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At the beginning of the week the New York prices were slightly lower for the larger sizes and unchanged for medium. Other reported prices were unchanged. During the week the New York prices were lower for the larger sizes and unchanged for medium. Other reported prices were unchanged with asking prices for next week trending lower for larger sizes. The trade sentiment was barely steady to weak for the larger sizes and mostly steady for the lighter weight eggs. Retail demand was in a full range from light to fairly good, usually light to moderate. Food service demand was mostly light. Supplies were fully adequate to available for the larger sizes and usually adequate for mediums. Breaking stock prices were unchanged to lower during the week with checks and undergrades unchanged. Demand was fairly good to good for the fully adequate offerings. Floor stocks were balanced to adequate. Processing schedules were full-time. The trade sentiment was steady. North Central regional light hen removal costs continued unchanged. Offerings were adequate to fully adequate for the moderate demand. Processing schedules were full-time. The trade sentiment remains 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 Producer prices were lower for large and unchanged for the balance. Midwest delivered prices were unchanged with asking prices for next week trending lower on the larger sizes. Trade sentiment remained weak for the larger sizes and about steady for medium. Retail demand light to moderate. Loose egg movement light. Supplies were fully adequate to available for the larger sizes and adequate for medium. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Demand was fairly good to at times good for the adequate offerings. Floor stocks were balanced to fully adequate. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment generally 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 usually steady on mediums, barely steady to weak on larger sizes. Retail and distributive demand was light to fairly good, mostly moderate. Current supplies were at least adequate to available for buyer and seller needs. Breaking stock offerings in the Eastern region were more than sufficient for a light to moderate demand. Light type hen offerings were sufficient for a usually moderate demand.

	RANGE	MOSTLY				
EXTRA LARGE	123-139	125-128				
LARGE	117-131	122-126				
MEDIUM	83-96	88-90				
NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, eastern NJ,						
eastern NV PA RI northern VA and VT						

COMBINED REGIONAL	SEPTEMBER 05, 2008
Average prices on sales to volume buyers,	USDA Grade A and Grade A,
white eggs in cartons, delivered warehouse,	cents per dozen

REGIONS	EX LARGE	•	MEDIUM			
NORTHEAST	126.50	124.00	89.00			
SOUTHEAST	126.50	124.50	88.00			
MIDWEST	118.50	116.50	83.50			
SOUTH CENTRAL	131.50	127.50	89.50			
COMBINED REGIONAL	126.01	123.30	87.56			
Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.						

<u>IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN</u> Prices paid to producers for loose eggs at farm, cases exchanged, grade yield basis, cents per dozen

,	09-09-08	09-02-08	່ 09-11-07
Large	95-104	95-104	95-104
Medium	64-68	64-68	64-69

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT

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

SEPTEMBER 08, 2008			No	So	So		
	No	rtheast	Cent	Cent	Atl	Pacific	5-Area
Jumbo	Curr Wk	7.7	15.2	6.3	7.3	11.4	47.9
	Change	-0.3	-1.0	1.2	-0.7	-2.0	-6%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	25.5	46.3	12.8	22.0	40.6	147.2
	Change	0.5	-8.5	3.5	0.9	1.2	-2%
Large	Curr Wk	47.4	106.5	72.1	97.8	103.7	427.5
	Change	8.3	6.8	15.2	-1.0	0.6	8%
Medium	Curr Wk	11.5	47.0	22.9	20.0	38.5	139.9
	Change	-2.4	4.3	1.5	1.6	3.4	6%
Small	Curr Wk	3.4	4.9	1.9	1.6	7.3	19.1
	Change	0.2	-0.4	-0.1	-0.6	0.0	-4%
Misc	Curr Wk	2.0	22.4	10.3	10.9	5.3	50.9
	Change	0.5	-0.2	-0.9	0.4	-1.5	-3%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	12.3	53.8	17.1	16.3	20.7	120.2
	Change	8.1	13.8	-5.3	-0.9	-0.8	14%
Total	Curr Wk	109.8	296.1	143.4	175.9	227.5	952.7
Percent	Change	16%	5%	12%	0%	0%	5%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg Shell Egg Breaking Stock	952.7 252.3	5% 3%	151 32
Total Shell Egg	1205.0	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. 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.

