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NATIONAL EGG REVIEW

Prices in New York were slightly lower on the larger sizes this week, mediums were unchanged. Regional prices were mostly unchanged this period but trending lower for the heavier weight eggs next week. The trade sentiment was barely steady to weak. Retail demand was light to moderate in all regions except the Western region which was moderate to good. Food service movement was mostly light to moderate. Supplies were closely balanced to adequate in the South Central region, fully adequate to ample in the Midwest, and adequate to fully adequate elsewhere. Breaking stock prices were unchanged. Demand was usually quiet with offerings light to adequate. Floor stocks were adequate to fully adequate. Processing schedules were mixed. The trade sentiment was steady. North Central regional light hen removal costs were unchanged. Offerings were adequate to available for the mostly moderate demand. Processing schedules were normal following the holiday. 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 unchanged. Midwest delivered prices were unchanged with the larger sizes trending slightly lower for next week. Trade sentiment was barely steady to weak. Cartoned and loose egg sales were light to moderate. Supplies were fully adequate to ample. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Demand was quiet for the light to adequate offerings. Schedules mixed. Floor stocks adequate to fully adequate. Trade sentiment steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	112-121	115-118
LARGE	111-120	113-116
MEDIUM	78-87	80-83

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 at times steady to mostly barely steady. Demand was light to moderate. Supplies were fully adequate to available for present trading requirements. Breaking stock offerings in the Eastern region were sufficient for the light to fair demand. Spent hen offerings were adequate, demand was fair.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	119-133	122-126
LARGE	116-130	121-125
MEDIUM	80-93	85-87

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

COMBINED REGIONAL JANUARY 02, 2009

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	124.00	123.00	86.00
SOUTHEAST	125.50	123.50	85.00
MIDWEST	116.50	114.50	81.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	125.50	124.50	86.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	122.94	121.48	84.80

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

	01-06-09	12-30-08	01-08-08
Large	93-103	93-103	126-135
Medium	60-64	60-64	112-116

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT

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

JANUARY 05, 2009		Northeast	No Cent	So Cent	So Atl	Pacific	5-Area
Jumbo	Curr Wk	5.3	16.5	5.9	9.4	14.7	51.8
	Change	1.2	-4.5	0.9	1.3	2.9	4%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	19.9	36.6	13.5	22.0	31.7	123.7
	Change	3.2	2.5	4.3	0.7	0.4	10%
Large	Curr Wk	37.2	116.2	76.4	98.2	70.9	398.9
	Change	8.0	20.5	25.2	10.1	3.3	20%
Medium	Curr Wk	13.6	37.7	21.4	21.1	37.8	131.6
	Change	0.4	2.3	-1.4	-1.6	5.0	4%
Small	Curr Wk	2.1	3.3	1.4	2.9	7.0	16.7
	Change	0.7	-1.0	-1.0	-1.3	1.1	-8%
Misc	Curr Wk	2.6	26.0	12.4	12.4	11.4	64.8
	Change	-7.3	-2.6	-0.6	0.1	1.2	-12%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	18.7	54.2	16.5	23.9	25.9	139.2
	Change	6.9	3.2	-1.0	4.6	2.1	13%
Total	Curr Wk	99.4	290.5	147.5	189.9	199.4	926.7
Percent	Change	15%	8%	22%	8%	9%	11%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg	926.7	11%	150
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	297.8	14%	31
Total Shell Egg	1224.5	12%	181

1/ Information supplied by a universe of 150 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.

2/ Due to changes in the cooperator universe, the relevant totals for the previous week were ADJUSTED. This adjustment is necessary to facilitate valid comparisons. The revised figures are:

NORTHEAST	NO CENT	SO CENT	SO ATL	PACIFIC	5-AREA SUMMARY
86.3	270.1	121.1	176.0	183.4	836.9

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 03-JAN-2009 (Lbs In Thousands) (Excludes Ingredients)

Total	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CW	1,113,735	26,733	10,556	5,498	2,901	3,518
PW	993,129	24,684	9,052	4,527	2,407	3,310
LY	1,146,339	28,740	10,344	5,650	2,734	4,112
% Chg PWK	12%	8%	17%	21%	21%	6%
% Chg LY	-3%	-7%	2%	-3%	6%	-14%
2008	68,781,741	1,695,765	641,575	335,204	153,586	229,496
2007	65,964,182	1,655,041	594,678	319,299	128,656	224,667
% Chg YTD	4%	2%	8%	5%	19%	2%

