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NATIONAL EGG REVIEW



Early in the week prices were generally unchanged. Throughout the week prices continued unchanged. Trade sentiment was generally steady. Demand ranged light to moderate, occasionally good where features were planned or in progress. Supplies were fully adequate to available. Nest run breaking stock prices were lower. Offerings were balanced to fully adequate with breakers in need bidding consistently lower values. Demand was moderate at best. Many breakers were reporting liquid business as heavy but usually from regular commitments and contractual agreements with spot trading of liquid quiet. Schedules mixed. Trade sentiment steady. Light type hens were sufficient for current processing 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)	93-95	88-90	62-64
New York	66-68	63-66	52-55
Philadelphia	64-67	62-65	51-52
SOUTHERN CITIES			
Atlanta (1) (2)	55-66	53-55	43-44
Jackson (1)	66-67	62-63	52-53
Major Louisiana Cities (1)	63-76	60-74	49-63
MIDWEST CITIES			
Chicago	53-58	52-57	44-49
Detroit (2)	50-53	49-52	40-43
Major Ohio Cities (2)	51-57.5	50-56	41-47
Major Wisconsin Cities	54-61	52-59	44-51
WESTERN CITIES			
Houston (1)	69-72	66-69	55-57
California(Grade AA)(1)(3)	92	82	76

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

SHELL EGGS-12 METRO AREA FOR WEEK ENDING 8-Sep-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	68.69	66.30	53.01
SOUTHERN	67.97	66.04	48.69
MIDWEST	58.58	57.39	44.79
WESTERN	88.39	81.44	69.86
TWELVE METRO AREAS	73.38	69.64	56.88

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

	09-12-00	09-05-00	09-14-99
Large	32-34	37-39	32-34
Medium	24-26	24-26	21-23

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT-AM Sep 11,2000
STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/
(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

		NO	SO	SO	5-Area		
		CENT	CENT	Atl	Pacific		
Jumbo	Curr Wk	10.1	11.4	5.8	12.9	8.5	48.7
	Change	0.8	-2.2	0.4	-0.3	-0.6	-4%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	17.5	44.8	11.7	29.3	20.5	123.8
	Change	-3.4	-2.1	-0.4	-4.0	-2.3	-9%
Large	Curr Wk	29.5	85.2	45.3	75.4	85.6	321.0
	Change	-0.6	-14.2	-9.8	-6.9	-3.0	-10%
Medium	Curr Wk	10.5	34.5	14.9	23.3	23.7	106.9
	Change	2.1	-0.6	3.2	0.5	4.3	10%
Small	Curr Wk	6.4	7.2	4.1	7.1	4.2	29.0
	Change	1.3	0.6	1.0	-2.0	-2.6	-6%
Misc	Curr Wk	3.9	19.6	5.8	10.1	4.7	44.1
	Change	-0.4	1.0	0.4	-4.0	-1.1	-9%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	21.6	53.4	22.0	27.4	35.9	160.3
	Change	1.6	7.3	6.4	-1.6	-4.1	6%
Total	Curr Wk	99.5	256.1	109.6	185.5	183.1	833.8
	Change	1%	-4%	1%	-9%	-5%	-4%
TOTAL		Number of	Percent	Number of			
		Cases	Change	Cooperators			

Shell Egg	833.8	-4%	172
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	435.9	2%	39

Total Shell Egg 1269.7 -2% 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.

The five inventory areas are identified as:
Northeast- CT, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT
North Central- IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI
South Central- AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX
South Atlantic- AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, WV
Pacific- AZ, CA, ID, MT, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY

EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION W/E 09-Sep-00

	W/E 09-Sep-00			W/E 09-Sep-00		
	(LBS IN THOUSANDS)	(EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)		(EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)		(EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)
	CASES	LIQUID	LIQUID	LIQUID	DRIED	INED.
	BROKEN	WHOLE	WHITE	YOLK		
CW	1,125,591	25,412	11,536	6,112	2,411	3,596
PW	1,222,309	*26,979	*12,464	6,648	2,699	*4,108
LY	1,094,416	25,837	9,768	5,500	2,359	3,481
% PW	-8	-6	-7	-8	-11	-12
% LY	3	-2	18	11	2	3
2000	41,993,260	*945,856	*424,745	228,518	103,835	*139,268
1999	39,579,243	912,836	378,975	206,583	93,304	125,050
AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE -						
	CURRENT	PREVIOUS	LAST			
	WEEK	WEEK	YEAR			
	41.45	41.07	40.74			

