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New York prices ended the week lower, with regional prices sharply lower early in the week. Next week's regional asking prices were trending lower. The trade sentiment ranged steady to instances weak, mostly steady to barely steady. Retail and food service demand was light to moderate, best into areas with planned or ongoing features. Supplies were fully adequate to available. Breaking stock prices were unchanged to lower. Demand was slow with offerings fully adequate to ample. Processing schedules were full-time. The trade sentiment was barely steady to weak. North Central regional light hen removal costs continued unchanged. Offerings were adequate to available for the light to moderate demand. Processing schedules were normal to increased. 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 Midwest delivered prices and producer prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was barely steady to steady. Cartoned egg demand was light to moderate, better into planned and ongoing features. Loose egg movement was light to instances moderate. Supplies were fully adequate to available for current trade needs. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Offerings were fully adequate to ample for mostly light quiet. Schedules were full-time. Trade sentiment was barely steady to weak.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	65-74	68-71
LARGE	64-73	66-69
MEDIUM	53-62	55-58

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 trending lower on all sizes. Trade sentiment was at best steady to barely steady. Demand into all channels was light to moderate. Supplies were readily available for present trading requirements. Eastern region breaking stock supplies were sufficient for mostly normal breaking schedules. Light type hens were at least adequate for a fair demand.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	72-86	75-78
LARGE	68-82	73-75
MEDIUM	56-69	61-63

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

COMBINED REGIONAL APRIL 24, 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	102.50	101.00	74.00
SOUTHEAST	101.50	99.50	74.00
MIDWEST	94.50	92.50	68.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	101.50	101.50	75.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	100.02	98.72	73.09

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

	04-28-09	04-21-09	04-29-08
Large	46-56	56-66	79-88
Medium	35-39	40-44	69-73

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT

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

APRIL 27, 2009		Northeast	No Cent	So Cent	So Atl	Pacific	5-Area
Jumbo	Curr Wk	11.6	18.3	8.2	9.0	19.5	66.6
	Change	0.2	-3.4	0.1	1.0	-0.7	-4%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	26.1	42.7	12.6	28.0	36.6	146.0
	Change	0.4	-7.8	-3.1	2.4	-0.4	-6%
Large	Curr Wk	46.3	138.9	92.1	119.6	143.5	540.4
	Change	2.3	7.2	0.7	20.5	21.1	11%
Medium	Curr Wk	11.3	41.9	22.8	23.3	33.4	132.7
	Change	2.1	-8.5	-10.3	1.3	5.3	-7%
Small	Curr Wk	2.7	11.5	3.1	3.6	6.0	26.9
	Change	-0.7	-1.9	0.5	1.0	0.0	-4%
Misc	Curr Wk	2.9	21.1	17.7	9.7	7.8	59.2
	Change	-0.3	-1.3	1.6	-0.9	-0.3	-2%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	8.6	71.7	15.0	25.4	27.2	147.9
	Change	1.8	11.0	0.7	-0.7	0.2	10%
Total	Curr Wk	109.5	346.1	171.5	218.6	274.0	1119.7
Percent	Change	6%	-1%	-5%	13%	10%	4%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg	1119.7	4%	149
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	250.6	8%	31
Total Shell Egg	1370.3	4%	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 25-APR-2009 (Lbs In Thousands) (Excludes Ingredients)

Total	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CW	1,314,920	31,455	13,546	6,827	2,881	4,408
PW	1,251,175	30,292	12,164	6,499	2,589	4,225
LY	1,358,641	32,916	13,163	6,844	3,240	4,501
% PW	5%	4%	11%	5%	11%	4%
% LY	-3%	-4%	3%	0%	-11%	-2%
2009*	19,870,100	491,681	186,397	94,541	41,199	67,859
2008*	20,290,685	504,546	186,073	99,190	42,708	69,999
% YTD	-2%	-3%	0%	-5%	-4%	-3%

Average Yield Per Case -	Current Week	Previous Week	Last Year
(Inedible Included)	42.77	42.50	42.27
(Inedible Excluded)	39.42	39.13	38.95

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	689,453	52.4%	17,482	55.6%
PREVIOUS WEEK	674,749	53.9%	17,938	59.2%
LAST YEAR	666,722	49.1%	17,274	52.5%

