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NATIONAL EGG REVIEW

This week the New York shell egg prices were unchanged for all sizes. All regional prices were slightly higher than last week on all sizes. California reported benchmark prices were 1 cent lower for jumbo and 3 to 4 cents higher for the balance of the sizes. Trade sentiment was steady. Cartoned shell egg demand was moderate to at times fairly good. Loose shell egg demand was light. Supplies were adequate to fully adequate. Breaking stock prices were unchanged to higher. Demand was fairly good to good with offerings tight. Schedules were usually full-time. The trade sentiment was steady. North Central regional light type hen removal costs were unchanged. Demand was light to good with offerings adequate. 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 mostly steady. Cartoned shell egg demand was moderate to at times fairly good. Loose shell egg demand was usually light. Supplies were adequate to fully adequate. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged to higher. Demand was fairly good to good for the tight offerings. Processing schedules were usually full-time. The trade sentiment was steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	79-88	82-85
LARGE	78-87	80-83
MEDIUM	65-74	67-70

MIDWEST AREA: IA, IL, IN, KY, MI, MN, OH, NE, ND, SD, WI, WV, western NY, and western PA

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged. The market tone was steady. Retail demand improved slightly. Distributive demand was light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to fully adequate for trading purposes. Breaking stock offerings in the Eastern region were light for the fair to fairly good demand. Spent hen offerings were adequate for regular processing schedules.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	89-103	89-96
LARGE	85-99	90-94
MEDIUM	64-77	69-73

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

COMBINED REGIONAL SEPTEMBER 25, 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	90.00	89.00	67.00
SOUTHEAST	88.50	86.50	67.00
MIDWEST	81.50	79.50	64.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	89.50	87.50	68.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	87.43	85.66	66.83

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

	09-29-09	09-22-09	09-30-08
Large	60-70	58-68	75-85
Medium	48-52	43-47	65-69

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT

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

SEPTEMBER 28, 2009		Northeast	No Cent	So Cent	So Atl	Pacific	5-Area
Jumbo	Curr Wk	12.2	16.6	8.9	9.0	16.5	63.2
	Change	1.0	2.0	1.5	0.3	-1.1	6%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	30.6	42.3	16.4	28.0	42.4	159.7
	Change	8.3	11.7	2.0	1.7	1.3	19%
Large	Curr Wk	51.1	126.2	74.9	121.4	131.1	504.7
	Change	7.5	26.5	1.2	8.3	8.5	11%
Medium	Curr Wk	14.9	42.2	14.1	22.2	43.7	137.1
	Change	0.9	4.8	0.0	3.5	5.3	12%
Small	Curr Wk	3.7	6.4	0.7	2.6	4.3	17.7
	Change	-0.8	-2.0	0.3	-0.5	-2.2	-23%
Misc	Curr Wk	2.2	18.4	8.6	12.5	6.9	48.6
	Change	1.0	-1.9	-0.4	0.8	-2.7	-6%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	8.2	53.9	21.7	22.4	23.6	129.8
	Change	3.3	13.7	-0.2	-1.0	-1.5	12%
Total	Curr Wk	122.9	306.0	145.3	218.1	268.5	1060.8
Percent	Change	21%	22%	3%	6%	3%	11%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg	1060.8	11%	156
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	244.4	12%	30
Total Shell Egg	1305.2	11%	186

1/ Information supplied by a universe of 156 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 26-SEP-2009 (lbs. in thousands) (Excludes Ingredients)

Total Production	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid Whites	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Ined
CW	1,280,924	30,915	12,541	6,040	2,572	4,249
PW	1,310,045	32,300	12,792	6,113	2,561	4,111
LY	1,402,313	34,724	13,353	6,786	3,143	4,575
% PW	-2%	-4%	-2%	-1%	0%	3%
% LY	-9%	-11%	-6%	-11%	-18%	-7%
2009	49,006,278	1,192,207	475,205	239,332	108,275	164,314
2008	50,008,256	1,227,175	471,369	246,982	111,504	167,239
% YTD	-2%	-3%	1%	-3%	-3%	-2%

	CW	PW	LY
Average Yield Per Case - (Inedible Included)	41.96	42.22	42.39
Average Yield Per Case - (Inedible Excluded)	38.64	39.09	39.12

IN LINE PRODUCTION (of total production; lbs. in thousands; may include a limited amount of off-line source material.)