***Adjustments to Liquid whole, liquid white and inedible for previous week and year to date 2000.

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT REPORT FOR W/E 09-SEP-00
(RECEIPTS FROM PRODUCERS)

REGIONS	CASES (IN THOUS)	PERCENTCHANGE FROM	
		PW	LY
N. ATLANTIC	215.0	-3	-2
E.N. CENTRAL	458.8	-6	5
W.N. CENTRAL	246.0	-2	3
S. ATLANTIC	194.2	-1	6
S. CENTRAL	73.3	0	-5
WEST	189.8	1	-16
TOTAL	1,377.1	-3	0

MATCHED PLANTS REPORTING 92 92

STATE	Broiler Eggs Set in 15 Selected States		Broiler Chicks Placed in 15 Selected States	
	SEP 2	SEP 9	SEP 2	SEP 9
	Thousand			
AL	*28,588	27,567	*21,289	21,688
AR	30,063	28,958	24,394	24,832
DE	*3,935	3,445	*4,748	4,110
FL	2,676	2,527	2,026	2,294
GA	30,394	29,223	*23,916	24,494
MD	*7,448	7,773	*5,572	6,183
MS	17,874	17,170	15,068	14,789
NC	16,564	16,885	13,573	14,650
PA	*3,461	3,640	*2,624	2,386
SC	4,818	4,543	4,003	3,527
TX	14,221	14,035	11,113	11,196
VA	*6,040	5,873	*4,947	4,857
CA, TN, & WV	*10,240	10,400	*9,422	9,543
15 State Total	*176,322	172,039	*142,695	144,549
Previous Year	175,472	165,874	140,234	140,439
	100	104	102	103

*REVISED

BASED ON THE PRELIMINARY CHICK PLACEMENTS, THE NUMBER OF FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING DURING THE WEEK ENDING 21-Oct-00 IS ESTIMATED AT 148.6 MILLION HEAD. THIS COMPARES TO 148.0 MILLION HEAD THE PREVIOUS WEEK AND TO 148.5 MILLION HEAD THE SAME WEEK A YEAR AGO, WHEN THE SLAUGHTER WAS 155.2 MILLION HEAD AND THE 12-CITY WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE WAS 55.36 CENTS PER POUND.

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES- WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES

	(CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING WEEK OF 09/07/00-09/13/00						
	SE		NE		MW		
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W 1	—	39.00	40.50	42.33	41.50	39.00	34.00
GNR W 2	35.25	—	37.50	38.75	33.50	37.00	10.00
GNR W 3	—	—	29.25	30.50	29.00	—	5.00
GL W XL	43.28	45.00	44.50	46.50	40.95	39.50	22.75
GL W LG	41.50	44.00	39.50	43.67	40.48	—	35.00
GL W MD	—	—	34.68	36.25	31.00	38.00	16.50
GL W SM	19.00	22.50	21.10	22.65	—	—	6.00
NRBS - 50	—	—	28.20	29.80	—	38.50	3.25
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	32.60	34.30	24.00
NRBS - 45	—	—	—	—	—	34.50	4.00
NRBS - 39	—	—	—	—	17.50	22.75	6.00

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS W/E 09-SEP-00

SELECTED CONSUMING CENTERS	CW THOUSANDS	PW THOUSANDS	PERCENT CHG	
			PW	LY
ATLANTA	22.0	29.4	-25	14
BOSTON	4.1	5.0	-18	-16
CHICAGO	48.2	44.9	7	-12
DETROIT	25.2	26.6	-5	-18
KANSAS CITY	3.4	2.6	31	-63
LOS ANGELES	102.9	101.7	1	8
NEW ORLEANS	8.5	8.5	0	-29
NEW YORK	34.2	34.1	0	-6
ST. LOUIS	14.4	11.6	24	3
SAN FRANCISCO	21.8	21.0	4	0
TOTAL	284.7	285.4	0	-5
4 WK MVG AVG	282.1			

