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New York and regional prices were lower this week. Next week's regional asking prices were trending lower. The trade sentiment was steady to barely steady, except the Western region which was steady to weak. Retail demand ranged light to at times fairly good, with ongoing or planned feature activity in the South Central region. Food service movement was slow to instances moderate. Supplies were generally adequate to available. Breaking stock prices, along with checks and undergrades, were lower. Demand was light with offerings fully adequate to ample. Processing schedules were full-time. The trade sentiment was steady to barely steady. North Central regional light hen removal costs were unchanged. Demand was light to moderate with offerings ample. Processing schedules were full-time to more. 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 lower for large and medium. Other reported prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady to barely steady. Cartoned egg demand was light to at times fairly good. Loose egg movement was light. Supplies were fully adequate to ample. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Offerings were fully adequate to available for the light demand. Schedules were full-time. Trade sentiment was steady to barely steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	61-70	64-67
LARGE	60-69	62-65
MEDIUM	50-59	52-55

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 barely steady to mostly steady. Retail and distributive demand was fair to moderate. Current supplies were fully adequate to instances available for trading needs. Eastern region breaking stock offerings were fully sufficient for the light demand. Light hens were at least adequate for the fair to moderate demand.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	68-82	70-75
LARGE	64-78	69-73
MEDIUM	53-66	58-60

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

COMBINED REGIONAL MAY 01, 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	76.50	74.00	62.00
SOUTHEAST	74.50	72.50	61.00
MIDWEST	69.50	67.50	56.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	76.50	74.50	63.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	74.32	72.20	60.86

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

	05-05-09	04-28-09	05-06-08
Large	42-52	46-56	68-77
Medium	32-36	35-39	59-63

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT

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

MAY 04, 2009		Northeast	No Cent	So Cent	So Atl	Pacific	5-Area
Jumbo	Curr Wk	10.7	18.7	6.8	8.4	15.9	60.5
	Change	-0.9	0.4	-1.4	-0.6	-3.6	-9%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	25.5	35.2	13.7	26.3	45.2	145.9
	Change	-0.6	-7.5	1.1	-1.7	8.6	0%
Large	Curr Wk	48.3	137.9	91.3	106.0	138.1	521.6
	Change	2.0	-1.0	-0.8	-13.6	-5.4	-3%
Medium	Curr Wk	12.1	49.4	19.6	24.9	32.8	138.8
	Change	0.8	7.5	-3.2	1.6	-0.6	5%
Small	Curr Wk	2.8	9.0	1.0	4.1	8.8	25.7
	Change	0.1	-2.5	-2.1	0.5	2.8	-4%
Misc	Curr Wk	2.9	21.6	12.6	9.3	7.7	54.1
	Change	0.0	0.5	-5.1	-0.4	-0.1	-9%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	8.5	66.9	17.1	16.6	27.0	136.1
	Change	-0.1	-4.8	2.1	-8.8	-0.2	-8%
Total	Curr Wk	110.8	338.7	162.1	195.6	275.5	1082.7
Percent	Change	1%	-2%	-5%	-11%	1%	-3%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg	1082.7	-3%	149
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	240.6	-4%	31
Total Shell Egg	1323.3	-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 02-MAY-2009 (Lbs In Thousands) (Excludes Ingredients)

Total	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CW	1,351,020	31,514	14,158	7,073	2,700	4,406
PW	1,314,920	31,455	13,546	6,827	2,881	4,408
LY	1,345,074	33,208	13,025	6,706	3,172	4,477
% PW	3%	0%	5%	4%	-6%	0%
% LY	0%	-5%	9%	5%	-15%	-2%
2009*	21,221,120	523,194	200,555	101,614	43,899	72,265
2008*	21,635,759	537,754	199,098	105,896	45,881	74,476
% YTD	-2%	-3%	1%	-4%	-4%	-3%

Average Yield Per Case -	Current Week	Previous Week	Last Year
(Inedible Included)	42.30	42.77	42.69
(Inedible Excluded)	39.04	39.42	39.36