	Cases Broken		Liquid Whole	
	Cases	% of Total	Lbs.	% of Total
CURRENT WEEK	690,112	53.9%	17,795	57.6%
PREVIOUS WEEK	689,622	52.6%	18,621	57.7%
LAST YEAR	691,258	49.3%	18,305	52.7%

*Note: Year-to-date total reflects comparable time period.

BROILER HATCHERY

	Broiler Eggs Set, 19 Selected States		Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States	
	Week Ending			
State	Sep 19 2009	Sep 26 2009	Sep 19 2009	Sep 26 2009
	Thousands			
AL	27,613	27,963	20,598	19,960
AR	22,377	21,512	20,907	19,875
DE	3,218	3,376	4,335	4,763
FL	902	1,144	661	669
GA	29,307	31,229	26,589	26,416
KY	7,025	7,744	*6,573	6,428
LA	3,379	3,346	2,996	2,892
MD	7,786	8,621	6,387	5,824
MS	17,563	15,581	15,456	14,724
NC	17,408	17,620	15,330	14,324
OK	*6,675	6,243	4,934	4,915
PA	*3,626	3,836	*3,285	3,233
SC	5,487	5,539	4,974	4,482
TX	13,591	13,832	12,689	12,753
VA	5,792	6,005	4,653	4,456
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*17,834	17,761	*15,706	15,791
19 State Total	*189,583	191,352	*166,073	161,505
Previous Year Total	193,569	198,742	168,148	165,813
Pct. of Prev. Year	98	96	99	97

* Revised
Source: NASS, USDA

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS W/E 26-SEP-2009

Selected Consuming Centers	CW (Cases in Thousands)	LW (Cases in Thousands)	% CHANGE LW	% CHANGE LY
Atlanta	22.3	23.4	-5	-2
Boston	2.7	2.9	-7	-7
Chicago	49.6	45.5	9	-27
Los Angeles	61.0	57.5	6	-32
New Orleans	4.9	4.6	7	-2
New York	31.6	35.3	-10	15
St. Louis	57.9	59.1	-2	28
San Francisco	17.4	23.6	-26	14
Total	247.4	251.9	-2	-10
4 Week Moving Avg.	248.3			

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES - DAILY (5-DAY) WTD AVG PRICES (CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR SEP 24 - SEP 30, 2009

Current Loads 115.00 Future Loads 35.00 Total Loads 150.00

	SE		NE		MW		
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	64.50	--	65.67	70.93	64.50	67.33	23.00
GNR BR 1	--	64.00	--	--	--	--	1.75
GL W J	--	--	--	--	73.75	79.75	6.75
GL W XL	72.25	77.13	77.17	78.68	69.05	--	27.00
GL W LG	70.50	--	71.25	74.63	63.71	--	53.50
GL W MD	64.86	--	52.56	51.67	54.61	63.00	19.25
GL W SM	--	--	--	--	33.00	--	5.00
GL BR XL	74.50	--	--	78.00	74.50	--	4.00
GL BR LG	--	--	--	78.00	73.83	72.50	6.00
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	55.75	57.75	4.00
NRBS - 45	--	--	--	--	52.25	55.92	13.00

WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING

Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 07-Nov-09 is estimated at 150.8 million head. This compares to 152.7 million head the previous week and to 157.0 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 165.2 million head and the composite weighted average price was 77.87 cents per pound.

TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS

W/E 26-SEP-2009 (Preliminary)

	Young turkeys			Old Banded	Total turkeys	
	-Thousand Head-	Pct Chg Prev wk	Avg Live wt	--Thousand head--		Avg Live wt
North East	664	-6	26.48	(A)	670	26.48
South Atlantic	775	11	33.69	(A)	780	33.69
North Central	2,178	-3	31.96	(A)	2,183	31.96
South Central	692	-7	19.70	(A)	697	19.70
West	352	11	26.65	(A)	357	26.65
U.S. total	4,661 (B)	-1	29.22	26	4,687	29.22
To-date 2009*	172,563 (B)			243	172,806	
To-date 2008*	181,739 (B)			376	182,115	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.
(B) Number of young banded breeder turkeys included: this week 43,000; for the current year to date* 933,000; for last year to date* 1,046,000.
Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

W/E 26-SEP-2009 (Preliminary)

