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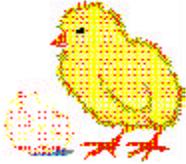
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## NATIONAL EGG REVIEW



At the beginning of the week prices were lower for the larger sizes and unchanged to lower for medium. Prices in Chicago showed no changes. Prices during the week were lower in Chicago and New York and were unchanged to lower in the Eastern region. All other prices remained the same. The trade sentiment was generally weak. Demand was mostly light to fair with scattered features providing some additional movement. Supplies were adequate to mostly ample. Nest run breaking stock prices were unchanged throughout the week. Many operators reduced schedules for the current week due to lighter finished product demand for whole egg and yolk. Most breakers were satisfied with regular commitments and company owned production. Occasional buyers in need of extra product bid lower for the additional heavy weight nest runs for next week. The trade sentiment was mostly steady to instances barely steady. Light type fowl supplies were at least adequate for current slaughter 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
<b>NORTHEAST CITIES</b>			
Boston (Brown)	98-105	87-94	59-61
New York	57-59	54-57	48-51
Philadelphia	55-66	53-64	47-53
<b>SOUTHERN CITIES</b>			
Atlanta (1) (2)	56-57	54.5-56	48-49
Jackson (1)	67-68	63-64	57-58
Major Louisiana Cities (1)	64-77	61-75	52-66
<b>MIDWEST CITIES</b>			
Chicago	49-54	48-53	42-47
Detroit (2)	51-54	50-53	41-44
Major Ohio Cities (2)	52-58.5	51-57	42-47
Major Wisconsin Cities	55-62	53-60	45-52
<b>WESTERN CITIES</b>			
Houston (1)	72-73	67-69	59-60
California(Grade AA)(1)(3)	92	85	78
(1) - Prices reported weekly			
(2) - Delivered Warehouse			
(3) - Reported Invoice prices			

**SHELL EGGS-12 METRO AREA** FOR WEEK ENDING 14-Jan-00  
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	67.55	65.16	54.25
SOUTHERN	64.72	62.82	53.60
MIDWEST	57.72	56.54	45.65
WESTERN	87.96	83.12	72.04
TWELVE METRO AREAS	72.44	69.49	58.62

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

	01-18-00	01-11-99	01-19-99
Large	34-36	36-38	57-59
Medium	27-29	27-29	46-48

**WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT-** AM Jan 17, 2000  
STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/  
(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

		NO	SO	SO	5-Area	
		Cent	Cent	Atl	Pacific	
Jumbo	Curr Wk	5.5	11.8	7.1	10.1	41.7
	Change	-0.1	1.0	0.9	1.2	7%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	27.5	38.8	15.3	25.8	127.9
	Change	2.5	2.6	1.0	3.5	8%
Large	Curr Wk	48.5	94.3	49.6	69.7	348.4
	Change	9.3	9.4	-0.3	13.6	13%
Medium	Curr Wk	10.9	34.6	15.1	15.3	93.9
	Change	-2.0	1.1	0.6	-3.1	-7%
Small	Curr Wk	3.9	5.4	1.2	4.3	18.2
	Change	0.8	1.4	-1.7	-0.1	-3%
Misc	Curr Wk	5.5	25.2	8.0	8.9	53.2
	Change	-0.6	-2.2	1.4	-2.3	-6%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	41.1	65.6	13.0	24.8	187.7
	Change	-1.7	0.7	-2.6	0.8	-2%
Total	Curr Wk	142.9	275.7	109.3	158.9	871.0
	Change	6%	5%	-1%	9%	5%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg	871.0	5%	168
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	419.4	-6%	40

Total Shell Egg 1290.4 1% 208  
1/Information is supplied by a universe of 168 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.

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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.