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

BROILER HATCHERY

19 Selected States STATE	Broiler Eggs Set APR 18	Broiler Eggs Set APR 25	Broiler Chicks Placed APR 18	Broiler Chicks Placed APR 25
	Thousand			
AL	30,114	29,758	20,393	19,715
AR	*24,001	23,402	*20,548	21,903
DE	3,585	3,529	4,370	4,758
FL	979	991	726	685
GA	30,783	30,936	*26,052	27,129
KY	7,822	7,687	*6,030	5,929
LA	2,230	2,230	1,901	1,896
MD	9,160	8,963	6,661	5,637
MS	17,622	17,659	16,491	16,899
NC	19,033	18,553	15,666	15,836
OK	6,793	6,690	4,531	4,601
PA	*3,952	3,957	*2,879	3,106
SC	5,538	5,636	*4,728	4,257
TX	15,324	14,953	13,385	13,311
VA	6,179	6,236	*4,987	5,475
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*19,545	19,701	17,322	17,773
19 State Total	*202,660	200,881	*166,670	168,910
Previous Year Total	214,822	213,675	177,156	178,240
Pct. of Prev. Year	94	94	94	95

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 06-Jun-09 is estimated at 154.5 million head. This compares to 153.4 million head the previous week and to 167.3 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 169.8 million head and the composite weighted average price was 82.82 cents per pound.

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES – WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES

(CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 04/23/09 – 04/29/09

CURRENT LDS 104.000 **FUTURE LDS** 39.25 **TOTAL LDS** 143.25

	SE		NE		MW		
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	45.50	49.00	45.50	45.54	--	--	24.00
GNR BR 1	41.50	44.50	--	--	--	--	1.00
GL W J	--	--	--	--	56.50	--	2.00
GL W XL	54.00	58.16	56.63	55.73	48.90	--	56.00
GL W LG	--	54.50	48.50	46.60	38.14	53.00	24.75
GL W MD	--	--	39.33	39.33	35.53	43.00	16.25
GL W SM	--	36.00	--	--	33.00	--	4.00
GL BR LG	55.00	58.00	--	78.00	--	--	1.50
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	36.17	36.91	20.00
NRBS - 42	--	--	--	31.00	26.00	--	1.00
NRBS - 39	--	--	27.78	35.85	32.57	29.50	11.50

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS W/E 25-Apr-09

Selected Consuming Centers	CW Cases, in thousands	PW Cases, in thousands	% CHANGE LW	% CHANGE LY
Atlanta	20.9	21.1	-1	-12
Boston	2.4	2.5	-4	-14
Chicago	50.5	66.6	-24	-25
Los Angeles	58.9	54.6	8	-42
New Orleans	4.8	5.3	-9	-9
New York	29.8	28.0	6	3
St. Louis	80.8	68.2	18	97
San Francisco	17.5	13.3	32	32
Total	265.6	259.6	2	-7
4 Week Moving Avg.	295.6			

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED W/E 25-Apr-09

	YOUNG HENS	YOUNG TOMS	YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD	TOTAL TURKEYS
Head	2,128	2,634	38	1	4,801
Avg Wt	16.85	37.96	35.02	34.65	28.58
Last week	1,757	2,279	23	2	4,061
Same wk yr ago	1,998	2,761	8	1	4,768
Avg Wt	16.14	38.60	30.60	61.71	29.18
To-date/2009*	29,872	41,494	432	90	71,888
To-date/2008*	30,747	44,164	321	159	75,391
Ready-to-Cook Weightand Dressing Percentage					
Current week	28,335	78,992	1,018	27	108,372
Last week	24,035	66,269	452	96	90,852
Same wk yr ago	25,476	84,194	187	47	109,904
To-date/2009*	398,903	1,286,230	8,942	2,263	1,696,338
To-date/2008*	396,665	1,379,403	6,409	3,478	1,785,955
Dressing %	79.0%	79.0%	76.5%	76.5%	

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

NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTS

W/E 25-Apr-09 (Preliminary)

	---Young turkeys--- Thousand Head	Pct chg PW	Avg Live wt	Old Breeders -Thousand head-	Total	Turkeys Avg Live wt
North East	677	1	25.06	(A)	678	25.06
South Atlantic	886	5	31.34	(A)	886	31.34
North Central	2,129	60	32.62	(A)	2,129	32.62
South Central	793	-6	18.71	(A)	793	18.71
West	315	-16	25.93	(A)	315	25.93
U.S. total	4,800 (B)	18	28.58	1	4,801	28.58
To-date 2009*	71,798 (B)			90	71,888	
To-date 2008*	75,232 (B)			159	75,391	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turkeys included: this week 38,000; for the current year to date* 432,000; for last year to date* 321,000.

