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## NATIONAL EGG REVIEW



Early in the week, prices in Boston were unchanged to lower on large. New York and Chicago prices were unchanged and elsewhere, prices were unchanged to higher. During the week, prices were unchanged nationwide. The market tone steady. Demand light to good, mostly moderate, best where scattered promotional activity was a factor. Supplies were adequate. Nest run breaking stock prices were unchanged. Additional offerings of heavy nest runs were limited while regular commitments were usually sufficient for current needs. Demand continued fairly good to good with some buyers showing a more cautious attitude than earlier in the week. Schedules full-time. Floor stocks in close balance to adequate. Trade sentiment steady. Light type fowl were adequate for slaughter requirements.

### 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)	98-100	87-89	63-65
New York	69-71	66-69	50-53
Philadelphia	66-69	64-67	48-50
<b>SOUTHERN CITIES</b>			
Atlanta (1) (2)	62-63	60.5-62	41-42
Jackson (1)	72-73	69-70	50-51
Major Louisiana Cities (1)	71-83	67-81	47-61
<b>MIDWEST CITIES</b>			
Chicago	59-64	58-63	42-47
Detroit (2)	59-62	58-61	38-41
Major Ohio Cities (2)	57-63	56-62	39-45
Major Wisconsin Cities	63-70	61-68	42-49
<b>WESTERN CITIES</b>			
Houston (1)	79-82	74-76	54-57
California(Grade AA)(1)(3)	99	90	76

### SHELL EGGS-12 METRO AREA FOR WEEK ENDING 28-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	67.78	65.40	49.58
SOUTHERN	65.61	63.27	44.99
MIDWEST	58.01	56.91	41.02
WESTERN	86.40	79.80	66.86
TWELVE METRO AREAS	72.06	68.44	53.51

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

	08-01-00	07-25-00	08-03-99
Large	39-41	36-38	51-53
Medium	24-26	22-24	19-21

### WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT-AM July 31,2000 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	10.0	13.6	4.7	9.6	8.9	46.8
	Change	1.7	2.5	0.4	1.6	-0.2	15%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	21.2	31.9	9.2	25.7	17.3	105.3
	Change	-0.7	2.1	0.9	2.8	0.5	6%
Large	Curr Wk	34.0	70.8	43.1	70.2	74.9	293.0
	Change	-5.2	5.7	7.8	18.2	5.5	12%
Medium	Curr Wk	8.5	26.3	15.1	25.8	23.3	99.0
	Change	-0.9	1.8	-0.9	2.4	0.0	2%
Small	Curr Wk	5.8	9.3	2.4	9.0	4.7	31.2
	Change	-0.8	1.1	-0.5	1.5	-2.1	-3%
Misc	Curr Wk	5.2	21.6	7.9	11.0	7.3	53.0
	Change	0.0	1.9	0.9	0.6	1.1	9%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	17.9	47.2	16.0	31.5	37.7	150.3
	Change	-7.1	-9.5	-1.4	1.4	3.2	-8%
Total	Curr Wk	102.6	220.7	98.4	182.8	174.1	778.6
	Change	-11%	3%	8%	18%	5%	5%
TOTAL		Number of Cases		Percent Change	Number of Cooperators		

Shell Egg	778.6	5%	171
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	447.5	3%	39

Total Shell Egg 1226.1 4% 210

1/Information is supplied by a universe of 171 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.

2/ Due to changes in the cooperator universe, the ADJUSTED 5-area total for the previous week is 742.3. The adjustment is necessary to facilitate valid comparisons.

