



NATIONAL EGG REVIEW



Prices in New York decreased on all sizes this period. Regional prices were lower on all sizes, except the Southeast region which was unchanged to lower on the larger sizes. Regional prices were trending sharply lower for next week. Trade sentiment was barely steady to weak. Retail demand was reported as light to moderate, best were features were active. Food service movement was slow. Supplies ranged adequate to ample. Breaking stock prices, along with checks and undergrades, declined during the week. Demand was light for the fully adequate demand. Floor stocks were fully adequate to ample. Processing schedules varied. The trade sentiment was barely steady to weak. North Central regional light hen removal costs were unchanged. Demand was moderate to fairly good, with offerings adequate to light. Processing schedules were mixed. The trade sentiment continued 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 Midwest delivered prices were unchanged but were trending sharply lower for next week. Producer prices were lower for large and medium and unchanged for small. Trade sentiment remained weak. Cartoned egg demand was light to moderate. Food service movement was light. Supplies were adequate to usually ample. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged to lower. Offerings were fully adequate for the mostly light demand. Floor stocks were fully adequate to ample. Schedules varied. Trade sentiment was barely steady to weak.

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

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was barely steady to at times weak. Demand into all channels light to occasionally fair. Supplies were at least adequate to ample for trading requirements. Eastern region breaking stock offerings were ample for mixed schedules. Light hen offerings were adequate for a fair to fairly good demand.

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

COMBINED REGIONAL JULY 11, 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 regional price data.

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 columns: 07-15-08, 07-08-08, 07-17-07, Large, Medium and price data.

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT

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

Table with columns: JULY 14, 2008, Northeast, Cent, So, Atl, Pacific, 5-Area, and various egg categories (Jumbo, Ex Lge, Large, Medium, Small, Misc, Ungraded, Total).

TOTAL Number of Cases, Percent Change, Number of Cooperators

Summary table for Shell Egg and Shell Egg Breaking Stock with cases, percent change, and cooperators.

Total Shell Egg 1284.2 -2% 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.

- 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 12-JULY-2008

	Cases Broken	(Lbs In Thousands) (Excludes Ingredients)				
		Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CW	1,381,426	33,137	13,886	6,792	3,463	4,523
PW	1,254,018	29,475	12,559	6,370	3,333	4,071
LY	1,270,792	30,379	11,799	6,349	2,847	4,193
% Chg PWK	10%	12%	11%	7%	4%	11%
% Chg LY	9%	9%	18%	7%	22%	8%
2008	36,058,242	887,093	340,308	179,294	79,777	121,818
2007	35,018,961	865,802	326,545	175,427	70,366	121,066
% Chg YTD	3%	2%	4%	2%	13%	1%

Average Yield Per Case	Current Week	Previous Week	Last Year
(Inedible Included)	42.23	41.84	41.48
(Inedible Excluded)	38.96	38.60	38.19

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	681,283	49.3%	17,554	53.0%
PREVIOUS WEEK	678,229	54.1%	17,157	58.2%
LAST YEAR	622,922	49.0%	16,372	53.9%

**BROILER HATCHERY**

19 Selected States STATE	Broiler Eggs Set In		Broiler Chicks Placed	
	JUL 05	JUL 12	JUL 05	JUL 12
	Thousand			
AL	*29,044	30,484	*21,477	21,237
AR	26,069	26,307	*23,052	22,227
DE	3,573	3,624	4,213	4,831
FL	1,351	1,306	1,315	1,160
GA	*32,622	33,907	*28,617	27,742
KY	*7,792	7,909	*6,342	6,016
LA	3,651	3,651	3,456	3,543
MD	8,618	8,721	6,083	5,678
MS	18,772	17,768	16,882	16,668
NC	*18,416	18,491	*15,683	15,978
OK	7,170	7,429	4,513	6,113
PA	*4,276	4,441	*3,372	3,402
SC	5,348	5,380	4,726	5,027
TX	15,700	15,608	13,363	13,409
VA	6,099	6,017	4,865	5,423
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*19,642	20,045	*17,032	16,793
<b>19 State Total</b>	<b>*208,143</b>	<b>211,088</b>	<b>*174,991</b>	<b>175,247</b>
<b>Prev. Year Total</b>	<b>216,018</b>	<b>218,175</b>	<b>178,318</b>	<b>177,496</b>
<b>Pct. of Prev. Year</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>99</b>

\* Revised

**WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING**

Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 23-Aug-08 is estimated at 161.0 million head. This compares to 162.6 million head the previous week and to 168.9 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 168.8 million head and the composite weighted average price was 79.97 cents per pound.

