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At the beginning of the week prices throughout the country were unchanged to mostly lower for mediums and unchanged for the balance. Over the course of the week prices were unchanged to lower for mediums in the Eastern region and in Chicago and unchanged for the rest of the sizes. Elsewhere prices were unchanged during the week. The trade sentiment was at best steady for the larger sizes and barely steady to weak for mediums. Demand was mixed light to at times good, but usually fair with the best movement coming out of the occasional retail feature. Supplies were available to ample with mediums in the longest position. Nest run breaking stock prices were unchanged to sharply lower throughout the week. Offerings were at least adequate for current needs. Demand for heavy weight product was light. Floor stocks were adequate to fully adequate while most breakers were planning reduced holiday schedules for next week. Trade sentiment barely steady to weak. Light hens were fully adequate for current needs.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A AND US GRADE A WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR OR WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST CITIES			
Boston (Brown)	106-108	95-97	70-74
New York	72-74	69-72	45-48
Philadelphia	70-72	68-70	42-55
SOUTHERN CITIES			
Atlanta (1) (2)	61-62	59.5-61	47-48
Jackson (1)	71-72	68-69	56-57
Major Louisiana Cities (1)	73-87	71-85	54-70
MIDWEST CITIES			
Chicago	61-66	60-65	38-43
Detroit (2)	58-61	57-60	41-44
Major Ohio Cities (2)	59-64	58-62	42-49
Major Wisconsin Cities	62-69	60-67	45-52
WESTERN CITIES			
Houston (1)	80-82	78-79	60-62
California(Grade AA)(1)(3)	98	91	76

(1) - Prices reported weekly
(2) - Delivered Warehouse
(3) - Reported Invoice prices

SHELL EGGS-12 METRO AREA FOR WEEK ENDING 12-Nov-99 AVERAGE PRICES ON SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A LARGE OR BETTER, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	72.20	69.83	55.96
SOUTHERN	70.04	68.34	55.86
MIDWEST	62.25	61.01	48.92
WESTERN	90.76	86.16	73.40
TWELVE METRO AREAS	76.41	73.54	60.65

COMPUTED FROM SIMPLE WEEKLY AVERAGES WEIGHTED BY METROPOLITAN AREA POPULATIONS

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS FOR LOOSE EGGS AT FARM, CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS, CENTS PER DOZEN

	11-16-99	11-09-99	11-17-98
Large	41-43	41-43	53-55
Medium	27-29	30-32	42-44

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT- AM Nov 15, 1999 STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/2/ (30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

		NO	SO	SO	5-Area		
		Cent	Cent	Atl	Pacific		
Jumbo	Curr Wk	8.1	9.0	6.2	10.7	7.7	41.7
	Change	0.3	-2.9	-0.6	-1.8	0.3	-10%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	31.8	26.0	11.2	32.5	20.4	121.9
	Change	-0.4	1.5	-0.6	3.7	1.8	5%
Large	Curr Wk	57.4	81.0	73.9	94.9	101.4	408.6
	Change	-0.8	6.7	11.4	12.6	9.2	11%
Medium	Curr Wk	16.0	37.1	19.4	27.6	18.7	118.8
	Change	2.0	1.9	5.8	5.6	-3.2	11%
Small	Curr Wk	4.9	7.4	1.7	7.9	5.2	27.1
	Change	1.4	-2.7	-1.7	2.2	1.2	1%
Misc	Curr Wk	4.7	18.6	9.8	12.1	6.8	52.0
	Change	-0.2	0.7	-0.7	0.5	-0.2	0%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	38.9	47.5	24.9	24.9	41.6	177.8
	Change	0.6	-11.6	9.4	4.1	-9.0	-4%
Total	Curr Wk	161.8	226.6	147.1	210.6	201.8	947.9
	Change	2%	-3%	19%	15%	0%	5%
TOTAL		Number of Cases		Percent Change	Number of Cooperators		

Shell Egg	947.9	5%	166
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	443.5	-1%	40

Total Shell Egg 1391.4 3% 206

1/Information is supplied by a universe of 166 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. Sample does not represent total U.S. inventory but 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.

2/ Due to changes in the cooperator universe, the ADJUSTED 5-area total for the previous week is 901.4 .

The adjustment is necessary to facilitate valid comparisons.

EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 13-NOV-99

	(LBS IN THOUSANDS)		(EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)			
	CASES BROKEN	LIQUID WHOLE	LIQUID WHITE	LIQUID YOLK	DRIED	INED.
CW	1,197,250	27,575	13,037	6,662	2,349	3,964
PW	1,154,744	26,156	11,710	6,283	2,465	3,938
LY	1,089,427	25,886	15,411	5,283	1,754	3,614
% PW	4	5	11	6	-5	1
% LY	10	7	-15	26	34	10
1999	50,382,177	1,167,935	484,856	263,809	115,869	159,986
1998	47,741,622	1,092,661	475,498	250,142	113,147	153,060
AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE -						
	CURRENT	PREVIOUS	LAST			
	WEEK	WEEK	YEAR			
	42.80	41.64	46.07			

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT REPORT FOR W/E 13-NOV-99
(RECEIPTS FROM PRODUCERS)

REGIONS	CASES (IN THOUS)	PERCENT CHANGE FROM	
		PREVIOUS WEEK	LAST YEAR
N. ATLANTIC	245.2	1	-2
E.N. CENTRAL	493.6	0	12
W.N. CENTRAL	203.8	3	11
S. ATLANTIC	209.8	5	-3
S. CENTRAL	81.2	4	-2
WEST	234.9	10	-1
TOTAL	1,468.5	3	4
MATCHED PLANTS REPORTING		91	91

STATE	<u>Broiler Eggs Set in</u> <u>15 Selected States</u>		<u>Broiler Chicks Placed</u> <u>in 15 Selected States</u>	
	NOV 6	NOV 13	NOV 6	NOV 13
	Thousand			
AL	*26,377	27,820	*17,673	18,682
AR	27,441	30,164	21,428	22,593
DE	*4,591	4,238	*4,996	4,896
FL	2,615	2,623	2,233	2,231
GA	*29,557	30,868	*22,645	21,439
MD	8,477	8,552	*5,164	5,328
MS	16,328	16,878	13,731	13,293
NC	17,457	17,100	12,928	12,301
PA	*3,443	3,306	*2,346	2,530
SC	4,618	5,040	3,765	3,752
TX	*13,117	13,034	*10,379	9,634
VA	6,345	6,450	4,570	4,640
CA, TN, & WV	*11,191	11,274	*8,734	9,535
15 State Total	*171,557	177,347	*130,592	130,854
Previous Year	174,260	180,373	132,640	129,741
Pct. of Prev.	98	98	98	101

*REVISED

BASED ON THE PRELIMINARY CHICK PLACEMENTS, THE NUMBER OF FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING DURING THE WEEK ENDING 25-Dec-99 IS ESTIMATED AT 138.2 MILLION HEAD. THIS COMPARES TO 139.6 MILLION HEAD THE PREVIOUS WEEK AND TO 138.6 MILLION HEAD THE SAME WEEK A YEAR AGO, WHEN THE SLAUGHTER WAS 108.1 MILLION HEAD AND THE 12-CITY WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE WAS 59.63 CENTS PER POUND.

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES- WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES
(CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING WEEK OF 11/11/99-11/17/99

	SE		NE		MW		LOADS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W 1	46.27	47.85	43.50	48.25	47.06	48.25	49.00
GNR W 2	—	—	—	—	41.00	—	1.00
GNR W 3	—	33.50	—	—	28.00	30.50	4.00
GL W XL	52.00	53.50	—	53.67	50.54	—	9.75
GL W LG	51.95	53.18	48.33	51.25	49.61	—	29.00
GL W MD	—	29.00	24.18	27.50	29.90	24.40	13.50
GL W SM	23.25	23.83	18.75	21.00	16.00	19.00	6.00
NRBS - 50	—	—	32.00	33.00	29.75	31.75	4.25
NRBS - 48	—	—	31.00	32.00	—	30.00	1.50
NRBS - 45	—	—	—	—	23.25	29.89	8.00

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS W/E 13-NOV-99

SELECTED CENTERS	CONSUMING		PERCENT CHG
	CW	PW	
ATLANTA	28.8	33.2	-13 0
BOSTON	4.2	3.6	17 -64
CHICAGO	60.1	46.1	30 27
DETROIT	31.0	33.1	-6 3
KANSAS CITY	0.1	0.1	0 0
LOS ANGELES	93.0	91.6	2 2
NEW ORLEANS	9.4	14.0	-33 -39
NEW YORK	43.0	35.1	23 -10
ST. LOUIS	14.9	16.4	-9 2
SAN FRANCISCO	22.6	19.6	15 -12
TOTAL	307.1	292.8	5 -2
4 WK MVG AVG	290.3		

