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Early in the week prices were generally unchanged to higher on mediums and larger sizes compared to last week. Throughout the week prices continued unchanged to lower on the large sizes. Otherwise, prices were unchanged. The market tone ranged steady to weak, mostly barely steady to weak as the week progressed. Demand was light to moderate. Supplies were more than adequate to ample. Nest run breaking stock prices were trending lower with checks and undergrades unchanged. Offerings were adequate with graded loose shell eggs being shown to breakers with discounts noted at this call. Demand was mostly light to moderate as breakers work on regularly committed orders and liquid spot business is generally lackluster. Floor stocks adequate. Trade sentiment steady to mostly barely steady. Light type fowl were adequate for slaughter schedules.

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)	101-103	97-99	62-65
New York	76-78	73-76	52-55
Philadelphia	74-79	72-77	51-52
SOUTHERN CITIES			
Atlanta (1) (2)	72-73	70.5-72	43-44
Jackson (1)	81-82	79-80	52-53
Major Louisiana Cities (1)	78-92	76-90	49-63
MIDWEST CITIES			
Chicago	65-70	64-69	44-49
Detroit (2)	65-68	64-67	40-43
Major Ohio Cities (2)	66-72	65-70	41-47
Major Wisconsin Cities	69-75	67-74	44-51
WESTERN CITIES			
Houston (1)	86-89	82-84	57-59
California(Grade AA)(1)(3)	106	97	76

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

SHELL EGGS-12 METRO AREA FOR WEEK ENDING 18-Aug-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	77.20	74.98	52.89
SOUTHERN	74.36	72.01	48.69
MIDWEST	66.33	64.11	44.79
WESTERN	96.39	89.61	70.10
TWELVE METRO AREAS	81.37	77.43	56.94

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

	08-22-00	08-15-00	08-24-99
Large	47-49	44-46	34-36
Medium	24-26	24-26	15-17

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT-AM Aug 21,2000
STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/
(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

		NO	SO	SO	5-Area		
		CENT	CENT	Atl	Pacific		
Jumbo	Curr Wk	7.2	15.1	4.8	10.2	8.1	45.4
	Change	-1.7	1.8	-0.5	-2.3	0.7	-4%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	17.7	40.6	8.0	26.1	21.2	113.6
	Change	0.9	3.2	-1.1	1.2	-1.8	2%
Large	Curr Wk	29.3	80.3	47.1	75.9	85.0	317.6
	Change	5.8	6.0	0.8	1.3	-0.5	4%
Medium	Curr Wk	10.7	33.4	10.4	28.4	22.6	105.5
	Change	-1.0	-7.7	0.5	3.4	-2.6	-7%
Small	Curr Wk	2.7	7.2	3.3	7.0	4.4	24.6
	Change	-1.0	-0.5	1.1	0.0	-0.3	-3%
Misc	Curr Wk	6.1	16.4	9.6	10.8	6.3	49.2
	Change	-0.4	-1.8	1.0	-1.7	1.3	-3%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	23.9	44.9	21.9	30.2	35.9	156.8
	Change	2.9	2.1	1.1	-2.8	-5.1	-1%
Total	Curr Wk	97.6	237.9	105.1	188.6	183.5	812.7
	Change	6%	1%	3%	0%	-4%	0%

TOTAL Number of Cases Percent Change Number of Cooperators

Shell Egg	812.7	0%	172
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	415.4	3%	39

Total Shell Egg 1228.1 1% 211

1/Information is supplied by a universe of 172 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/E 19-Aug-00

	(LBS IN THOUSANDS)		(EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)			
	CASES	LIQUID	LIQUID	LIQUID	DRIED	INED.
	BROKEN	WHOLE	WHITE	YOLK		
CW	1,161,730	25,439	11,918	6,568	2,788	3,971
PW	1,175,917	26,283	12,163	6,639	2,819	4,022
LY	1,191,186	27,384	11,734	6,135	2,525	3,778
% PW	-1	-3	-2	-1	-1	-1
% LY	-2	-7	2	7	10	5
2000	38,436,193	867,133	387,989	208,914	96,346	127,561
1999	36,123,456	831,027	347,562	189,729	85,727	113,871

