



NATIONAL EGG REVIEW



During the week, prices in New York were sharply lower. Prices also declined in the Southeastern and Northeastern region and were unchanged in the Midwest, South Central and Western regions at the beginning of the period.

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 lower for all sizes. Midwest delivered prices were unchanged. The trade sentiment was barely steady to usually weak.

Table with columns: RANGE, MOSTLY, and rows for EXTRA LARGE, LARGE, MEDIUM, and MIDWEST AREA.

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged, however trending sharply lower. Trade sentiment was barely steady to mostly weak.

Table with columns: RANGE, MOSTLY, and rows for EXTRA LARGE, LARGE, MEDIUM, and NORTHEAST AREA.

COMBINED REGIONAL April 25, 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, 04-29-08, 04-22-08, 05-01-07, 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 28, 2008, Northeast, No Cent, So Cent, So 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 1203.3 2% 183
1/ Information supplied by a universe of 151 cooperators who normally have stocks on hand each Monday A.M.

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 regional abbreviations.

EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

W/E 26-APR-2008 (Lbs In Thousands) (Excludes Ingredients)

Total	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CW	1,358,641	32,916	13,163	6,844	3,240	4,501
PW	1,367,993	33,303	13,167	6,761	3,421	4,667
LY	1,204,213	30,394	11,336	5,811	2,031	4,182
% Chg PWK	-1%	-1%	0%	1%	-5%	-4%
% Chg LY	13%	8%	16%	18%	60%	8%
2008	21,437,024	533,286	196,417	104,840	45,443	74,111
2007	20,819,402	517,057	194,155	103,901	40,578	72,799
% Chg YTD	3%	3%	1%	1%	12%	2%

Average Yield Per Case -Current Previous	Last	Year
Week	Week	Year
(Inedible Included)	42.27	42.95
(Inedible Excluded)	38.95	39.48

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	666,722	49.1%	17,274	52.5%
PREVIOUS WEEK	672,712	49.2%	17,690	53.1%
LAST YEAR	594,353	49.4%	16,562	54.5%

BROILER HATCHERY

19 Selected States STATE	Broiler Eggs Set		Broiler Chicks Placed	
	APR 19	APR 26	APR 19	APR 26
	Thousand			
AL	*31,928	32,248	*21,674	20,738
AR	*27,408	27,071	*22,047	23,230
DE	3,942	3,721	4,867	4,584
FL	1,327	1,306	1,191	1,255
GA	34,651	33,997	*28,784	29,038
KY	7,702	7,391	*6,589	6,683
LA	3,712	3,712	3,607	3,344
MD	8,995	8,223	6,590	7,121
MS	18,877	18,999	17,291	17,359
NC	19,587	19,714	15,649	16,118
OK	*6,682	6,252	4,964	5,213
PA	*4,349	4,217	*3,323	3,340
SC	5,406	5,420	4,418	4,434
TX	15,063	15,333	13,097	12,719
VA	6,164	6,211	5,021	4,767
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*20,107	19,413	*18,143	18,165
19 State Total	*215,900	213,228	*177,255	178,108
Previous Year Total	220,515	218,515	177,686	180,188
Pct. of Prev. Year	98	98	100	99

*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 07-Jun-08 is estimated at 163.6 million head. This compares to 163.8 million head the previous week and to 168.8 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 166.0 million head and the composite weighted average price was 82.74 cents per pound.

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES – WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES

(CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 04/24/08 - 04/30/08

CURRENT LDS	SE		NE		MW		LOADS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
60.50	82.50	86.50	83.38	84.86	--	--	23.00
60.50	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.25
60.50	--	--	99.00	100.00	86.70	--	6.25
60.50	--	98.81	95.11	95.85	84.23	--	38.00
60.50	--	96.05	--	87.20	78.69	86.00	24.00
60.50	--	83.75	80.00	81.67	76.98	--	26.50
60.50	--	--	66.00	67.50	72.00	--	4.00
60.50	--	--	--	--	--	--	2.00
60.50	--	--	--	--	--	--	.75
60.50	77.00	80.00	--	--	--	--	1.00
60.50	--	--	80.00	76.83	75.63	76.04	56.00
60.50	--	--	--	--	--	76.00	2.00

