



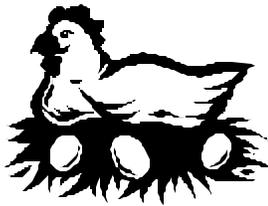
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Early week prices in New York were unchanged. In most other locations prices were lower on all sizes. Throughout the week prices were higher in Boston for larger sizes and unchanged on the balance. In most other areas, prices were unchanged. The market tone was mostly steady. Demand into all channels was light to good, best into feature activity. Supplies of white eggs were adequate to fully adequate and brown eggs were short with some resistance to paying premiums. Central States breaking stock prices were all higher. Demand continued at a moderate pace with offerings of heavy nest runs usually adequate for needs and held with increasing confidence. Floor stocks mixed from balanced to fully adequate. Trade sentiment fully steady. Light type hens were sufficient for slaughter 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)	110-117	101-108	79-81
New York	73-75	70-73	63-66
Philadelphia	71-77.5	69-75.5	62-66.5
SOUTHERN CITIES			
Atlanta (1) (2)	64-65	62.5-64	58-59
Jackson (1)	72-73	71-72	67-68
Major Louisiana Cities (1)	68-83	67-81	59-73
MIDWEST CITIES			
Chicago	61-66	60-65	52-57
Detroit (2)	58-61	57-60	48-51
Major Ohio Cities (2)	59-65	58-63	49-55
Major Wisconsin Cities	62-69	60-67	52-59
WESTERN CITIES			
Houston (1)	76-79	73-75	65-67
California (Grade AA)(1)(3)	99	91	87

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

SHELL EGGS-12 METRO AREA FOR WEEK ENDING 12-Jan-01
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	79.65	76.16	68.95
SOUTHERN	83.99	82.28	70.13
MIDWEST	74.23	71.14	61.66
WESTERN	103.46	95.93	92.10
TWELVE METRO AREAS	87.43	82.65	75.79

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

	01-16-01	01-09-01	01-18-00
Large	40-42	53-55	34-36
Medium	31-33	41-43	27-29

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT-AM Jan 15, 2001
STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/
(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

		NO	SO	SO	5-Area		
		CENT	CENT	Atl	Pacific		
Jumbo	Curr Wk	8.8	25.0	5.2	12.1	8.3	59.4
	Change	1.3	3.1	-1.1	-1.5	-1.4	1%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	26.0	52.1	12.2	27.3	20.2	137.8
	Change	3.8	3.4	0.2	-0.6	-2.9	3%
Large	Curr Wk	43.3	113.4	53.4	63.4	74.6	348.1
	Change	2.8	0.4	3.2	-2.7	-19.2	-4%
Medium	Curr Wk	10.1	27.0	14.1	15.8	17.4	84.4
	Change	1.0	2.0	0.6	0.5	-1.3	3%
Small	Curr Wk	4.4	5.4	4.9	7.8	4.8	27.3
	Change	1.2	-0.4	1.0	2.4	-0.5	16%
Misc	Curr Wk	6.6	18.5	7.4	11.8	3.4	47.7
	Change	0.8	-4.7	-1.6	-2.0	-2.4	-17%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	32.1	69.8	21.5	21.0	35.4	179.8
	Change	-0.1	1.3	1.9	-0.7	-3.6	-1%
Total	Curr Wk	131.3	311.2	118.7	159.2	164.1	884.5
	Change	9%	2%	4%	-3%	-16%	-2%

TOTAL Number of Cases Percent Change Number of Cooperators

Shell Egg	884.5	-2%	171
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	395.3	-3%	39
Total Shell Egg	1279.8	-2%	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 13-Jan-01

(LBS IN THOUSANDS) (EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)

	CASES		LIQUID	LIQUID	LIQUID	DRIED	INED.
	BROKEN	WHOLE	WHITE	YOLK			
CW	1,142,477	25,104	11,815	6,281	2,735	4,225	
PW	1,017,503	23,386	9,695	5,363	2,425	3,603	
LY	1,149,885	25,477	12,180	6,673	2,985	3,748	
% PW	12	7	22	17	13	17	
% LY	-1	-1	-3	-6	-8	13	
2001	2,159,980	48,490	21,510	11,644	5,160	7,828	
2000	2,315,517	52,631	23,034	13,056	5,854	7,841	

