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Early week prices were unchanged to higher in all areas. Through out the week prices in California and Boston were unchanged. In most other locations, prices were higher on the larger sizes and unchanged on the lighter weight eggs. The market tone ranged steady to firm, mostly fully steady. Demand was light to moderate and was best where features were available. Supplies were adequate to in close balance. Nest run breaking stock prices unchanged with nest run mostly prices 1 cent higher. Trading and demand was slow to moderate. Offerings continued tight to adequate with product still being diverted into grading channels. Most breakers worked from regular commitments and company owned production. Floor stocks were in very close balance to instances adequate. Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady. Light type fowl were adequate to fully adequate for current 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)	102-107	99-104	68-72
New York	83-85	80-83	71-74
Philadelphia	73-83	71-81	66-71
SOUTHERN CITIES			
Atlanta (1) (2)	70-71	68.5-70	66-67
Jackson (1)	78-79	77-78	70-71
Major Louisiana Cities (1)	83-92	82-90	75-81
MIDWEST CITIES			
Chicago	71-76	70-75	63-68
Detroit (2)	64-67	63-66	57-60
Major Ohio Cities (2)	65-71	64-69	58-64
Major Wisconsin Cities	68-75	66-73	61-68
WESTERN CITIES			
Houston (1)	85-89	83-86	73-75
California(Grade AA)(1)(3)	106	98	90

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

SHELL EGGS-12 METRO AREA FOR WEEK ENDING 27-Oct-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	75.56	73.18	67.58
SOUTHERN	75.29	73.37	60.29
MIDWEST	66.55	65.30	57.56
WESTERN	96.58	89.92	79.35
TWELVE METRO AREAS	81.06	77.40	68.90

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

	10-31-00	10-24-00	11-02-99
Large	46-48	44-46	41-43
Medium	41-43	36-38	30-32

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT-AM Oct 30, 2000

STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/
(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

		NO		SO		5-Area	
		Cent	Cent	Atl	Pacific		
Jumbo	Curr Wk	9.9	15.9	10.0	14.3	8.0	58.1
	Change	-0.1	-3.4	0.3	-2.0	-1.4	-10%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	27.2	39.7	14.5	31.4	21.5	134.3
	Change	4.5	-2.9	1.5	3.5	-0.2	5%
Large	Curr Wk	55.6	96.2	63.6	86.3	96.2	397.9
	Change	4.6	0.1	4.9	7.0	5.6	6%
Medium	Curr Wk	11.3	31.9	15.0	19.8	21.6	99.6
	Change	2.5	4.1	2.4	2.0	0.8	13%
Small	Curr Wk	2.5	8.5	3.0	6.9	6.8	27.7
	Change	-0.7	1.0	0.0	1.2	1.6	13%
Misc	Curr Wk	6.0	17.7	8.1	11.8	4.9	48.5
	Change	0.0	1.8	0.5	0.2	1.0	8%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	34.9	36.8	15.2	23.5	39.5	149.9
	Change	4.2	-5.6	-2.6	-4.6	1.4	-5%
Total	Curr Wk	147.4	246.7	129.4	194.0	198.5	916.0
	Change	11%	-2%	6%	4%	5%	4%

TOTAL Number of Cases Percent Change Number of Cooperators

Shell Egg	916.0	4%	171
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	392.4	4%	39

Total Shell Egg 1308.4 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.

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 28-Oct-00

(LBS IN THOUSANDS)

(EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)

	CASES BROKEN	LIQUID WHOLE	LIQUID WHITE	LIQUID YOLK	DRIED	INED.
CW	1,193,620	28,468	11,128	5,929	2,257	4,108
PW	1,204,941	28,243	11,785	6,404	2,164	3,999
LY	1,147,221	26,704	10,569	6,307	2,298	3,744
% PW	-1	1	-6	-7	4	3
% LY	4	7	5	-6	-2	10
2000	50,397,537	1,140,329	506,611	271,976	120,947	167,783
1999	48,030,174	1,107,665	458,616	250,745	111,064	152,084

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE -

	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK	LAST YEAR
	41.58	41.85	41.25