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE -

CURRENT	PREVIOUS	LAST
WEEK	WEEK	YEAR
41.23	41.76	41.16

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT REPORT FOR W/E 19-Aug-00
(RECEIPTS FROM PRODUCERS)

REGIONS	CASES (IN THOUS)	PERCENT CHANGE FROM	
		PW	LY
N. ATLANTIC	210.0	-3	-5
E.N. CENTRAL	511.2	1	15
W.N. CENTRAL	255.0	0	12
S. ATLANTIC	184.4	-7	0
S. CENTRAL	75.8	0	-2
WEST	187.9	-8	-22
TOTAL	1424.3	-2	2

MATCHED PLANTS REPORTING 92 92

STATE	Broiler Eggs Set in 15 Selected States		Broiler Chicks Placed in 15 Selected States	
	AUG 12	AUG 19	AUG 12	AUG 19
AL	*28,816	28,924	*21,145	21,243
AR	*29,945	30,019	*23,105	23,053
DE	3,886	3,827	5,169	5,038
FL	*2,575	2,725	2,382	2,336
GA	30,470	30,746	24,551	24,111
MD	8,370	8,110	5,191	5,888
MS	18,314	17,998	14,914	14,883
NC	*17,078	18,080	14,306	14,538
PA	3,539	3,307	2,714	2,732
SC	4,807	4,777	3,644	3,544
TX	14,216	14,413	10,319	10,297
VA	6,044	6,365	5,554	4,744
CA, TN, & WV	*10,246	11,182	9,070	9,688
15 State Total	*178,306	180,473	*142,064	142,095
Previous Year	178,476	180,405	144,750	142,535
	100	100	98	100

*REVISED

BASED ON THE PRELIMINARY CHICK PLACEMENTS, THE NUMBER OF FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING DURING THE WEEK ENDING 30-Sep-00 IS ESTIMATED AT 147.2 MILLION HEAD. THIS COMPARES TO 147.4 MILLION HEAD THE PREVIOUS WEEK AND TO 153.2 MILLION HEAD THE SAME WEEK A YEAR AGO, WHEN THE SLAUGHTER WAS 157.8 MILLION HEAD AND THE 12-CITY WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE WAS 54.46 CENTS PER POUND.

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES- WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES
(CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING WEEK OF 08/17/00-08/23/00

	SE		NE		MW		LOADS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W 1	52.75	57.14	54.60	56.06	56.00	—	24.50
GNR W 2	—	—	—	54.00	49.00	52.00	10.00
GNR W 3	42.00	—	29.00	40.33	37.50	39.75	7.50
GL W XL	—	59.50	—	57.17	54.23	—	18.00
GL W LG	—	58.88	57.13	58.88	50.97	—	23.25
GL W MD	29.00	36.67	30.70	34.00	34.15	33.25	12.50
GL W SM	21.00	—	18.69	20.65	—	24.50	4.25
NRBS - 50	—	47.00	39.08	41.21	40.75	43.00	7.75
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	44.22	46.00	12.00
NRBS - 39	—	30.00	—	—	—	—	6.00

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS W/E 19-Aug-00

SELECTED CONSUMING CENTERS	CW THOUSANDS	PW THOUSANDS	PERCENT	CHG
ATLANTA	22.5	21.6	4	-28
BOSTON	4.0	3.9	3	-15
CHICAGO	42.2	54.0	-22	-13
DETROIT	23.9	33.8	-29	-5
KANSAS CITY	5.4	4.0	35	74
LOS ANGELES	104.6	109.2	-4	16
NEW ORLEANS	10.2	10.0	2	-16
NEW YORK	33.8	31.1	9	-18
ST. LOUIS	17.0	13.8	23	33
SAN FRANCISCO	20.8	21.4	-3	0
TOTAL	284.4	302.8	-6	-2
4 WK MVG AVG	283.9			