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE -
CURRENT PREVIOUS LAST
WEEK WEEK YEAR
 41.51 41.32 41.81

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT REPORT W/E 13-Jan-01

(RECEIPTS FROM PRODUCERS)

REGIONS	CASES	PERCENT CHANGE FROM	
	(IN THOUS)	PW	LY
N. ATLANTIC	221.6	0	-5
E.N. CENTRAL	512.1	5	5
W.N. CENTRAL	267.1	4	9
S. ATLANTIC	205.5	2	3
S. CENTRAL	77.8	-4	9
WEST	209.3	2	-1
TOTAL	1,493.4	3	3

MATCHED PLANTS REPORTING 90 90

STATE	Broiler Eggs Set in 15 Selected States		Broiler Chicks Placed in 15 Selected States	
	Jan 06	Jan 13	Jan 06	Jan 13
	Thousand			
AL	*27,614	27,945	*21,244	21,435
AR	29,608	28,905	21,817	23,255
DE	4,103	4,021	*4,691	4,989
FL	2,234	2,585	2,373	2,402
GA	30,745	30,833	*24,353	24,215
MD	*8,140	8,448	*5,690	5,441
MS	*18,136	18,109	15,240	15,332
NC	17,526	17,833	14,383	14,634
PA	*3,678	3,517	*2,615	2,724
SC	4,826	4,713	3,793	3,836
TX	14,447	14,380	11,328	11,285
VA	6,385	6,404	4,825	5,033
CA, TN, & WV	*11,003	11,291	10,136	9,328
15 State Total	*178,445	178,984	*142,488	143,909
Previous Year	181,901	180,679	144,090	144,745
Pct. of Prev.	98	99	99	99

BASED ON THE PRELIMINARY CHICK PLACEMENTS, THE NUMBER OF FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING DURING THE WEEK ENDING 24-Feb-01 IS ESTIMATED AT 148.1 MILLION HEAD. THIS COMPARES TO 145.6 MILLION HEAD THE PREVIOUS WEEK AND TO 152.5 MILLION HEAD THE SAME WEEK A YEAR AGO, WHEN THE SLAUGHTER WAS 157.1 MILLION HEAD AND THE 12-CITY WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE WAS 52.67 CENTS PER POUND.

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES- WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES
(CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING WEEK OF 01/11/01-01/17/01

	SE		NE		MW		LOADS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
	GNR W 1	45.25	50.59	45.00	47.60	47.00	
GNR W 2	—	—	—	—	—	—	4.00
GNR W 3	—	—	27.00	29.00	40.00	32.50	7.00
GNR W 4	—	29.75	—	—	27.67	—	3.00
GL W XL	43.50	53.00	53.50	54.42	47.73	—	19.00
GL W LG	—	58.00	50.63	52.50	42.14	—	25.00
GL W MD	—	50.00	42.00	44.00	41.13	46.00	17.75
NRBS - 50	—	—	43.50	45.00	—	39.50	10.00
NRBS - 48	—	—	35.00	—	29.25	36.00	54.00

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS W/E 13-Jan-01

SELECTED CONSUMING CENTERS	CW THOUSANDS	PW THOUSANDS	PCT CHG	
			PW	LY
ATLANTA	23.9	23.9	0	-9
BOSTON	3.9	5.0	-22	26
CHICAGO	48.7	57.4	-15	-16
DETROIT	28.8	30.0	-4	4
KANSAS CITY	5.1	4.0	28	143
LOS ANGELES	122.0	111.2	10	30
NEW ORLEANS	8.0	8.3	-4	-14
NEW YORK	31.3	29.3	7	-15
ST. LOUIS	14.6	13.6	7	-16
SAN FRANCISCO	23.2	21.0	10	6
TOTAL	309.5	303.7	2	4
4 WK MVG AVG	313.0			

