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NATIONAL EGG REVIEW

Current, New York prices were higher on all sizes this period. Early in the week, regional prices increased on all sizes. Next week's regional asking prices were trending higher. The trade sentiment was steady to fully steady. Retail demand ranged light to fairly good. Food service movement was light to moderate. Supplies were usually adequate to fully adequate, with instances barely adequate. Breaking stock prices were unchanged to higher, with checks and undergrades higher. Demand was light to fair with offerings adequate to available. Floor stocks were adequate. Processing schedules were full-time. The trade sentiment was mostly steady. North Central regional light hen removal costs remained unchanged. Offerings were adequate for the light to mostly moderate demand. Processing 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 Producer prices were higher for large and unchanged for medium and small. Midwest delivered prices were unchanged with asking prices for next week trending slightly higher. Trade sentiment was mostly steady. Retail and food service demand were light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to instances available. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Offerings were generally adequate to at times available for the light to moderate demand. Floor stocks were adequate. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment generally steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	100-109	103-106
LARGE	99-108	101-104
MEDIUM	89-98	91-94

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 higher. Trade sentiment remained steady to fully steady. Retail demand was generally light to moderate, at times better in spot locations. Supplies were generally adequate for trading requirements. Eastern region breaking stock offerings adequate to fully sufficient for irregular processing schedules. Light type hen offerings were adequate for a fair to moderate demand.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	109-126	110-114
LARGE	103-117	108-112
MEDIUM	91-104	96-98

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

COMBINED REGIONAL OCTOBER 10, 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	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	108.00	106.00	93.00
SOUTHEAST	108.50	106.50	92.00
MIDWEST	100.50	98.50	88.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	114.50	107.50	93.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	108.20	104.73	91.81

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

	10-14-08	10-07-08	10-16-07
Large	81-91	77-87	75-84
Medium	72-76	68-72	66-71

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT

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

OCTOBER 13, 2008		Northeast	No Cent	So Cent	So Atl	Pacific	5-Area
Jumbo	Curr Wk	5.6	18.5	7.7	8.0	13.9	53.7
	Change	-0.1	3.3	-0.4	-0.4	-3.5	-2%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	19.2	43.8	15.1	22.7	39.2	140.0
	Change	0.6	-9.2	-3.3	-0.6	0.4	-8%
Large	Curr Wk	42.7	88.8	74.6	98.3	126.2	430.6
	Change	4.2	-13.8	1.4	-9.1	3.9	-3%
Medium	Curr Wk	10.1	38.6	17.2	15.0	35.2	116.1
	Change	-3.3	4.4	-0.4	-1.1	3.1	2%
Small	Curr Wk	2.3	5.6	0.6	3.9	7.1	19.5
	Change	0.2	1.8	0.1	1.6	0.4	27%
Misc	Curr Wk	4.8	21.5	8.3	8.1	8.4	51.1
	Change	0.2	3.9	-2.1	-0.4	-0.1	3%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	4.4	54.4	12.5	22.9	24.1	118.3
	Change	0.0	-2.6	-1.2	0.4	2.6	-1%
Total	Curr Wk	89.1	271.2	136.0	178.9	254.1	929.3
Percent	Change	2%	-4%	-4%	-5%	3%	-2%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg	929.3	-2%	151
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	261.2	-8%	32
Total Shell Egg	1190.5	-3%	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.

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 11-OCT-2008 (Lbs In Thousands) (Excludes Ingredients)

Total	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CW	1,362,426	33,784	12,312	6,279	3,051	4,348
PW	1,376,781	34,805	11,836	6,096	3,205	4,474
LY	1,373,767	34,666	12,613	6,547	2,599	4,583
% Chg PWK	-1%	-3%	4%	3%	-5%	-3%
% Chg LY	-1%	-3%	-2%	-4%	17%	-5%
2008	53,893,802	1,324,504	505,861	265,007	120,494	180,173
2007	52,231,655	1,298,247	479,454	256,659	102,279	177,876
% Chg YTD	3%	2%	6%	3%	18%	1%

Average Yield Per Case -	Current Week	Previous Week	Last Year
(Inedible Included)	41.63	41.55	42.52
(Inedible Excluded)	38.44	38.30	39.18

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	651,935	47.9%	17,112	50.6%
PREVIOUS WEEK	672,438	48.8%	18,410	52.9%
LAST YEAR	651,631	47.4%	17,281	49.8%