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT REPORT

28-Oct-00

(RECEIPTS FROM PRODUCERS)

REGIONS	CASES (IN THOUS)	PERCENT CHANGE FROM	
		PW	LY
N. ATLANTIC	213.7	1	-8
E.N. CENTRAL	479.4	-3	-1
W.N. CENTRAL	248.5	1	5
S. ATLANTIC	193.9	-2	3
S. CENTRAL	81.7	5	9
WEST	203.0	1	-4
TOTAL	1420.2	-1	0

MATCHED PLANTS REPORTING

91 88

STATE	<u>Broiler Eggs Set in 15 Selected States</u>		<u>Broiler Chicks Placed in 15 Selected States</u>	
	Oct 21 2000	Oct 28 2000	Oct 21 2000	Oct 28 2000
AL	26,710	25,680	20,911	19,822
AR	27,869	25,438	21,373	21,456
DE	3,617	3,574	4,733	4,565
FL	2,500	2,368	2,470	2,384
GA	29,351	27,577	24,234	24,590
MD	7,968	8,264	5,057	5,229
MS	15,424	14,991	14,761	14,982
NC	15,657	16,293	14,277	13,294
PA	*3,135	3,164	*2,668	2,720
SC	*4,668	4,702	4,229	4,431
TX	13,043	11,826	11,197	11,532
VA	*7,194	5,679	*5,704	4,676
CA, TN, & WV	9,629	10,525	9,050	8,768
15 State Total	*166,765	160,081	*140,664	138,449
Previous Year	164,659	169,328	138,831	133,415
Pct. of Prev.	101	95	101	104

BASED ON THE PRELIMINARY CHICK PLACEMENTS, THE NUMBER OF FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING DURING THE WEEK ENDING 9-Dec-00 IS ESTIMATED AT 144.4 MILLION HEAD. THIS COMPARES TO 142.5 MILLION HEAD THE PREVIOUS WEEK AND TO 143.6 MILLION HEAD THE SAME WEEK A YEAR AGO, WHEN THE SLAUGHTER WAS 155.9 MILLION HEAD AND THE 12-CITY WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE WAS 58.62 CENTS PER POUND.

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES - WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES

(CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING WEEK OF 10/26/00-11/01/00

	SE		NE		MW		LOADS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W 1	52.25	59.67	56.43	54.50	59.94	—	32.25
GNR W 2	51.00	55.00	50.50	52.00	53.79	59.63	11.00
GNR W 3	—	—	—	—	51.71	52.83	7.75
GNR BR 1	—	—	54.50	56.00	—	—	2.00
GL W XL	54.00	—	56.00	62.86	59.25	57.50	18.00
GL W LG	—	64.06	59.13	61.63	60.19	—	44.25
GL W MD	—	—	54.26	56.40	57.17	59.00	17.75
GL W SM	29.25	31.00	27.00	28.00	—	—	3.00
NRBS - 50	—	—	44.50	46.00	—	—	1.00
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	46.50	48.67	25.00
NRBS - 42	—	—	—	—	—	33.50	8.00
NRBS - 39	—	—	—	—	—	36.50	8.00

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS

W/E 28-Oct-00

SELECTED CONSUMING CENTERS	CW THOUSANDS	PW	PCT CHG	
			PW	LY
ATLANTA	22.4	22.8	-2	-24
BOSTON	4.5	4.5	0	15
CHICAGO	48.7	41.9	16	21
DETROIT	27.6	23.5	17	9
KANSAS CITY	5.0	6.1	-18	32
LOS ANGELES	110.3	107.9	2	24
NEW ORLEANS	10.2	10.8	-6	13
NEW YORK	34.1	33.3	2	-4
ST. LOUIS	13.7	13.9	-1	-11
SAN FRANCISCO	21.4	21.1	1	14
TOTAL	297.9	285.8	4	10
4 WK MVG AVG	296.5			

