FEB-2008	18-FEB-2008	18-FEB-2008	26-FEB-2007
80.78	-17	80.95	80.01
NUMBER OF LOADS	520		

MONTHLY	WTD AVG	LDS
FEBRUARY	78.79	2,190.20

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/	77-79	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	77-79	77	77.00	80
WESTERN REGION 5/	77-79	77	77.00	80

16-24 LB TOMS

EASTERN REGION	77-79	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	77-79	77	77.00	120
WESTERN REGION	77-79	77	77.00	120

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.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS -

Selected Centers	(Inc. Gov't Stocks)	(In Thousands)		
		Frozen Eggs Lbs	Processed Turkeys Lbs	Processed other Poultry Lbs
AM	02/25/08	3,074	88,542	79,193
AM	02/01/08	3,210	70,926	85,345
CHG		-136	17616	-6152
PCT CHG		-4%	25%	-7%

HEN MARKETS**HEAVY TYPE**

(7 pounds and up)* FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 25-FEB-08

REGIONS	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
Southeast (1)	7-12 CENTS/LB.		9.47
Southeast (2)		TFEWR	
South Central (1)	7-12.5 CENTS/LB.		9.24

(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) 22-FEB-08

REGIONS	RANGE	MAJORITY
Eastern	3-12	5-8
South Central	Too Few To Report	
North Central	0-10.5	0-5

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT (Receipts From Producers)

W/E 23-FEB-2008	Cases (In thousands)	% Change From	
REGIONS		LW	LY
North Atlantic	182.6	3	8
East North Central	604.7	-8	-3
West North Central	294.8	-2	6
South Atlantic	178.0	0	-10
South Central	55.2	-1	-19
West	191.2	1	-3
Total	1506.5	-3	-2
Matched plants reporting		81	81

Areas Covered:

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

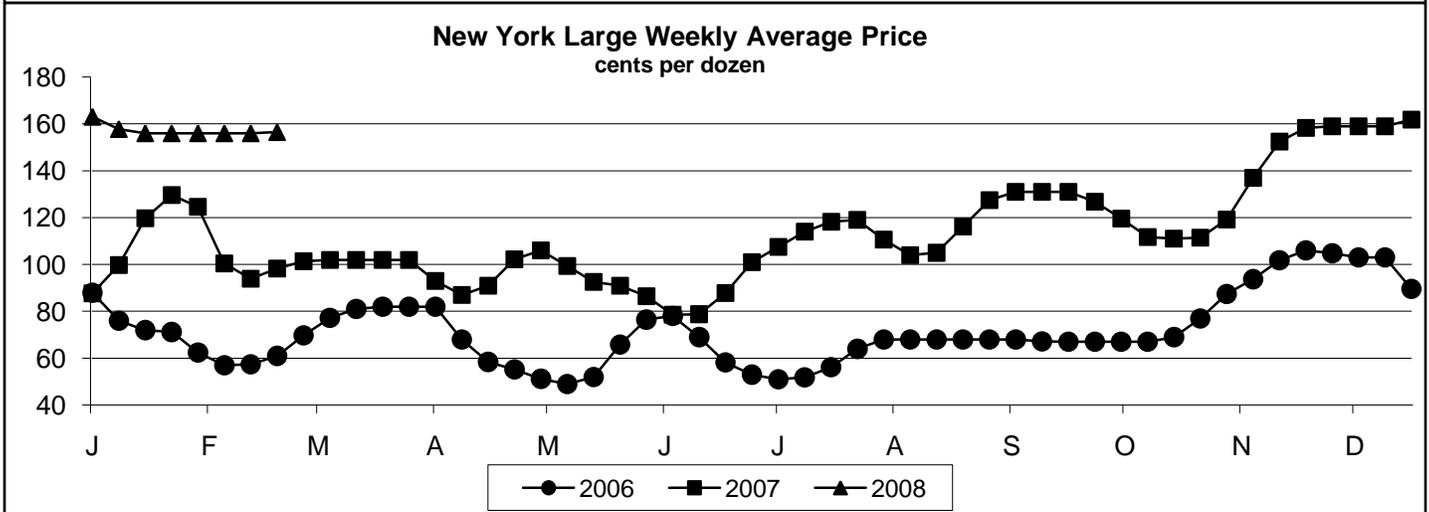
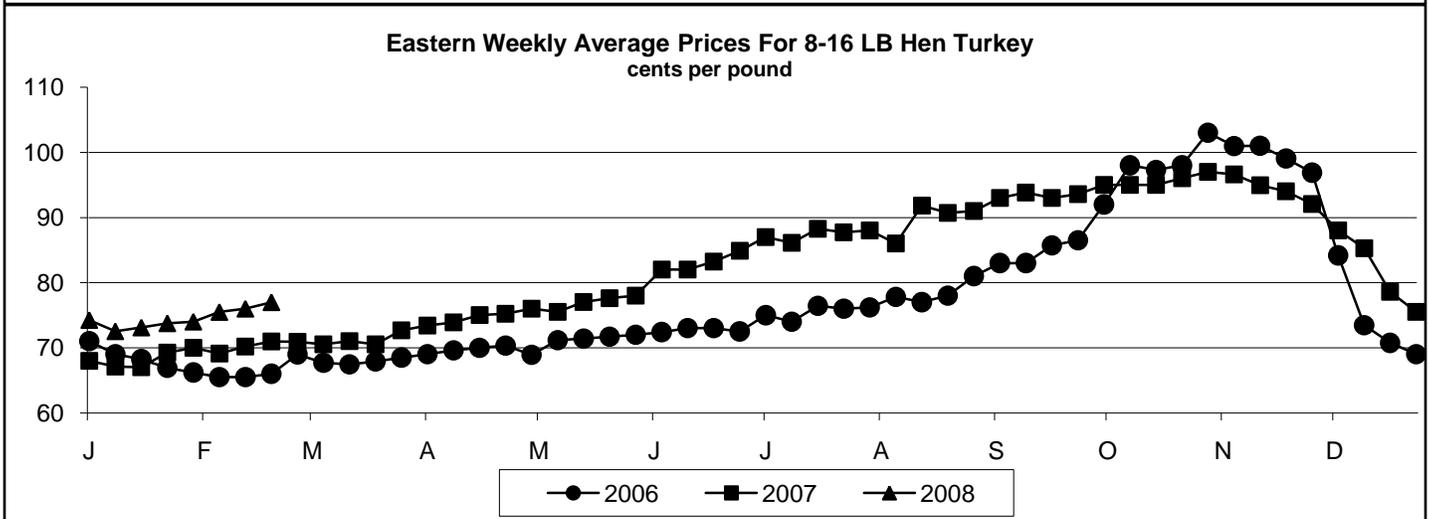
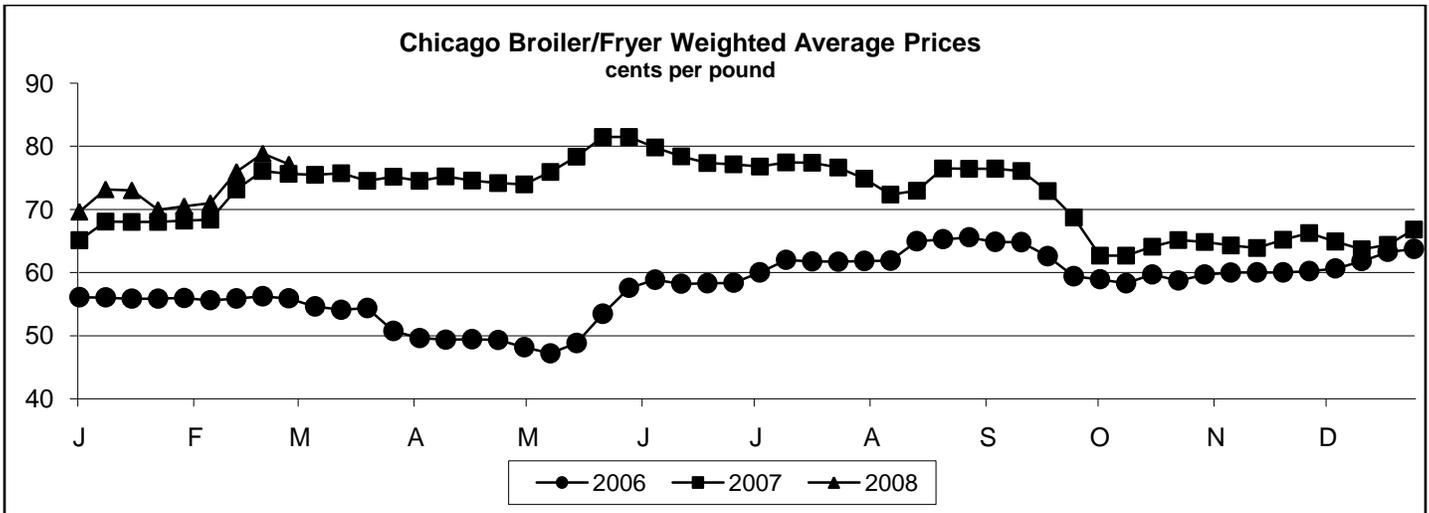
East North Central (WI, IL, MI, OH, IN)

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)



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