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**EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION**

WEEK ENDING 15-JAN-00

	(LBS IN THOUSANDS)		(EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)			
	CASES BROKEN	LIQUID WHOLE	LIQUID WHITE	LIQUID YOLK	DRIED	INED.
C W	1,149,885	25,477	12,180	6,673	2,985	3,748
P W	1,165,327	27,154	10,854	6,383	2,753	4,093
L Y	1,034,593	23,508	9,888	5,761	2,584	3,210
% PW	-1	-6	12	5	8	-8
% LY	11	8	23	16	16	17
2000	2,315,212	52,631	23,034	13,056	5,738	7,841
1999	2,113,424	48,994	19,278	11,093	5,553	6,521

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE -  
CURRENT PREVIOUS LAST  
WEEK WEEK YEAR  
41.81 41.61 40.95

**COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT REPORT** FOR W/E 15-JAN-99  
(RECEIPTS FROM PRODUCERS)

REGIONS	CASES (IN THOUS)	PERCENT CHANGE FROM	
		PREVIOUS WEEK	LAST YEAR
N. ATLANTIC	243.3	-4	4
E.N. CENTRAL	486.2	1	9
W.N. CENTRAL	195.0	1	7
S. ATLANTIC	198.5	-5	1
S. CENTRAL	76.3	5	-69
WEST	205.8	-2	-9
TOTAL	1,405.1	-1	-8
MATCHED PLANTS REPORTING		93	90

STATE	Broiler Eggs Set in 15 Selected States		Broiler Chicks Placed in 15 Selected States	
	JAN 08	JAN 15	JAN 08	JAN 15
	Thousand			
AL	28,634	28,764	*21,002	21,352
AR	29,988	29,410	24,005	24,581
DE	3,956	4,349	5,314	4,896
FL	2,796	2,657	2,372	2,117
GA	31,697	31,268	*23,985	24,021
MD	8,630	8,484	5,583	6,104
MS	17,816	17,238	14,946	14,897
NC	17,582	17,759	13,776	13,748
PA	*3,504	3,639	*2,762	2,827
SC	4,930	4,795	4,547	3,989
TX	14,005	13,854	10,823	11,076
VA	6,396	6,376	*5,269	5,145
CA, TN, & WV	11,311	11,124	9,707	10,068
15 State Total	*181,245	179,717	*144,091	144,821
Previous Year	178,429	177,385	144,630	141,953
Pct. of Prev.	102	101	100	102

\*REVISED

BASED ON THE PRELIMINARY CHICK PLACEMENTS, THE NUMBER OF FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING DURING THE WEEK ENDING 26-Feb-00 IS ESTIMATED AT 152.7 MILLION HEAD. THIS COMPARES TO 152.5 MILLION HEAD THE PREVIOUS WEEK AND TO 152.6 MILLION HEAD THE SAME WEEK A YEAR AGO, WHEN THE SLAUGHTER WAS 149.4 MILLION HEAD AND THE 12-CITY WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE WAS 57.89 CENTS PER POUND.

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES-** WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES  
(CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING WEEK OF 01/13/00-01/19/00

	SE		NE		MW		LOADS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W 1	37.00	38.29	35.50	38.40	—	—	29.00
GNR W 2	—	—	30.50	32.00	28.25	30.00	6.00
GNR W 3	—	30.00	—	28.00	22.29	24.00	8.00
GL W XL	—	—	42.50	44.00	38.00	—	8.75
GL W LG	—	43.50	28.50	31.50	42.11	44.00	11.50
GL W MD	—	45.00	33.14	34.79	32.40	—	13.50
GL W SM	—	—	21.00	22.00	—	—	1.00
GL BR LG	—	—	—	73.00	—	—	2.00
GL BR MD	—	—	—	51.00	—	—	1.00
NRBS - 50	—	—	—	—	—	27.00	1.00
NRBS - 48	—	—	28.00	29.67	25.75	26.67	20.50

**MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS** W/E 15-JAN-99

SELECTED CONSUMING CENTERS	CW THOUSANDS	PW THOUSANDS	PERCENT CHG	
			PW	LY
ATLANTA	26.4	26.9	-2	-19
BOSTON	3.1	3.1	0	-67
CHICAGO	39.8	48.9	-19	-32
DETROIT	27.6	25.9	7	1
KANSAS CITY	0.1	0.1	0	0
LOS ANGELES	94.1	96.2	-2	5
NEW ORLEANS	9.3	13.5	-31	-32
NEW YORK	36.7	37.0	-1	-18
ST. LOUIS	17.3	15.6	11	25
SAN FRANCISCO	21.9	21.8	0	-2
TOTAL	276.3	289.0	-4	-11
4 WK MVG AVG	302.6			

**LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED** Week Ending 08-JAN-00

	FRYER- ROASTERS	YOUNG TURKEYS	OLD BANDED	TOTAL
	THOUSANDS			
HEAD	3,545	2	20	3,567
AVG WT	27.06	28.00	26.55	27.06
LAST WEEK	5,103	34	30	5,167
SAME WEEK YR AGO	4,575	21	12	4,608
AVG WT	27.66 (A)	25.24	27.75	27.65
TO-DATE/2000	3,545 (A)	2	20	3,567
TO-DATE/1999	4,575 (A)	21	12	4,608

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 148.5 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 158.4 million head or 9.9 million head more than or 107 percent of estimated fryers available. PLEASE NOTE CHANGES IN TURKEY SLAUGHTER FORMAT, IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CALL AMOS HARDY AT 515-284-4471.

**NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTS**

BY GEOGRAPHICAL AREAS WEEK ENDING 08-JAN-00  
(PRELIMINARY) (RELEASED 12:00 NOON CENTRAL TIME)

	—YOUNG TURKEYS—			FRYER RSTR	OLD BAND	TOTAL TKY HEAD	TKY AVG WT
	THOUSAND	PW	AVG				
	HEAD	% CHG	WT				
N EAST	848	-16	22.37	NONE	NONE	848	22.37
S ATL	475	-25	34.43	(A)	(A)	476	34.46
N CENT	1,416	-30	29.16	(A)	(A)	1,423	29.12
S CENT	568	20	22.89	NONE	NONE	568	22.89
WEST	240	-76	26.56	(A)	(A)	252	26.61
U.S.TOTAL	3,547(B)	-26	27.06	0	20	3,567	27.06
2000	3,547(B)			0	20	3,567	
1999	4,575(B)			0	12	4,608	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: for the week 2,000 for the year 2,000; last year to date 0,000.

**LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION**

WEEK ENDING 15-Jan-00 (PRELIMINARY)

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
-----THOUSANDS-----					
HEAD	156,486(A)	2,149	1,283	3,432	575
AVG WT	5.10	3.35	8.01	5.09	6.87
LAST WEEK	155,587	2,007	1,626	3,633	462
YR AGO	155,640	2,252	1,470	3,722	556
AVG WT	5.10	3.45	8.27	5.35	7.10
TO-DATE/2000	312,073	4,156	2,909	7,065	1,037
TO-DATE/1999	310,958	4,388	2,860	7,248	1,055

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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER**

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 22-Jan-00

CLASS	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	01/22/00(1)	01/15/00
-----THOUSAND HEAD-----		
BRO-FRY	147,587(2)	160,954
LT HENS	2,009	2,099
HVY HENS	1,284	1,335
TOTAL	150,880	164,388

(1) ESTIMATED

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 22-Jan-00 is 150.6 million head compared to 146.0 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 149.4 million head or 1.2 million less than estimated available. For week of 29-Jan-00 the estimated available is 151.7 million head.

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

WEEK ENDING	MILLION HEAD SLAUGHTERED	MILLION HEAD AVAILABLE	PCT	AVG WT
DECEMBER 11	153.3	144.1	106	5.01
18	150.8	139.5	108	5.05
25	118.9	137.9	86	5.05
JANUARY 1	129.1	140.4	92	4.89
8	157.5	144.3	109	5.01
15	158.4	148.5	107	5.10
YEAR TO DATE	315.9	292.8	108	
JANUARY 22		150.6		
29		151.7		

**WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS -**SELECTED STGE CENTERS FEDERAL-STATE  
(INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	FREGS LBS	TURKS LBS	POP LBS
AM 17-Jan-00	4,250	84,761	98,497
AM 1-Jan-00	4,288	65,047	75,162
CHG	-38	19714	23335
PCT CHG	-1	30	31

**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  
01/17/00-01/22/00.

	U.S. GRADE A			COMPOSITE	
	MAJ	WTD AVG	LDS	WTD AVG	LDS
Chicago	41.00-44.00	44.07	47	47.01	79
Los Angeles	63.00	61.88	60	59.02	154
New York	37.00-44.00	45.00	38	52.33	87

**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)
<b>8-16 LB HENS</b>				
EASTERN REGION 3/	60-61	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	59	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	60-61	-	-	-

**16-24 LB TOMS**

EASTERN REGION	59-60	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	58	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	59-60	-	-	-

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.