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING 28-Oct-2000

HENS	YOUNG (A)		YOUNG OLD TOTAL	
	TOMS	BREEDERS	THOUSANDS	
HEAD	2,719	3,056	81	2 5,858
AVG WT	16.51	31.83	24.48	23.04 24.61
LAST WEEK	2,566	2,971	68	22 5,627
YR AGO	5,685	(B)	18	46 5,749
AVG WT	24.98	(B)	24.89	25.33 24.98
TO-DATE/2000	208,206	(B)	1,438	1,142 210,786
TO-DATE/1999	207,377	(B)	653	1,596 209,626

(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 PLANTSBY GEOGRAPHICAL AREAS WEEK ENDING 28-Oct-2000
(PRELIMINARY) (RELEASED 12:00 NOON CENTRAL TIME)

	—YOUNG TURKEYS—			FRYER RSTR	OLD BANDED	TOTAL AVG
	THOUSAND	% CHG	AVG			
	HEAD	PW	WT	---THOUSAND HEAD---		
N EAST	1,026	13	21.50	(A)	(A)	1,027 21.50
S ATL	860	-2	26.16	(A)	(A)	861 26.16
N CENT	2,563	0	27.15	NONE	(A)	2,563 27.15
S CENT	616	-3	20.38	NONE	(A)	616 20.38
WEST	791	29	22.05	NONE	(A)	791 22.05
U.S.TOTAL	5,856(B)	4	24.61	0	2	5,858 24.61
TO DATE						
2000	209,478(B)			166	1,142	210,786
TO DATE						
1999	207,975(B)			55	1,596	209,626

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: for the week 81,000 for the year 1,438,000; last year to date 653,000.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 28-Oct-2000 (PRELIMINARY)

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
-----THOUSANDS-----					
HEAD	153,982(A)	1,829	1,492	3,321	383
AVG WT	5.14	3.44	7.95	5.47	6.80
LAST WEEK	156,273	1,463	1,813	3,276	470
YR AGO	152,012	2,024	1,581	3,605	446
AVG WT	4.97	3.40	7.93	5.38	6.76
TO-DATE/2000	6,650,638	81,624	62,695	144,319	19,210
TO-DATE/1999	6,528,907	89,552	60,983	150,535	18,996

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 151.9 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 155.9 million head or 4.0 million head more than or 103 percent of estimated fryers available.

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 04-Nov-00

CLASS	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	11/04/00(1)	10/28/00
----- THOUSAND HEAD -----		
BRO-FRY	159,331(2)	160,185
LT HENS	1,890	1,749
HVY HENS	1,432	1,509
TOTAL	162,653	163,443

(1) ESTIMATED

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 04-Nov-00 is 150.2 million head compared to 156.6 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 159.7 million head or 9.5 million more than estimated available. For week of 11-Nov-00 the estimated available is 147.1 million head.

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

WEEK ENDING	MILLION HEAD SLAUGHTERED	MILLION HEAD AVAILABLE	PCT	AVG WT
SEPTEMBER 23	157.0	150.2	105	5.03
30	157.3	150.2	105	4.96
OCTOBER 7	155.8	150.9	103	5.16
14	152.3	150.8	101	5.07
21	158.2	151.5	104	4.97
28	155.9	151.9	103	5.14
YEAR TO DATE	6734.0	6604.6	102	
NOVEMBER 4		150.2		
11		147.1		

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

	Change from		
30-Oct-00	23-Oct-00	23-Oct-00	1-Nov-99
58.23	0.40	57.83	58.81
NUMBER OF LOADS	633		

RTC BROILER/FRYERS MONTHLY AVERAGE PRICE

MONTH	WEIGHTED AVERAGE	LOADS
OCTOBER	57.22	2756.20

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 10/30-11/03/00.

	U.S. GRADE A			COMPOSITE	
	MAJ	WTD AVG	LDS	WTD AVG	LDS
Chicago	47.00-51.00	51.24	46	54.28	87
Los Angeles	66.00	63.70	71	62.70	127
New York	50.00-53.00	51.77	26	56.86	63

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/	80-81	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	79-80	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	80-81	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS				
EASTERN REGION	74-76	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	71.5-74	73-74	73.11	90
WESTERN REGION	73-76	-	-	-

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 30-Oct-00	4,390	151,731	72,326
AM 1-Oct-00	4,215	156,571	69,164
CHG	175	-4840	3162
PCT CHG	4	-3	5

HEN MARKETS

Cents Per Pound, Generally for slaughter the following week.

