



NATIONAL EGG REVIEW



Prices in New York were unchanged. All other regional prices were sharply lower. Trade sentiment was reported as mostly steady in Western and Southeastern regions and steady in all other areas.

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. Cartoned egg sales were at times light to usually moderate with feature activity continuing to provide additional customer interest.

Table with columns: RANGE, MOSTLY, and rows for EXTRA LARGE, LARGE, MEDIUM, and Midwest Area.

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady. Demand into all channels was light to fair.

Table with columns: RANGE, MOSTLY, and rows for EXTRA LARGE, LARGE, MEDIUM, and Northeast Area.

COMBINED REGIONAL April 18, 2008
Average prices on sales to volume buyers, USDA Grade A and Grade A, white eggs in cartons, delivered warehouse, cents per dozen

Table with columns: REGIONS, EX LARGE, LARGE, MEDIUM, and rows for NORTHEAST, SOUTHEAST, MIDWEST, SOUTH CENTRAL, COMBINED REGIONAL.

Table with columns: IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN, 04-22-08, 04-15-08, 04-24-07, and rows for Large, Medium.

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT

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

Table with columns: APR 21, 2008, Northeast, No Cent, So Cent, Atl Pacific 5-Area, and rows for Jumbo, Ex Lge, Large, Medium, Small, Misc, Ungraded, Total Percent.

Table with columns: TOTAL, Number of Cases, Percent Change, Number of Cooperators, and rows for Shell Egg, Shell Egg Breaking Stock.

Total Shell Egg 1174.7 -5% 183
1/ Information supplied by a universe of 151 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.

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.

Table with columns: Northeast, North Central, South Central, South Atlantic, Pacific, and rows for CT, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT, IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI, AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX, AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, WV, AZ, CA, ID, MT, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY.

EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

W/E 19-APR-2008 (Lbs In Thousands) (Excludes Ingredients)

Total	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CW	1,367,993	33,303	13,167	6,761	3,421	4,667
PW	1,363,703	33,482	12,799	6,944	3,032	4,622
LY	1,231,747	30,019	11,220	6,056	2,340	4,200
% Chg PWK	0%	-1%	3%	-3%	13%	1%
% Chg LY	11%	11%	17%	12%	46%	11%
2008	20,078,383	500,370	183,253	97,996	42,203	69,610
2007	19,615,189	486,664	182,819	98,091	38,547	68,617
% Chg YTD	2%	3%	0%	0%	9%	1%
Average Yield Per Case -Current Previous Last						
		Week	Week	Week	Year	
(Inedible Included)		42.32	42.42	41.81		
(Inedible Excluded)		38.91	39.03	38.40		

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	672,712	49.2%	17,690	53.1%
PREVIOUS WEEK	675,588	49.5%	17,613	52.6%
LAST YEAR	593,796	48.2%	16,174	53.9%

BROILER HATCHERY

19 Selected States STATE	Broiler Eggs Set		Broiler Chicks Placed	
	APR 12	APR 19	APR 12	APR 19
	Thousand			
AL	*31,928	32,075	*21,311	21,702
AR	*27,171	27,393	*23,233	21,947
DE	4,027	3,942	4,804	4,867
FL	1,413	1,327	1,333	1,191
GA	34,137	34,651	*28,232	28,810
KY	7,902	7,702	*6,054	6,459
LA	3,712	3,712	3,726	3,607
MD	8,779	8,995	6,095	6,590
MS	19,242	18,877	17,375	17,291
NC	20,370	19,587	16,658	15,649
OK	6,580	6,319	5,632	4,964
PA	*4,198	4,347	*3,352	3,351
SC	5,611	5,406	4,776	4,418
TX	15,574	15,063	13,010	13,097
VA	6,416	6,164	5,720	5,021
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*20,224	19,935	*17,035	18,209
19 State Total	*217,284	215,495	*178,346	177,173
Previous Year Total	219,385	220,515	177,312	177,686
Pct. of Prev. Year	99	98	101	100

*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 31-May-08 is estimated at 163.8 million head. This compares to 165.5 million head the previous week and to 167.3 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 157.1 million head and the composite weighted average price was 82.89 cents per pound.