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES – WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES**

(CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 07/10/08-07-16-08  
CURRENT LDS 59.25 FUTURE LDS 79.50 TOTAL LDS 138.75

CLASS	ORG	DST	SE		NE		MW		LOADS
			ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W 1	69.25	--	69.67	72.83	80.00	--	--	14.00	
GNR BR 1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.25	
GL W J	--	--	--	--	73.08	--	--	1.50	
GL W XL	--	77.20	78.30	80.43	63.85	66.25	33.25		
GL W LG	--	75.60	71.50	75.00	62.56	65.50	30.50		
GL W MD	72.00	63.00	51.43	51.67	65.12	--	22.00		
GL W SM	51.25	53.75	50.00	51.75	42.00	43.57	7.50		
GL BR XL	--	--	--	--	76.00	--	.75		
NRBS - 48	46.00	48.00	--	--	--	67.29	63.00		
NRBS - 45	--	--	--	--	--	62.00	4.00		

**MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS** W/E 12-JULY-08

SELECTED CONSUMING CENTERS	CW THOUSANDS	PW	PCT CHG	
			PW	LY
Atlanta	23.6	21.2	11	-13
Boston	2.5	2.7	-7	-19
Chicago	54.8	58.6	-6	1
Detroit	9.6	10.3	-7	-6
Los Angeles	91.3	86.6	5	-22
New Orleans	5.8	6.1	-5	9
New York	25.9	30.0	-14	-3
St. Louis	45.1	40.6	11	58
San Francisco	14.4	14.8	-3	7
Total	273.0	271.1	1	0
4 Week Moving Avg.	272.4			

**LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED** W/E 12-JULY-08

	YOUNG		YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD	TOTAL TURKEYS
	HENS	TOMS			
Head	2,262	2,912	20	2	5,196
Avg Wt	16.56	38.22	24.67	34.13	28.74
Last week	1,394	2,392	13	10	3,809
Same wk yr ago	2,100	2,829	30	0	4,959
Avg Wt	16.08	37.40	33.83	0.00	28.35
To-date/2008	54,830	76,125	617	273	131,845
To-date/2007	53,951	71,618	474	117	126,160

**NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTS**

W/E 12-JULY-08 (Preliminary)

	---Young turkeys---		Avg	Old Banded	Total Turkeys	
	Thousand	Pct chg			-Thousand	head-
	Head	PW			Live wt	Live wt
North East	787	76	24.77	(A)	788	24.77
South Atlantic	813	35	32.55	(A)	814	32.55
North Central	2,511	34	32.39	(A)	2,511	32.39
South Central	712	16	18.11	(A)	712	18.11
West	371	44	24.37	(A)	371	24.37
U.S. total	5,194(B)	37	28.74	2	5,196	28.74
To-date						
2007	131,572(B)			273	131,845	
To-date						
2006	126,043(B)			117	126,160	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations. (B) Number of young banded breeder turkeys included: this week 20,000; for the current year to date 617,000; for last year to date 474,000.

**LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION**

(PRELIMINARY) W/E 12-JULY-2008	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
-----Thousands-----					
Head	171,673	1,352	1,821	3,173	425
Avg Wt	5.55	3.06	7.88	5.83	6.43
Last week	146,181	1,169	1,352	2,521	385
Same wk yr ago	166,955	1,149	1,666	2,815	483
Avg Wt	5.51	3.46	8.13	6.22	6.62
To-date/2008	4,592,275	39,151	43,864	83,015	12,367
To-date/2007	4,461,188	31,322	39,434	70,756	14,260

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 166.7 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 173.8 million head, or 7.1 million more than estimated available.

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

Week Ending	Million Head Slaughtered	Million Head Available	Pct	Avg Wt
June 7	169.8	167.3	101%	5.53
14	168.9	167.4	101%	5.41
21	169.0	166.7	101%	5.62
28	170.8	165.6	103%	5.50
July 5	148.0	165.9	89%	5.51
12	173.8	166.7	104%	5.55
Year to date	4648.2	4680.3	99%	
July 19		168.0		
26		169.1		

**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER**

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 19-JULY-08

Class	Current Week	Previous Week
	07/19/08 (1)	07/12/08
	----- Thousand head -----	
Broiler/fryer	172,378 (2)	172,426
Light hens	1,359	1,432
Heavy hens	1,800	1,767
Total	175,537	175,625

(1) ESTIMATED

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 19-Jul-08 is 168.0 million head compared to 167.8 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 172.7 million head or 4.7 million more than estimated available. For the week of 26-Jul-08 the estimated available is 169.1 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: 14-JULY-2008 (cents per lb)