	Young Hens	Young Toms	Young Breeders	Old Breeders	Total Turkeys
	Thousands				
Head	1,716	2,902	43	26	4,687
Avg Wt	17.13	36.44	27.37	25.26	29.22
Last week	1,901	2,773	42	15	4,731
Same wk yr ago	2,114	2,873	37	9	5,033
Avg Wt	17.25	38.07	25.14	31.23	29.22
To-date/2009*	72,851	98,779	933	243	172,806
To-date/2008*	76,268	104,425	1,046	376	182,115
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	23,522	84,591	900	502	109,515
Last week	25,676	81,824	815	329	108,644
Same wk yr ago	29,173	87,500	712	215	117,600
To-date/2009*	956,468	2,914,821	18,870	5,614	3,895,773
To-date/2008*	966,944	3,120,368	19,721	8,561	4,115,594
Dressing %	80.0%	80.0%	76.5%	76.5%	

(A) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update.
*Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

(PRELIMINARY) W/E 26-SEP-2009	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
	----------Thousands----------				
Head	160,363	1,451	1,599	3,050	397
Avg Wt	5.55	3.20	7.81	5.62	6.73
Last week	163,511	1,203	1,608	2,811	445
Same wk yr ago	164,981	1,277	1,783	3,060	440
Avg Wt	5.58	3.15	7.69	5.80	6.69
To-date/2009*	5,992,284	49,144	57,234	106,378	15,571
To-date/2008*	6,267,894	52,643	62,254	114,897	16,675
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	663,061	2,414	8,305	10,719	1,897
Last week	678,513	1,964	8,362	10,326	2,152
Same wk yr ago	685,843	2,092	9,118	11,210	2,090
To-date/2009*	24,561,243	81,775	298,001	379,776	74,185
To-date/2008*	25,771,075	87,443	326,613	414,056	79,036
Dressing %	74.5%	52.0%	66.5%		71.0%

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 158.4 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 162.3 million head, or 3.9 million more than estimated available. (B) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update.
*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
Aug	22	166.0	159.5	104%	5.52
	29	167.1	158.5	105%	5.53
Sep	5	167.6	157.5	106%	5.61
	12	149.8	157.2	95%	5.46
	19	165.5	158.4	104%	5.54
	26	162.3	158.4	102%	5.55
Year to date		6064.8	5998.6	101%	
Oct	3		157.0		
	10		156.3		

*Based on chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier.

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER of U.S. BROILER/FRYERS AND FOWL
UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 03-Oct-09

Class	**Current Week** 10/03/09 (1)	**Previous Week** 09/26/09
	---------- Thousand head ----------	
Broiler/fryer	166,047 (2)	163,323
Light hens	1,277	1,510
Heavy hens	1,510	1,586
Total	168,834	166,419

(1) Estimated
(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 03-Oct-09 is 157.0 million head compared to 166.4 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 166.4 million head or 9.4 million more than estimated available. For the week of 10-Oct-09 the estimated available is 156.3 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 09/28/09	3,404	187,182	64,094
AM 09/01/09	3,329	196,907	70,275
CHG	75	-9725	-6181
PCT CHG	2%	-5%	-9%

WEEKLY COMPOSITE WTD AVG PRICES FOR RTC BROILER/FRYERS

Loads	09/28/09	Change Last Wk	09/21/09	09/29/08
436	70.38	-1.51	71.89	76.66

MONTHLY	WTD AVG	LOADS
September	72.81	2,045.40
QUARTERLY		
July – September	76.80	5,949.40

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/	78-82	81-81.5	81.17	120
CENTRAL REGION 4/	78-84	84	84.00	140
WESTERN REGION 5/	78-85	85	85.00	40
16-24 LB TOMS				
EASTERN REGION	78-82	81.5	81.50	40
CENTRAL REGION	78-82	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	78-85	85	85.00	40

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 28-SEP-09

REGIONS	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
Southeast (1)	7.25-16.75 CENTS/LB.		11.47
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) 25-SEP-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 26-SEP-2009 REGIONS	Cases (In thousands)	% Change From LW	LY
North Atlantic	182.0	7	2
East North Central	620.8	-2	4
West North Central	302.9	-2	1
South Atlantic	166.7	-4	5
South Central	52.4	4	0
West	154.1	5	-21
Total	1478.9	0	0
Matched plants reporting		81	81