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

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

(PRELIMINARY) W/E 25-APR-2009	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
	----------Thousands----------				
Head	158,718	1,164	1,679	2,843	427
Avg Wt	5.53	3.42	7.78	5.99	6.85
Last week	155,008	1,188	1,511	2,699	420
Same wk yr ago	165,215	1,182	1,704	2,886	436
Avg Wt	5.48	3.08	7.90	5.93	6.80
To-date/2009*	2,476,417	19,476	24,247	43,723	6,570
To-date/2008*	2,639,637	22,619	24,439	47,058	7,282
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	653,894	2,010	8,687	10,697	2,091
Last week	639,765	1,908	7,928	9,836	2,003
Same wk yr ago	674,507	1,838	8,952	10,790	2,120
To-date/2009*	10,133,496	32,259	125,853	158,112	31,602
To-date/2008*	10,847,715	37,501	129,529	167,030	35,099
Dressing %	74.5%	50.5%	66.5%		71.5%

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 158.6 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 160.6 million head, or 2.0 million more than estimated available.
*Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

ESTIMATED U.S. FRYER SLAUGHTER/ FRYER AVAILABILITY COMPARISON

Week Ending		Million Head Slaughtered	Million Head Available*	Pct	Avg Wt
Mar	21	156.0	157.5	99%	5.37
	28	157.4	157.7	100%	5.50
Apr	4	155.8	155.5	100%	5.49
	11	150.3	155.2	97%	5.49
	18	156.9	157.2	100%	5.54
	25	160.6	158.6	101%	5.53
Year to date		2506.4	2503.7	100%	
May	2		160.1		
	9		158.9		

*Based on chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier.

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER of U.S. BROILER/FRYERS AND FOWL
UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 02-May-09

Class	**Current Week** 05/02/09 (1)	**Previous Week** 04/25/09
	---------- Thousand head ---------	
Broiler/fryer	162,186 (2)	159,334
Light hens	1,707	1,277
Heavy hens	1,476	1,654
Total	165,369	162,265

(1) Estimated
(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 02-May-09 is 160.1 million head compared to 170.7 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 162.5 million head or 2.4 million more than estimated available. For the week of 09-May-09 the estimated available is 158.9 million head.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS –
Selected Centers (Inc. Gov't Stocks) (In Thousands)

	Frozen Eggs Lbs	Proc. Turkeys Lbs	Proc. other Poultry Lbs
AM 04/27/09	3,485	135,419	68,907
AM 04/01/09	3,277	130,812	73,006
CHG	208	4607	-4099
PCT CHG	6%	4%	-6%

COMPOSITE WTD AVG PRICES FOR RTC BROILER/FRYERS

WEEKLY 27-APR-2009	Change from 20-APR -2009	20-APR -2009	21-APR-2008
77.14	-.40	77.54	80.57
NUMBER OF LOADS	500		

MONTHLY	WTD AVG	LDS
April	76.39	2,062.40

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/	76-79	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	74-79	79	79.00	40
WESTERN REGION 5/	76-79	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS				
EASTERN REGION	76-79	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	74-78.5	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	76-79	-	-	-

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 27-APR-09

REGIONS	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
Southeast (1)	8.25-18.25 CENTS/LB.		11.48
Southeast (2)	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
South Central (1)	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

(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) 24-APR-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 25-APR-2009 REGIONS	Cases (In thousands)	% Change From LW	LY
North Atlantic	179.1	0	3
East North Central	586.3	-2	-1
West North Central	285.9	-2	-7
South Atlantic	156.6	-8	-7
South Central	48.1	-3	-7
West	139.5	-6	-25
Total	1395.5	-3	-5
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)