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING 19-Aug-2000

HENS	YOUNG (A)		YOUNG	OLD	TOTAL
	TOMS	BREEDERS			
HEAD	2,279	2,950	74	27	5,330
AVG WT	15.64	32.07	24.08	25.64	24.90
LAST WEEK	2,317	2,973	35	2	5,327
YR AGO	6,340	(B)	21	64	6,425
AVG WT	23.69	(B)	19.86	26.73	23.71
TO-DATE/2000	152,954	(B)	781	912	154,647
TO-DATE/1999	157,439	(B)	512	1,182	159,133

(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 19-Aug-2000 (PRELIMINARY) (RELEASED 12:00 NOON CENTRAL TIME)				
	—YOUNG TURKEYS—		FRYER	OLD	TOTAL TKY
	THOUSAND	% CHG	AVG	RSTR BANDED	AVG
	HEAD	PW	WT	—THOUSAND HEAD—	WT
N EAST	935	8	21.90	(A)	(A) 940 21.90
S ATL	819	-2	26.42	(A)	(A) 824 26.50
N CENT	2,370	-1	27.56	(A)	(A) 2,377 27.57
S CENT	628	4	19.69	(A)	(A) 633 19.68
WEST	551	-9	22.25	(A)	(A) 556 22.25
U.S.TOTAL	5,303(B)	0	24.90	0	27 5,330 24.90
TO DATE					
2000	153,569(B)			166	912 154,647
TO DATE					
1999	157,896(B)			55	1,182 159,133

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.
(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: for the week 74,000 for the year 781,000; last year to date 512,000.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 19-Aug-2000 (PRELIMINARY)

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
-----THOUSANDS-----					
HEAD	158,583(A)	1,815	1,526	3,341	445
AVG WT	4.83	3.48	7.90	5.50	6.59
LAST WEEK	159,036	1,964	1,749	3,713	407
YR AGO	154,016	1,952	1,564	3,516	400
AVG WT	4.81	3.34	7.46	5.17	6.46
TO-DATE/2000	5,111,111	64,400	47,447	111,847	14,672
TO-DATE/1999	5,005,658	70,830	45,199	116,029	14,578

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 157.2 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 160.5 million head or 3.3 million head more than or 102 percent of estimated fryers available.

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 26-Aug-00

CLASS	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	08/26/00(1)	08/19/00
-----THOUSAND HEAD-----		
BRO-FRY	160,470(2)	163,101
LT HENS	1,860	1,706
HVY HENS	1,542	1,591
TOTAL	163,872	166,398

(1)ESTIMATED

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 26-Aug-00 is 154.3 million head compared to 159.4 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 160.8 million head or 6.5 million more than estimated available. For week of 02-Sep-00 the estimated available is 151.1 million head.

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

WEEK ENDING	MILLION HEAD SLAUGHTERED	MILLION HEAD AVAILABLE	PCT	AVG WT
JULY	15	163.5	104	4.98
	22	160.1	158.1	4.92
	29	161.2	157.6	5.00
AUGUST	5	157.1	157.9	4.90
	12	163.3	158.6	5.01
	19	160.5	157.2	4.83
YEAR TO DATE	5175.7	5095.5	102	
AUGUST	26	154.3		
SEPTEMBER	2	151.1		

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

	Change from			
	21-Aug-00	14-Aug-00	14-Aug-00	23-Aug-99
	55.39	1.89	53.50	59.90

NUMBER OF LOADS 643

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 08/21-08/25/00.

	U.S. GRADE A			COMPOSITE	
	MAJ	WTD AVG	LDS	WTD AVG	LDS
Chicago	44.00-49.00	48.17	46	51.14	80
Los Angeles	65.00	62.86	68	60.90	141
New York	45.00-48.00	47.68	38	49.96	62

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/	74-76	76	76.00	20
CENTRAL REGION 4/	74	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	74-75	-	-	-

16-24 LB TOMS

EASTERN REGION	71-73	73	73.00	60
CENTRAL REGION	71	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	71	-	-	-

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 (INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	FREGS LBS	TURKS LBS	POP LBS
AM 21-Aug-00	4,041	171,859	80,393
AM 1-Aug-00	3,836	163,317	91,580
CHG	205	8542	-11187
PCT CHG	5	5	-12

HEN MARKETS

Cents Per Pound, Generally for slaughter the following week.