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING 09-SEP-2000

	YOUNG (A)		YOUNG		OLD TOTAL	
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS	BREEDERS	BREEDERS	BREEDERS
	-----THOUSANDS-----					
HEAD	2,043	2,414	37	30	4,524	
AVG WT	15.51	32.51	24.94	28.88	24.75	
LAST WEEK	2,373	2,864	89	23	5,349	
SAME WEEK YR AGO	3,963(B)		6	48	4,017	
AVG WT	25.92(B)		30.67	24.60	25.91	
TO-DATE/2000	168,116(B)		948	989	170,053	
TO-DATE/1999	171,898(B)		546	1,291	173,735	

(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					
	---YOUNG TURKEYS---			FRYER RSTR	OLD BAND	TOTAL TKY AVG
	THOUSAND	PW	AVG			
	-----THOUSAND HEAD-----					
N EAST	805	-9	22.11	(A)	(A)	811 22.11
S ATL	792	-9	25.85	(A)	(A)	798 25.85
N CENT	1,923	-19	27.52	(A)	(A)	1,929 27.52
S CENT	463	-29	19.08	(A)	(A)	469 19.08
WEST	511	-8	21.62	(A)	(A)	517 21.62
U.S.TOTAL	4,494(B)	-16	24.72	0	30	4,524 24.72
TO DATE						
2000	168,898(B)		166,989			170,053
TO DATE						
1999	172,389(B)		551,291			173,735

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.
(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: for the week 89,000 for the year 911,000; last year to date 540,000.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 09-Sep-2000 (PRELIMINARY)

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
	-----THOUSANDS-----				
HEAD	134,859(A)	1,489	1,296	2,785	495
AVG WT	4.87	3.51	7.97	5.59	6.31
LAST WEEK	157,965	1,827	1,570	3,397	404
YR AGO	135,122	1,583	1,368	2,951	413
AVG WT	4.91	3.35	8.20	5.59	6.59
TO-DATE/2000	5,564,581	69,539	51,624	121,163	16,005
TO-DATE/1999	5,454,249	76,108	49,635	125,743	15,867

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 148.8 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 136.5 million head or 12.3 million head less than or 92 percent of estimated fryers available.

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 16-Sep-00

CLASS	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	09/16/00(1)	09/09/00
	----- THOUSAND HEAD -----	
BRO-FRY	158,105(2)	137,735
LT HENS	1,738	1,490
HVY HENS	1,577	1,340
TOTAL	161,420	140,565

(1) ESTIMATED

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 16-Sep-00 is 149.4 million head compared to 154.2 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 158.4 million head or 9.0 million more than estimated available. For week of 23-Sep-00 the estimated available is 150.2 million head.

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

WEEK ENDING	MILLION HEAD		PCT	AVG WT
	SLAUGHTERED	AVAILABLE		
AUGUST				
	5	157.1	99	4.90
	12	163.3	103	5.01
	19	160.5	102	4.83
	26	162.6	105	4.91
SEPTEMBER				
	2	159.9	106	4.80
	9	136.5	92	4.87
YEAR TO DATE		5634.7	5549.7	102
SEPTEMBER				
	16		149.4	
	23		150.2	

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

	Change from			
	11-Sep-00	4-Sep-00	4-Sep-00	13-Sep-99
	58.38	0.04	58.34	57.83

NUMBER OF LOADS 685

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 09/11-09/15/00.

	U.S. GRADE A			COMPOSITE	
	MAJ	WTD AVG	LDS	WTD AVG	LDS
Chicago	49.00-54.00	52.89	48	55.03	85
Los Angeles	67.00	66.03	56	60.66	191
New York	50.00-53.00	51.96	27	56.48	62

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/				
8-16 LB HENS				
EASTERN REGION 3/	75-78	76	76.00	160
CENTRAL REGION 4/	75-76	75.5	75.50	40
WESTERN REGION 5/	75-77	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS				
EASTERN REGION	72-75	72	72.00	60
CENTRAL REGION	71-73	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	72-74	-	-	-

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 11-Sep-00	4,129	160,112	76,914
AM 1-Aug-00	4,051	167,385	75,915
CHG	78	-7273	999
PCT CHG	2	-4	1

HEN MARKETS

Cents Per Pound, Generally for slaughter the following week.

