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Prices in New York were lower on all sizes this week. Early week regional prices decreased on the larger sizes and were slightly higher on mediums. Next week's asking prices are sharply lower on all sizes. Trade sentiment was barely steady to weak on the larger sizes and steady on mediums. Retail demand was moderate to fairly good. Food service movement was slow. Supplies were adequate to ample for the larger sizes, generally adequate for the smaller sizes. Breaking stock prices along with checks and undergrades were lower. Offerings were light to adequate for the limited demand. Floor stocks were adequate. The trade sentiment was steady. North Central regional light hen removal costs remained unchanged. Offerings were adequate to ample for the mostly moderate demand. Processing schedules ranged part-time to 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 Prices to producers were 6 cents lower for large with the balance of prices unchanged although trending lower to sharply lower for next week. Trade sentiment was barely steady to mostly weak. Retail demand was light to fairly good, mostly moderate with loose egg movement slow. Supplies were fully adequate to ample for the larger sizes and adequate for medium. Central states breaking stock prices were lower. Offerings were light to adequate with demand light. Floor stocks adequate. Schedules full-time to reduced. Trade sentiment steady.

•	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	107-116	110-113
LARGE	106-115	108-111
MEDIUM	85-94	87-90
MIDWEST AREA: IA	, IL, IN, KY, M	I, MN, OH, NE, ND, SD, WI, WV,
western NY, and wes	stern PA	

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged, however all sizes were trending lower. Trade sentiment was weak on larger sizes, barely steady on mediums. Retail demand was mostly moderate. Supplies ranged adequate to ample for immediate needs. Breaking stock offerings were at best sufficient for the light demand. Light hen offerings were sufficient to at least sufficient for the moderate demand.

	RANGE	MOSILY	
EXTRA LARGE	113-127	116-120	
LARGE	110-124	115-119	
MEDIUM	87-100	92-94	
NORTHEAST AREA	A: CT, DC, DE,	MA, MD, ME, NH, eastern I	NJ,
eastern NY, PA, RI,	northern VA, a	nd VT	

COMBINED REGIONAL	JANUARY 30, 2009
Average prices on sales to volume buyers,	USDA Grade A and Grade A,
white eggs in cartons, delivered warehouse.	cents per dozen

white eggs in cartons, delivered warehouse, cents per dozen							
REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM				
NORTHEAST	121.00	120.00	92.00				
SOUTHEAST	122.50	120.50	91.00				
MIDWEST	113.50	111.50	87.50				
SOUTH CENTRAL	122.50	121.50	92.50				
COMBINED REGIONAL	119.95	118.48	90.81				
Computed from simple weekly	averages weighted	by regional a	area populations	s.			

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

	02-03-09	01-27-09	02-05-08
Large	88-98	90-100	120-129
Medium	67-71	66-70	108-112

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT

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

FEBRUAR	RY 02, 2009		No	So	So		
	No	rtheast	Cent	Cent	Atl I	Pacific	5-Area
Jumbo	Curr Wk	9.2	18.0	8.2	9.6	17.0	62.0
	Change	1.8	1.4	-0.7	1.6	1.1	9%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	29.5	35.7	13.1	25.6	45.6	149.5
	Change	7.2	-2.2	1.5	2.2	6.6	11%
Large	Curr Wk	46.8	108.0	70.4	107.7	121.5	454.4
	Change	9.8	9.0	4.5	17.8	8.5	12%
Medium	Curr Wk	12.4	31.8	16.4	19.3	33.1	113.0
	Change	-3.6	2.9	1.4	4.0	-0.2	4%
Small	Curr Wk	3.6	3.2	1.5	3.0	5.4	16.7
	Change	-1.0	-0.4	-0.5	0.7	2.4	8%
Misc	Curr Wk	2.5	27.2	9.1	13.0	5.3	57.1
	Change	0.2	3.0	2.0	-1.2	-1.7	4%
Ungraded		10.7	49.1	11.6	25.6	24.6	121.6
	Change	-6.1	9.4	0.0	1.4	-2.6	2%
Total	Curr Wk	114.7	273.0	130.3	203.8	252.5	974.3
Percent	Change	8%	9%	7%	15%	6%	9%
TOTAL		Num	ber of	Perc	cent	Numb	er of

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg Shell Egg Breaking Stock	974.3 265.0	9% 3%	149 31
Total Shell Egg	1239.3	 8%	180

1/ Information supplied by a universe of 149 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
- AZ, CA, ID, MT, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY

