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Early in the week, Ohio and Florida prices were unchanged to lower on the larger sizes. In the Midwest and Southern regions, prices were unchanged to higher on medium eggs. On the West coast, prices were higher on all sizes. During the week in Chicago, prices were sharply higher on all sizes. In the Eastern region, prices were unchanged to higher. Elsewhere, prices were unchanged. The market tone continued fully steady to firm. Demand remained mixed in a full range, but was mostly moderate overall, with retail feature activity stimulating the best movement. Supplies of all sizes were generally adequate to at times barely adequate. Nest run breaking stock prices were higher. Offerings were usually adequate for current needs with sellers holding product and watching current market developments. Buyers were attempting to resist price increases, and having little effect. Demand was mixed but usually light to moderate with some reports of reduced schedules as margins between shell eggs and processed product decline. Floor stocks adequate to fully adequate. Trade sentiment steady to mostly fully steady. Light type hens were adequate to 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)	92-98	84-89	57-63
New York	66-68	63-66	48-51
Philadelphia	58-66	56-64	40-48
SOUTHERN CITIES			
Atlanta (1) (2)	50-51	48.5-50	33-34
Jackson (1)	60-61	57-58	42-43
Major Louisiana Cities (1)	57-69	53-67	40-54
MIDWEST CITIES			
Chicago	53-58	52-57	39-44
Detroit (2)	44-47	43-46	30-33
Major Ohio Cities (2)	45-51	44-49	31-37
Major Wisconsin Cities	48-55	46-53	34-41
WESTERN CITIES			
Houston (1)	65-67	60-62	48-50
California(Grade AA)(1)(3)	84	75	63
(1) - Prices reported weekly			
(2) - Delivered Warehouse			
(3) - Reported Invoice prices			

SHELL EGGS-12 METRO AREA FOR WEEK ENDING 14-Jul-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	60.50	58.13	42.01
SOUTHERN	57.79	55.45	39.36
MIDWEST	48.39	47.14	32.94
WESTERN	75.64	68.98	53.20
TWELVE METRO AREAS	62.84	59.16	43.66

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

	07-18-00	07-11-00	07-20-99
Large	27-29	27-29	29-31
Medium	16-18	14-16	14-16

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

		NO	SO	SO	5-Area		
	Northeast	CENT	CENT	Atl	Pacific		
Jumbo	Curr Wk	7.6	13.9	3.9	7.5	9.1	42.0
	Change	2.1	1.1	-0.3	-2.3	-1.4	-2%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	21.1	38.4	8.3	21.8	16.8	106.4
	Change	-2.8	-5.5	-2.8	-5.2	-4.0	-16%
Large	Curr Wk	34.4	83.8	34.8	51.8	68.4	273.2
	Change	0.5	-10.0	-13.0	-16.3	-18.7	-17%
Medium	Curr Wk	10.4	25.1	11.6	21.7	20.5	89.3
	Change	-0.2	0.5	-3.7	2.4	-3.2	-4%
Small	Curr Wk	5.6	9.9	2.0	6.3	6.3	30.1
	Change	2.0	-0.5	-0.2	-0.3	2.4	13%
Misc	Curr Wk	4.6	19.8	7.7	10.8	5.6	48.5
	Change	-1.0	2.9	0.3	-4.2	-2.5	-8%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	27.6	55.3	17.6	37.5	38.8	176.8
	Change	0.9	-1.1	-0.6	1.4	4.9	3%
Total	Curr Wk	111.3	246.2	85.9	157.4	165.5	766.3
Percent	Change	1%	-5%	-19%	-13%	-12%	-9%

TOTAL Number of Cases Percent Change Number of Cooperators

Shell Egg	766.3	-9%	170
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	488.2	5%	39

Total Shell Egg 1254.5 -4% 209

1/Information is supplied by a universe of 170 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.

EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION W/E15-JUL-00

	(LBS IN THOUSANDS)		(EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)			
	CASES	LIQUID	LIQUID	LIQUID	DRIED	INED.
	BROKEN	WHOLE	WHITE	YOLK		
C W	1,253,809	27,682	12,847	6,876	3,505	4,177
P W	1,090,713	24,547	11,972	5,709	2,892	3,437
L Y	1,104,967	26,675	9,997	5,140	2,709	3,672
% PW	15	13	7	20	21	22
% LY	13	4	29	34	29	14
2000	32,542,025	735,134	328,758	176,534	82,231	107,552
1999	30,401,635	700,479	294,723	162,037	73,941	95,446

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE -

	CURRENT	PREVIOUS	LAST
	WEEK	WEEK	YEAR
	41.14	41.87	41.16

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT REPORT FOR W/E 15-JUL-00
(RECEIPTS FROM PRODUCERS)

REGIONS	CASES	PERCENT CHANGE FROM	
	(IN THOUS)	PW	LY
N. ATLANTIC	211.6	-6	5
E.N. CENTRAL	509.2	6	18
W.N. CENTRAL	250.4	2	22
S. ATLANTIC	187.0	-6	2
S. CENTRAL	76.7	-1	10
WEST	205.2	6	7
TOTAL	1440.1	1	12

MATCHED PLANTS REPORTING 92 92

STATE	Broiler Eggs Set in		Broiler Chicks Placed	
	15 Selected States	15 Selected States	15 Selected States	15 Selected States
	JUL 08	JUL 15	JUL 08	JUL 15
	Thousand			
AL	28,231	28,587	*21,528	20,645
AR	28,537	30,353	24,510	23,772
DE	4,065	4,145	5,488	5,752
FL	2,761	2,876	2,324	2,396
GA	*30,109	29,669	*25,438	23,543
MD	8,425	8,474	5,480	5,617
MS	17,579	18,013	15,119	14,461
NC	17,519	17,236	14,509	14,305
PA	*3,782	3,710	*2,622	2,804
SC	4,681	4,850	4,105	4,138
TX	13,774	13,320	11,338	11,486
VA	*6,295	6,464	*5,234	5,460
CA, TN, & WV	11,054	11,052	*9,572	10,059
15 State Total	*176,812	178,749	*147,267	144,438
Previous Year	179,244	182,678	146,774	145,196
	99	98	100	99

*REVISED

BASED ON THE PRELIMINARY CHICK PLACEMENTS, THE NUMBER OF FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING DURING THE WEEK ENDING 26-Aug-00 IS ESTIMATED AT 150.9 MILLION HEAD. THIS COMPARES TO 154.1 MILLION HEAD THE PREVIOUS WEEK AND TO 155.5 MILLION HEAD THE SAME WEEK A YEAR AGO, WHEN THE SLAUGHTER WAS 155.9 MILLION HEAD AND THE 12-CITY WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE WAS 59.90 CENTS PER POUND.

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES- WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES
(CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING WEEK OF 07/13/00-07/19/00

	SE		NE		MW		LOADS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W 1	—	42.00	36.38	37.75	37.00	—	34.00
GNR W 2	—	40.00	34.50	36.00	38.50	41.50	6.00
GNR W 4	25.00	—	23.00	25.73	—	—	3.75
GL W XL	—	49.00	43.60	45.40	45.13	48.00	20.50
GL W LG	—	48.60	39.57	42.33	44.67	—	34.75
GL W MD	26.00	32.00	25.25	27.00	27.00	29.75	14.00
GL W SM	—	23.00	18.38	20.46	—	23.00	5.25
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	32.67	29.00	10.00

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS W/E 15-JUL-00

SELECTED CONSUMING CENTERS	CW	PW	PERCENT CHG	
	THOUSANDS	THOUSANDS	PW	LY
ATLANTA	18.9	19.9	-5	-46
BOSTON	3.6	5.1	-29	-22
CHICAGO	52.1	50.4	3	9
DETROIT	26.0	21.7	20	-13
KANSAS CITY	2.9	3.4	-15	-29
LOS ANGELES	106.7	93.4	14	24
NEW ORLEANS	11.0	11.2	-2	0
NEW YORK	34.4	28.9	19	-2
ST. LOUIS	14.8	13.0	14	32
SAN FRANCISCO	22.2	20.7	7	9
TOTAL	292.6	267.7	9	3
4 WK MVG AVG	278.1			

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING 15-Jul-2000

	YOUNG (A)		YOUNG	OLD	TOTAL
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS		
	-----THOUSANDS-----				
HEAD	2,223	2,925	36	15	5,199
AVG WT	15.43	32.78	24.33	25.57	25.28
LAST WEEK	1,572	2,212	22	1	3,807
YR AGO	4,971(B)		10	35	5,016
AVG WT	25.51(B)		28.40	24.66	26.93
TO-DATE/2000	127,151(B)		525	859	128,535
TO-DATE/1999	131,334(B)		379	935	132,648

(A) Includes 166,000 fryer/roasters in 2000 and 55,000 in 1999.
(B) Comparable data not available for last year, this data is comprised of hens and toms.

NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTS

BY GEOGRAPHICAL AREAS WEEK ENDING 15-Jul-2000
(PRELIMINARY) (RELEASED 12:00 NOON CENTRAL TIME)

	—YOUNG TURKEYS—			FRYER	OLD	TOTAL	TKY
	THOUSAND	% CHG	AVG	RSTR	BANDED		
	HEAD	PW	WT	---THOUSAND HEAD---			
N EAST	859	53	21.94	(A)	(A)	862	21.94
S ATL	918	32	25.84	(A)	(A)	921	25.84
N CENT	2,446	43	27.67	(A)	(A)	2,449	27.67
S CENT	629	36	20.32	(A)	(A)	632	20.32
WEST	332	-8	24.17	(A)	(A)	335	24.17
U.S. TOTAL	5,184(B)	36	25.29	0	15	5,199	25.29

TO DATE
2000 127,510(B) 166 859 128,535**

TO DATE
1999 131,658(B) 55 935 132,648

** 2000 TO DATE ON 15-JUL-2000 SHOULD HAVE READ 123,320

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.
(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: for the week 36,000 for the year 525,000; last year to date 379,000.

On report week ending 24-Jun Total turkey regions should have been N East 857, S. Cent 673, West 431, Total 5,333.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 15-Jul-2000 (PRELIMINARY)

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
-----THOUSANDS-----					
HEAD	161,559(A)	1,882	1,428	3,310	455
AVG WT	5.01	3.48	7.96	5.41	6.48
LAST WEEK	135,659	1,262	1,086	2,348	379
YR AGO	158,335	1,978	1,089	3,067	444
AVG WT	4.98	3.41	7.88	5.00	6.63
TO-DATE/2000	4,320,869	55,025	39,026	94,051	12,602
TO-DATE/1999	4,234,663	60,629	37,889	98,518	12,404

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 157.4 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 163.5 million head or 6.1 million head more than or 104 percent of estimated fryers available.

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 22-Jul-00

CLASS	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	07/22/00 (1)	07/15/00
----- THOUSAND HEAD -----		
BRO-FRY	161,229(2)	160,294
LT HENS	1,862	1,839
HVY HENS	1,665	1,541
TOTAL	164,756	163,674

(1) ESTIMATED

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 22-Jul-00 is 157.8 million head compared to 156.9 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 161.6 million head or 3.8 million more than estimated available. For week of 29-Jul-00 the estimated available is 157.6 million head.

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

WEEK ENDING	MILLION HEAD SLAUGHTERED	MILLION HEAD AVAILABLE	PCT	AVG WT
JUNE	10	161.2	157.3	102
	17	161.7	158.5	102
	24	161.6	158.8	102
JULY	1	167.0	158.7	105
	8	137.3	157.7	87
	15	163.5	157.4	104
YEAR TO DATE	4373.5	4306.1	102	
JULY	22	158.1		
	29	157.6		

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

	Change from			
	17-Jul-00	10-Jul-00	10-Jul-00	19-Jul-99
	56.51	-0.11	56.62	59.14

NUMBER OF LOADS 637

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 07/17-07/21/00.

	U.S. GRADE A			COMPOSITE	
	MAJ	WTD AVG	LDS	WTD AVG	LDS
Chicago	44.00-49.00	49.06	48	51.76	86
Los Angeles	65.00	64.03	58	63.42	123
New York	48.00-53.00	49.97	30	52.55	65

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)
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CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/

8-16 LB HENS

EASTERN REGION 3/	72-73	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	71-72	72	72.00	120
WESTERN REGION 5/	72	-	-	-

16-24 LB TOMS

EASTERN REGION	69-70	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	68-69	69	69.00	40
WESTERN REGION	69	-	-	-

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 17-Jul-00	3,185	155,893	98,098
AM 1-Jul-00	3,234	150,279	93,719
CHG	-49	5614	4379
PCT CHG	-2	4	5

HEN MARKETS

Cents Per Pound, Generally for slaughter the following week.