	HEAVY TYPE		
	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD. AVG
08/21/00			
Southeast	2-9.75(1)	2-6	4.90
Southeast	TFEWR(2)		
South Central	4-12(1)	5-7.5	6.04
08/18/00			
Eastern	0-0(1)		
Eastern	0-0 2)		
So. Central	TFEWR(2)		
No. Central	TFEWR(1)		
No. Central	0-.25(2)	0	

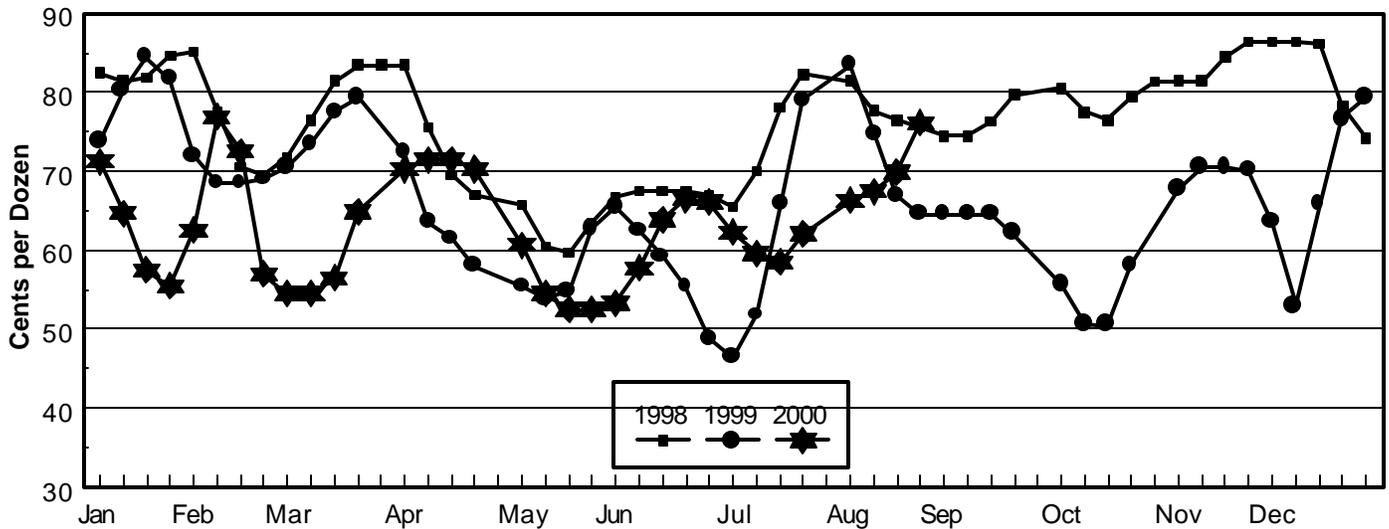