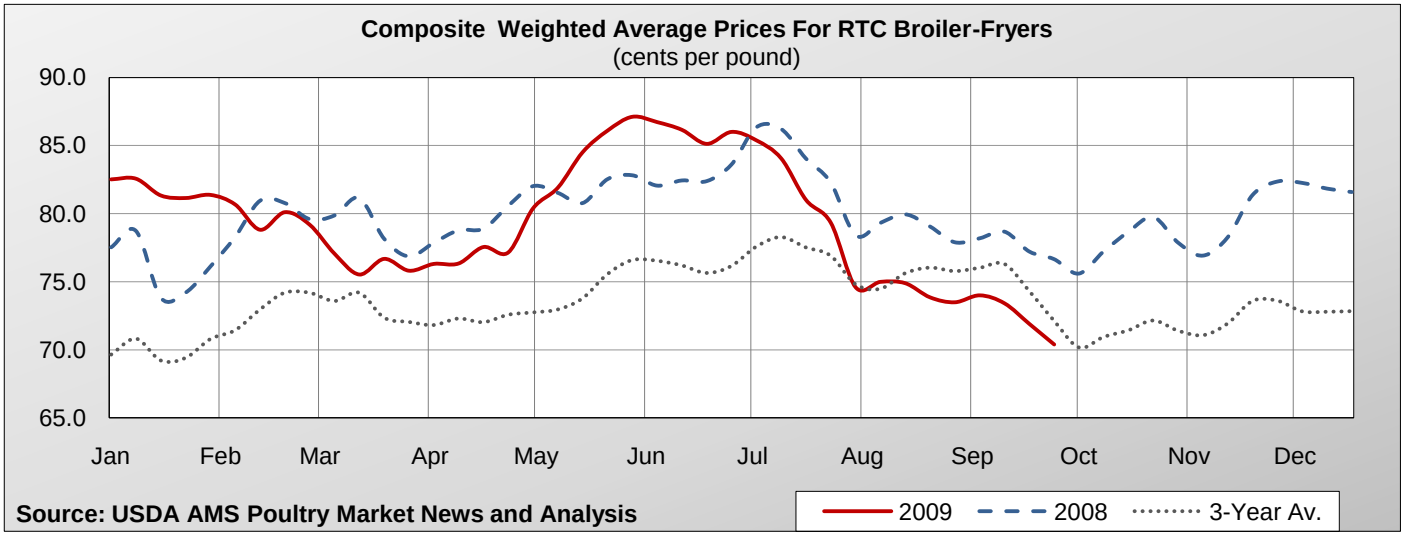
Areas Covered:
North Atlantic (ME, VT, MA, RI, CT, NH, NY, PA, NJ, MD, DE)
East North Central (WI,IL,MI,OH,IN) West North Central (IA,MN,MO,KS,SD)
South Atlantic (SC,NC,VA,GA,FL,KY) South Central (TN,AL,AR,MS,OK)
West (CA, CO, WA, OR, UT)

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: 28-SEP-2009 (cents per lb)

	Grade A Maj	Wtd Avg	Lds	:	Composite Wtd Avg	Lds
Delivered to First Receivers 1/:						
Los Angeles	93.00	89.21	52	:	79.27	100
New York	65.00-68.00	66.38	21	:	69.57	48

Delivered to First Receivers 1/:	Whole Body 2/: Maj	Wtd Avg	Lds	:	Composite Wtd Avg	Lds
Chicago	49.00-56.00			:	58.03	38