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS W/E 26-APR-08

Selected Consuming Centers	CW		PW		PCT CHG	
	Cases, in thousands		PW	LY		
Atlanta	23.8		23.3		2	-12
Boston	2.8		2.9		-3	-7
Chicago	67.9		63.2		7	41
Detroit	10.8		10.2		6	17
Los Angeles	101.3		117.3		-14	1
New Orleans	5.3		5.7		-7	-5
New York	29.0		31.6		-8	8
St. Louis	39.7		41.0		-3	30
San Francisco	13.3		14.3		-7	-19
Total	293.9		309.5		-5	17
4 Week Moving Avg.	285.5					

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED W/E 26-APR-08

	YOUNG		YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD	TOTAL TURKEYS
	HENS	TOMS			
Head	1,998	2,761	8	1	4,768
Avg Wt	16.14	38.60	30.60	61.71	29.18
Last week	1,993	2,719	46	12	4,770
Same wk yr ago	1,951	2,594	12	3	4,560
Avg Wt	16.55	38.02	24.16	31.03	28.79
To-date/2008	32,116	46,446	328	160	79,050
To-date/2007	31,637	42,688	237	73	74,635

NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTS

W/E 26-APR-08

	(Preliminary)					
	---Young turkeys---			Old Banded	Total Turkeys	
	Thousand	Pct chg	Avg		-Thousand head-	Avg
Head	PW	Live wt		Live wt		
North East	800	2	23.89	(A)	801	23.89
South Atlantic	742	2	32.11	(A)	742	32.11
North Central	2,106	-1	34.91	(A)	2,106	34.91
South Central	834	-2	18.22	(A)	834	18.22
West	285	5	25.95	(A)	285	25.95
U.S. total	4,767(B)	0	29.18	1	4,768	29.18
To-date						
2008	78,890(B)			160	79,050	
To-date	74,562(B)			73	74,635	

(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 328,000; for last year to date 237,000.available.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

(PRELIMINARY) W/E 26-APR-2008	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
-----Thousands-----					
Head	165,215	1,182	1,704	2,886	436
Avg Wt	5.48	3.08	7.90	5.93	6.80
Last week	165,918	1,567	1,571	3,138	442
Same wk yr ago	161,364	1,156	1,432	2,588	532
Avg Wt	5.50	3.29	8.14	5.97	5.81
To-date/2008	2,775,664	23,724	25,562	49,286	7,732
To-date/2007	2,667,469	18,967	23,003	41,970	8,890

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 169.5 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 167.2 million head, or 2.3 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 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
26	167.2	169.5	99%	5.48
Year to date	2809.4	2835.0	99%	
May 3		170.1		
10		170.0		

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 03-MAY-08

Class	Current Week	Previous Week
	05/03/08 (1)	04/26/08
----- Thousand head -----		
Broiler/fryer	168,746 (2)	166,653
Light hens	1,333	1,301
Heavy hens	1,657	1,712
Total	171,736	169,666

(1) ESTIMATED

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 03-May-08 is 170.1 million head compared to 167.9 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 169.1 million head or 1.0 million less than estimated available. For the week of 10-May-08 the estimated available is 170.0 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: 28-APR-2008

(cents per lb)

	U.S. GRADE A			COMPOSITE		
	MAJ	WTD AVG	LDS	WTD AVG	LDS	
Chicago	75.00-78.00	77.27	29	75.15	55	
Los Angeles	90.00	88.98	59	84.64	154	
New York	76.00-79.00	78.24	21	79.78	48	

COMPOSITE WTD AVG PRICES FOR RTC BROILER/FRYERS

WEEKLY	Change from		
28-APR-2008	21-APR-2008	21-APR-2008	30-APR-2007
80.57	1.67	78.90	78.35

NUMBER OF LOADS 539

MONTHLY - April	WTD AVG	LDS
	77.84	2,230.80

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/	87-90	88.25	88.25	82
CENTRAL REGION 4/	87-90	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	87-92	-	-	-

16-24 LB TOMS

	87-90	88.25	88.25	34
EASTERN REGION	87-90	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	87-90	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	87-91	-	-	-

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 04/28/08	3,025	97,216	79,566
AM 04/01/08	2,959	90,808	72,309
CHG	66	6408	7257
PCT CHG	2%	7%	10%