Broiler Chicks Placed,

EGGS F	EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION								
W/E 31-JAN-2009 (lbs. in thousands) (Excludes Ingredients)									
Total	Cases	Liquid	Liquid	Liquid	Dried	Ined			
Product	ion Broken	Whole	Whites	Yolk					
CW	1,194,124	29,360	11,120	5,856	2,535	4,026			
PW	1,265,028	30,880	12,232	6,416	2,690	4,511			
LY	1,232,911	31,013	10,977	5,669	2,586	4,332			
% PW	-6%	-5%	-9%	-9%	-6%	-11%			
% LY	-3%	-5%	1%	3%	-2%	-7%			
2009*	4,991,770	122,807	46,940	23,987	11,321	17,412			
2008*	5,065,100	126,946	45,271	24,155	11,024	17,543			
% YTD	-1%	-3%	4%	-1%	3%	-1%			
				CW	PW	LY			
Average	Yield Per Cas	se - (Inedible	Included)	42.17	42.72	42.17			
Average	Yield Per Cas	se - (Inedible	Excluded)	38.80	39.15	38.66			

IN LINE PRODUCTION (of total production; lbs. in thousands;

may include a limited amount of off-line source material.)

	Case	s Broken	Liquid Whole		
	Cases	% of Total	Lbs.	% of Total	
CURRENT WEEK	641,382	53.7%	16,883	57.5%	
PREVIOUS WEEK	651,836	51.5%	17,347	56.2%	
LAST YEAR	614,276	49.8%	17,007	54.8%	

Broiler Eggs Set,

BROILER HATCHERY

	Diolici Eggs oct.		Broner Officks Flacea,		
	19 Selecte	ed States	19 Selected States		
		Week	c Ending		
	24-Jan	31-Jan	24-Jan	31-Jan	
	2009	2009	2009	2009	
State		Tho	usands		
AL	29,216	28,765	*19,290	19,404	
AR	*24,590	24,578	*20,709	20,008	
DE	3,332	3,417	4,502	4,547	
FL	999	1,016	864	898	
GA	33,154	32,317	27,720	28,258	
KY	7,663	6,723	*6,322	4,505	
LA	3,454	3,454	3,247	3,622	
MD	8,156	8,484	5,880	6,199	
MS	16,926	17,190	*16,346	16,271	
NC	18,985	18,544	*15,287	15,536	
OK	*6,645	6,724	*4,502	4,393	
PA	*3,859	3,861	*2,963	2,980	
SC	5,272	5,792	4,533	4,604	
TX	15,383	14,735	13,255	13,161	
VA	5,505	5,385	4,752	4,656	
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*18,519	17,883	*17,019	17,571	
19 State Total	*201,658	198,868	*167,191	166,613	
Previous Year Total	217,697	218,880	177,611	176,060	
Pct. of Prev. Year	93	91	94	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-Mar-09 is estimated at 153.9 million head. This compares to 154.2 million head the previous week and to 166.4 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 168.4 million head and the composite weighted average price was 79.87 cents per pound.

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES - WEEKLY (5-DAY) WTD AVG PRICES (CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR JAN 29 - FEB 04, 2009

Current Loa	ds 75	5.25 Fut SE	ure Loa	ds 59. NE	75 Tota	l Loads MW	135.00
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	85.25	94.00	85.00	87.14	102.50		25.00
GNR W 2							3.00
GNR W 3		71.00					2.00
GNR BR 1							1.00
GL W J			104.00	105.00	84.81	91.67	7.25
GL W XL		107.38	99.08	96.50	73.26	77.40	44.75
GL W LG		104.95	92.50	85.64	67.19		40.25
GL W MD	86.00	79.00	75.67	78.20	77.09	76.00	15.75
GL W SM		61.00	55.50	58.75			5.50
GL BR J					86.00		.25
GL BR LG				97.00			2.00
NRBS - 48			46.00	50.33	52.33	53.14	23.00

MOVEMENT OF EGGS II	NTO RETAIL	CHANNELS	_W/E 31-JA	N-2009
Selected Consuming	CW	LW	% CHA	NGE
Centers	(Cases in 1	Thousands)	LW	LY
Atlanta	23.2	24.9	-7	-4
Boston	3.0	3.1	-3	3
Chicago	63.7	72.4	-12	-3
Los Angeles	59.1	57.0	4	-37
New Orleans	6.4	5.2	23	8
New York	39.2	31.2	26	36
St. Louis	71.8	72.7	-1	61
San Francisco	20.0	16.4	22	41
Total	286.4	282.9	1	2
4 Week Moving Avg.	297.5			

TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS

W/E 31-JAN-2009 (Preliminary)

	Young turkeys				Old	Total turkeys	
		Pct	Chg	Avg	Banded		Avg
-Thousand F	lead-	Pre	v wk	Live wt	Thousand	l head	Live wt
North East	745		-2	25.71	(A)	747	25.71
South Atlantic	852		7	35.23	(A)	854	35.23
North Central	1,944		-4	34.79	(A)	1,945	34.79
South Central	573		-13	17.02	(A)	574	17.02
West	317		-23	25.36	(A)	318	25.36
U.S. total	4,431	(B)	-5	30.37	` Ź	4,438	30.37
To-date		` ,					
2009*	18,097	(B)			43	18,140	
To-date		` '					
2008*	18,935	(B)			24	18,959	
(A) Not published	d to avoid	Ldiśc	losina	individual	operations.	•	