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/E 29-JUL-00

	(LBS IN THOUSANDS)		(EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)			
	CASES BROKEN	LIQUID WHOLE	LIQUID WHITE	LIQUID YOLK	DRIED	INED.
CW	1,185,405	26,794	11,336	6,439	2,877	3,959
PW	1,213,970	28,001	11,887	6,186	3,190	4,171
LY	1,116,788	25,821	9,770	5,488	2,109	3,722
% PW	-2	-4	-5	4	-10	-5
% LY	6	4	16	17	36	6
2000	34,941,400	789,929	351,981	189,159	88,298	115,682
1999	32,607,286	752,334	314,417	172,374	78,463	102,651

**AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE -**

	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK	LAST YEAR
	40.94	41.39	40.12

**COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT REPORT** FOR W/E 29-JUL-00  
(RECEIPTS FROM PRODUCERS)

REGIONS	CASES (IN THOUS)	PERCENT CHANGE FROM	
		PW	LY
N. ATLANTIC	219.3	0	-1
E.N. CENTRAL	506.7	2	11
W.N. CENTRAL	254.5	-3	9
S. ATLANTIC	184.8	-1	-2
S. CENTRAL	75.1	-1	0
WEST	197.5	2	-10
TOTAL	1,437.9	0	3

MATCHED PLANTS REPORTING 92 92

STATE	<u>Broiler Eggs Set in 15 Selected States</u>		<u>Broiler Chicks Placed in 15 Selected States</u>	
	JUL 22	JUL 29	JUL 22	JUL 29
			Thousand	
AL	28,670	28,687	20,859	20,195
AR	29,752	29,692	23,887	22,315
DE	3,989	4,027	5,075	5,384
FL	2,720	2,649	2,373	2,354
GA	30,458	30,488	*23,947	23,890
MD	8,328	8,485	5,375	5,081
MS	18,168	18,149	14,650	14,661
NC	17,886	17,854	13,325	13,817
PA	*3,679	3,817	*2,560	2,756
SC	4,747	4,822	4,222	3,443
TX	13,162	13,332	9,776	10,714
VA	*6,253	6,312	*5,205	5,447
CA, TN, & WV	10,764	10,945	*9,722	10,327
15 State Total	*178,576	179,259	*140,976	140,384
Previous Year	181,666	179,814	143,251	142,036
	98	100	98	99

\*REVISED

BASED ON THE PRELIMINARY CHICK PLACEMENTS, THE NUMBER OF FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING DURING THE WEEK ENDING 9-Sep-00 IS ESTIMATED AT 145.4 MILLION HEAD. THIS COMPARES TO 147.5 MILLION HEAD THE PREVIOUS WEEK AND TO 152.7 MILLION HEAD THE SAME WEEK A YEAR AGO, WHEN THE SLAUGHTER WAS 157.9 MILLION HEAD AND THE 12-CITY WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE WAS 58.40 CENTS PER POUND.

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES-** WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES  
(CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING WEEK OF 07/27/00-08/02/00

	SE		NE		MW		LOADS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W 1	—	—	43.00	44.67	—	—	47.00
GNR W 2	—	—	—	—	37.00	40.00	9.00
GL W XL	—	—	50.00	51.60	48.50	—	23.75
GL W LG	—	—	46.00	48.00	47.63	56.00	24.75
GL W MD	—	—	31.00	32.50	34.50	—	19.25
GL W SM	18.25	21.25	19.46	21.73	—	—	5.25
NRBS - 48	—	40.00	—	—	36.69	37.57	41.50
NRBS - 45	—	—	—	—	33.50	36.00	3.00
NRBS - 39	—	—	—	—	—	—	4.00

**MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS** W/E 29-JUL-00

SELECTED CONSUMING CENTERS	CW		PW		PERCENT CHG
	THOUSANDS	THOUSANDS	THOUSANDS	THOUSANDS	
ATLANTA	22.2	17.0	31	-18	
BOSTON	3.2	4.0	-20	-26	
CHICAGO	53.5	40.8	31	42	
DETROIT	24.3	32.8	-26	-2	
KANSAS CITY	4.3	3.1	39	39	
LOS ANGELES	92.2	101.1	-9	14	
NEW ORLEANS	11.1	9.3	19	9	
NEW YORK	34.6	34.8	-1	0	
ST. LOUIS	15.4	17.8	-13	50	
SAN FRANCISCO	22.4	21.2	6	22	
TOTAL	283.2	281.9	0	13	
4 WK MVG AVG	274.7				

**LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING** 29-Jul-2000

	YOUNG (A)		YOUNG		OLD TOTAL
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS	BREEDERS	
	-----THOUSANDS-----				
HEAD	2,231	2,807	74	8	5,120
AVG WT	15.69	32.53	23.81	25.64	25.06
LAST WEEK	2,147	2,904	21	10	5,082
YR AGO	4,856(B)		38	25	4,919
AVG WT	25.44(B)		23.71	28.80	25.44
TO-DATE/2000	137,240(B)		620	877	138,737
TO-DATE/1999	140,794(B)		446	997	142,237

(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 29-Jul-2000					
	—YOUNG TURKEYS—			FRYER	OLD	TOTAL TKY
	THOUSAND	PW	AVG	RSTR	BAND	AVG
	HEAD	% CHG	WT	---THOUSAND HEAD---		WT
N EAST	979	15	21.79	(A)	(A)	981 21.79
S ATL	765	-9	26.67	(A)	(A)	767 26.67
N CENT	2,292	-5	27.79	(A)	(A)	2,294 27.79
S CENT	642	17	20.23	(A)	(A)	643 20.23
WEST	434	2	22.25	(A)	(A)	435 22.25
U.S.TOTAL	5,112(B)	1	25.07	0	8	5,120 25.07
TO DATE						
2000	137,694(B)			166	877	138,737
TO DATE						
1999	141,185(B)			55	997	142,237

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: for the week 74,000 for the year 620,000; last year to date 446,000.

**LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION**

WEEK ENDING 29-Jul-2000 (PRELIMINARY)

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
	-----THOUSANDS-----				
HEAD	159,218(A)	1,799	1,723	3,522	448
AVG WT	5.00	3.34	7.85	5.55	6.43
LAST WEEK	158,155	1,959	1,609	3,568	400
YR AGO	155,473	2,097	1,270	3,367	417
AVG WT	4.93	3.41	7.95	5.12	6.62
TO-DATE/2000	4,638,242	58,783	42,358	101,141	13,450
TO-DATE/1999	4,545,195	64,943	40,666	105,609	13,277

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 157.6 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 161.2 million head or 3.6 million head more than or 102 percent of estimated fryers available.

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

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 05-Aug-00

CLASS	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	08/05/00(1)	07/29/00
	-----THOUSAND HEAD-----	
BRO-FRY	161,078(2)	160,427
LT HENS	1,875	1,809
HVY HENS	1,796	1,731
TOTAL	164,749	163,967

(1)ESTIMATED

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 05-Aug-00 is 157.9 million head compared to 154.4 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 161.4 million head or 3.5 million more than estimated available. For week of 12-Aug-00 the estimated available is 158.6 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	24	161.6	158.8	102	5.03
JULY	1	167.0	158.7	105	5.01
	8	137.3	157.7	87	4.98
	15	163.5	157.4	104	4.98
	22	160.1	158.1	101	4.92
	29	161.2	157.6	102	5.00
YEAR TO DATE	4694.8	4621.8	102		
AUGUST	5	157.9			
	12	158.6			

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

	Change from			
	31-Jul-00	24-Jul-00	24-Jul-00	2-Aug-99
	55.43	-0.82	56.25	54.56

NUMBER OF LOADS 666

**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 07/31-08/05/00.

	U.S. GRADE A			COMPOSITE	
	MAJ	WTD AVG	LDS	WTD AVG	LDS
Chicago	43.00-48.00	47.43	47	50.47	79
Los Angeles	65.00	63.43	61	60.49	154
New York	43.00-46.00	44.65	31	53.40	82

**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/				
<b>8-16 LB HENS</b>				
EASTERN REGION 3/	73	73	73.00	120
CENTRAL REGION 4/	72-73	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	73-74	73.5-74	73.81	320

**16-24 LB TOMS**

EASTERN REGION	70	70	70.00	800
CENTRAL REGION	69-70	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	70-73	70.5-73	72.58	240

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 31-Jul-00	3,817	161,786	94,065
AM 1-Jul-00	3,234	150,279	93,719
CHG	583	11507	346
PCT CHG	18	8	0

**HEN MARKETS**

Cents Per Pound, Generally for slaughter the following week.