Average Yield Per Case -	Current Week	Previous Week	Last Year
(Inedible Included)	41.58	41.86	42.61
(Inedible Excluded)	38.42	38.53	39.02

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	644,654	57.9%	17,313	64.8%
PREVIOUS WEEK	618,377	62.3%	16,639	67.4%
LAST YEAR	621,044	54.2%	16,725	58.2%

BROILER HATCHERY

19 Selected States STATE	Broiler Eggs Set DEC 27	Broiler Eggs Set JAN 03	Broiler Chicks Placed DEC 27	Broiler Chicks Placed JAN 03
	Thousand			
AL	28,941	28,949	*19,864	19,962
AR	*24,366	24,538	*20,734	21,908
DE	*3,244	3,353	*4,221	4,373
FL	963	963	1,103	978
GA	32,669	32,528	26,376	27,612
KY	7,512	7,848	6,041	5,843
LA	3,411	3,424	3,287	3,388
MD	8,749	8,613	*5,970	6,088
MS	17,372	17,491	15,463	15,583
NC	18,581	18,744	15,379	15,833
OK	*6,839	6,639	5,258	4,143
PA	*3,732	3,918	*3,383	3,376
SC	5,673	5,555	5,071	4,423
TX	*15,490	15,503	*12,839	12,958
VA	5,958	5,969	4,515	4,660
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*19,160	18,534	*16,730	17,534
19 State Total	*202,660	202,569	*166,234	168,662
Previous Year Total	218,815	217,209	175,417	177,800
Pct. of Prev. Year	93	93	95	95

*** 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 14-Feb-09 is estimated at 153.9 million head. This compares to 153.7 million head the previous week and to 167.0 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 165.7 million head and the composite weighted average price was 78.30 cents per pound.

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES – WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES

(CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 01/01/09 – 01/07/09

CURRENT LDS 99.25 **FUTURE LDS** 66.50 **TOTAL LDS** 165.75

	SE		NE		MW		
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	94.00	98.17	93.88	95.36	107.50	--	46.00
GNR W 2	--	--	--	--	--	--	6.00
GL W J	--	--	116.00	118.00	98.53	101.00	8.00
GL W XL	108.00	108.15	105.80	107.36	89.68	--	38.25
GL W LG	--	111.15	99.50	107.59	88.44	110.13	66.25
GL W MD	--	73.47	69.13	70.50	66.12	--	20.50
GL W SM	63.50	66.50	62.00	65.75	--	--	3.00
GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00
GL BR MD	--	--	--	--	64.00	--	1.25
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	--	54.00	16.00

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS W/E 03-Jan-09

Selected Consuming Centers	CW Cases, in thousands	PW	PCT PW	CHG LY
Atlanta	24.6	26.9	-9	-12
Boston	3.1	2.9	7	7
Chicago	82.9	82.8	0	145
Los Angeles	60.1	95.7	-37	-39
New Orleans	5.5	5.0	10	-13
New York	30.9	33.6	-8	22
St. Louis	60.1	65.7	-9	4
San Francisco	21.8	15.3	42	51
Total	289.0	338.1	-15	8
4 Week Moving Avg.	326.3			

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED W/E 03-Jan-09

	YOUNG HENS	YOUNG TOMS	YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD	TOTAL TURKEYS
Head	1,116	2,023	9	8	3,156
Avg Wt	16.41	40.00	31.04	28.92	31.60
Last week	1,277	1,817	4	2	3,100
Same wk yr ago	1,369	2,282	7	1	3,659
Avg Wt	16.74	40.28	26.22	62.33	31.45
To-date/2008	106,219	144,260	1,454	491	252,424
To-date/2007	103,465	137,385	1,252	286	242,388
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	14,651	64,736	212	176	79,775
Last week	16,254	56,690	70	43	73,057
Same wk yr ago	18,334	73,535	139	47	92,055
Dressing %	80.0%	80.0%	76.0%	76.0%	

NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTS

W/E 03-Jan-09 (Preliminary)