BROILER HATCHERY

19 Selected States STATE	Broiler Eggs Set OCT 04	Broiler Eggs Set OCT 11	Broiler Chicks Placed OCT 04	Broiler Chicks Placed OCT 11
	Thousand			
AL	27,732	27,403	*19,910	18,917
AR	21,817	23,753	20,901	20,788
DE	3,417	3,294	3,865	4,233
FL	1,229	1,151	1,033	1,020
GA	29,759	30,687	*25,898	26,020
KY	*6,798	7,422	*5,873	5,467
LA	3,501	3,470	3,215	3,204
MD	7,556	7,877	5,683	5,126
MS	16,698	17,573	15,753	16,258
NC	16,891	16,849	14,321	14,592
OK	6,512	6,942	5,433	3,715
PA	3,890	3,977	3,470	2,917
SC	4,693	5,359	4,518	4,986
TX	14,406	14,714	12,333	11,183
VA	5,691	6,156	5,009	5,007
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*17,698	18,219	*15,398	16,906
19 State Total	*188,288	194,846	*162,613	160,339
Previous Year Total	213,532	208,741	168,385	173,217
Pct. of Prev. Year	88	93	97	93

*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 22-Nov-08 is estimated at 148.7 million head. This compares to 151.1 million head the previous week and to 161.4 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 131.1 million head and the composite weighted average price was 73.13 cents per pound.

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES – WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES

(CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 10/09/08 - 10/15/08

CURRENT LDS 90.75 **FUTURE LDS** 58.00 **TOTAL LDS** 148.75

	SE		NE		MW		
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	88.83	94.00	89.00	90.80	--	--	8.00
GNR W 3	--	--	77.75	79.25	--	--	2.00
GNR W 4	--	--	75.00	76.00	--	--	1.00
GL W J	--	--	--	--	98.93	--	7.00
GL W XL	108.00	107.00	99.43	101.66	95.16	97.00	34.25
GL W LG	--	102.81	93.50	95.25	93.95	91.00	39.75
GL W MD	90.88	--	82.17	83.67	89.28	--	17.00
GL W SM	58.00	62.50	58.00	61.50	--	--	2.00
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	89.00	88.29	88.59	55.00
NRBS - 45	--	--	--	--	80.00	84.00	3.00
NRBS - 42	--	--	--	--	--	77.00	2.00

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS W/E 11-OCT-08

Selected Consuming Centers	CW Cases, in thousands	PW	PCT PW	CHG LY
Atlanta	23.7	25.3	-6	-12
Boston	2.8	2.9	-3	-10
Chicago	69.9	70.3	-1	37
Detroit	8.0	8.5	-6	-30
Los Angeles	99.4	92.3	8	-15
New Orleans	4.9	6.0	-18	-11
New York	30.0	27.4	9	16
St. Louis	45.2	42.2	7	221
San Francisco	14.3	14.3	0	4
Total	298.2	289.3	3	11
4 Week Moving Avg.	290.6			

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED W/E 11-OCT-08

	YOUNG HENS	YOUNG TOMS	YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD	TOTAL TURKEYS
Head	1,864	2,924	53	12	4,853
Avg Wt	17.05	37.87	27.05	32.80	29.74
Last week	1,798	2,975	119	13	4,905
Same wk yr ago	1,844	2,822	35	11	4,712
Avg Wt	16.21	36.93	25.25	26.29	27.81
To-date/2008	81,299	112,606	1,225	402	195,532
To-date/2007	80,536	107,270	970	215	188,991
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	25,425	88,586	1,090	299	115,400
Last week	23,906	87,441	2,239	257	113,843
Same wk yr ago	23,913	83,373	672	220	108,178
Dressing %	80.0%	80.0%	76.0%	76.0%	

(A) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update.

NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTS

W/E 11-OCT-08 (Preliminary)

	---Young turkeys--- Thousand Head	Pct chg PW	Avg Live wt	Old Banded -Thousand	Total head-	Turkeys Avg Live wt
North East	724	-6	25.50	(A)	727	25.50
South Atlantic	807	14	32.87	(A)	810	32.87
North Central	2,246	-2	33.49	(A)	2,248	33.49
South Central	722	-5	20.60	(A)	724	20.60
West	342	-8	25.60	(A)	344	25.60
U.S. total	4,841(B)	-1	29.74	12	4,853	29.74
To-date 2008	195,130(B)			402	195,532	
To-date 2007	188,776(B)			215	188,991	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.
(B) Number of young banded breeder turkeys included: this week 53,000; for the current year to date 1,225,000; for last year to date 970,000.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

(PRELIMINARY) W/E 11-OCT-2008	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
	----------Thousands----------				
Head	163,786	1,353	1,730	3,083	435
Avg Wt	5.60	3.23	7.75	5.77	6.73
Last week	164,393	1,204	1,801	3,005	453
Same wk yr ago	167,086	1,032	1,609	2,641	475
Avg Wt	5.52	3.15	7.93	6.06	6.60
To-date/2008	6,732,100	56,305	66,908	123,213	18,013
To-date/2007	6,624,980	45,187	59,848	105,035	20,501
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	683,315	2,251	8,916	11,167	2,108
Last week	683,398	1,947	9,294	11,241	2,120
Same wk yr ago	687,124	1,674	8,485	10,159	2,257
Dressing %	74.5%	51.5%	66.5%		72.0%

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 160.5 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 165.8 million head, or 5.3 million more than estimated available.
(B) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update.

ESTIMATED U.S. FRYER SLAUGHTER/ FRYER AVAILABILITY COMPARISON

Week Ending		Million Head Slaughtered	Million Head Available	Pct	Avg Wt
Sept	6	146.7	161.6	91%	5.67
	13	169.7	161.8	105%	5.46
	20	167.9	162.8	103%	5.56
	27	167.0	163.0	102%	5.58
Oct	4	166.4	161.9	103%	5.58
	11	165.8	160.5	103%	5.60
Year to date		6814.0	6821.9	100%	
Oct	18		160.0		
	25		160.2		

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 18-OCT-08

Class	Current Week 10/18/08(1)	Previous Week 10/11/08
	---------- Thousand head ---------	
Broiler/fryer	164,205 (2)	166,390
Light hens	1,352	1,459
Heavy hens	1,791	1,704
Total	167,348	169,553

(1)ESTIMATED
(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 18-Oct-08 is 160.0 million head compared to 171.7 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 164.5 million head or 4.5 million more than estimated available. For the week of 25-Oct-08 the estimated available is 160.2 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: 13-OCTOBER-2008

(cents per lb)	U.S. GRADE A MAJ	WTD AVG	LDS		COMPOSITE WTD AVG	LDS
Chicago	62.00-68.00	66.70	25	:	65.62	53
Los Angeles	96.00	92.94	62	:	90.54	135
New York	66.00-69.00	67.68	22	:	71.78	47

COMPOSITE WTD AVG PRICES FOR RTC BROILER/FRYERS

WEEKLY 13-OCT-2008	Change from 06-OCT -2008	06-OCT -2008	15-OCT-2007
77.23	1.63	75.60	70.05
NUMBER OF LOADS	495		

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/	95-101	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	95-101	100.5	100.50	22
WESTERN REGION 5/	95-101	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS				
EASTERN REGION	95-102	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	93-102	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	95-102	-	-	-

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 10/13/08	3,040	139,037	89,226
AM 10/01/08	3,124	141,760	99,200
CHG	-84	-2723	-9974
PCT CHG	-3%	-2%	-10%

HEN MARKETS

HEAVY TYPE

(7 pounds and up)* FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 13-OCT-08

REGIONS	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
Southeast (1)	8-17 CENTS/LB.		10.38
Southeast (2)	TFEWR		
South Central (1)	7-13.25 CENTS/LB.		10.07

(1) At Farm Buyer Loading (2) At Farm Producer Loading
*Weights under 7 lbs. subject to discount.