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	700,905	51.9%	17,773	56. 4%
PREVIOUS WEEK	689,453	52.4%	17,482	55. 6%
LAST YEAR	677,792	50.4%	18,084	54. 5%

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

BROILER HATCHERY

19 Selected States STATE	Broiler Eggs Set APR 25	Broiler Eggs Set MAY 02	Broiler Chicks Placed APR 25	Broiler Chicks Placed MAY 02
	Thousand			
AL	29,758	29,985	*19,720	20,563
AR	*23,431	23,501	*21,929	21,156
DE	3,529	3,615	4,758	5,033
FL	991	994	685	695
GA	30,936	31,890	*27,530	27,140
KY	7,687	7,699	5,929	6,067
LA	2,230	2,230	1,896	1,902
MD	8,963	8,799	5,637	6,088
MS	17,659	17,124	16,899	16,586
NC	18,553	18,708	15,836	15,639
OK	6,690	6,630	4,601	4,931
PA	*4,061	3,873	*3,168	3,105
SC	5,636	5,714	4,257	4,768
TX	14,953	14,473	13,311	12,971
VA	6,236	6,283	5,475	4,562
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*19,627	19,327	*17,784	16,494
19 State Total	*200,940	200,845	*169,415	167,700
Previous Year Total	213,675	214,360	178,240	177,740
Pct. of Prev. Year	94	94	95	94

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 13-Jun-09 is estimated at 155.2 million head. This compares to 154.5 million head the previous week and to 167.4 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 168.9 million head and the composite weighted average price was 82.06 cents per pound.

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES – WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES

(CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 04/30/09 – 05/06/09

CURRENT LDS 82.00 **FUTURE LDS** 29.75 **TOTAL LDS** 111.75

	SE		NE		MW		
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	40.00	44.00	40.50	42.78	--	--	28.00
GL W J	--	--	58.75	60.50	53.00	--	3.00
GL W XL	55.00	55.25	51.53	54.49	51.75	--	26.00
GL W LG	--	--	51.15	48.43	40.18	--	35.75
GL W MD	--	--	--	31.33	31.12	39.00	7.00
GL W SM	36.50	38.75	36.00	37.75	30.50	--	6.00
GL BR LG	55.00	58.00	--	--	--	--	2.00
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	30.00	32.80	6.00
NRBS - 45	--	--	--	--	--	--	2.00
NRBS - 42	--	--	--	--	27.00	--	2.00
NRBS - 39	--	--	24.67	28.25	24.20	--	8.00

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS W/E 02-May-09

Selected Consuming Centers	CW Cases, in thousands	PW Cases, in thousands	% CHANGE LW	% CHANGE LY
Atlanta	20.6	20.9	-1	-2
Boston	2.9	2.4	21	7
Chicago	66.1	50.5	31	15
Los Angeles	58.5	58.9	-1	-34
New Orleans	5.5	4.8	15	-7
New York	31.0	29.8	4	1
St. Louis	71.3	80.8	-12	79
San Francisco	18.6	17.5	6	49
Total	274.5	265.6	3	6
4 Week Moving Avg.	281.2			

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED W/E 2-May-09

	YOUNG HENS	YOUNG TOMS	YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD	TOTAL TURKEYS
Head	1,807	2,778	45	2	4,632
Avg Wt	16.34	37.11	31.04	57.74	28.96
Last week	2,128	2,634	38	1	4,801
Same wk yr ago	1,961	2,710	13	0	4,684
Avg Wt	16.15	38.71	23.50	0.00	29.22
To-date/2009*	31,679	44,272	477	92	76,520
To-date/2008*	32,708	46,874	334	159	80,075
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	23,329	81,441	1,068	88	105,926
Last week	28,335	78,992	1,018	27	108,372
Same wk yr ago	25,019	82,874	234	0	108,127
To-date/2009*	422,232	1,367,671	10,010	2,351	1,802,264
To-date/2008*	421,684	1,462,277	6,643	3,478	1,894,082
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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 02-May-09 (Preliminary)