- AZ, CA, ID, MT, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY

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

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Pacific

EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

W/E 06-SEP-2008 (Lbs In Thousands) (Excludes Ingredients)

Total		ases oken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CW	1,33	3,107	32,861	12,069	6,194	2,843	4,315
PW	1,32	2,609	31,725	12,819	6,575	2,937	4,367
LY	1,24	3,996	30,943	11,044	6,093	1,956	4,094
% Chg I	PWK	1%	4%	-6%	-6%	-3%	-1%
% Chg I	LY	7%	6%	9%	2%	45%	5%
2008	46,88	4,655	1,151,651	441,010	231,485	104,436	157,232
2007	45,49	4,742	1,125,396	420,064	226,004	90,458	155,700
% Chg '	YTD	3%	2%	5%	2%	15%	1%
Averag	e Yield	Per C	Case -	Current	Pr	evious	Last
				Week	,	Week	Year
(Inedible	e Includ	ded)		41.59		41.95	41.94
(Inedible	e Exclu	ded)		38.35		38.65	38.65

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	704,809	52.9%	18,593	56.6%
PREVIOUS WEEK	666,947	50.4%	17,873	56.3%
LAST YEAR	624,846	50.2%	16,677	53.9%

BROILER HATCHERY

	Broiler Eggs Set Broiler Chicks Plac				
19 Selected States	AUG 30	SEP 06	AUG 30	SEP 06	
STATE		Tho	ousand		
AL	*29,951	29,747	*20,496	21,185	
AR	24,697	24,277	*21,575	22,340	
DE	*3,494	3,479	*5,131	4,977	
FL	1,326	1,326	*1,278	1,051	
GA	*32,860	32,032	*27,317	26,821	
KY	7,339	7,428	*6,345	6,517	
LA	*3,501	3,501	*3,521	3,243	
MD	8,696	7,578	*5,950	5,519	
MS	17,853	17,666	16,751	16,258	
NC	*19,011	18,546	*15,883	15,655	
OK	*7,122	6,920	*5,076	5,050	
PA	*4,366	4,037	*3,131	3,102	
SC	5,844	5,208	4,624	5,130	
TX	*14,932	15,290	*12,557	12,941	
VA	6,249	6,294	4,525	4,720	
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*17,991	18,497	*15,991	15,352	
19 State Total	*205,232	201,826	*170,151	169,861	
Previous Year Total	215,502	208,821	176,942	175,893	
Pct. of Prev. Year	95	97	96	97	
Source: NASS, USD,	A				

WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING

Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 18-Oct-08 is estimated at 155.9 million head. This compares to 156.2 million head the previous week and to 166.7 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 171.7 million head and the composite weighted average price was 70.05 cents per pound.

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES — WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES (CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 09/04/08 - 09/10/08 CURRENT LDS 76.75 FUTURE LDS 66.75 TOTAL LDS 143.50 SF NF MW

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CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	95.13	97.00	93.50	96.29			26.00
GNR W 2							2.00
GNR BR 1	89.00			100.00	89.00		3.25
GL W J			116.75	118.50	82.40		4.50
GL W XL	115.00	95.00	109.10	105.68	85.64	87.89	28.75
GL W LG			111.23	102.00	102.71		26.00
GL W MD			71.25	73.33	69.83	71.00	17.75
GL W SM	51.00	54.00					1.00
GL BR XL							1.25
GL BR LG							2.75
NRBS - 48		82.00			89.50	91.11	40.00
NRBS - 45			80.00	82.50		88.14	8.75
NRBS - 39		55.00					.50
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MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS W/E 06-SEP-08 **PCT CHG** Selected CW PW Consuming Centers Cases, in thousands PW LY 0 Atlanta 26.1 26.2 -1 4 -6 Boston 2.9 2.8 0 Chicago 67.0 66.9 13 Detroit 8.4 8.5 -1 -21 -3 Los Angeles 90.0 92.8 -24 **New Orleans** 4.1 -22 -42 3.2 New York 27.7 31.1 -11 11 St. Louis 47.6 48.6 -2 224 San Francisco 14.9 15.0 -1 10 287.8 296.0 Total 4 Week Moving Avg. 293.0

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED W/E 06-SEP-08

	YOUNG		YOUNG	OLD	TOTAL
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS		TURKEYS
Head	1,775	2,254	22	7	4,058
Avg Wt	16.99	38.72	24.76	34.42	29.13
Last week	1,856	2,739	48	7	4,650
Same wk yr ago	1,981	2,292	48	4	4,325
Avg Wt	16.26	36.65	33.84	32.22	27.28
To-date/2008	71,314	98,362	911	344	170,931
To-date/2007	70,583	93,300	796	179	164,858
Ready-to-Cook	Weight a	nd Dressi	ing Percentag	je	
Current week	24,277	70,256	419	186	95,138
Last week	23,935	82,022	872	167	106,996
Same wk yr ago	25,930	67,621	1,251	99	94,901
Dressing %	80.5%	80.5%	77.0%	77.0%	

NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTS

W/E 06-SEP-0	8 (Pre	eliminary	')			<u>-</u>
Y	oung turk	eys		Old	Total	Turkeys
Th	ousand P	ct chg	Avg	Banded		Avg
	Head	PW	Live wt	-Thousand	head-	Live wt
North East	569	-20	26.56	(A)	571	26.56
South Atlantic	624	-3	33.91	(A)	626	33.91
North Central	1,835	-19	32.69	(A)	1,836	32.69
South Central	707	-1	19.16	(A)	708	19.16
West	316	2	25.84	(A)	317	25.84
U.S. total	4,051(B)	-13	29.13	7	4,058	29.13
To-date						
2008 1	70,587(B)				344	170,931
To-date						
2007 1	64,679(B)				179	164,858

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turkeys included: this week 22,000; for the current year to date 911,000; for last year to date 796,000.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION					
(PRELIMINARY)	Young	Light	Heavy	Total	
W/E 06-SEP-2008	Chickens	Hens	Hens	Hens	Ducks
			-Thousan	ds	
Head	144,936	1,092	1,524	2,616	371
Avg Wt	5.67	3.25	7.72	5.85	6.78
Last week	168,672	1,239	1,708	2,947	443
Same wk yr ago	149,496	795	1,119	1,914	460
Avg Wt	5.39	3.41	7.96	6.07	6.78
To-date/2008	5,905,410	49,934	57,935	107,869	15,797
To-date/2007	5,774,085	39,851	51,996	91,847	18,084
Ready-to-Cook W	eight and Di	ressing Pe	ercentage		
Current week	612,231	1,810	7,647	9,457	1,836
Last week	694,903	2,066	8,604	10,670	2,138
Same wk yr ago	600,309	1,383	5,790	7,173	2,277
Dressing %	74.5%	51.0%	65.0%		73.0%

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 161.6 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 146.7 million head, or 14.9 million less than estimated available.

ESTIMATED U.S. FRYER SLAUGHTER/

FRIE	<u>R AVAI</u>	LABILITY COM	PARISUN .		
V	Neek	Million Head	Million Head		Avg
En	nding	Slaughtered	Available	Pct	Wt
Aug	2	168.7	168.8	100%	5.56
	9	169.4	168.7	100%	5.45
	16	169.3	166.7	102%	5.51
	23	169.4	165.0	103%	5.49
	30	170.7	163.7	104%	5.53
Sept	6	146.7	161.6	91%	5.67
Year t	o date	5977.2	6011.9	99%	
Sept	13		161.8		
-	20		162.8		

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 13-SEP-08

	Current Week	Previous Week
	09/13/08(1)	09/06/08
Class	Tr	nousand head
Broiler/fryer	165,112 (2)	151,687
Light hens	1,488	1,215
Heavy hens	1,709	1,521
Total	168,309	154,423
(1)ESTIMATED		

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 13-Sep-08 is 161.8 million head compared to 170.4 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 165.4 million head or 3.6 million more than estimated available. For the week of 20-Sep-08 the estimated available is 162.8 million head.

FINAL BROILER/FRYER REPORT

Prices negotiated for truck-lot sales of RTC ice-packed broiler/fryers (includes branded product) to be delivered to first receivers at major market centers week of: 08-SEPTEMBER-2008

(cents per lb)	U.S.	U.S. GRADE A			COMPOSITE		
	MAJ \	NTD AVG	LDS	W	TD AVG	LDS	
Chicago	68.00-72.00	68.42	24	:	67.92	54	
Los Angeles	97.00	93.43	54	:	87.55	101	
New York	70.00-73.00	71.60	20	:	72.31	54	

COMPOSITE WTD AVG PRICES FOR RTC BROILER/FRYERS

WEEKLY 08-SEP-2008	Change from 01-SEP-2008	01-SEP-2008	03-SEP-2007
78.19	.29	77.90	80.37
NUMBER OF LO	DADS 445		