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING 13-Jan-2001

	YOUNG (A)		YOUNG	OLD	TOTAL
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS		
	-----THOUSANDS-----				
HEAD	1,918	2,674	18	11	4,621
AVG WT	15.43	35.83	26.91	25.90	27.30
LAST WEEK	1,693	2,271	21	1	3,986
SAME WK YR AGO	5,058(A)		0	71	5,129
AVG WT	27.51(A)		0.00	25.07	27.06
TO-DATE/2001	8,556(A)		39	12	8,607
TO-DATE/2000	8,603(A)		2	91	8,696

(A) 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 13-Jan-2001
(PRELIMINARY) (RELEASED 12:00 NOON CENTRAL TIME)

	—YOUNG TURKEYS—		OLD	TOTAL TURKEYS	
	THOUSAND	% CHG	BANDED	AVG	AVG
	HEAD	PW	LIVE WT-THOUSAND	HEAD- LIVE WT	
N EAST	816	22	22.31 (A)	818	22.31
S ATL	793	4	29.82 (A)	795	29.82
N CENT	1,980	16	31.34 (A)	1,983	31.34
S CENT	693	26	21.11 (A)	695	21.11
WEST	328	12	22.42 (A)	330	22.42
U.S.TOTAL	4,610(B)	16	27.31	4,621	27.31
TO DATE					
2001	8,595(B)		12	8,607	
TO DATE					
2000	8,605(B)		91	8,696	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 18,000 for the year 39,000,000; last year to 2,000.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 13-Jan-2001 (PRELIMINARY)

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
-----THOUSANDS-----					
HEAD	157,211 (A)	1,971	1,245	3,216	437
AVG WT	5.09	3.46	7.58	5.05	6.54
LAST WEEK	126,812	1,361	772	2,133	487
YR AGO	156,486	2,149	1,283	3,432	575
AVG WT	5.10	3.35	8.01	5.09	6.87
TO-DATE/2001	284,023	3,332	2,017	5,349	924
TO-DATE/2000	312,073	4,156	2,909	7,065	1,037

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 147.6 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 159.1 million head or 11.5 million head more than or 108 percent of estimated fryers available.

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 20-Jan-01

CLASS	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	01/20/01(1)	01/13/01
-----THOUSAND HEAD-----		
BRO-FRY	148,446(2)	156,754
LT HENS	1,729	1,908
HVY HENS	1,357	1,276
TOTAL	151,532	159,938

(1)ESTIMATED

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 20-Jan-01 is 147.6 million head compared to 158.4 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 148.7 million head or 1.1 million more than estimated available. For week of 27-Jan-01 the estimated available is 151.9 million head.

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

WEEK ENDING	MILLION HEAD		PCT	AVG WT
	SLAUGHTERED	AVAILABLE		
DECEMBER 9	153.6	148.2	104	5.17
16	150.3	146.1	103	5.18
23	150.1	141.3	106	5.14
30	117.9	137.1	86	4.87
JANUARY 6	126.8	139.4	91	5.17
13	159.1	147.6	108	5.09
YEAR TO DATE	287.5	287.0	100	
JANUARY 20		151.9		
27		152.3		

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

	Change from			
15-Jan-01	08-Jan-01	08-Jan-01	17-Jan-00	
56.29	-1.14	57.43	53.73	

NUMBER OF LOADS 618

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 01/15-01/20/01.

	U.S. GRADE A		COMPOSITE	
	MAJ	WTD AVG	LDS	WTD AVG
Chicago	47.00-51.00	50.15	46	52.55
Los Angeles	66.00	64.13	62	60.22
New York	48.00-50.00	48.57	28	52.74

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/	60-62	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	58-61	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	61-62	-	-	-

16-24 LB TOMS

EASTERN REGION	59-61	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	58-61	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	60-61	-	-	-

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 15-Jan-01	3,492	82,572	69,464
AM 1-Jan-01	4,221	68,786	74,663
CHG	-729	13786	-5199
PCT CHG	-17	20	-7

HEN MARKETS

Final Price, Cents Per LB., Generally for slaughter the week of.