	---Young turkeys--- Thousand Head	Pct chg PW	Avg Live wt	Old Banded -Thousand head-	Total	Turkeys Avg Live wt
North East	556	-9	25.33	(A)	558	25.33
South Atlantic	552	28	38.26	(A)	554	38.26
North Central	1,315	-1	38.50	(A)	1,317	38.50
South Central	476	-10	14.39	(A)	477	14.39
West	249	29	27.52	(A)	250	27.52
U.S. total	3,148 (B)	2	31.60	8	3,156	31.60
To-date 2008	251,933 (B)			491	252,424	
To-date 2007	242,102 (B)			286	242,388	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turkeys included: this week 9,000; for the current year to date 1,454,000; for last year to date 1,252,000.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

(PRELIMINARY) W/E 03-JAN-2009	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
	----------Thousands----------				
Head	127,532	984	1,054	2,038	404
Avg Wt	5.54	3.20	7.83	5.59	6.61
Last week	108,455	991	755	1,746	325
Same wk yr ago	136,027	1,105	1,123	2,228	450
Avg Wt	5.59	3.22	7.96	5.61	6.81
To-date/2008	8,524,500	71,188	84,285	155,473	23,108
To-date/2007	8,402,576	57,751	75,786	133,537	25,602
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	526,363	1,622	5,488	7,110	1,923
Last week	446,818	1,659	3,926	5,585	1,594
Same wk yr ago	566,491	1,832	5,944	7,776	2,206
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 145.5 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 129.1 million head, or 16.4 million less 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
Nov	29	118.3	151.9	78%	5.56
Dec	6	162.3	149.2	109%	5.59
	13	160.0	147.4	109%	5.45
	20	155.7	147.8	105%	5.48
	27	109.8	146.6	75%	5.53
Jan	3	129.1	145.5	89%	5.54
Year to date		8628.3	8653.0	100%	
Jan	10		147.1		
	17		153.2		

*Based on chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier.

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 10-JAN-09

Class	**Current Week** 01/10/09 (1)	**Previous Week** 01/03/09
	---------- Thousand head ---------	
Broiler/fryer	163,012 (2)	120,433
Light hens	1,516	1,102
Heavy hens	1,535	899
Total	166,063	122,434

(1)Estimated
(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 10-Jan-09 is 147.1 million head compared to 170.2 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 163.3 million head or 16.2 million more than estimated available. For the week of 17-Jan-09 the estimated available is 153.2 million head.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS –

Selected Centers (Inc. Gov't Stocks) (In Thousands)	Frozen Eggs Lbs	Processed Turkeys Lbs	Processed other Poultry Lbs
AM 01/05/09	3,247	82,097	87,627
AM 12/01/08	3,007	73,775	90,520
CHG	240	8322	-2893
PCT CHG	8%	11%	-3%

Based on the historical relationship of the preliminary U.S. Cold Storage holdings report of November 30, 2008 and the selected centers storage report, the expected U.S. holdings on January 1, 2009 are:

Frozen Eggs	23	MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5%
Processed Turkeys	402	MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5%
Processed Other Poultry	788	MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5%

COMPOSITE WTD AVG PRICES FOR RTC BROILER/FRYERS

WEEKLY 05-JAN-2009	Change from 29-DEC-2008	29-DEC-2008	07-JAN-2008
82.58	.55	82.03	77.53
NUMBER OF LOADS	532		

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/	69-74	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	69-74	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	69-74	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS				
EASTERN REGION	69-73	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	69-73	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	69-73	-	-	-

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% broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6% broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6% broth basting

LIVE HEN MARKETS

HEAVY TYPE (7 pounds and up)* FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 05-JAN-09

REGIONS	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
Southeast (1)	8.75-19.25 CENTS/LB.		11.59
Southeast (2)		TFEWR	
South Central (1)	7.5-14.75 CENTS/LB.		11.30

(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) 02-JAN-09

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 03-JAN-2009 REGIONS	Cases (In thousands)	% Change From LW	LY
North Atlantic	182.5	-7	4
East North Central	616.8	-9	2
West North Central	298.6	-6	-3
South Atlantic	189.8	0	2
South Central	56.2	21	-8
West	157.9	-13	-17
Total	1501.8	-7	-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)