	U.S. GRADE A			COMPOSITE		
	MAJ	WTD AVG	LDS	WTD AVG	LDS	
Chicago	80.00-83.00	81.58	26	81.00	53	
Los Angeles	96.00	94.65	59	93.41	141	
New York	78.00-81.00	80.00	20	82.42	52	

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

WEEKLY	Change from		
14-JUL-2008	07-JUL-2008	07-JUL-2008	16-JUL-2007
86.22	-.12	86.34	81.24

NUMBER OF LOADS 501

**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/	92-94	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	92-94	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	92-94	-	-	-

**16-24 LB TOMS**

EASTERN REGION 3/	92-94	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	92-94	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	92-94	-	-	-

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)		Frozen Eggs Lbs	Processed Turkeys Lbs	(In Thousands) Processed other Poultry Lbs
AM	07/14/08	3,209	123,395	77,125
AM	07/01/08	3,195	120,838	78,298
CHG		14	2557	-1173
PCT CHG		0%	2%	-1%

**HEN MARKETS****HEAVY TYPE**

(7 pounds and up)\* FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 14-JUL-08

REGIONS	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
Southeast (1)	7.5-15 CENTS/LB.		10.06
Southeast (2)		TFEWR	
South Central (1)	7-13 CENTS/LB.		9.79