	HEAVY TYPE		
	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD. AVG
07/31/00			
Southeast	1.75-9.75(1)	2.75-7	5.30
Southeast	TFEWR(2)		
South Central	3-9(1)	4-7	6.42
07/28/00			
Eastern	0-0(1)		
Eastern	0-0(2)		
So. Central	TFEWR(2)		
No. Central	TFEWR(1)		
No. Central	0-5(2)	0	

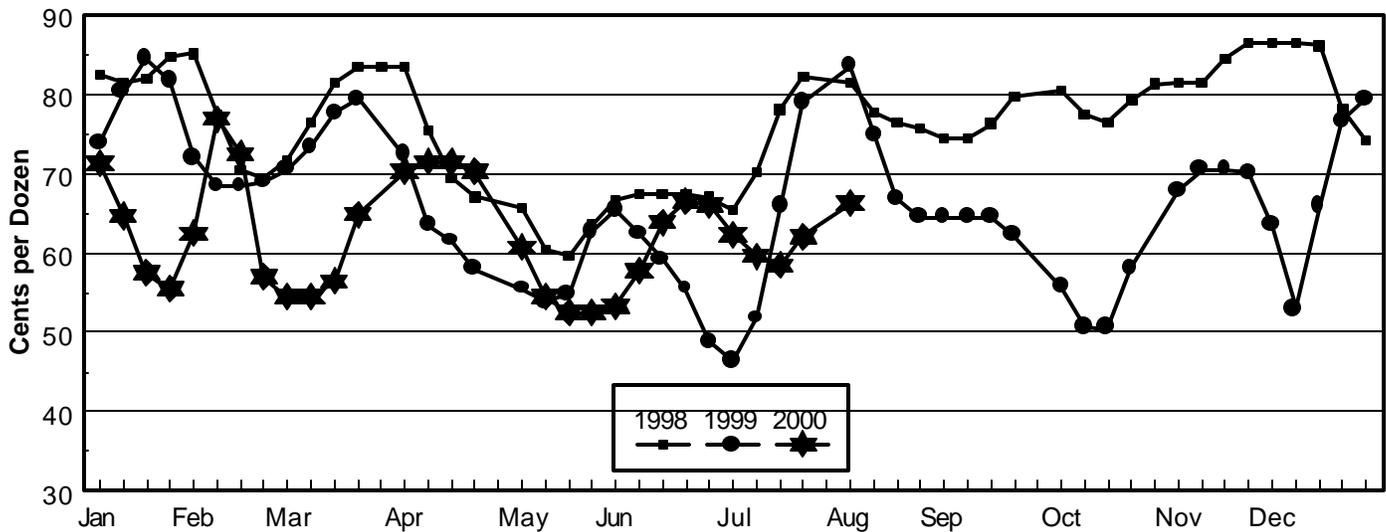