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

W/E 31-Jan-2009 (Preliminary) (In Thousands)

W/L 31-Jan-2003 (1	(cililinaly	iii iiiousanc	13)		
	Your	ng	Young	Old	Total
	Hens	Toms	Breed	lers	Turkeys
Head	1,785	2,611	35	7	4,438
Avg Wt	16.86	39.68	25.41	29.61	30.37
Last week	1,683	2,617	26	1	4,327
Same wk yr ago	1,877	2,867	16	1	4,761
Avg Wt	16.03	39.30	30.73	61.15	30.10
To-date/2009*	7,253	10,716	128	43	18,140
To-date/2008*	7,450	11,429	56	24	18,959
Ready-to-Cook We	eight and Dre	essing Perc	entage		
Current week	24,075	82,879	680	159	107,793
Last week	22,228	84,434	541	22	107,225
Same wk yr ago	24,071	90,138	376	47	114,632
To-date/2009*	95,960	340,702	2,655	997	440,314
To-date/2008*	94,987	366,166	1,169	535	462,857
Dressing %	80.0%	80.0%	76.5%	76.5%	

⁽A) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update.

⁽B) Number of young banded breeder turkeys included: this week 35,000; for the current year to date* 128,000; for last year to date* 56,000.

^{*}Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

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LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION					
(PRELIMINARY)	Young	Light	Heavy	Total	
W/E 31-JAN-2009	Chickens	Hens	Hens	Hens	Ducks
			-Thousands	3	
Head	148,079	1,384	1,394	2,778	444
Avg Wt	5.59	3.21	7.62	5.42	6.71
Last week	148,579	1,358	1,389	2,747	434
Same wk yr ago	166,095	1,457	1,524	2,981	463
Avg Wt	5.47	3.12	8.05	5.64	6.84
To-date/2009*	623,520	5,440	6,309	11,749	1,752
To-date/2008*	662,757	6,035	5,964	11,999	1,805
Ready-to-Cook We	eight and Dres	ssing Perc	entage		
Current week	616,682	2,244	7,064	9,308	2,145
Last week	606,589	2,332	7,269	9,601	2,087
Same wk yr ago	676,862	2,296	8,158	10,454	2,280
To-date/2009*	2,560,607	9,099	32,748	41,847	8,316
To-date/2008*	2,700,736	9,801	31,444	41,245	8,827
Dressing %	74.5%	50.5%	66.5%		72.0%
(A) The section of the state of		9 - 1-1-	fra market and a color		

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 158.2 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 149.9 million head, or 8.3 million less than estimated available.

ESTIMATED U.S. FRYER SLAUGHTER/ FRYER AVAILABILITY COMPARISON

	Week	Million Head	Million Head		Avg
E	nding	Slaughtered	Available*	Pct	Wt
Dec	27	109.8	146.6	75%	5.53
Jan	3	129.1	145.5	89%	5.54
	10	168.8	147.1	115%	5.58
	17	162.0	153.2	106%	5.40
	24	150.4	157.2	96%	5.48
	31	149.9	158.2	95%	5.59
Year t	o date	631.1	615.7	103%	
Feb	7		157.4		
	14		157.6		

^{*}Based on chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier.

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 07-FEB-09

Current Week 02/07/09 (1) Previous Week 01/31/09 Class --- Thousand head ------Broiler/fryer 159,459 (2) 154,070 Light hens 1,263 1,538 Heavy hens 1,319 1,509 162,041 Total 157,117 (1) Estimated

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 07-Feb-09 is 157.4 million head compared to 167.5 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 159.8 million head or 2.4 million more than estimated available. For the week of 14-Feb-09 the estimated available is 157.6 million head.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS -

HILLINE: OOL	010111021			
Selecte	d Centers (Inc. 6	Gov't Stocks)	(In Thousands)	
	Frozen Eggs	Proc. Turkeys	Proc. other Poultry	
	Lbs	Lbs	Lbs	
AM 02/02/09	3,206	102,864	94,005	
AM 01/01/09	3,203	80,044	87,169	
CHG	3	22820	6836	
PCT CHG	0%	29%	8%	
Based on the I	historical relationsh	p of the prelimin	nary U.S. Cold Storage	
holdings report of December 31, 2008 and the selected centers storage report,				
the expected U.S	holdings on Febru	ary 1, 2009 are:		

the expected U.S. holdings on February 1, 2009 are:
Frozen Eggs 23 MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS 5%
Processed Turkeys 512 MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS 5%

Processed Turkeys 512 MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS 5% Processed Other Poultry 824 MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS 5%

COMPOSITE	WID AVG PRICES FO	K KIC DKUILEK/FKIEKS
WEEKLY	Ol (N.