HEAVY TYPE			
	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD. AVG
09/11/00			
Southeast	1-9.75(1)	2-6	4.71
Southeast	TFEWR(2)		
South Central	3-9.5(1)	5-7	6.50
09/08/00			
LIGHT TYPE			
Eastern	0-0(1)		
Eastern	0-0(2)		
So. Central	TFEWR(2)		
No. Central	TFEWR(1)		
No. Central	0-.25(2)		

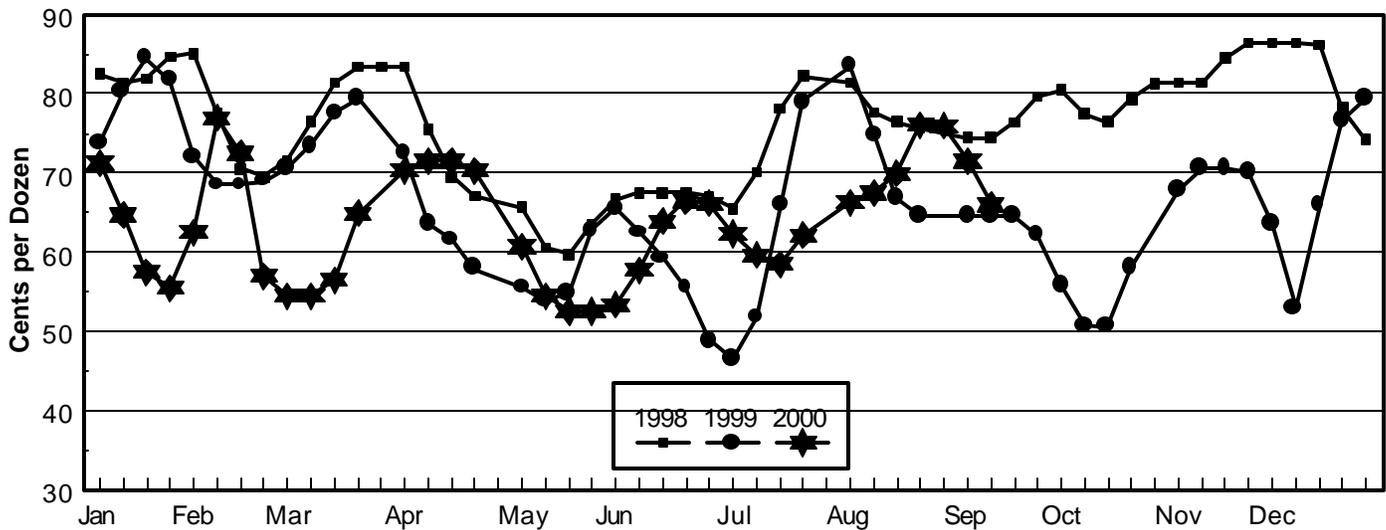