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES – WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES

(CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 04/17/08 - 04/23/08

CLASS	SE		NE		MW		LOADS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W 1	82.83	86.00	83.88	85.29	--	--	11.00
GNR W 3	--	76.00	--	--	--	--	1.00
GNR BR 1	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.25
GL W J	--	--	99.50	101.00	87.33	--	8.00
GL W XL	94.50	98.08	95.50	96.61	85.80	--	41.25
GL W LG	--	95.00	92.50	90.63	82.31	--	17.50
GL W MD	89.00	82.75	79.38	79.50	74.49	73.00	31.75
GL W SM	--	--	--	--	63.58	64.70	2.00
GL BR XL	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00
GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	--	--	.50
NRBS - 48	68.50	70.00	--	78.09	78.91	78.79	51.50
NRBS - 39	--	--	--	69.00	64.00	--	1.00
NRBS - 36	60.00	--	--	65.00	--	--	1.25

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS W/E 19-APR-08

Selected Consuming Centers	CW	PW	PCT CHG	
	Cases, in thousands	PW	PW	LY
Atlanta	23.3	25.0	-7	-21
Boston	2.9	3.0	-3	0
Chicago	63.2	50.9	24	34
Detroit	10.2	9.6	6	9
Los Angeles	117.3	90.3	30	19
New Orleans	5.7	5.4	6	6
New York	31.6	33.0	-4	19
St. Louis	41.0	39.2	5	38
San Francisco	14.3	14.7	-3	-13
Total	309.5	271.1	14	23
4 Week Moving Avg.	286.5			

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED W/E 19-APR-08

	YOUNG		YOUNG	OLD	TOTAL TURKEYS
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS		
Head	1,993	2,719	46	12	4,770
Avg Wt	16.20	38.70	25.24	27.46	29.14
Last week	1,872	2,658	36	0	4,566
Same wk yr ago	2,039	2,597	12	0	4,648
Avg Wt	16.80	37.98	26.73	0.00	28.66
To-date/2008	30,118	43,685	320	159	74,282
To-date/2007	29,686	40,094	225	70	70,075

NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTS

W/E 19-APR-08

	(Preliminary)			Old		Total Turkeys	
	---Young turkeys---		Avg	Banded	Avg		
	Thousand	Pct chg	Live wt	-Thousand head-	Live wt		
North East	784	0	24.70	(A)	787	24.70	
South Atlantic	729	11	31.41	(A)	732	31.41	
North Central	2,125	2	34.62	(A)	2,127	34.62	
South Central	848	8	18.71	(A)	850	18.71	
West	272	6	25.64	(A)	274	25.64	
U.S. total	4,758(B)	4	29.14	12	4,770	29.14	
To-date							
2008	74,123(B)			159	74,282		
To-date							
2007	70,005(B)			70	70,075		

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turkeys included: this week 46,000; for the current year to date 320,000; for last year to date 225,000.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

(PRELIMINARY) W/E 19-APR-2008	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
-----Thousands-----					
Head	165,918	1,567	1,571	3,138	442
Avg Wt	5.59	3.22	7.94	5.58	6.44
Last week	165,977	1,549	1,494	3,043	453
Same wk yr ago	159,610	1,026	1,280	2,306	525
Avg Wt	5.50	3.23	7.89	5.82	5.99
To-date/2008	2,610,449	22,542	23,858	46,400	7,296
To-date/2007	2,506,105	17,811	21,571	39,382	8,358

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 168.1 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 167.9 million head, or 0.2 million less than estimated available.

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

Week Ending	Million Head Slaughtered	Million Head Available	Pct	Avg Wt
Mar 15	168.4	166.4	101%	5.50
22	162.4	165.9	98%	5.45
29	162.2	166.6	97%	5.59
Apr 5	168.5	167.4	101%	5.56
12	168.0	167.4	100%	5.57
19	167.9	168.1	100%	5.59
Year to date	2642.2	2665.5	99%	
Apr 26		169.5		
May 3		170.1		

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 26-APR-08

Class	Current Week	Previous Week
	04/26/08 (1)	04/19/08
	----- Thousand head -----	
Broiler/fryer	166,653 (2)	168,876
Light hens	1,301	1,666
Heavy hens	1,712	1,558
Total	169,666	172,100

(1) ESTIMATED

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 26-Apr-08 is 169.5 million head compared to 163.3 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 167.0 million head or 2.5 million less than estimated available. For the week of 03-May-08 the estimated available is 170.1 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: 21-APR-2008 (cents per lb)

	U.S. GRADE A			COMPOSITE		
	MAJ	WTD AVG	LDS	WTD AVG	LDS	
Chicago	72.00-75.00	74.09	30	72.51	64	
Los Angeles	90.00	88.90	58	84.10	170	
New York	73.00-76.00	75.05	20	77.16	43	

COMPOSITE WTD AVG PRICES FOR RTC BROILER/FRYERS

WEEKLY	Change from		
21-APR-2008	14-APR-2008	14-APR-2008	23-APR-2007
78.90	.12	78.78	78.37
NUMBER OF LOADS	551		