	Change from 26-JAN-2009	26-JAN-2009	04-FEB-2008	Number of Loads
81.37	.23	81.14	76.12	488

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES,						
COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A,						
CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)						
CURRENT	•		WTD	LBS		
SHIPMENTS 2/	OFFERS	SALES	AVG	(000)		
8-16 LB HENS				, ,		
EASTERN REGION 3/	72-75	-	-	-		
CENTRAL REGION 4/	72-75	-	-	-		
WESTERN REGION 5/	72-75	-	-	-		
16-24 LB TOMS						
EASTERN REGION	72-75	-	-	-		
CENTRAL REGION	72-75	-	-	-		
WESTERN REGION	72-75	_	_	_		

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days.

LIVE HEN MARKETS

HEAVY TYPE (7 pounds and up)* FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 02-FEB-09

 REGIONS
 RANGE
 MAJORITY
 WTD AVG

 Southeast (1)
 8.75-18.25 CENTS/LB.
 11.47

 Southeast (2)
 TFEWR

 South Central (1)
 7.5-14.75 CENTS/LB.
 10.85

(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) 30-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 N	MOVEMENT (Rec	eipts From Produ	icers)
W/E 31-JAN-2009	Cases	% Change	From
REGIONS	(In thousands)	LW	LY
North Atlantic	184.4	-2	5
East North Central	600.3	-7	-7
West North Central	292.9	-6	-5
South Atlantic	182.9	6	8
South Central	51.0	-2	-6
West	151.2	5	-18
Total	1462.7	-3	-5
Matched plants reporti	ng	81	81

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: 02-FEBRUARY-2009 (cents per lb)

	U.S. GRA	' '	: COMPOSITE			
	MAJ	WTDAVG	LDS	: \	NTD AVG	LDS
Chicago	65.00-74.00	76.60	15	:	69.49	50
Los Angeles	95.00	94.20	60	:	90.19	150
New York	75.00-78.00	76.71	21	:	78.52	45

**Note: 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.

Delivered to First Receivers

WHOLE BODY 1/	MAJ	WIDAVG	LDS	
**Chicago	65.00-74.00	69.49	50	
1/: Whole Body categor	y includes whole	body birds with	or without g	jiblets,

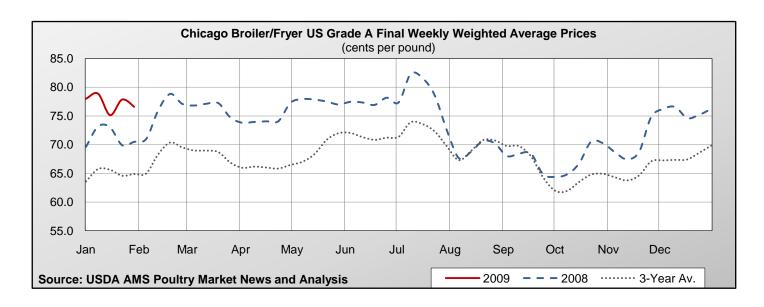
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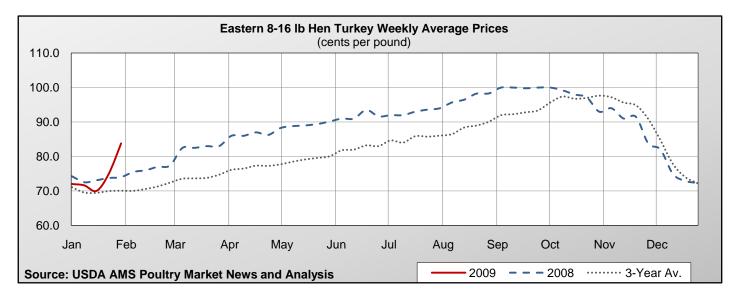
grades, brands, and packaging.

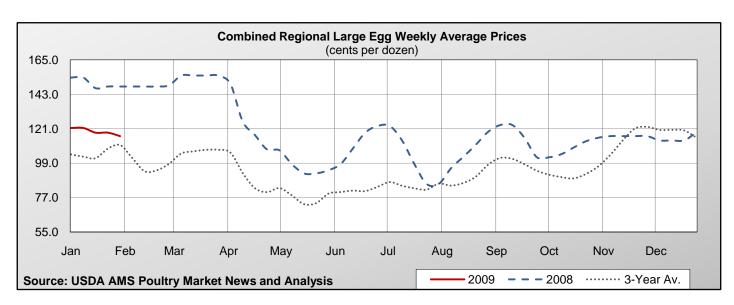
⁽B) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update.

^{*}Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

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







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