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All reported prices were unchanged this week. The trade sentiment was steady to instances fully steady. Retail and food service demand ranged from light to good, usually moderate. Supplies were adequate to at times fully adequate. Breaking stock prices were unchanged. Offerings were light to adequate for the mostly light demand. Processing schedules were full-time. The trade sentiment was steady. North Central regional light hen removal costs were unchanged. Demand was moderate with offerings adequate to ample. Processing schedules were mixed. 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 were unchanged. The trade sentiment was steady to instances fully steady. Cartoned egg demand was usually moderate to at times good. Loose egg movement was moderate. Supplies were balanced to adequate. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Offerings were light to adequate for the mostly light demand. Schedules were full-time. The trade sentiment was steady.

	RANGE	MOSILY	
EXTRA LARGE	78-87	81-84	
LARGE	77-86	79-82	
MEDIUM	71-81	73-76	
MIDWEST AREA: IA	IL, IN, KY, MI	, MN, OH, NE, ND, SD,	WI, WV,
western NY, and wes	tern PA		

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was at least steady. Retail demand was moderate to good, best where featured. Supplies were about adequate to adequate for immediate needs. Breaking stock offerings were sufficient for the light demand. Light hen offerings were adequate to at least adequate for normal to less than normal processing schedules.

	RANGE	MOSILY			
EXTRA LARGE	84-98	87-91			
LARGE	81-95	86-90			
MEDIUM	74-87	79-81			
NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, eastern					
eastern NY, PA, RI, I	northern VA, ar	nd VT			

<u>COMBINED REGIONAL</u> 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	89.00	88.00	80.50
SOUTHEAST	92.50	90.50	81.00
MIDWEST	82.50	80.50	74.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	91.50	90.50	81.50
COMBINED REGIONAL Computed from simple weekly a	88.95 averages weighted	87.47 by regional a	79.44 area populations.

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

	02-24-09	02-17-09	02-26-08
Large	59-69	59-69	121-130
Medium	53-57	53-57	108-112

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT

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

FEBRUARY 23, 2009			No	So	So		
	Nor	theast	Cent	Cent	Atl I	Pacific	5-Area
Jumbo	Curr Wk	11.9	20.2	7.1	8.2	13.9	61.3
	Change	0.8	1.4	-2.0	-0.9	-1.4	-3%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	19.4	42.0	14.1	27.3	36.2	139.0
	Change	-3.7	2.8	-1.7	0.6	1.5	0%
Large	Curr Wk	39.7	114.5	80.7	98.3	111.3	444.5
	Change	-4.6	19.9	8.8	2.8	-7.8	4%
Medium	Curr Wk	12.8	40.5	16.5	17.8	28.0	115.6
	Change	-1.4	5.0	3.1	-3.0	-1.0	2%
Small	Curr Wk	2.7	7.9	1.2	3.4	5.6	20.8
	Change	-0.7	3.0	0.0	-0.8	-0.6	5%
Misc	Curr Wk	1.8	24.0	7.7	10.8	7.2	51.5
	Change	-0.8	3.3	-7.5	-0.9	1.1	-9%
Ungraded		10.1	41.5	19.4	18.1	26.7	115.8
	Change	-4.2	-6.3	-3.2	-4.8	-1.5	-15%
Total	Curr Wk	98.4	290.6	146.7	183.9	228.9	948.5
Percent	Change	-13%	11%	-2%	-4%	-4%	0%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators	
Shell Egg Shell Egg Breaking Stoc	948.5 k 228.4	0% -12%	149 31	
Total Shell Egg	1176.9	-3%	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 Pacific - AZ, CA, ID, MT, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY

EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

W/E 21-FEB-2009 (Lbs In Thousands) (Excludes Ingredients)

Total	C	Cases	Liquid	Liauid	Liquid		
	В	roken	Whole	White	Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CW	1,26	0,572	31,571	11,737	5,712	2,819	4,250
PW	1,24	1,162	29,166	12,619	6,664	2,746	4,224
LY	1,21	5,577	30,278	11,109	6,047	2,358	4,205
% Chg F	WK	2%	8%	-7%	-14%	3%	1%
% Chg L	Y.	4%	4%	6%	-6%	20%	1%
2009*	8,73	3,328	212,424	83,448	42,568	19,646	30,156
2008*	8,72	2,972	217,906	78,557	42,098	18,268	30,122
% Chg Y	TD	0%	-3%	6%	1%	8%	0%
Average	Yield	Per Ca	ase -	Current	Prev	ious	Last
				Week	We	ek	Year
(Inedible	Includ	ded)		42.26	42.	44	42.48
(Inedible	Exclu	ided)		38.89	39.	04	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	641,335	50.9%	17,145	54.3%	
PREVIOUS WEEK	650,074	52.4%	16,134	55.3%	
LAST YEAR	616,385	50.7%	16,986	56.1%	