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED Week Ending 06-Nov-99

	FRYER- ROASTERS	YOUNG TURKEYS	OLD BANDED	TOTAL
	THOUSANDS			
HEAD	0	6,355	15	6,370
AVGWT	0.00	23.86	29.60	23.87
LAST WEEK	0	5,703	46	5,749
SAME WEEK YR AGO	0	6,465	43	6,508
AVGWT	0.00	25.12(A)	25.35	25.12
TO-DATE/1999	55	214,791(A)	1,615	216,461
TO-DATE/1998	72	223,950(A)	1,693	225,715

(A) Includes 674,000 young banded breeders in 1999 and 1,006,000 in 1998.

NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTSBY GEOGRAPHICAL AREAS WEEK ENDING 06-NOV-99
(PRELIMINARY) (RELEASED 12:00 NOON CENTRAL TIME)

	---YOUNG TURKEYS---			FRYER RSTR	OLD BAND	TOTAL HEAD	TKY AVG WT
	THOUSAND	PW	AVG				
NEAST	960	-17	21.93	(A)	(A)	964	21.95
SATL	1,821	289	21.98	(A)	(A)	1,830	22.03
N CENT	2,383	-9	26.82	(A)	(A)	2,385	26.83
S CENT	925	55	22.24	NONE	NONE	925	22.24
WEST	266	-69	22.71	NONE	NONE	266	22.71
U.S.TOTAL	6,355(B)	32	23.86	0	15	6,370	23.87
TO DATE							
1999	214,791(B)			55	1,615	216,461	
TO DATE							
1998	223,950(B)			72	1,693	225,715	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.
(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: for the week 21,000 for the year 674,000; last year to date 1,006,000.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 13-Nov-99 (PRELIMINARY)

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
-----THOUSANDS-----					
HEAD	148,379(A)	1,848	1,550	3,398	406
AVGWT	5.02	3.35	7.73	5.35	6.24
LAST WEEK	154,731	1,785	1,416	3,201	433
YRAGO	151,333	1,680	1,310	2,990	456
AVGWT	4.95	3.46	7.93	5.42	6.52
TO-DATE/1999	6,832,017	93,185	63,949	157,134	19,835
TO-DATE/1998	6,590,095	91,180	56,734	147,914	20,266

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 144.2 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 150.2 million head or 6.0 million head more than or 104 percent of estimated fryers available.

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING Nov 20

CLASS	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	11/20/99(1)	11/13/99
----- THOUSAND HEAD -----		
BRO-FRY	146,690(2)	154,965
LT HENS	2,049	1,741
HVY HENS	1,489	1,457
TOTAL	150,228	158,163

(1) ESTIMATED

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 20-Nov-99 is 140.5 million head compared to 153.2 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 148.5 million head or 8.0 million more than estimated available. For week of 27-Nov-99 the estimated available is 140.3 million head.

ESTIMATED U.S. SLAUGHTER COMPARED TO ESTIMATED**FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING.**

WEEK ENDING	MILLION HEAD		PCT	AVG WT
	SLAUGHTERED	AVAILABLE		
OCTOBER 9	154.9	149.7	103	5.06
16	155.2	148.5	105	5.08
23	155.9	148.3	105	5.06
30	153.9	148.5	104	4.97
NOVEMBER 6	156.6	148.3	106	5.12
13	150.2	144.2	104	5.02
YEAR TO DATE	6916.6	6831.0	101	
NOVEMBER 20		140.5		
27		140.3		

12-CITY COMPOSITE WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR RTC BROILER/FRYERS

	Change from			
	15-Nov-99	8-Nov-99	8-Nov-99	16-Nov-98
	59.64	0.18	59.46	64.35

NUMBER OF LOADS 590

READY-TO-COOK POULTRY BROILER/FRYERS

FINAL REPORT OF PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR TRUCKLOT SALES OF READY-TO-COOK ICE PACKED AND CO2 PACKED B/F TO BE DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS WEEK OF 11/15-11/20/99.