	---Young turkeys--- Thousand Head	Pct chg PW	Avg Live wt	Old Breeders -Thousand head-	Total	Turkeys Avg Live wt
North East	747	10	24.99	(A)	748	24.99
South Atlantic	660	-26	33.58	(A)	661	33.58
North Central	2,177	2	32.59	(A)	2,177	32.59
South Central	721	-9	19.33	(A)	721	19.33
West	325	3	25.52	(A)	325	25.52
U.S. total	4,630(B)	-4	28.96	2	4,632	28.96
To-date 2009*	76,428(B)			92	76,520	
To-date 2008*	79,916(B)			159	80,075	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turkeys included: this week 45,000; for the current year to date* 477,000; for last year to date* 334,000.

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

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

(PRELIMINARY) W/E 02-MAY-2009	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
	----------Thousands----------				
Head	157,586	1456	1,266	2,722	389
Avg Wt	5.50	3.28	7.67	5.32	6.81
Last week	158,718	1,164	1,679	2,843	427
Same wk yr ago	168,654	1,226	1,756	2,982	421
Avg Wt	5.54	3.33	7.81	5.97	6.71
To-date/2009*	2,634,003	20,932	25,513	46,445	6,959
To-date/2008*	2,808,291	23,845	26,195	50,040	7,703
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	645,709	2,412	6,457	8,869	1,894
Last week	653,894	2,010	8,687	10,697	2,091
Same wk yr ago	696,086	2,062	9,120	11,182	2,020
To-date/2009*	10,779,205	34,671	132,310	166,981	33,496
To-date/2008*	11,543,801	39,563	138,649	178,212	37,119
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 160.1 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 159.5 million head, or 0.6 million less 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 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
May 2	159.5	160.1	100%	5.50
Year to date	2665.9	2663.8	100%	
May 9		158.9		
16		158.1		

*Based on chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier.

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

Class	**Current Week** 05/09/09 (1)	**Previous Week** 05/02/09
	---------- Thousand head ---------	
Broiler/fryer	159,048 (2)	162,186
Light hens	1,699	1,707
Heavy hens	1,530	1,476
Total	162,277	165,369

(1) Estimated
(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 09-May-09 is 158.9 million head compared to 171.9 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 159.4 million head or 0.5 million more than estimated available. For the week of 16-May-09 the estimated available is 158.1 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 05/04/09	3,204	139,332	66,988
AM 04/01/09	3,277	130,812	73,006
CHG	-73	8520	-6018
PCT CHG	-2%	7%	-8%

Based on the historical relationship of the preliminary U.S. Cold Storage holdings report of March 31, 2009 and the selected centers storage report, the expected U.S. holdings on May 1, 2009 are:

Frozen Eggs	20	MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5%
Processed Turkeys	541	MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5%
Processed Other Poultry	582	MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5%

COMPOSITE WTD AVG PRICES FOR RTC BROILER/FRYERS

Weekly 04-MAY-2009	Change from 27-APR -2009	27-APR -2009	05-MAY-2008	No. of Loads
80.38	3.24	77.14	82.02	491

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/	77-80	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	77-79	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	77-80	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS				
EASTERN REGION	77-80	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	77-79	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	77-80	-	-	-

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 04-MAY-09

REGIONS	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
Southeast (1)	8.25-18.25 CENTS/LB.		11.46
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) 01-MAY-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 02-MAY-2009 REGIONS	Cases (In thousands)	% Change From LW	LY
North Atlantic	177.8	-1	4
East North Central	638.8	9	4
West North Central	309.8	8	-1
South Atlantic	156.6	0	-11
South Central	50.2	4	4
West	158.9	14	-11
Total	1492.1	7	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)