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

BROILER HATCHERY

	Broiler	Eggs Set	Broiler Chicks Placed		
19 Selected States	FEB 14	FEB 21	FEB 14	FEB 21	
STATE		Tho	ousand		
AL	29,489	29,086	20,291	20,348	
AR	*24,737	24,980	*21,696	21,053	
DE	3,304	3,502	3,975	4,533	
FL	1,021	1,020	852	741	
GA	*32,711	32,818	*27,936	26,910	
KY	7,885	7,167	*6,523	4,478	
LA	3,470	3,470	3,031	3,655	
MD	8,779	8,866	5,083	5,321	
MS	17,692	17,891	15,631	15,655	
NC	18,353	18,863	*15,292	15,523	
OK	6,850	6,772	4,549	4,783	
PA	*3,745	4,135	*3,079	3,082	
SC	5,589	5,789	4,765	4,543	
TX	15,526	15,530	13,197	12,638	
VA	5,749	5,943	5,289	4,512	
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*18,517	19,454	*15,415	15,493	
19 State Total	*203,417	205,286	*166,604	163,268	
Previous Year Total	218,479	219,311	177,543	178,240	
Pct. of Prev. Year	93	94	94	92	

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 04-Apr-09 is estimated at 151.9 million head. This compares to 153.9 million head the previous week and to 167.4 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 168.5 million head and the composite weighted average price was 76.86 cents per pound.

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES - WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES (CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 02/19/09 - 02/25/09

	SE		N	IE .	M'	MW		
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	
GNR W XL		66.00					2.00	
GNR W 1	59.75	65.50	59.80	61.30			58.00	
GNR W 2							3.00	
GNR W 4		60.00					3.00	
GL W J					78.13		8.00	
GL W XL		80.26	72.62	75.81	70.47		54.50	
GL W LG		77.55	70.91	68.50	66.26		67.25	
GL W MD		67.00	60.14	66.00	54.10	60.50	20.00	
GL W SM			53.00	51.25	42.89		3.25	
GL BR J					78.00		.25	
GL BR MD					52.00		1.00	
NRBS - 48					44.00	45.00	9.00	
NRBS - 42					36.00		3.00	
NRBS - 39					36.00		1.00	
MOVEMEN	T OF EC	GS INTO	O RETAIL	_ CHANN	NELS W	/E 21-F	eb-09	

CURRENT LDS 104.75 **FUTURE LDS** 91.75 **TOTAL LDS** 196.50

CW PW Selected PCT CHG **Consuming Centers** Cases, in thousands PW LY 22.2 -9 Atlanta 24.5 -6 Boston 2.6 -10 -10 2.9 Chicago 63.9 63.4 7 1 Los Angeles 61.0 66.8 -9 -51 **New Orleans** 5.7 5.2 10 24 New York 34.3 18 34.5 -1 St. Louis 82.1 86.9 -6 73 San Francisco 21.2 17.7 20 44 Total 293.0 291.4 1 -4 292.6

4 Week Moving Avg. 292.6 LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED W/E 21-Feb-09

	YO	UNG	YOUNG	OLD	TOTAL
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS		TURKEYS
Head	2,020	2,454	7	1	4,482
Avg Wt	17.60	39.61	26.63	60.77	29.67
Last week	2,064	2,527	35	6	4,632
Same wk yr ago	2,051	2,735	8	2	4,796
Avg Wt	16.19	39.08	24.57	33.49	29.76
To-date/2009*	13,015	18,432	197	66	31,710
To-date/2008*	13,414	19,766	101	68	33,349
Ready-to-Cool	k Weight	and Dres	sing Percentag	ge	
Current week	28,441	77,759	143	46	106,389
Last week	28,071	80,313	680	133	109,197
Same wk yr ago	26,565	85,507	150	51	112,273
To-date/2009*	173,922	583,812	4,058	1,532	763,324
To-date/2008*	172,620	627,609	2,024	1,485	803,738

Dressing % 80.0% 80.0% 76.5% 76.5% *Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTS

W/E 21-Feb-09 (Preliminary)