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

	Change from		
18-Jan-00	11-Jan-00	11-Jan-00	19-Jan-99
53.73	-2.78	56.51	59.26

NUMBER OF LOADS 692

**HEN MARKETS**

Cents Per Pound, Generally for slaughter the following week.

	HEAVY TYPE		
01/17/00	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD. AVG
Southeast	7-16.5(1)	8-10	10.00
Southeast	TFEWR(2)		
South Central	8-19.5(1)	8.5-10	10.03
01/14/99	LIGHT TYPE		
Eastern	0(1)		
Eastern	0 2)		
So. Central	TFEWR(2)		
No. Central	TFEWR(1)		
No. Central	0-5(2)	0	

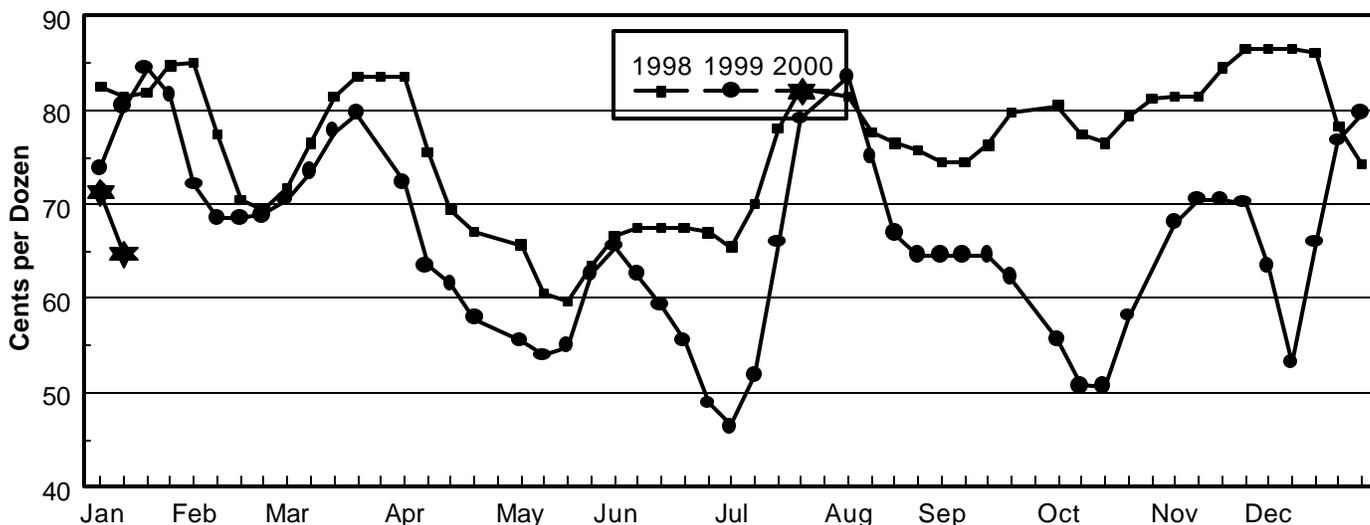
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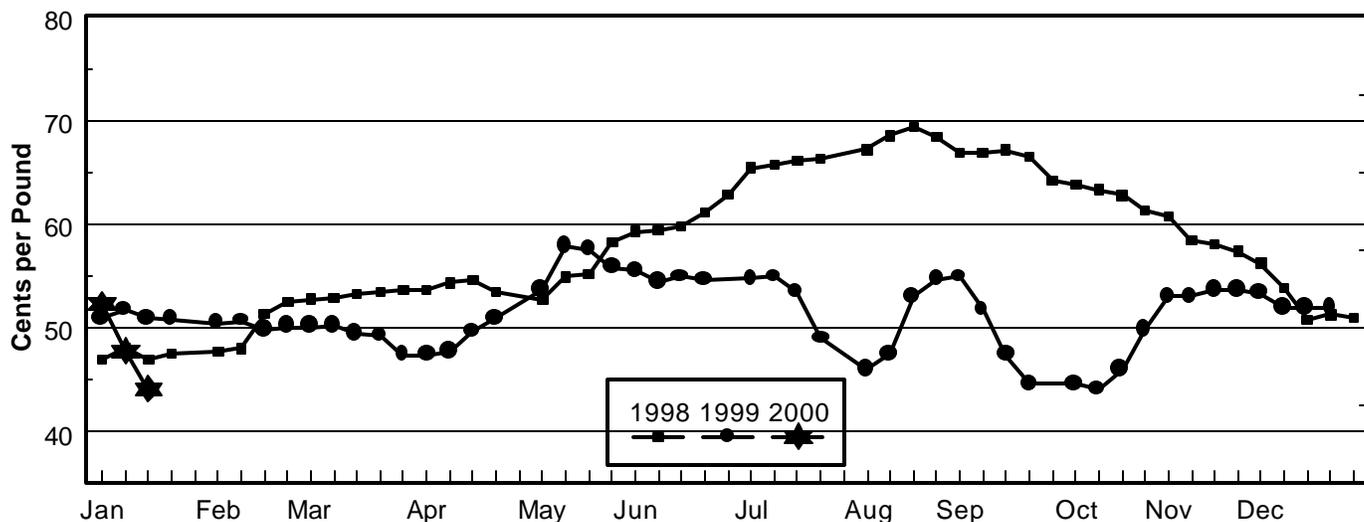
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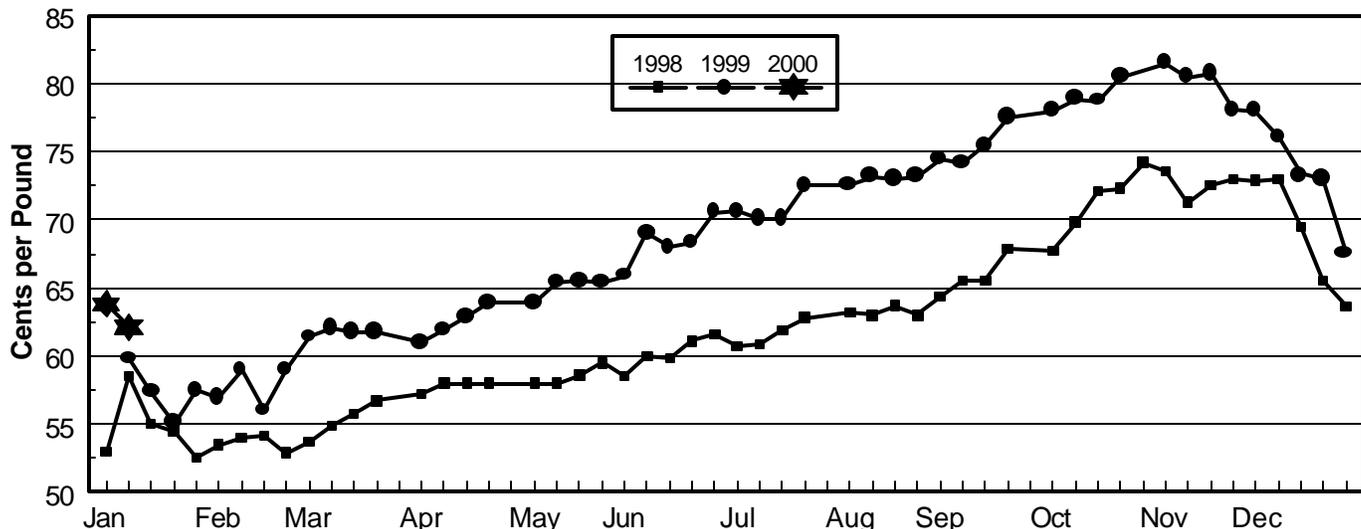
New York Large Egg Weekly Average Price, 1997, 1998, 1999



Chicago Broiler/Fryer Final Weighted Average Prices, US Grade A, 1998, 1999, 2000



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



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