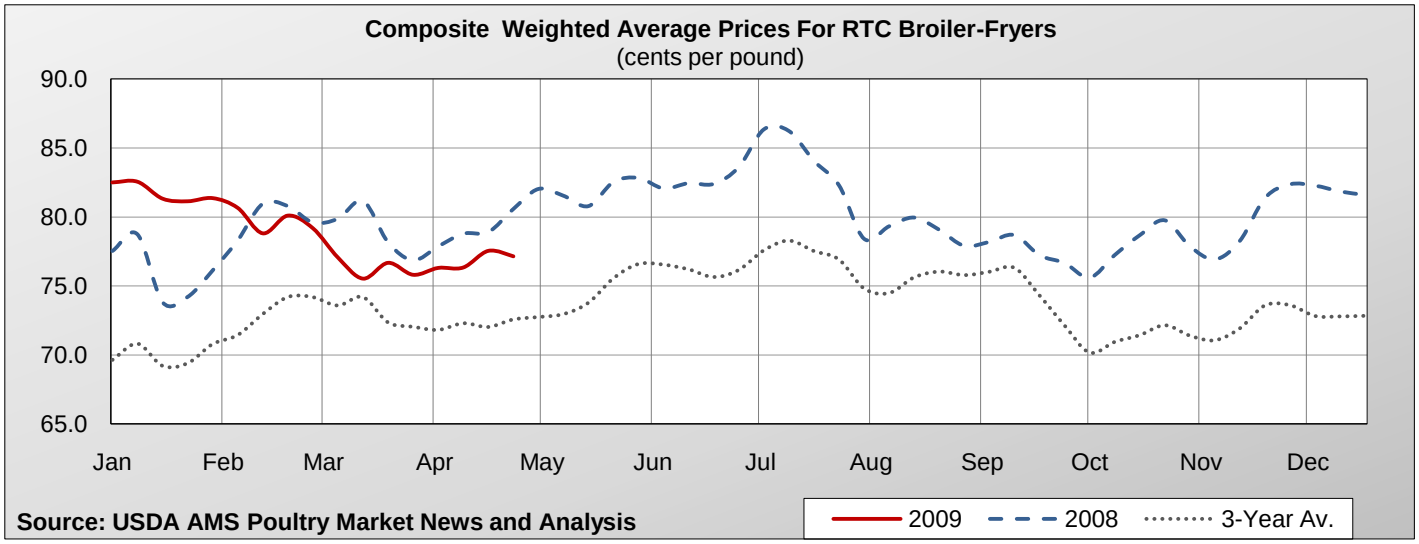
FINAL BROILER/FRYER REPORT
Prices negotiated for truck-lot sales of RTC ice-packed broiler/fryers (includes branded product) to be delivered to first receivers at major market centers week of: 27-APR-2009 (cents per lb)

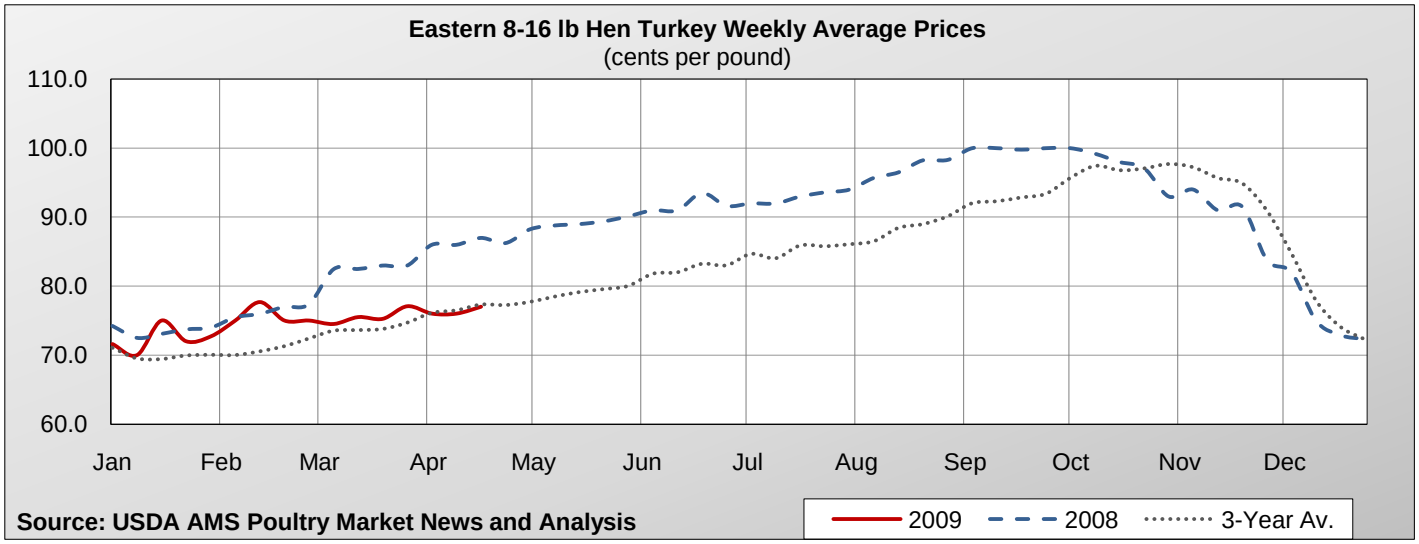
	Grade A Maj	Wtd Avg	Lds	:	Composite Wtd Avg	Lds
Delivered to First Receivers 1/:						
Los Angeles	94.00	91.72	53	:	88.64	128
New York	69.00-72.00	70.67	21	:	73.46	45