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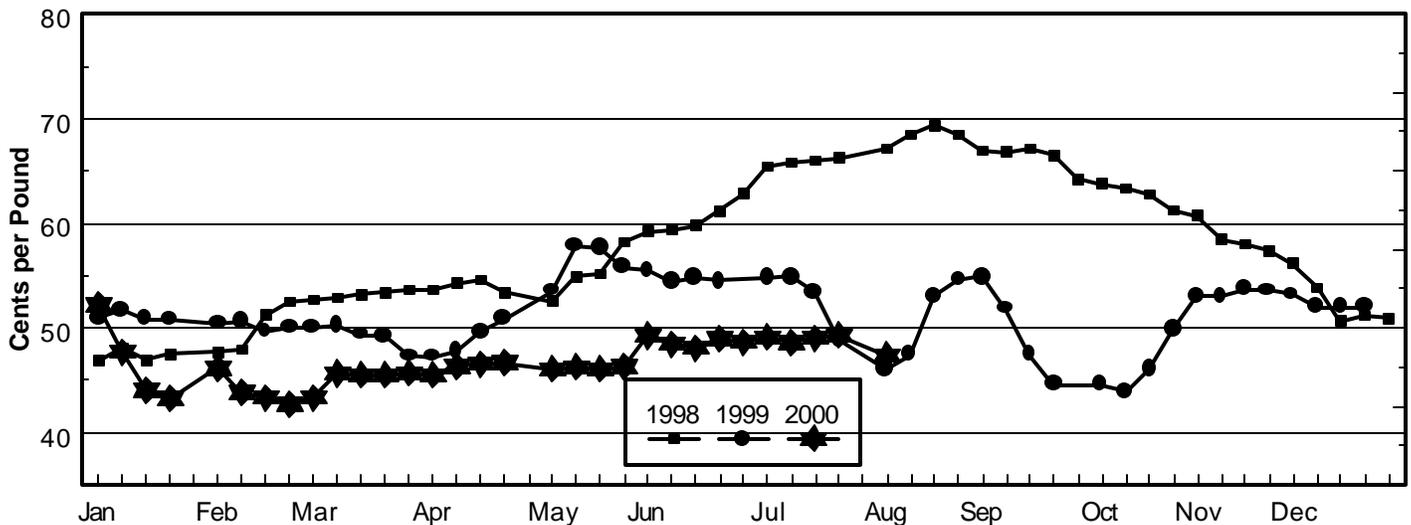
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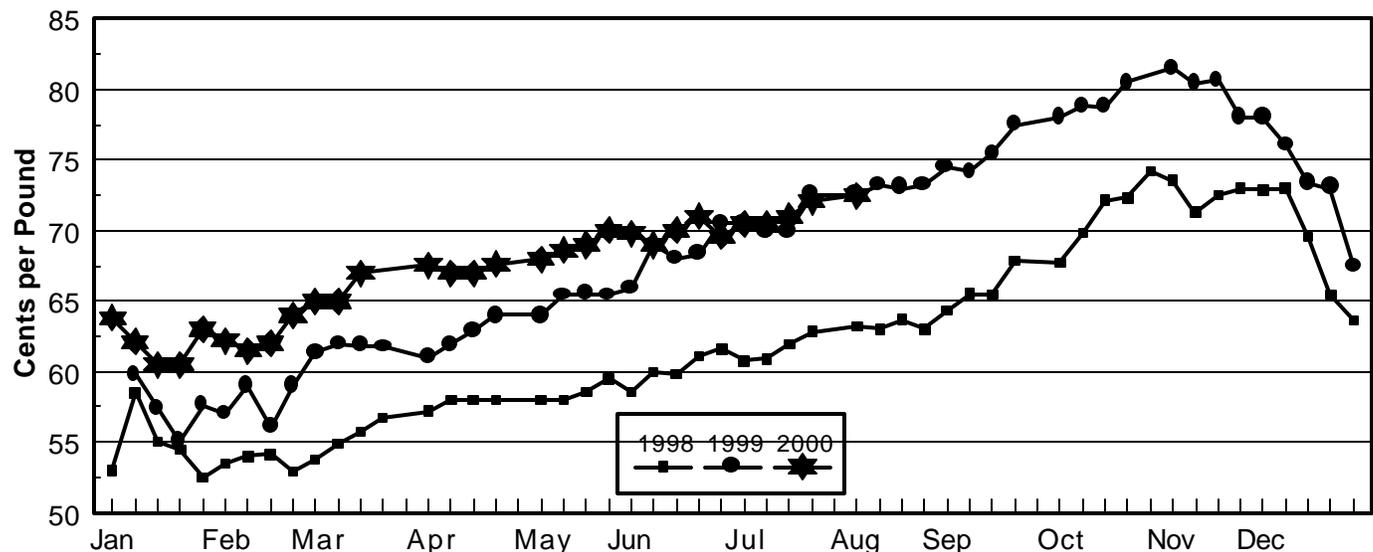
New York Large Egg Weekly Average Price, 1998, 1999, 2000



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.