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/ 8-16 LB HENS	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	LBS (000)
EASTERN REGION 3/	86-89	86.25	86.25	40
CENTRAL REGION 4/	86-89	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	86-92	-	-	-

16-24 LB TOMS

EASTERN REGION	86-89	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	86-89	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	86-91	-	-	-

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) Processed other Poultry Lbs
	Frozen Eggs Lbs	Processed Turkeys Lbs	
AM 04/21/08	3,028	94,450	77,982
AM 04/01/08	2,959	90,808	72,309
CHG	69	3642	5673
PCT CHG	2%	4%	8%

HEN MARKETS**HEAVY TYPE**

(7 pounds and up)* FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 21-APR-08

REGIONS	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
Southeast (1)	7-12.75 CENTS/LB.		9.80
Southeast (2)		TFEWR	
South Central (1)	7-12.75 CENTS/LB.		9.60

(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) 18-APR-08

REGIONS	RANGE	MAJORITY
Eastern	3-12	4-8
South Central	Too Few To Report	
North Central	0-10.5	0-5

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT (Receipts From Producers)

W/E 19-APR-2008	Cases (In thousands)	% Change From	
REGIONS		LW	LY
North Atlantic	172.4	-1	1
East North Central	623.5	1	-4
West North Central	323.5	6	12
South Atlantic	172.0	1	1
South Central	53.3	9	-4
West	196.7	9	9
Total	1541.4	3	2
Matched plants reporting		81	81

Areas Covered:

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

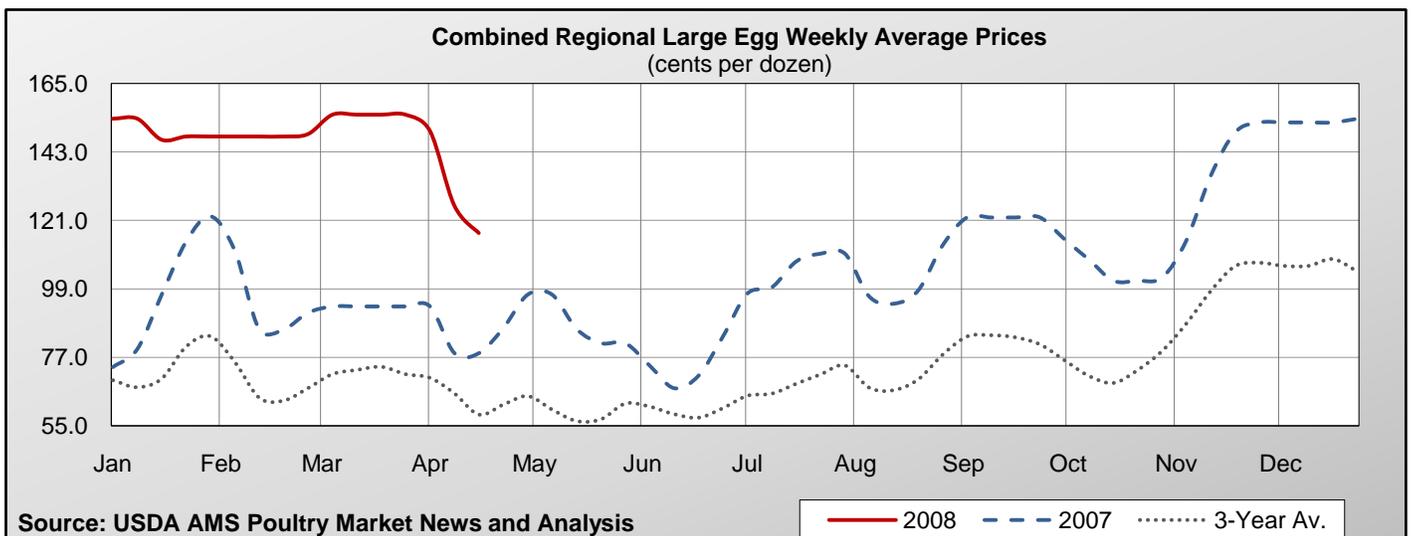
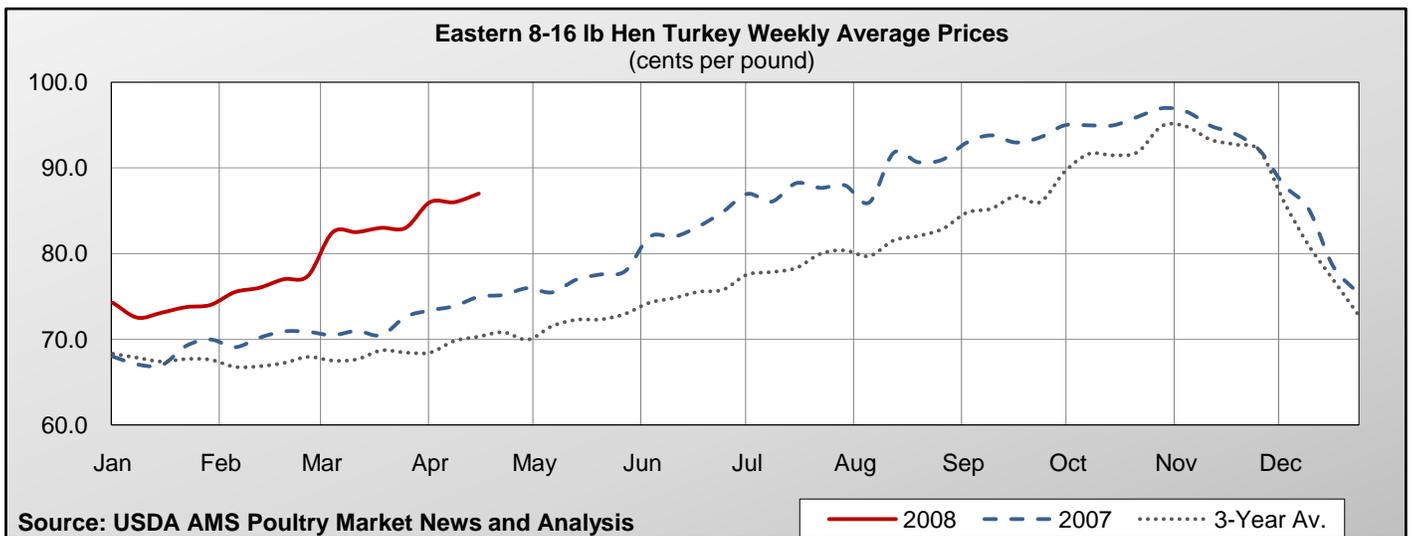
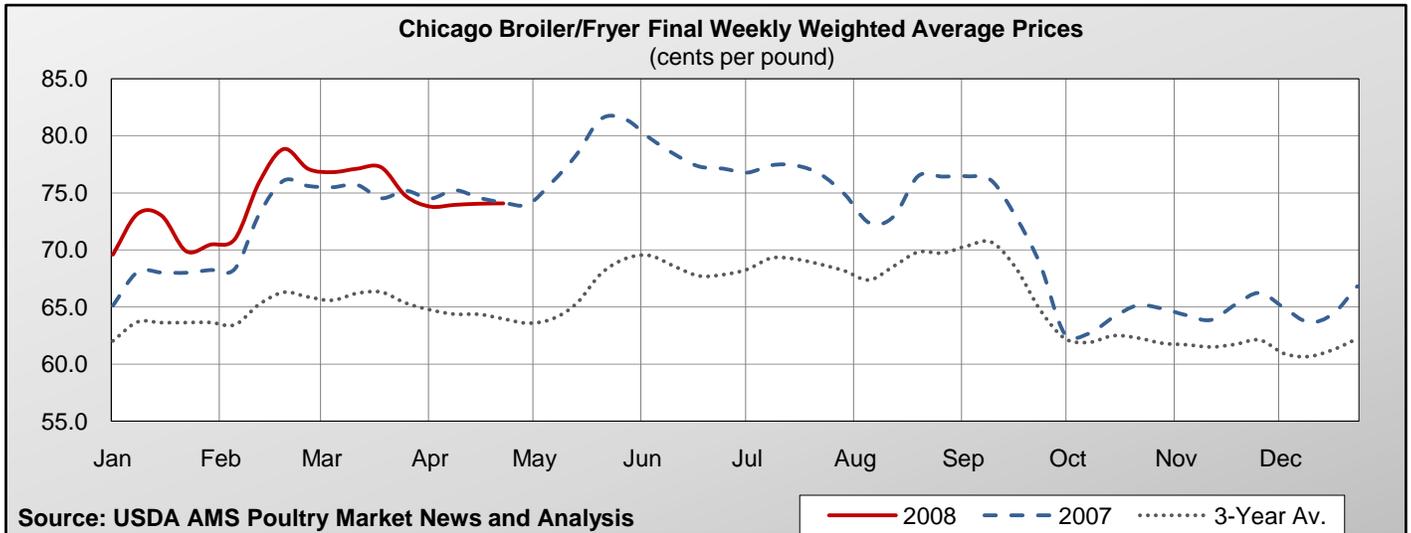
East North Central (WI, IL, MI, OH, IN)

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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