	U.S. GRADE A			COMPOSITE	
	MAJ	WTD AVG	LDS	WTD AVG	LDS
Chicago	51.00-53.00	53.66	54	55.37	85
Los Angeles	64.00	63.01	58	62.73	113
New York	57.00-59.00	57.91	32	59.30	86

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	LBS (000)
CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/				
EASTERN REGION 3/	76-80	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	76-80	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	76-80	76	76.00	40
16-24 LB TOMS				
EASTERN REGION	71-76	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	71-76	71	71.00	40
WESTERN REGION	71-75	71	71.00	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 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS-

SELECTED STGE CENTERS FEDERAL-STATE (INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	FREGS LBS	TURKS LBS	POP LBS
AM 15-Nov-99	4,151	132,130	82,632
AM 1-Nov-99	3,633	161,851	82,865
CHG	518	-29721	-233
PCT CHG	14	-18	0

HEN MARKETS

Cents Per Pound, Generally for slaughter the following week.

	HEAVY TYPE		
	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD. AVG
11/15/99			
Southeast	6-16(1)	8-11	9.96
Southeast	TFEWR(2)		
South Central	9-19.5(1)	10-13	12.16
11/12/99	LIGHT TYPE		
Eastern	0-0(1)		
Eastern	0 2)		
So. Central	TFEWR(2)		
No. Central	TFEWR(1)		
No. Central	0-.5(2)		