FINAL BROILER/FRYER REPORT

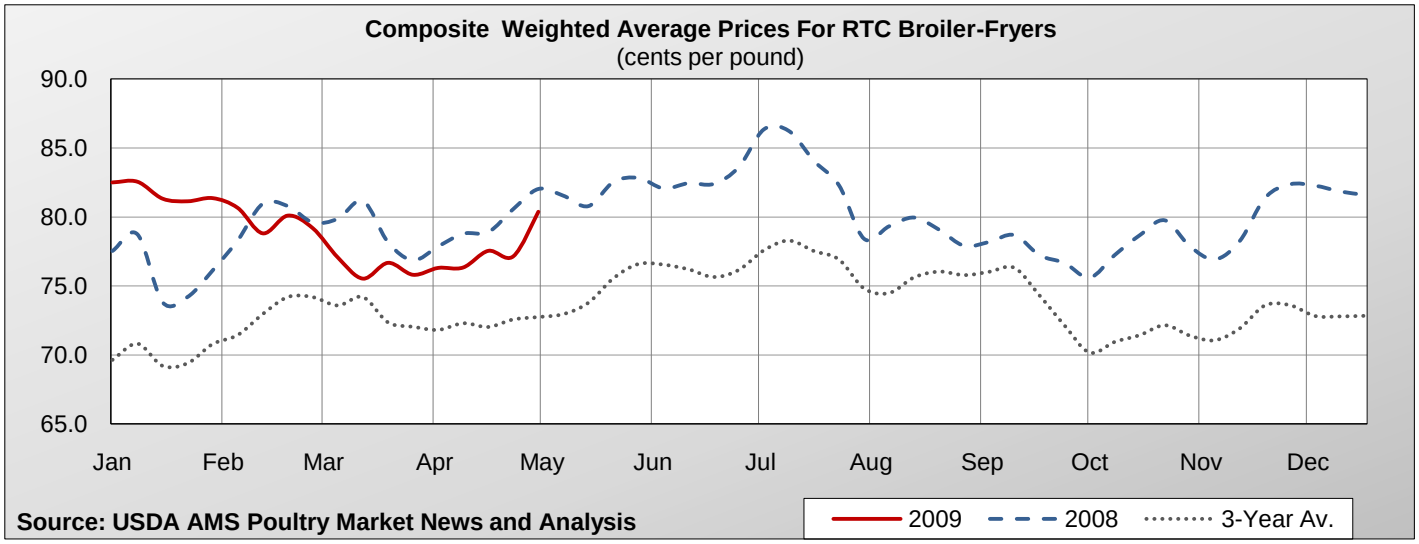
Prices negotiated for truck-lot sales of RTC ice-packed broiler/fryers (includes branded product) to be delivered to first receivers at major market centers week of: 04-MAY-2009 (cents per lb)

	Grade A Maj	Wtd Avg	Lds	:	Composite Wtd Avg	Lds
Delivered to First Receivers 1/:						
Los Angeles	94.00	92.02	57	:	92.24	138
New York	70.00-73.00	71.91	22	:	74.43	48

Delivered to First Receivers 1/:

	Whole Body 2/: Maj	Wtd Avg	Lds	:	Composite Wtd Avg	Lds
Chicago	67.00-76.00			:	75.23	51