01/15/01	HEAVY TYPE		
	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD. AVG
Southeast	5-11(1)	6-9	7.81
Southeast	TFEWR(2)		
South Central	6-12.25(1)	8-10	8.60

Cents Per Pound, Generally for slaughter the following week.

01/12/01	LIGHT TYPE		
Eastern	0-0(1)		
Eastern	0-0 2)		
So. Central	TFEWR(2)		
No. Central	TFEWR(1)		
No. Central	0-.25(2)	0	

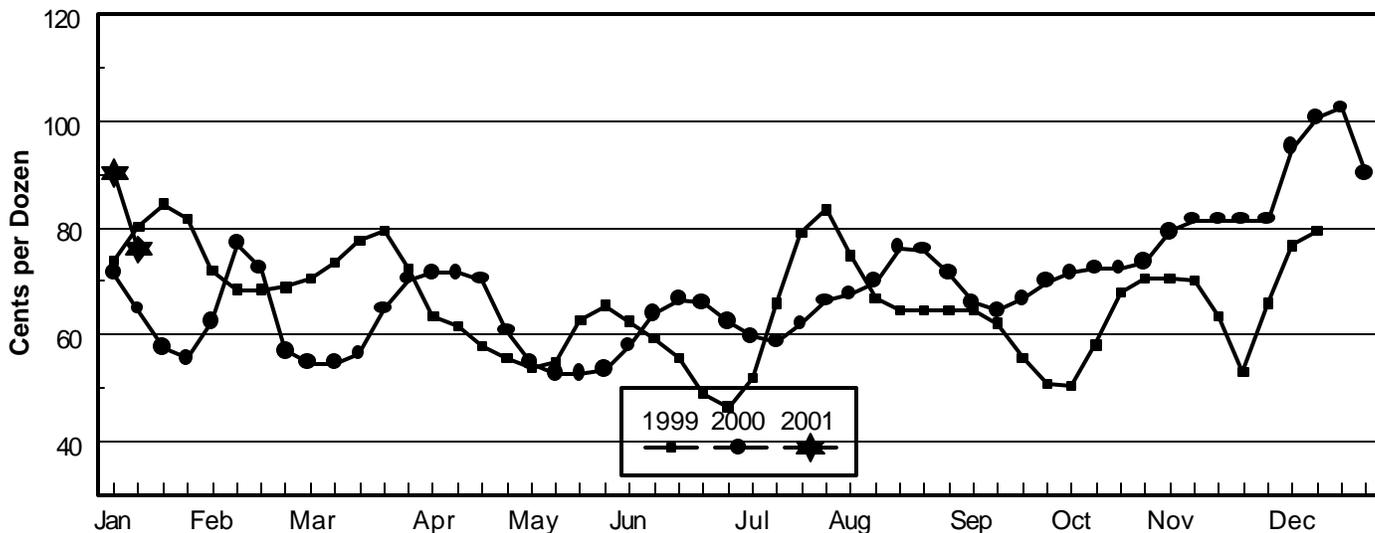
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(2) At Farm Producer Loading