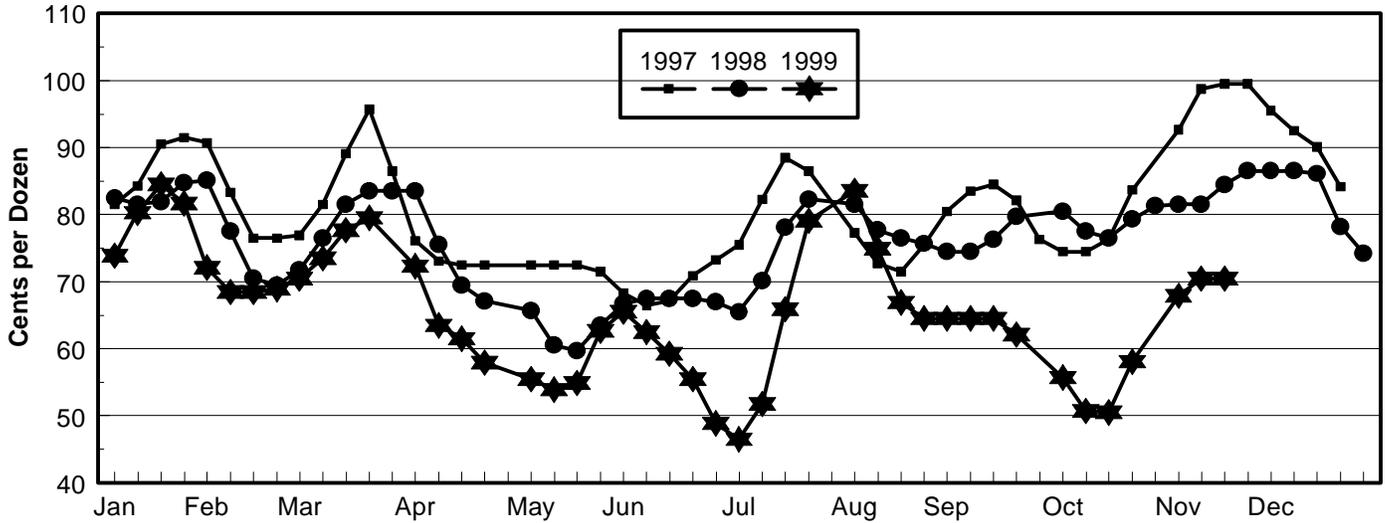
(1) At Farm Buyer Loading

(2) At Farm Producer Loading

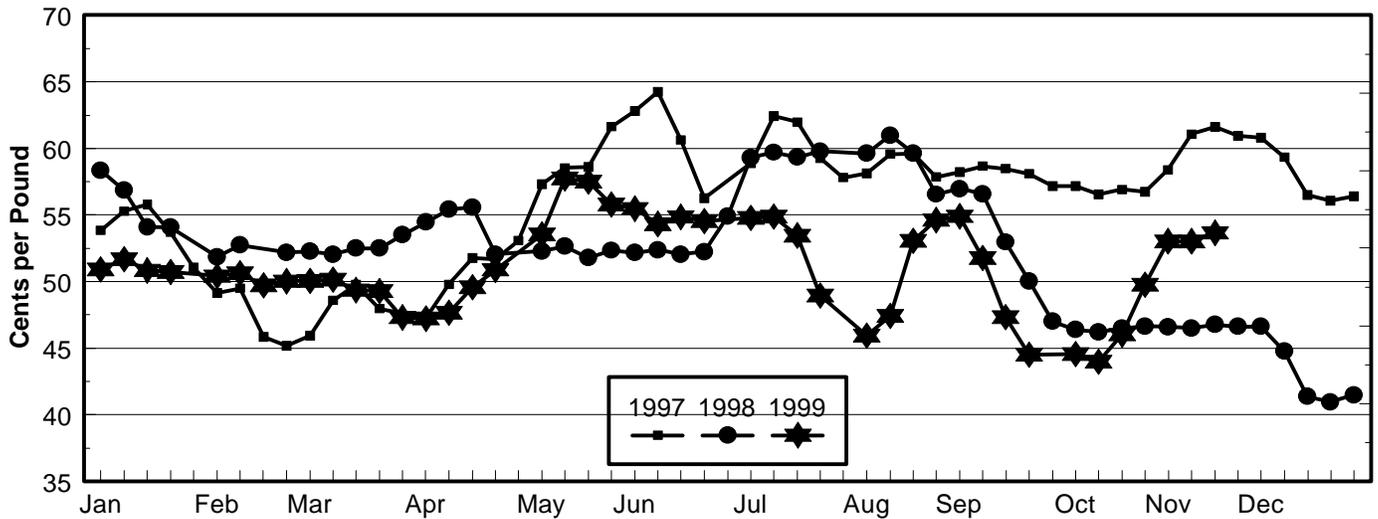
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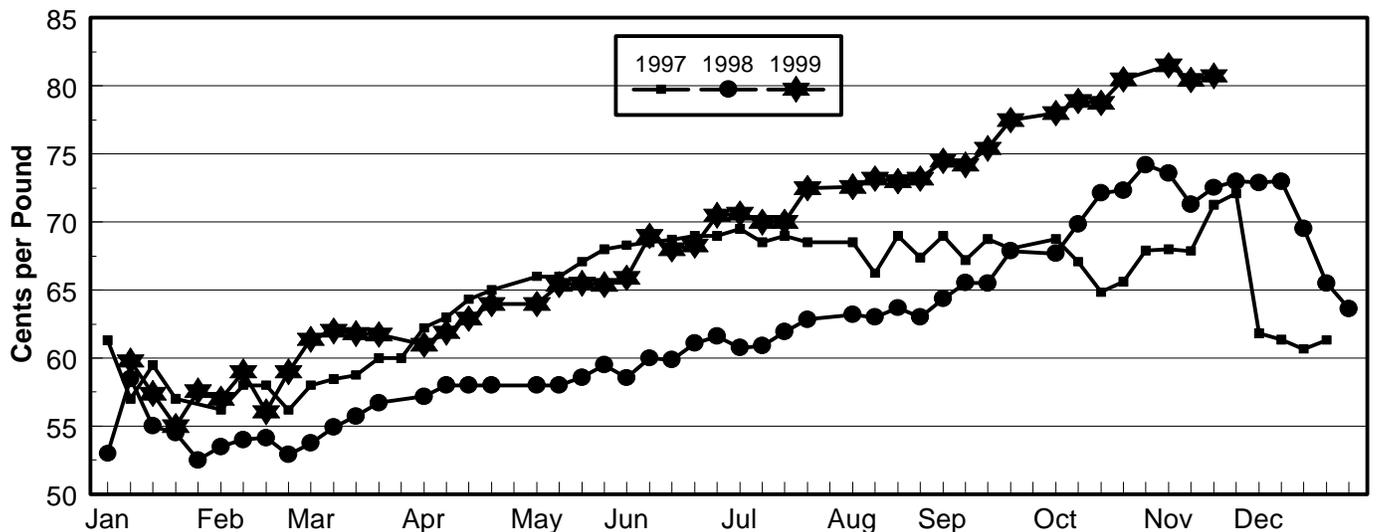
New York Large Egg Weekly Average Price, 1997, 1998, 1999



Chicago Broiler/Fryer Final Weighted Average Prices, US Grade A, 1997, 1998, 1999



Eastern Region Weekly Average Prices for 8-16 LB Hen Turkeys, 1997, 1998, 1999



Note: Some weeks' averages are based on offers only.