	HEAVY TYPE		
	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD. AVG
07/17/00			
Southeast	2.5-14(1)	3.5-7	5.97
Southeast	TFEWR(2)		
South Central	4-15(1)	6-8	7.94
07/14/00			
	LIGHT TYPE		
Eastern	0-0(1)		
Eastern	0-0(2)		
So. Central	TFEWR(2)		
No. Central	TFEWR(1)		
No. Central	0-5(2)	0	

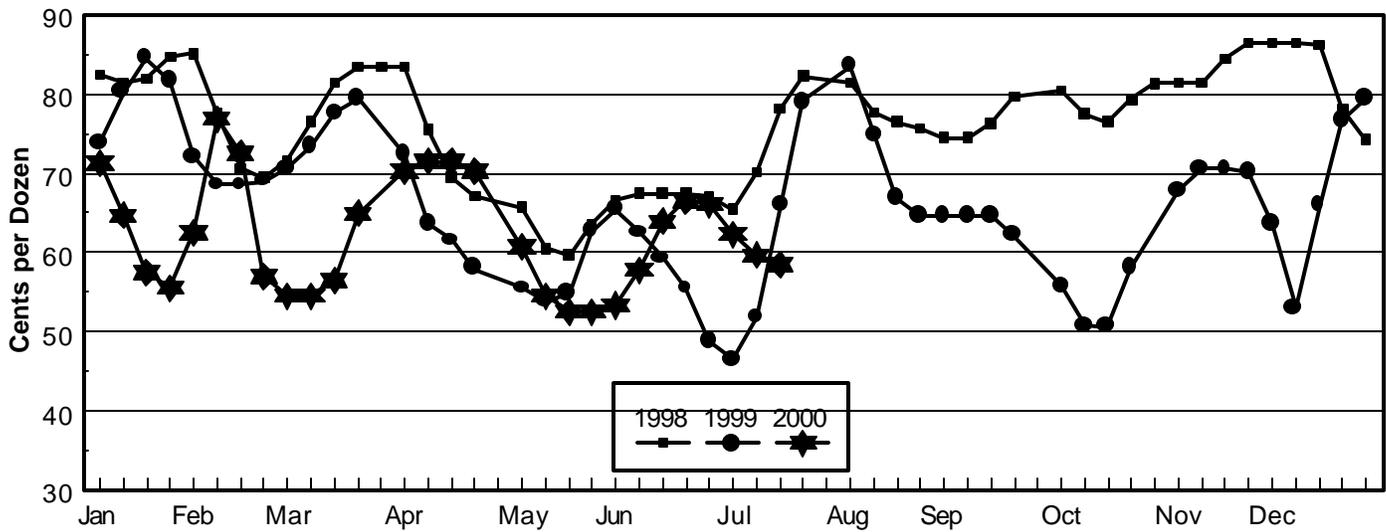
(1) At Farm Buyer Loading

(2) At Farm Producer Loading