LIGHT TYPE – REMOVAL COSTS

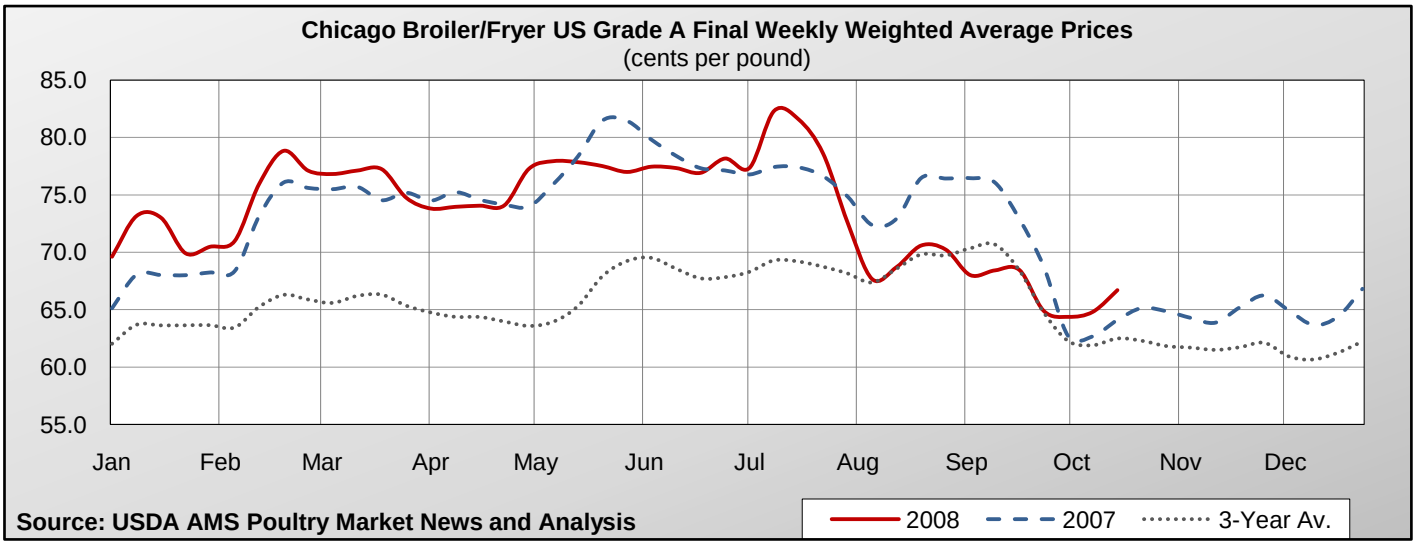
Cents per head, generally for removal within the next 10 days, (includes handling, freight and any other charges, weights average about 3.50 pounds) 10-OCT-08

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 11-OCT-2008 REGIONS	Cases (In thousands)	% Change From LW	LY
North Atlantic	180.0	1	0
East North Central	597.4	-8	-1
West North Central	298.9	-7	6
South Atlantic	172.3	2	-4
South Central	51.1	5	-15
West	195.5	-3	3
Total	1495.2	-5	0
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)