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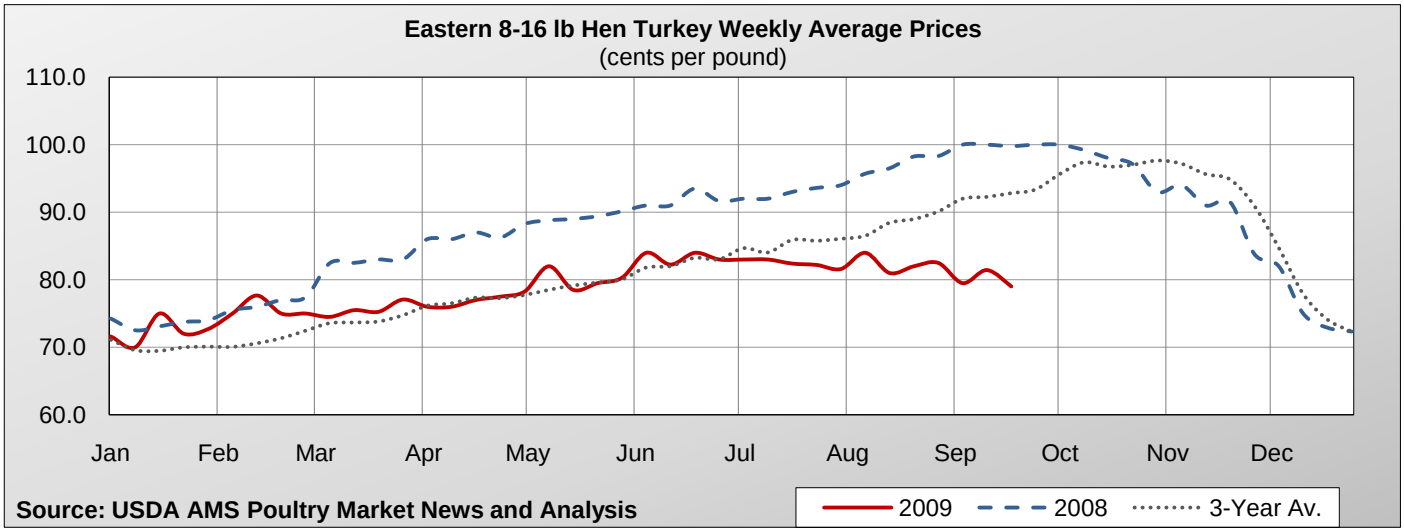
Oct
Nov
Dec
Source: USDA AMS Poultry Market News and Analysis
2009
2008
3-Year Av.


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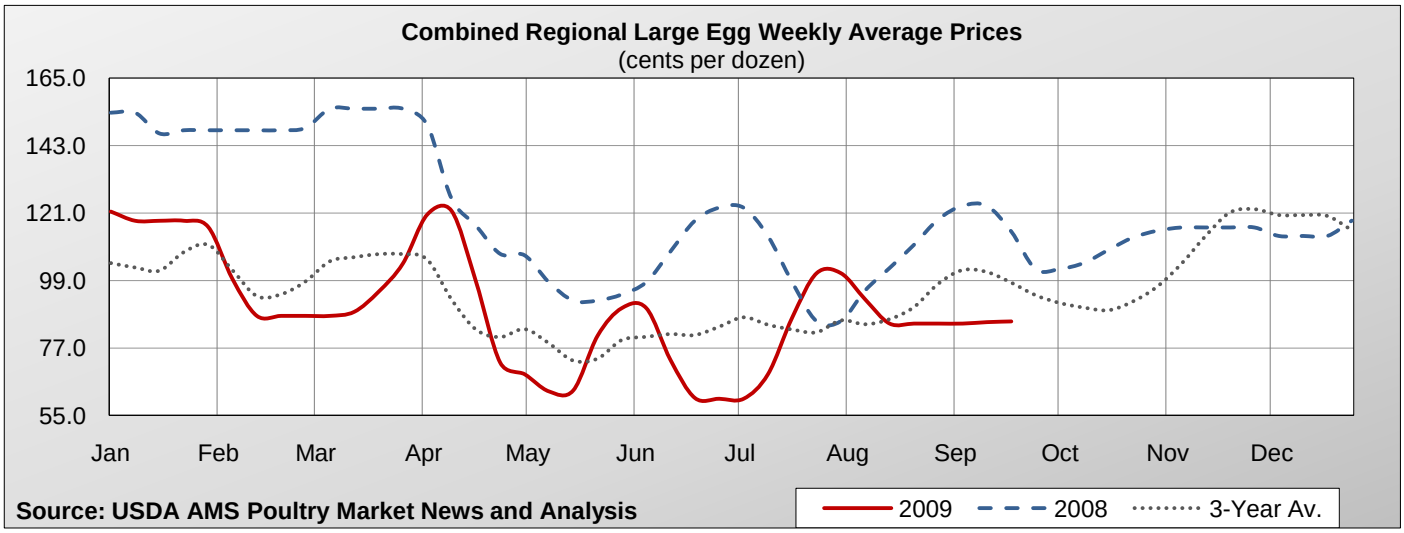
Source: USDA AMS Poultry Market News and Analysis
2009
2008
3-Year Av.


Combined Regional Large Egg Weekly Average Prices
(cents per dozen)
165.0
143.0
121.0
99.0
77.0
55.0
Jan
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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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