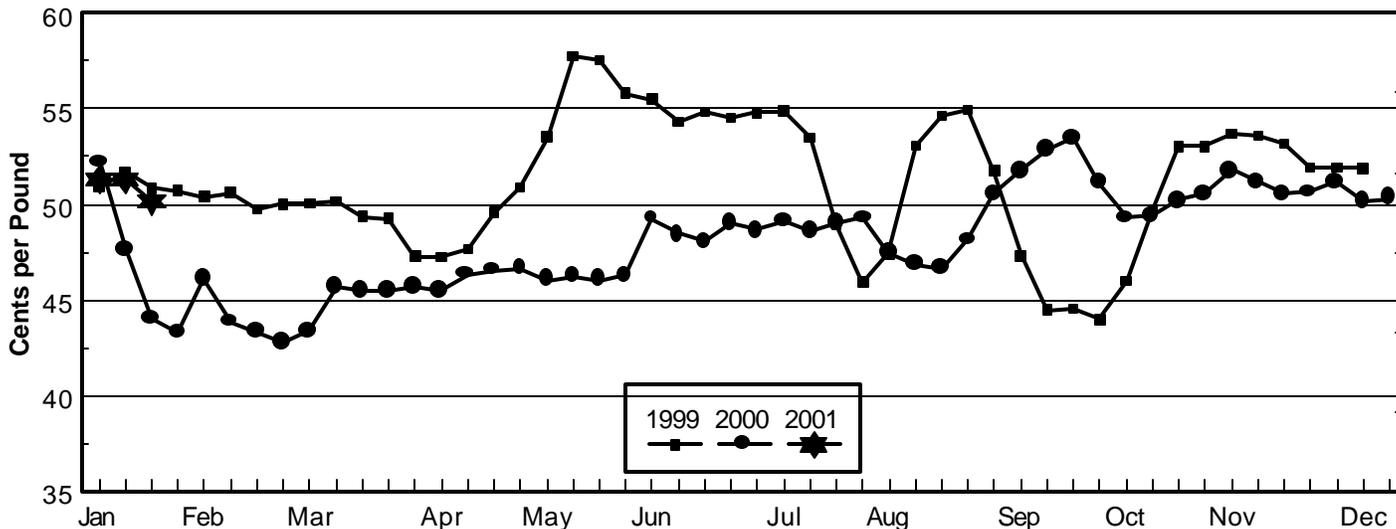
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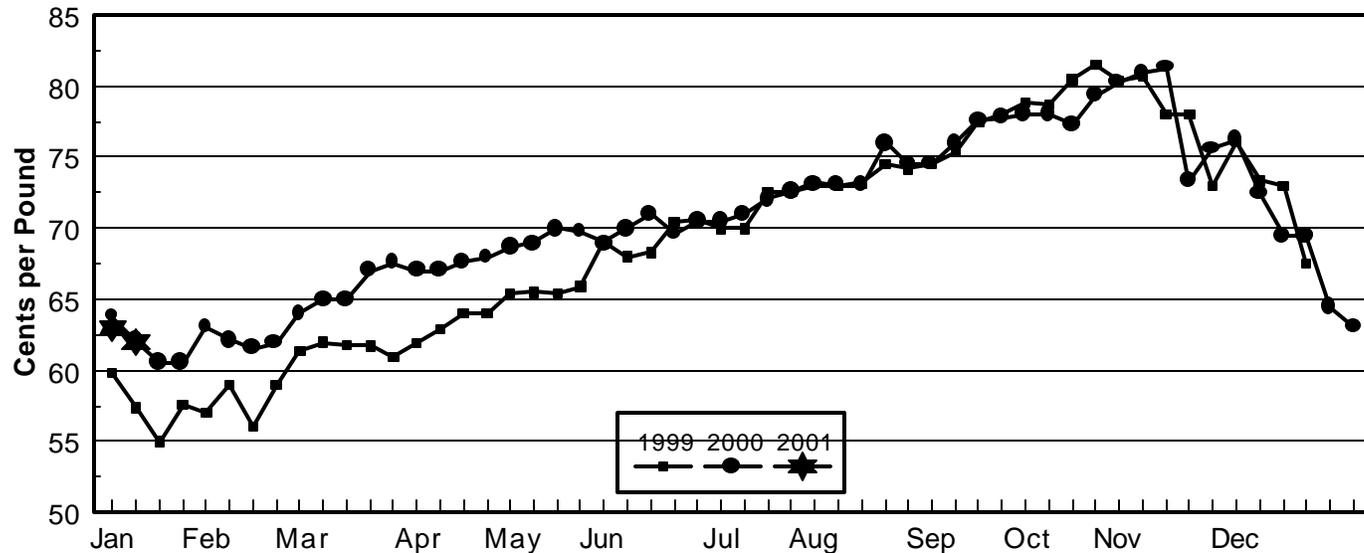
New York Large Egg Weekly Average Price 1999, 2000, 2001



Chicago Broiler/Fryer Final Weighted Average Prices, US Grade A, 1999, 2000, 2001



Eastern Region Weekly Average Prices for 8-16 LB Hen Turkeys 1999, 2000, 2001



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