	HEAVY TYPE		
	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD. AVG
10/30/00			
Southeast	3-9.5(1)	3.5-6	4.96
Southeast	TFEWR(2)		
South Central	4-10(1)	5-6	5.53
10/20/00	LIGHT TYPE		
Eastern	0-0(1)		
Eastern	0-0(2)		
So. Central	TFEWR(2)		
No. Central	TFEWR(1)		
No. Central	0-.25(2)	.25	

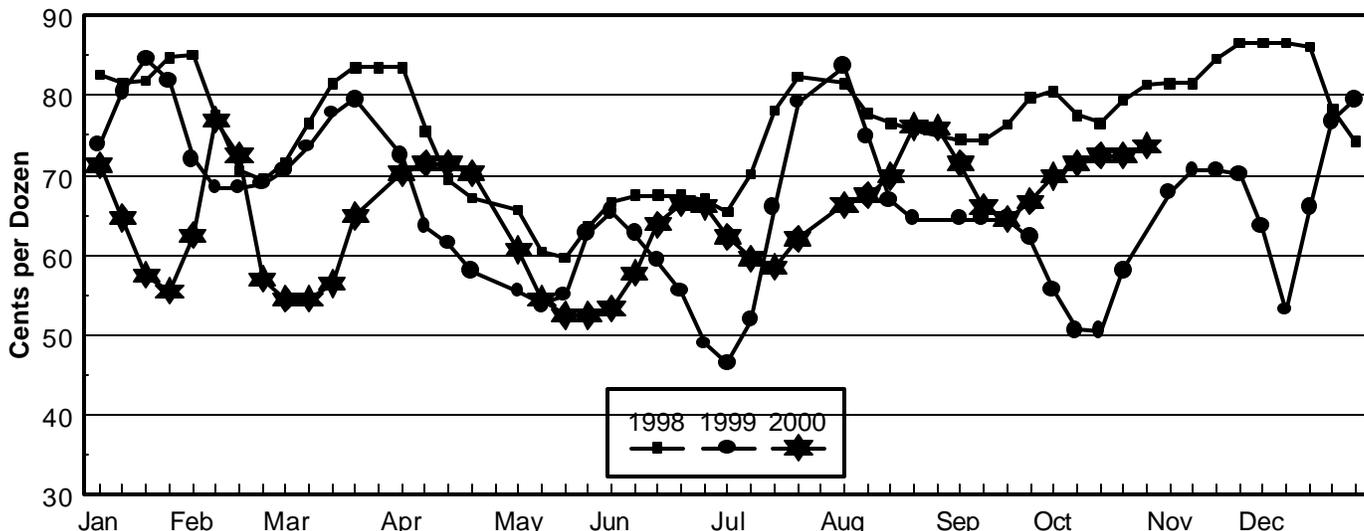