(1) At Farm Buyer Loading

(2) At Farm Producer Loading

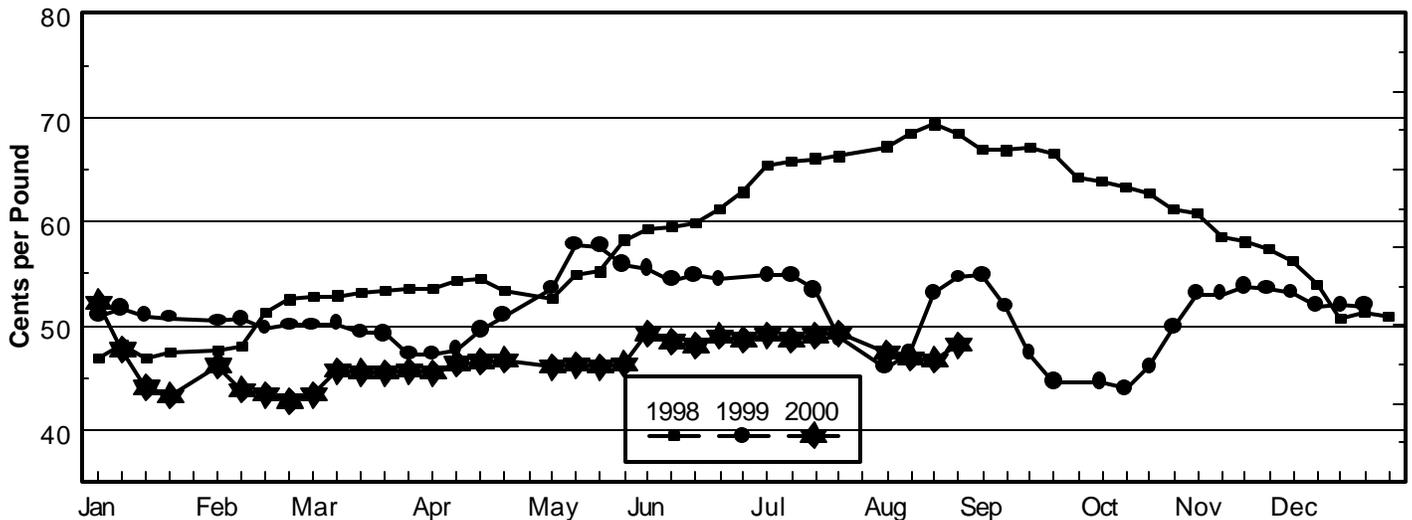
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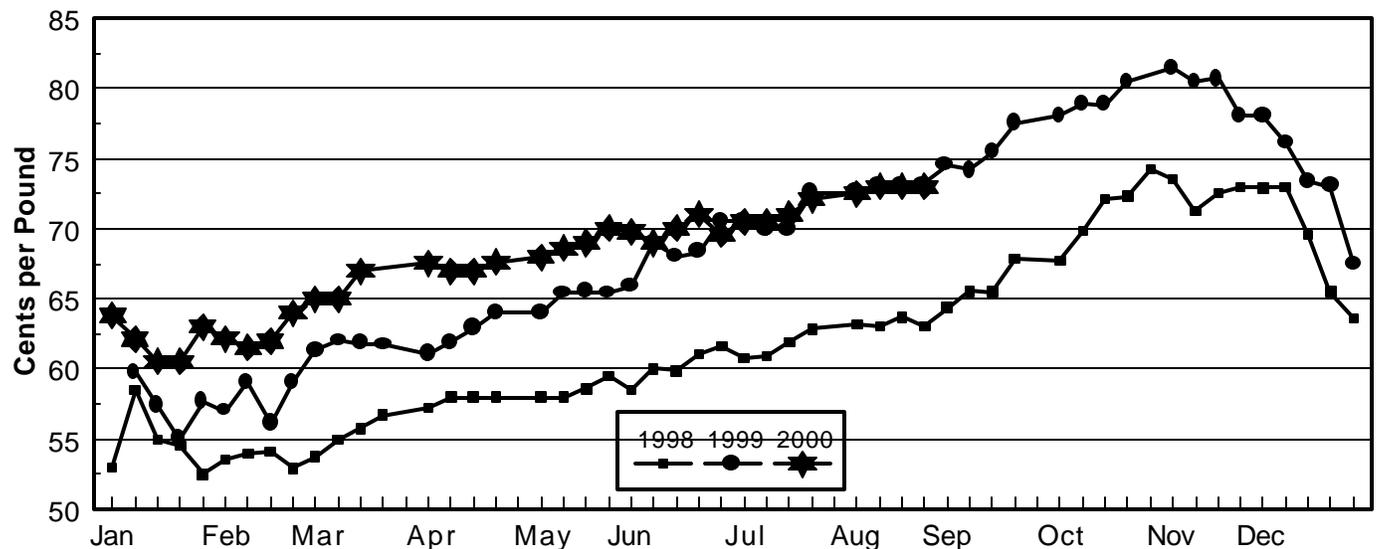
New York Large Egg Weekly Average Price, 1998, 1999, 2000



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.