WHOLE YOUNG TURK COMMODITY PACK OF CENTS PER LB, DELIV	R EQUIVALI	ENT, US GF	RADE A,	,
CURRENT	LIVED (IIIII)		WTD	LBS
SHIPMENTS 2/	OFFERS	SALES	AVG	(000)
8-16 LB HENS				
EASTERN REGION 3/	99-102	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	99-102	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	99-102	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS				
EASTERN REGION	99-102	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	99-102	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	99-102	-	-	-
1/ May include product stor	red at temper	atures in rand	ne of 1 to 25	dearnes

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 -

Sel	ected Cent	ers (Inc. G	ov't Stocks)	(In Thousands)
		Frozen	Processed	Processed
		Eggs	Turkeys	other Poultry
		Lbs	Lbs	Lbs
AM	09/08/08	3,051	142,247	88,241
AM	09/01/08	3,057	142,893	88,896
CHG		-6	-646	-655
PCT CH	IG	0%	0%	-1%

HEN MARKETS

HEAVY TYPE

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

REGIONS	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
Southeast (1)	7.5-13.5 CE		9.99
Southeast (2)		TFEWR	
South Central (1)	7-13 CE	NTS/LB.	9.76
(4) At E D	l' (O) A . E -		

(1) At Farm Buyer Loading (2) At Farm Producer Loading

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) 05-SEP-08

REGIONS	RANGE MA	JORITY
Eastern	3-12	4-8
South Central	Too Few To Repo	ort
North Central	0-10.5	5-7

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT (Receipts From Producers)

W/E 06-SEP-2008	Cases	% Change	From
REGIONS	(In thousands)	LW	LY
North Atlantic	179.5	0	3
East North Central	570.0	-12	-7
West North Central	299.1	-7	5
South Atlantic	172.8	6	-2
South Central	55.1	5	3
West	198.0	3	7
Total	1474.5	-5	-1
Matched plants repo	rting	81	81

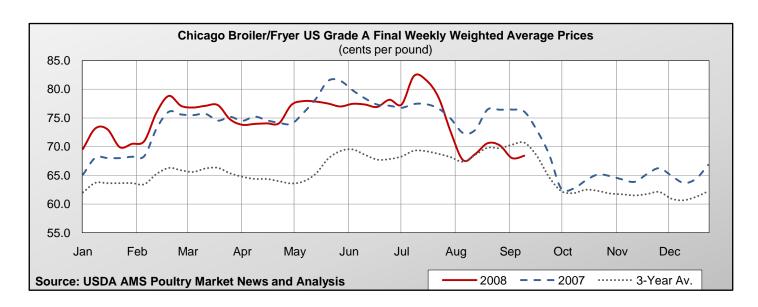
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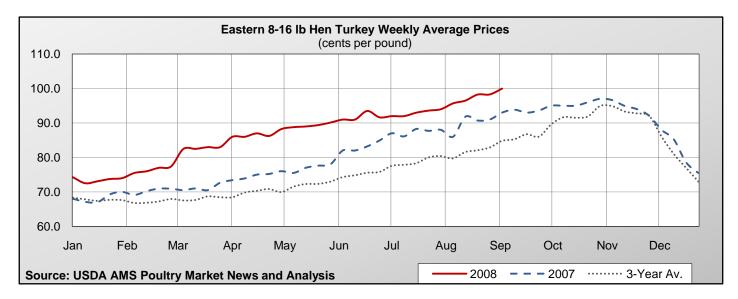
North Atlantic (ME, VT, MA, RI, CT, NH, NY, PA, NJ, MD, DE)

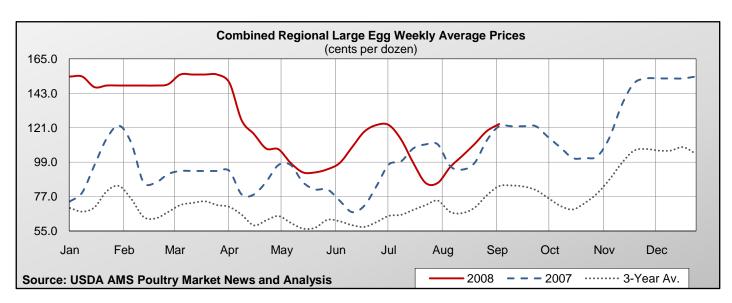
East North Central (WI, IL, MI, OH, IN)
West North Central (IA, MN, MO, KS, SD)
South Atlantic (SC, NC, VA, GA, FL, KY)
South Central (TN, AL, AR, MS, OK)

West (CA, CO, WA, OR, UT)

^{*}Weights under 7 lbs. subject to discount.







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