HEN MARKETS**HEAVY TYPE**

(7 pounds and up)* FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 28-APR-08

REGIONS	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
Southeast (1)	7.5-12.75 CENTS/LB.		9.82
Southeast (2)		TFEWR	
South Central (1)		TFEWR	

(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) 25-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 26-APR-2008	Cases (In thousands)	% Change From	
REGIONS		LW	LY
North Atlantic	173.9	1	3
East North Central	589.7	-4	-1
West North Central	305.0	0	16
South Atlantic	168.7	-2	-5
South Central	51.6	5	0
West	185.8	-2	6
Total	1474.7	-2	3
Matched plants reporting		81	81

Areas Covered:

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

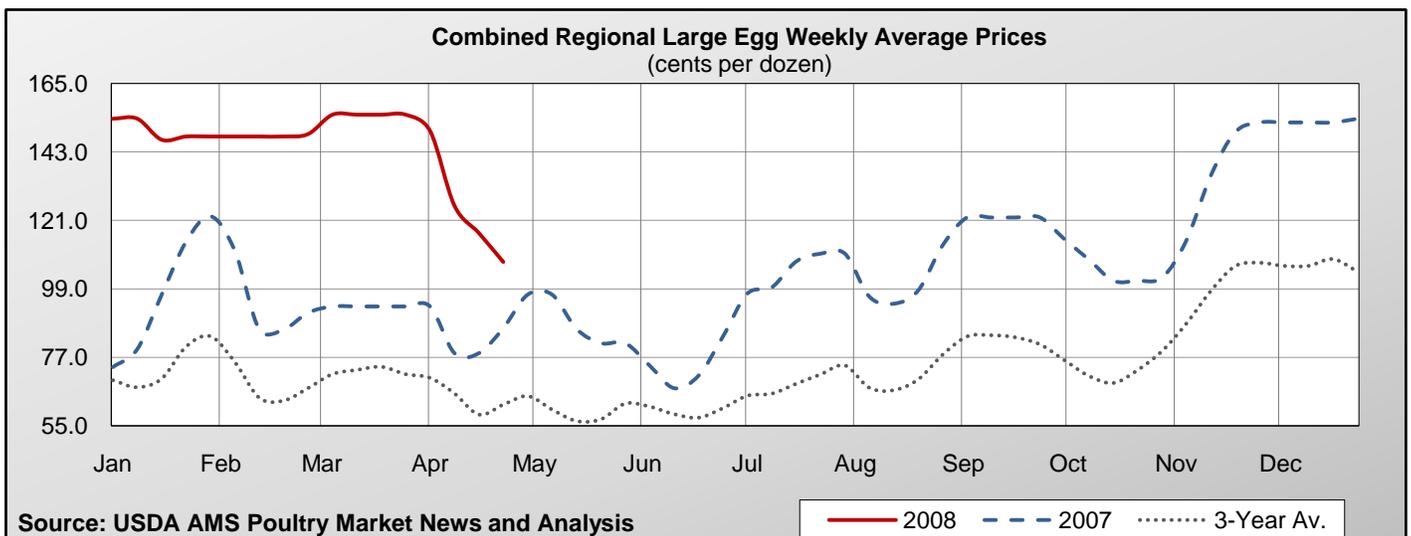
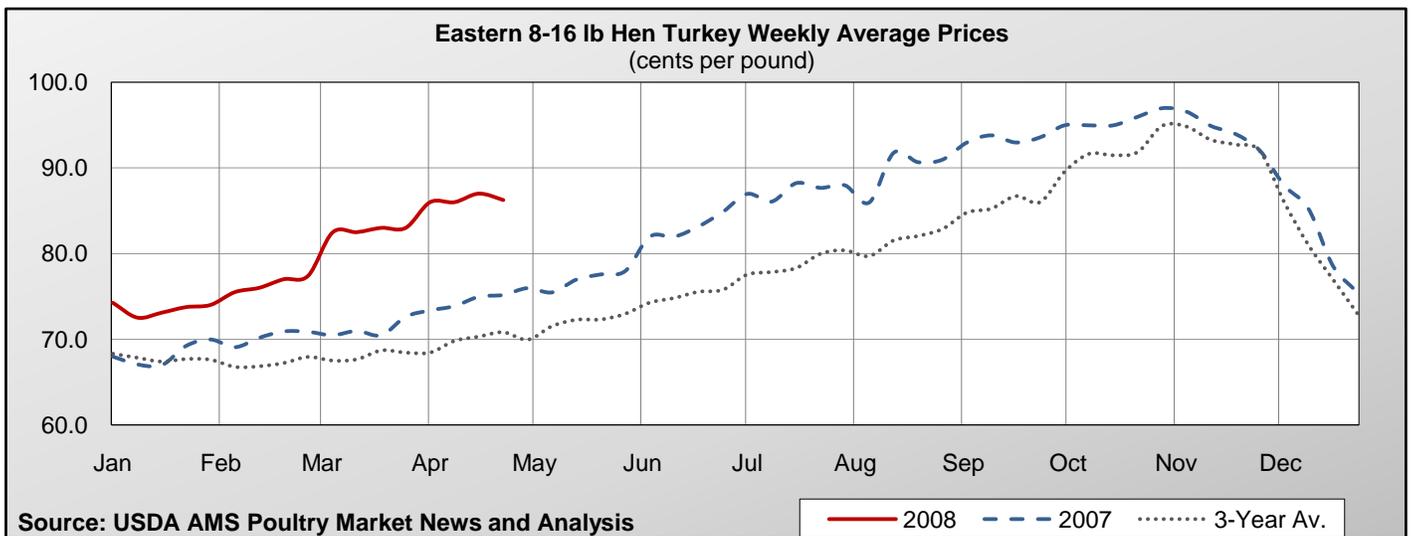
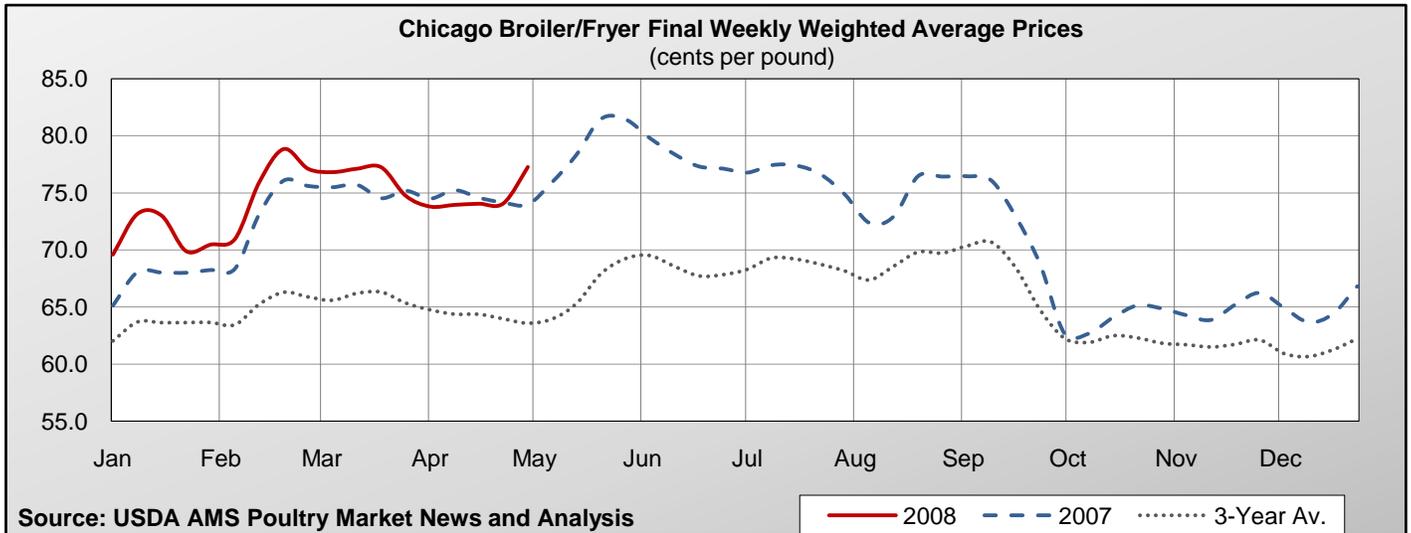
East North Central (WI, IL, MI, OH, IN)

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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