W/E 21-Feb-0	9 (Pre	ıımınary	/)			
	Young turk	eys		Old	Total	Turkeys
Th	ousand Po	ct chg	Avg	Banded		Avg
	Head	PW	Live wt	-Thousand	head-	Live wt
North East	626	-16	25.38	(A)	627	25.38
South Atlantic	926	9	33.29	(A)	926	33.29
North Central	1,908	1	34.86	(A)	1,908	34.86
South Central	753	-14	17.07	(A)	753	17.07
West	268	-4	25.58	(A)	268	25.58
U.S. total	4,481(B)	-3	29.67	1	4,482	29.67
To-date						
2009*	31,644(B)			66 3	31,710	
To-date						
2008*	33,281(B)			68 3	33,349	
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(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

⁽B) Number of young banded breeder turkeys included: this week 7,000; for the current year to date* 197,000; for last year to date* 101,000.

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

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION					
Young	Light	Heavy	Total		
Chickens	Hens	Hens	Hens	Ducks	
		-Thousands	S		
154,812	1,172	1,323	2,495	408	
5.48	3.25	7.94	5.74	6.60	
154,549	1,106	1,572	2,678	377	
166,700	1,204	1,546	2,750	443	
5.54	3.70	7.98	6.11	6.84	
1,088,377	8,964	10,749	19,713	2,902	
1,158,651	9,874	10,654	20,528	3,205	
ight and Dre	ssing Perc	entage			
632,035	1,924	6,986	8,910	1,939	
630,962	1,843	8,206	10,049	1,813	
688,021	2,250	8,204	10,454	2,182	
4,459,590	15,024	55,933	70,957	13,816	
4,748,634	16,349	56,531	72,880	15,68 <u>4</u>	
74.5%	50.5%	66.5%		72.0%	
	Young Chickens 	Young Light Chickens Hens 154,812 1,172 5.48 3.25 154,549 1,106 166,700 1,204 5.54 3.70 1,088,377 8,964 1,158,651 9,874 cight and Dressing Perce 632,035 1,924 630,962 1,843 630,962 1,843 6449,590 15,024 4,748,634 16,349	Young Chickens Light Hens Hens Heavy Hens	Young Chickens Light Hens Hens Hens Hens Heavy Hens Hens Hens Total Hens Hens	

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 158.5 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 156.7 million head or 1.8 million less than estimated available.

ESTIMATED U.S. FRYER SLAUGHTER/

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	Week	Million Head	Million Head		Avg
	Ending	Slaughtered	Available*	Pct	Wt
Jan	17	162.0	153.2	106%	5.40
	24	150.4	157.2	96%	5.48
	31	149.9	158.2	95%	5.59
Feb	7	157.4	157.4	100%	5.49
	14	156.4	157.6	99%	5.48
	21	156.7	158.5	99%	5.48
Yea	r to date	1101.6	1089.2	101%	
Feb	28		158.1		
Mar	7		157.6		

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

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER of U.S. BROILER/FRYERS AND FOWL

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 28-FEB-09 **Current Week** 02/28/09 (1) Previous Week 02/21/09 Class ----- Thousand head ------Broiler/fryer 157,138 157,173 (2) Light hens 1,288 1,226 1,448 1,304 Heavy hens Total 159,847 159,730 (1) Estimated

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 28-Feb-09 is 158.1 million head compared to 167.9 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 157.5 million head or 0.6 million less than estimated available. For the week of 07-Mar-09 the estimated available is 157.6 million head.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS -

	Selected	d Centers (Inc	. Gov't Stocks)	(In Thousands)
		Frozen Eggs	Proc. Turkeys	Proc. other Poultry
		Lbs	Lbs	Lbs
AM	02/23/09	3,167	112,522	82,643
AM	02/01/09	3,206	102,864	94,005
CHG		-39	9658	-11362
PCT C	HG	-1%	9%	-12%

COMPOSITE WTD AVG PRICES FOR RTC BROILER/FRYERS

23-FEB-2009 80.10 NUMBER OF	16-FEB-2009 1.29 LOADS 483	16-FEB-2009 78.81	25-FEB-2008 80.78	
MONTHLY FEB	WTD AVG 80.17	LDS 2,011.00		