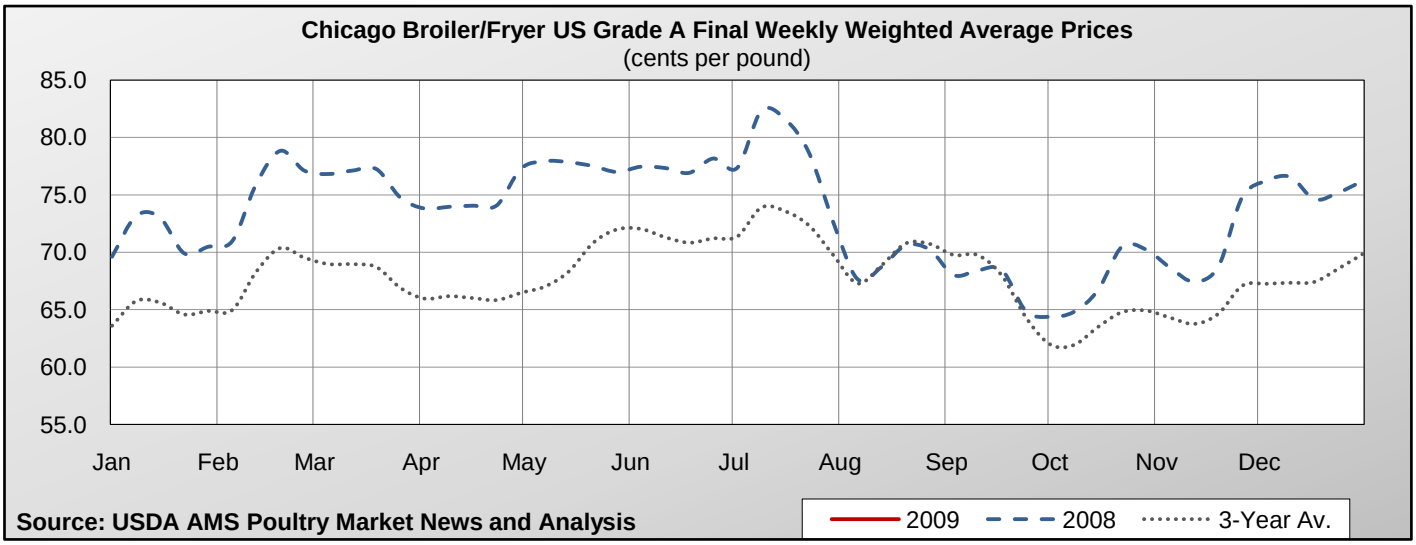
FINAL BROILER/FRYER REPORT

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: 05-JANUARY-2009

(cents per lb)	U.S. GRADE A MAJ	WTD AVG	LDS		COMPOSITE WTD AVG	LDS
Chicago*	73.00-76.00	78.00	8	:	77.25	50
Los Angeles	95.00	94.22	65	:	88.61	166
New York	79.00-82.00	80.71	21	:	80.36	41

*On February 6, 2009, the Chicago U.S. Grade A price quotation will be combined into the Whole Body price quotation and will no longer be reported as a separate price quotation. The whole body category includes whole body birds with or without giblets, all grades, brands and packaging. Until then, the U.S. Grade A and Whole Body price quotations will run concurrently.