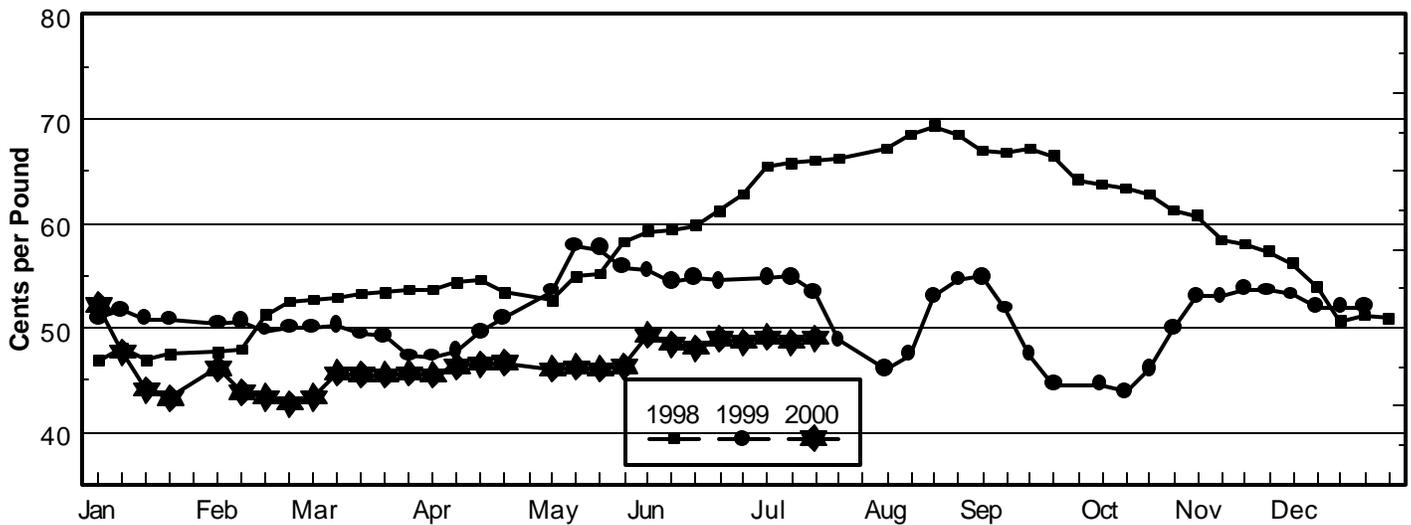
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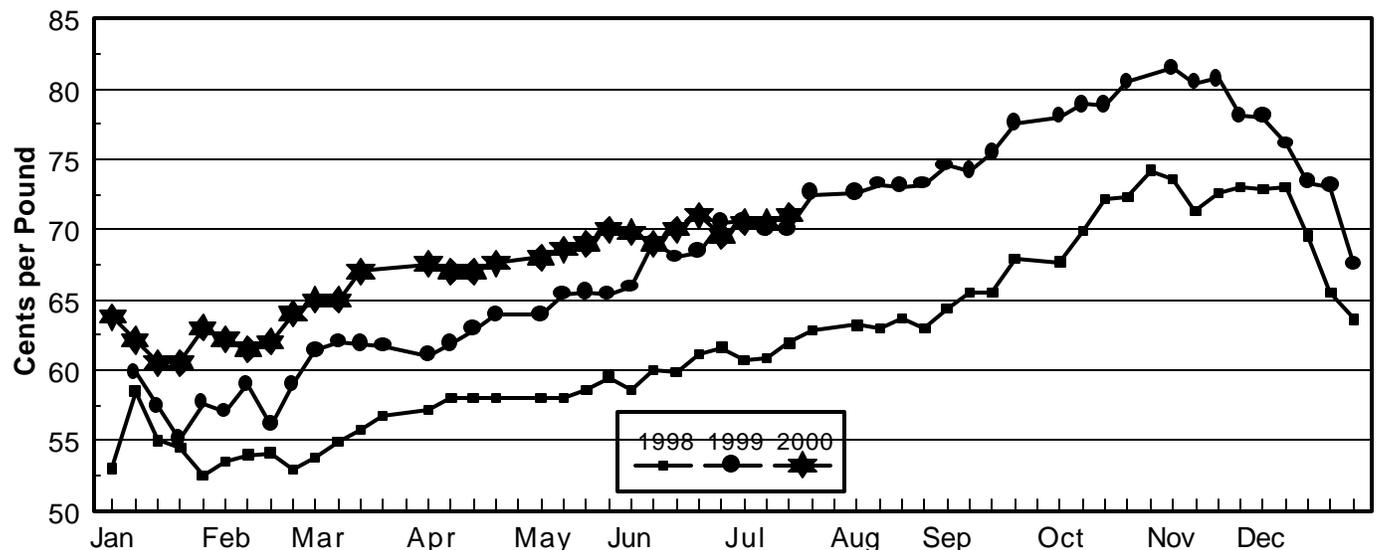
New York Large Egg Weekly Average Price, 1998, 1999, 2000



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



Eastern Region Weekly Average Prices for 8-16 LB Hen Turkeys, 1998, 1999, 2000



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