(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) 11-JUL-08

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

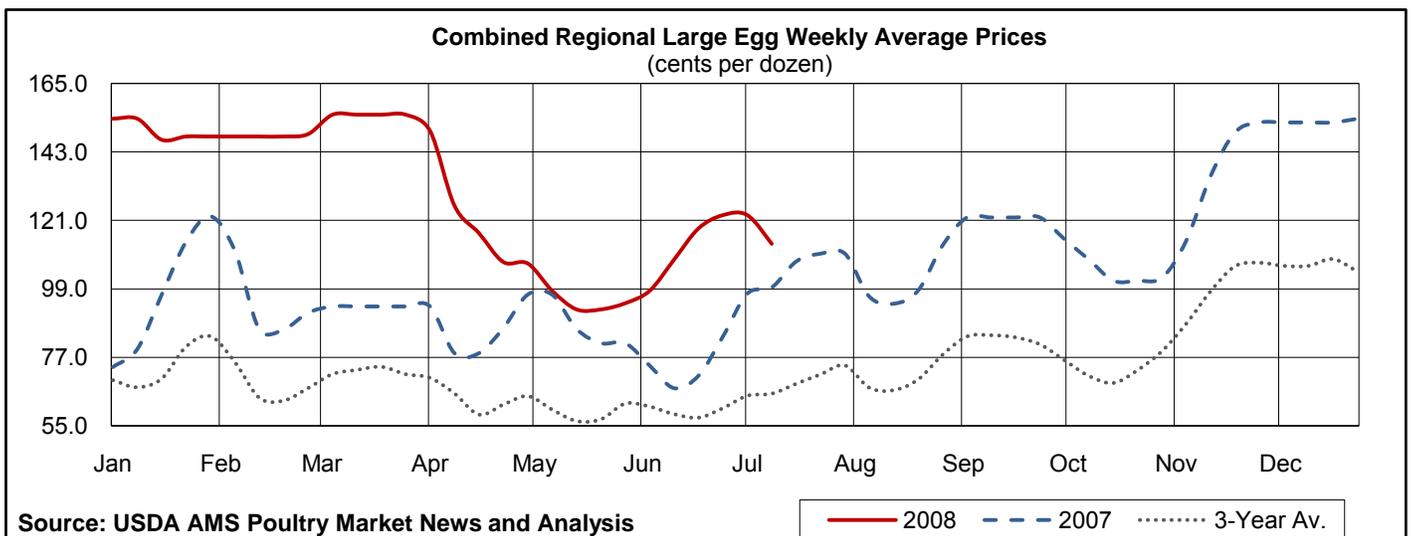
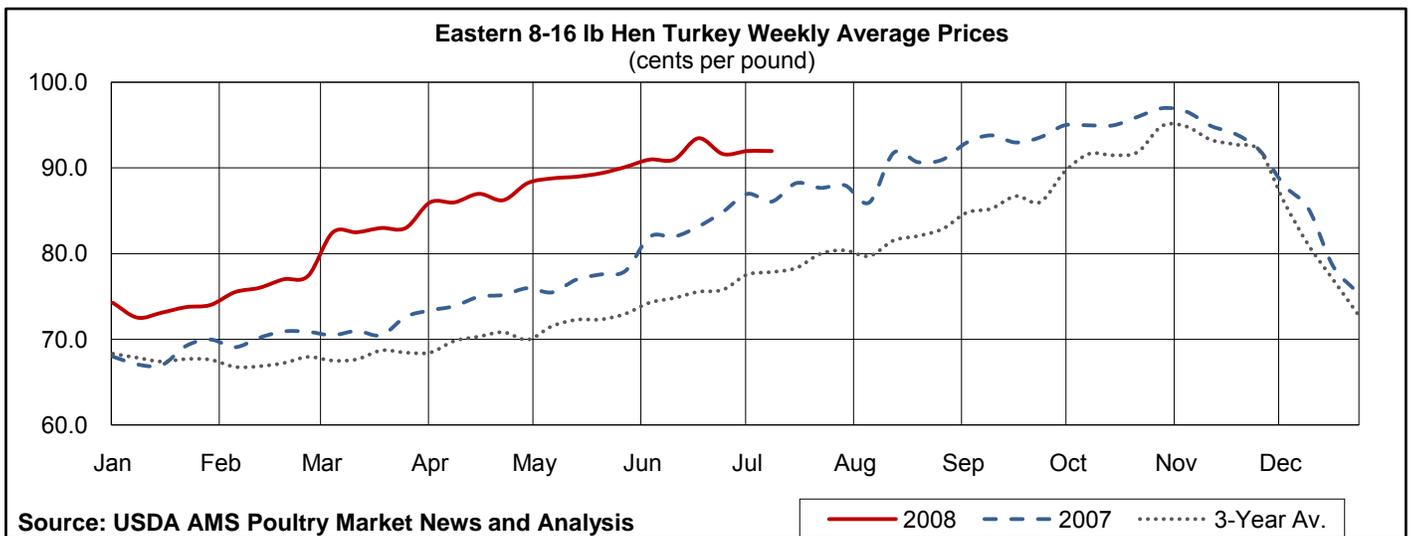
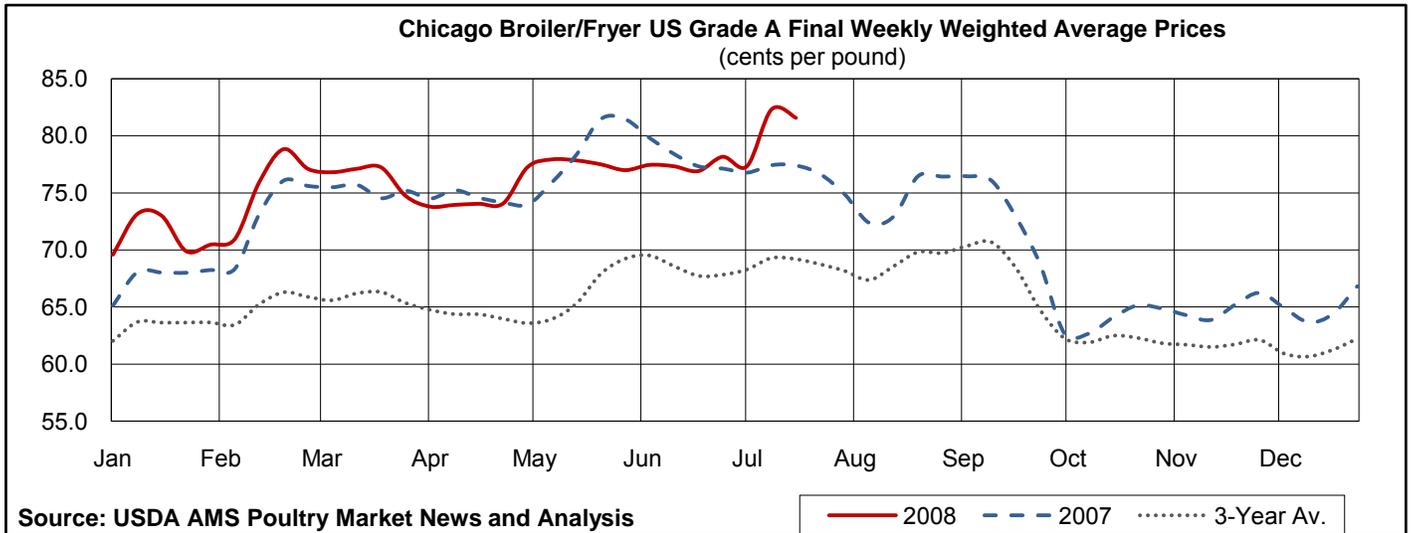
**COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT** (Receipts From Producers)

W/E 12-JULY-2008	Cases (In thousands)	% Change From	
REGIONS		LW	LY
North Atlantic	176.6	2	4
East North Central	598.7	-13	-10
West North Central	304.3	-5	0
South Atlantic	168.2	1	-2
South Central	53.0	3	-5
West	178.4	1	-7
Total	1479.2	-6	-5

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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