WHOLE YOUNG TURKE COMMODITY PACK OR CENTS PER LB, DELIVE	EQUIVALEN	IT, US GRAD	DE A,	ZES,
CURRENT	OFFERS	CALEC	WTD	LBS
SHIPMENTS 2/ 8-16 LB HENS	OFFERS	SALES	AVG	(000)
EASTERN REGION 3/	74-76	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	74-76	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	74-76	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS				
EASTERN REGION	74-76.5	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	74-76	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	74-76	-	-	-
1/ May include product sto				degrees F
2/ Includes product priced				
3/ Includes product with 3	3% broth bas	tina. 4/ Inclu	des product	with 3-6°

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LIVE HEN MARKETS

HEAVY TYPE (7 pounds and up)* FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 23-FEB-09 REGIONS RANGE MAJORITY WTD AVG Southeast (1) 8.25-18.25 CENTS/LB. 11.39 Southeast (2) **TFEWR** South Central (1) 7.5-14.5 CENTS/LB. 10.67

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) 13-FEB-09

REGIONS	RANGE	MAJORITY
Eastern	2-11	3-7
South Central	Too Few To	Report
North Central	0-10.5	0-5

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT (Receipts From Producers)

W/E 21-FEB-2009	Cases	% Change Fro	
REGIONS	(In thousands)	LW	LY
North Atlantic	185.7	-3	2
East North Central	624.2	1	3
West North Central	312.9	2	6
South Atlantic	174.9	0	-1
South Central	49.7	-6	-10
West	144.0	-3	-25
Total	1491.4	0	-1
Matched plants report Areas Covered:	ing	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: 23-FEB-2009 (cents per lb)

	Grade	: Composite				
	Maj	Wtd Avg	Lds	:	Wtd AvgLo	ds
Delivered to	First Receivers	1/:				
Los Angeles	95.00	93.90	60	:	90.26	130
New York	74.00-77.00	75.35	20	:	77.09	54

Delivered to First Receivers 1/:

	Whole Body 2/:				Composite	!
	Maj	Wtd Avg	Lds	:	Wtd AvgLo	ls
Chicago	60.00-72.00			:	66.36	55

^{1/:} Includes branded product.

⁽B) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update.

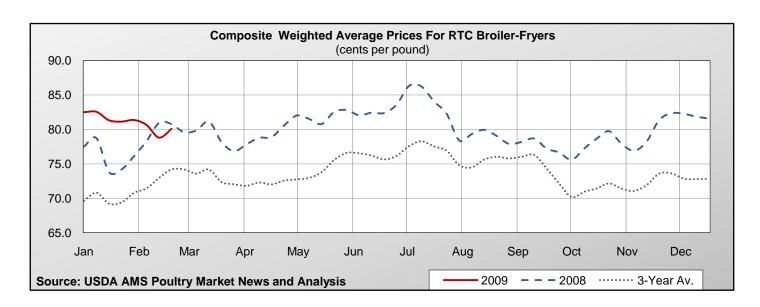
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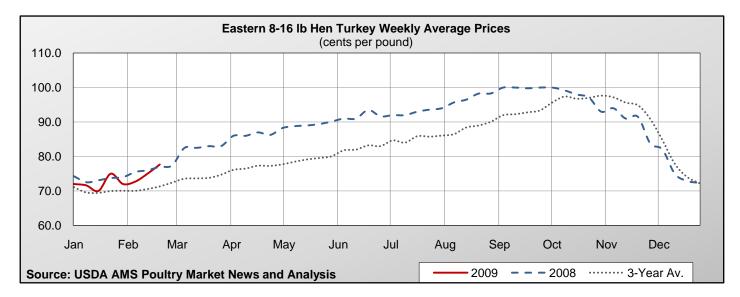
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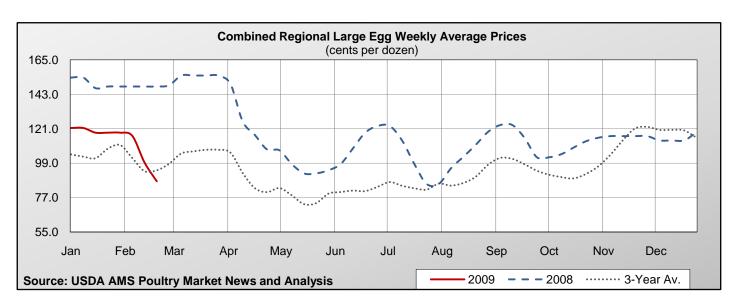
⁽¹⁾ At Farm Buyer Loading (2) At Farm Producer Loading

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

^{2/:} Whole Body category includes whole body birds with or without giblets, all grades, brands, and packaging.







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