(1) At Farm Buyer Loading

(2) At Farm Producer Loading

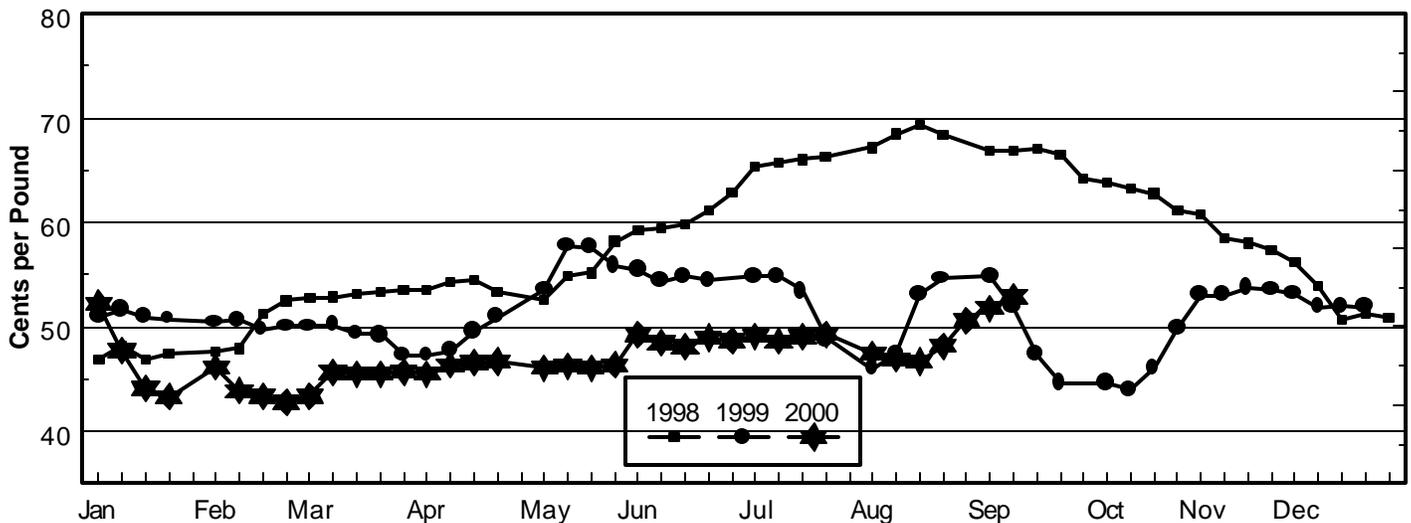
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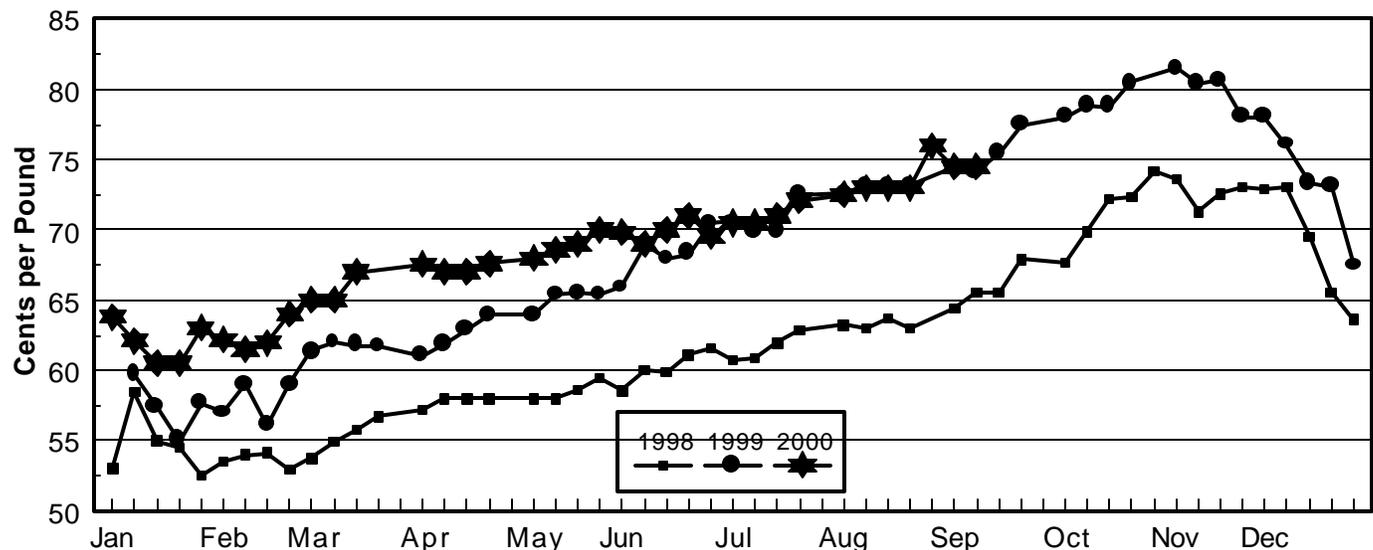
New York Large Egg Weekly Average Price, 1998, 1999, 2000



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.