(1) At Farm Buyer Loading

(2) At Farm Producer Loading

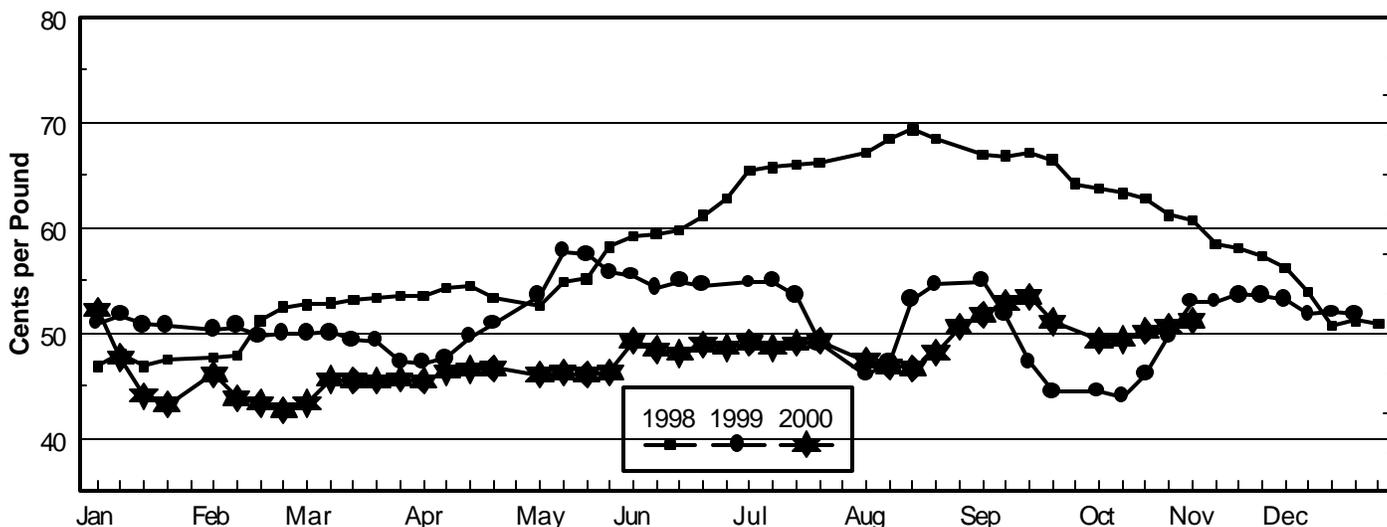
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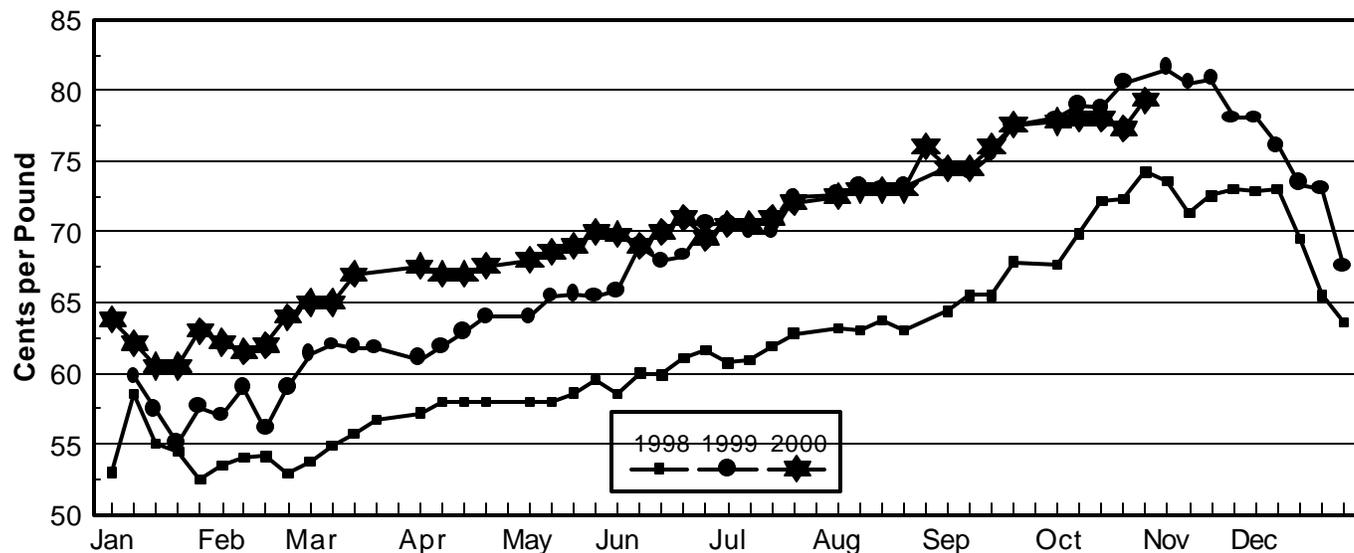
New York Large Egg Weekly Average Price, 1998, 1999, 2000



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.