Chicago Broiler/Fryer US Grade A Final Weekly Weighted Average Prices
(cents per pound)
85.0
80.0
75.0
70.0
65.0
60.0
55.0
Jan
Feb
Mar
Apr
May
Jun
Jul
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Sep
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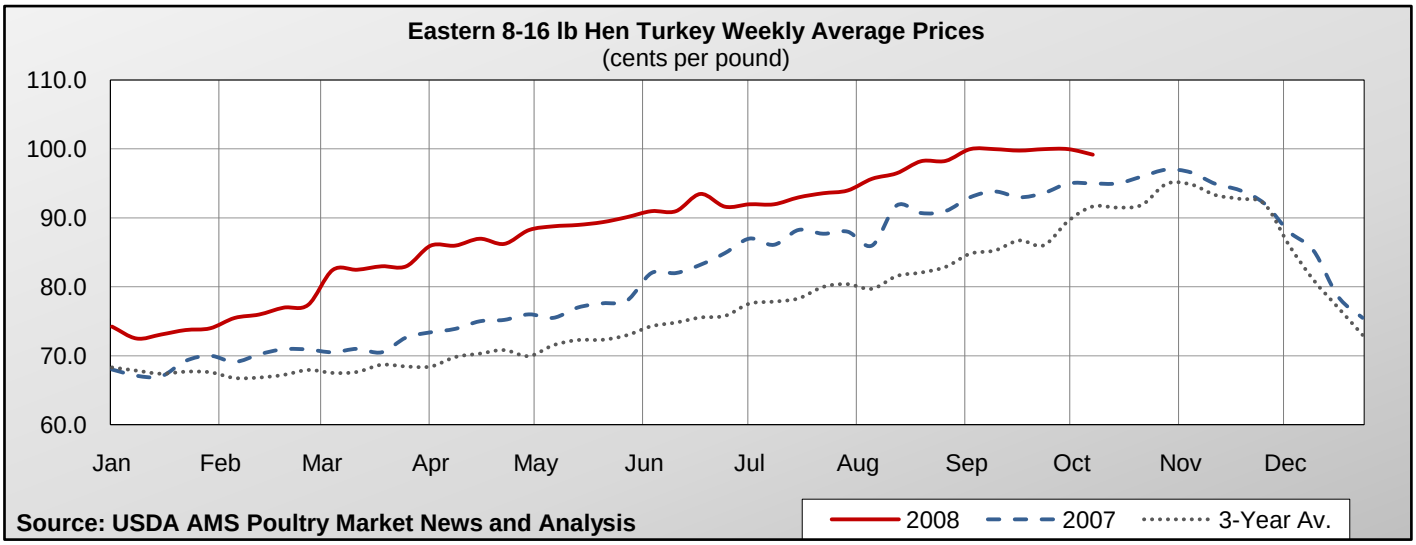
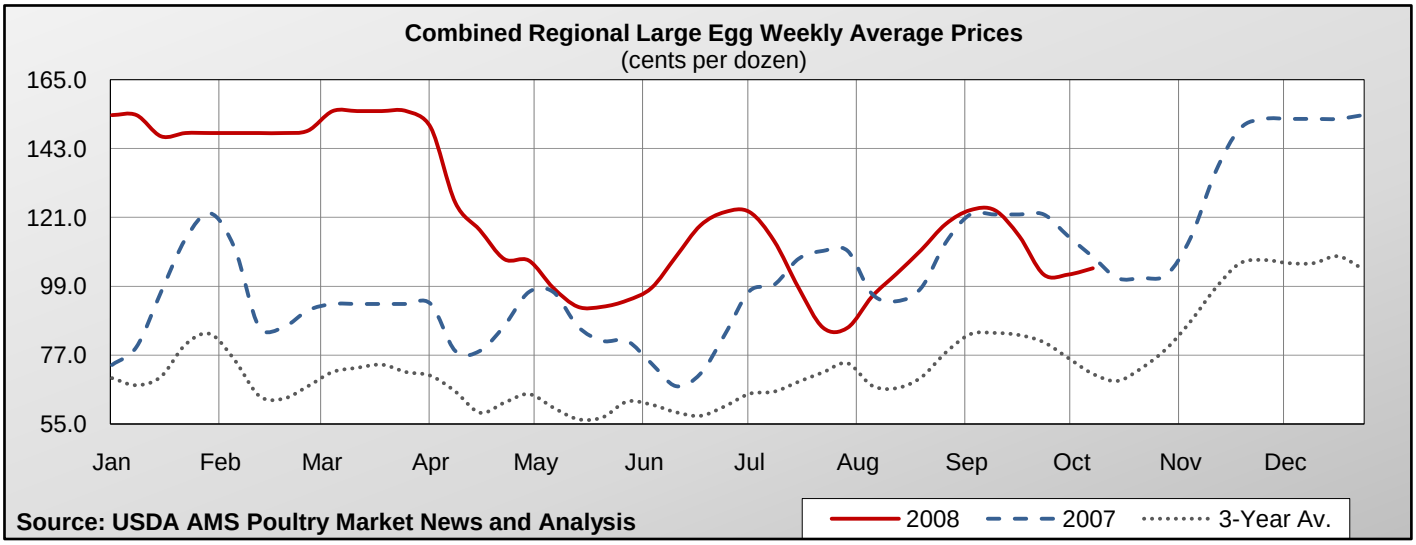
Dec
Source: USDA AMS Poultry Market News and Analysis
2008
2007
3-Year Av.


Eastern 8-16 lb Hen Turkey Weekly Average Prices
(cents per pound)
110.0
100.0
90.0
80.0
70.0
60.0
Jan
Feb
Mar
Apr
May
Jun
Jul
Aug
Sep
Oct
Nov
Dec
Source: USDA AMS Poultry Market News and Analysis
2008
2007
3-Year Av.


Combined Regional Large Egg Weekly Average Prices
(cents per dozen)
165.0
143.0
121.0
99.0
77.0
55.0
Jan
Feb
Mar
Apr
May
Jun
Jul
Aug
Sep
Oct
Nov
Dec
Source: USDA AMS Poultry Market News and Analysis
2008
2007
3-Year Av.

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