Chicago	MAJ	WTD AVG	LDS
WHOLE BODY 1/	71.00-76.00	77.25	50


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
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May
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Jul
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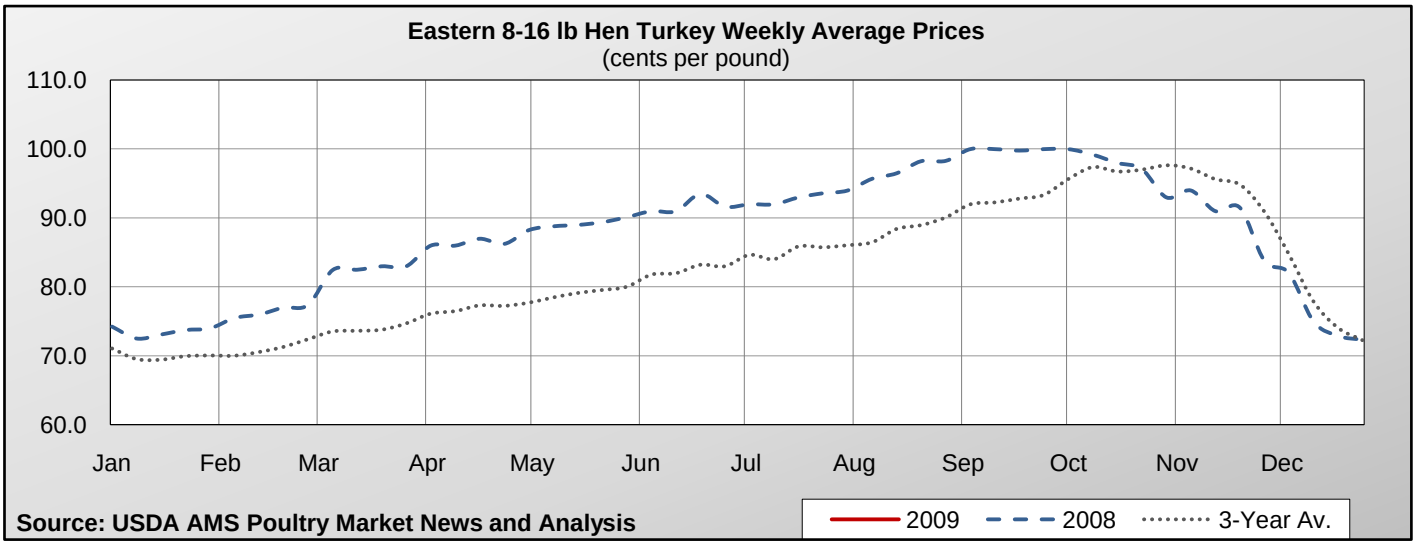
Source: USDA AMS Poultry Market News and Analysis
2009
2008
3-Year Av.


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
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Source: USDA AMS Poultry Market News and Analysis
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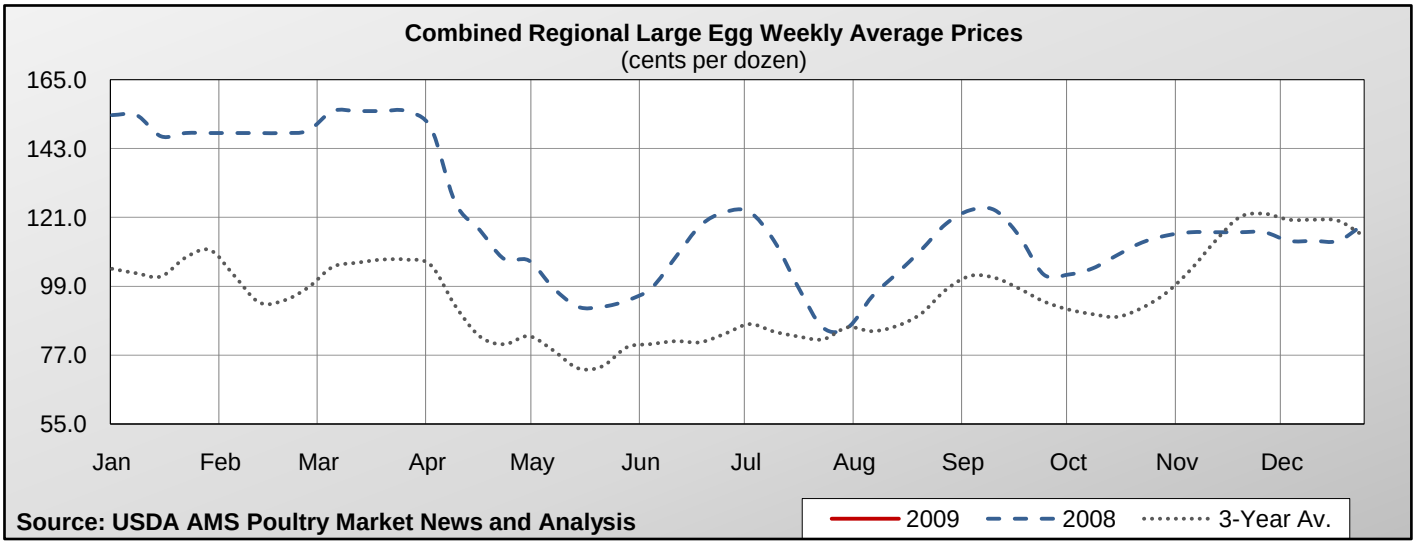
2008
3-Year Av.


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
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May
Jun
Jul
Aug
Sep
Oct
Nov
Dec
Source: USDA AMS Poultry Market News and Analysis
2009
2008
3-Year Av.

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