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
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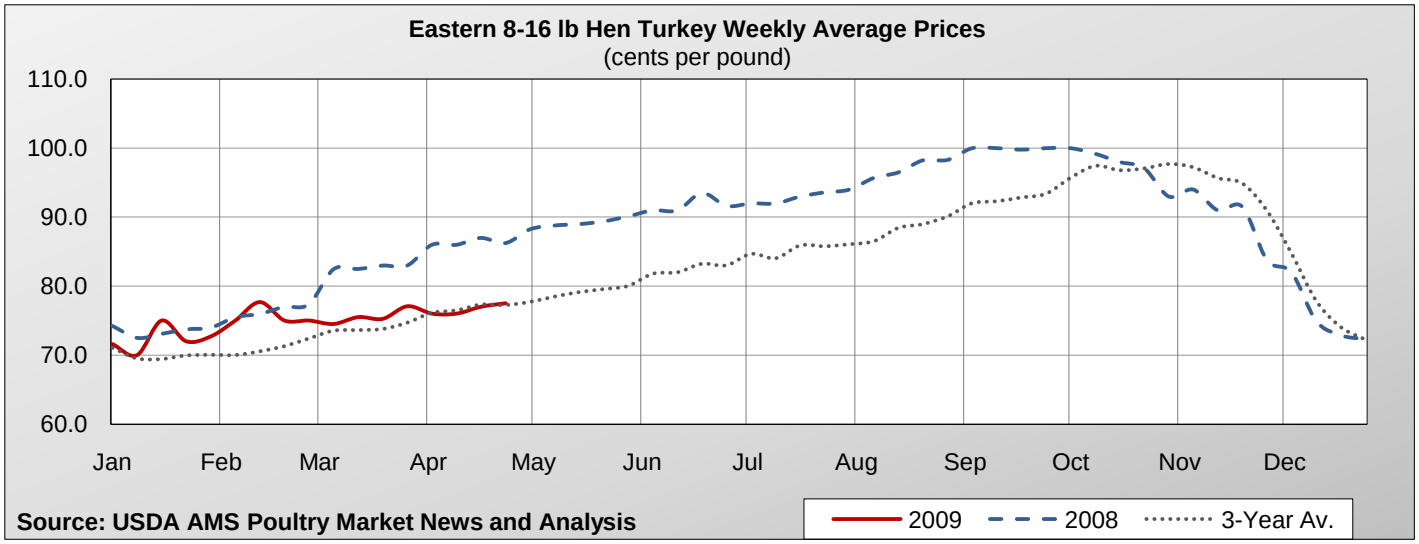
Oct
Nov
Dec
Source: USDA AMS Poultry Market News and Analysis
2009
2008
3-Year Av.


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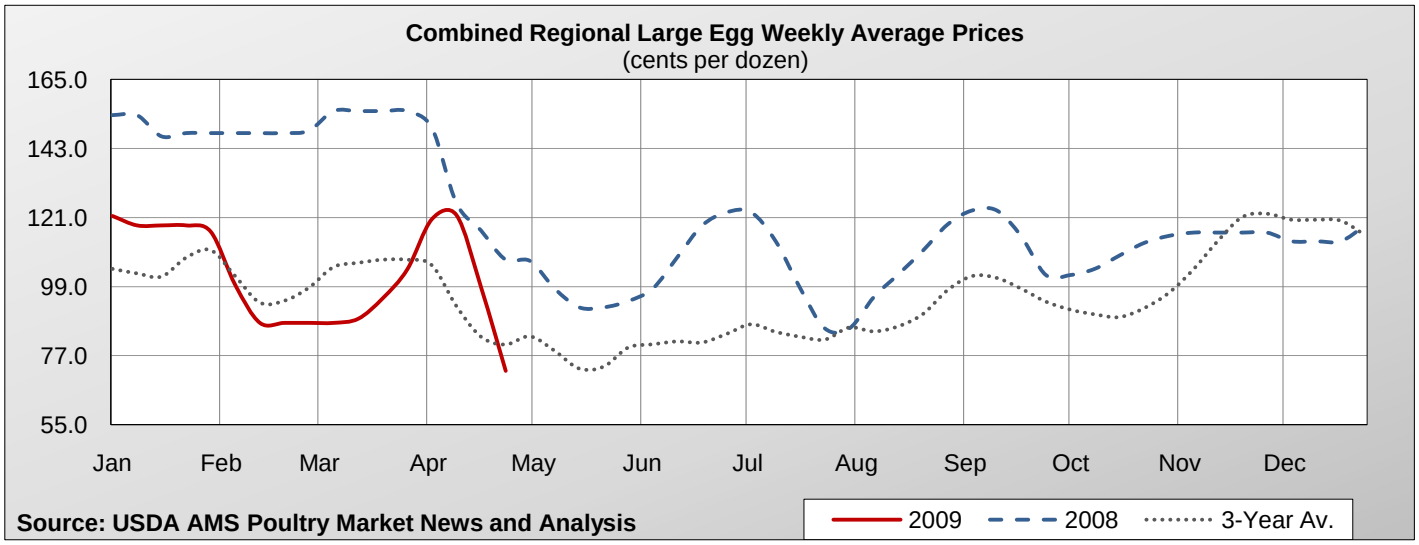
Source: USDA AMS Poultry Market News and Analysis
2009
2008
3-Year Av.


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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