Delivered to First Receivers 1/:

	Whole Body 2/: Maj	Wtd Avg	Lds	:	Composite Wtd Avg	Lds
Chicago	61.00-69.00			:	67.16	48

1/: Includes branded product.
2/: Whole Body category includes whole body birds with or without giblets, all grades, brands, and packaging.


Composite Weighted Average Prices For RTC Broiler-Fryers
(cents per pound)
90.0
85.0
80.0
75.0
70.0
65.0
Jan
Feb
Mar
Apr
May
Jun
Jul
Aug
Sep
Oct
Nov
Dec
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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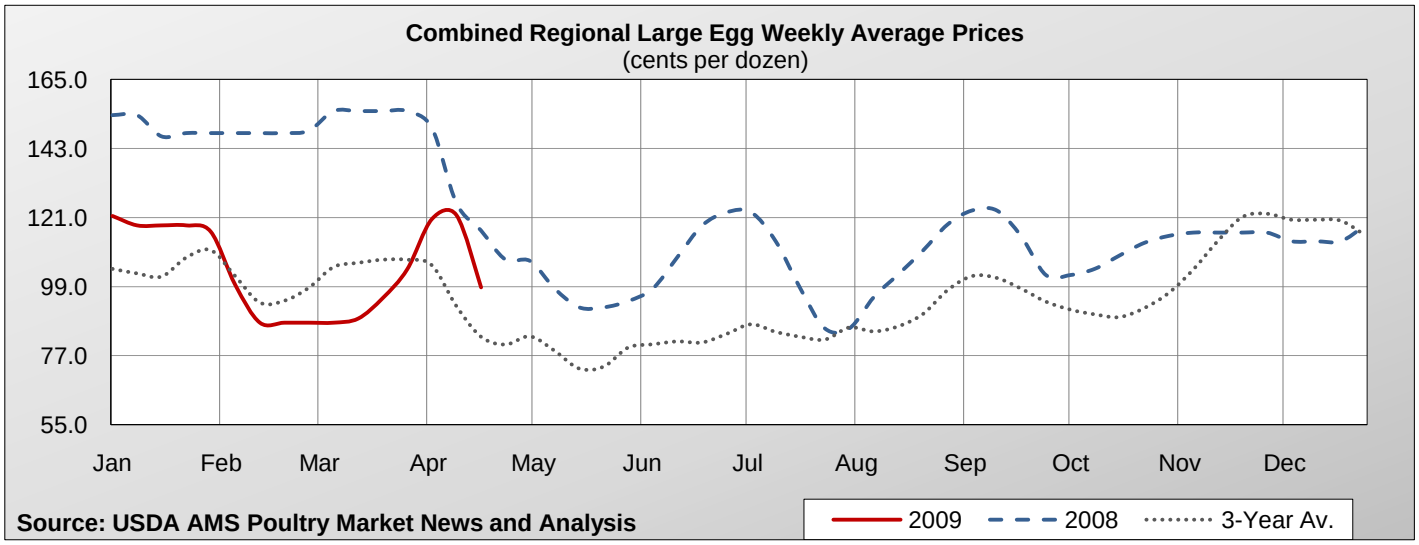
Source: USDA AMS Poultry Market News and Analysis
2009
2008
3-Year Av.


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
Apr
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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