



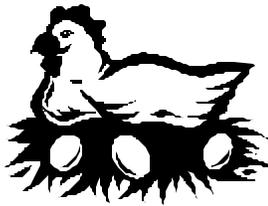
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Early week prices in Boston were lower on larger sized eggs and in California prices were slightly higher on larger sizes and unchanged on balance. In most other regions prices unchanged. Throughout the week prices were unchanged in all locations. The market tone was in a full range of steady to firm. Demand was light to good, mostly moderate and was best where features provided additional movement. Supplies were irregular, but were mostly adequate for a slightly improved demand. All Central States breaking stock prices were 1 cent higher. Demand was reported as usually fair to fairly good with most breakers willing to take additional nest run loads. Offerings adequate to tight as class 1 trading continues to thin gradeable nest runs. Floor stocks balanced to fully adequate at this call. Trade sentiment steady to fully steady. Light type fowl were ample for current 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)	116-118	106-108	81-83
New York	73-75	70-73	66-69
Philadelphia	71-73	69-71	63-66
SOUTHERN CITIES			
Atlanta (1) (2)	64-65	62.5-64	60-61
Jackson (1)	72-73	71-72	69-70
Major Louisiana Cities (1)	69-84	68-82	61-75
MIDWEST CITIES			
Chicago	62-67	61-66	55-60
Detroit (2)	58-61	57-60	50-53
Major Ohio Cities (2)	59-65	58-63	51-57
Major Wisconsin Cities	62-69	60-67	54-61
WESTERN CITIES			
Houston (1)	77-81	76-78	69-72
California (Grade AA)(1)(3)	100	92	87

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

SHELL EGGS-12 METRO AREA FOR WEEK ENDING 02-Feb-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	73.51	71.13	66.77
SOUTHERN	70.11	68.40	62.31
MIDWEST	62.39	61.15	55.17
WESTERN	91.41	85.74	81.28
TWELVE METRO AREAS	77.09	73.82	68.89

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

	02-06-01	01-30-01	02-08-00
Large	40-42	40-42	40-42
Medium	34-36	34-36	35-37

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT-AM FEB 05,2001

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	9.7	17.3	5.7	11.8	9.4	53.9
	Change	0.4	-3.9	-1.1	-0.1	-1.5	-10%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	29.5	46.5	8.3	31.0	19.6	134.9
	Change	4.1	-4.9	-1.1	2.7	-4.0	-2%
Large	Curr Wk	40.9	93.4	37.8	72.5	81.9	326.5
	Change	-0.1	-7.3	1.5	2.5	-8.3	-3%
Medium	Curr Wk	13.0	29.7	13.7	23.4	23.0	102.8
	Change	-0.3	3.5	0.8	4.3	4.4	14%
Small	Curr Wk	6.7	6.1	2.8	5.9	7.5	29.0
	Change	2.5	0.9	-0.1	1.2	0.4	20%
Misc	Curr Wk	6.6	15.4	5.6	14.2	4.6	46.4
	Change	-6.3	0.5	0.0	1.1	0.2	-9%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	30.7	47.8	19.8	30.8	32.8	161.9
	Change	0.3	-10.4	-0.4	0.0	-1.7	-7%
Total	Curr Wk	137.1	256.2	93.7	189.6	178.8	855.4
Percent	Change	0%	-8%	0%	7%	-6%	-2%

TOTAL **Number of Cases** **Percent Change** **Number of Cooperators**

Shell Egg	855.4	-2%	170
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	375.8	-5%	39

Total Shell Egg 1231.2 -3% 209

1/Information is supplied by a universe of 170 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 03-Feb-01
(LBS IN THOUSANDS) (EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)

	CASES BROKEN	LIQUID WHOLE	LIQUID WHITE	LIQUID YOLK	DRIED	INED.
CW	1,072,588	23,995	10,930	6,092	2,738	3,932
PW	1,087,784	24,581	10,999	6,098	3,052	4,009
LY	1,085,807	24,328	11,114	6,203	3,372	3,708
% PW	-1	-2	-1	0	-10	-2
% LY	-1	-1	-2	-2	-19	6
2001	5,445,544	122,831	55,055	30,333	13,905	19,867
2000	5,679,599	127,902	56,991	31,700	15,926	19,037

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE -		
CURRENT	PREVIOUS	LAST
WEEK	WEEK	YEAR
41.91	42.00	41.77

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT REPORT W/E 03-Feb-01
(RECEIPTS FROM PRODUCERS)

REGIONS	CASES (IN THOUS)	PERCENT CHANGE FROM	
		PW	LY
N. ATLANTIC	222.3	1	1
E.N. CENTRAL	500.4	-2	1
W.N. CENTRAL	258.8	0	6
S. ATLANTIC	205.9	2	8
S. CENTRAL	73.3	-1	13
WEST	200.0	1	-1
TOTAL	1,460.7	0	3

STATE	Broiler Eggs Set in 15 Selected States		Broiler Chicks Placed in 15 Selected States	
	Jan 27	Feb 03	Jan 27	Feb 03
	Thousand			
AL	27,742	27,673	20,586	21,040
AR	29,413	29,702	24,055	23,683
DE	3,875	3,974	5,423	4,982
FL	2,486	2,489	2,236	2,300
GA	30,413	30,517	*24,407	24,229
MD	8,306	8,205	4,906	5,702
MS	17,938	17,916	15,193	15,290
NC	17,504	17,866	13,727	14,658
PA	3,643	3,826	2,763	2,687
SC	4,661	4,934	4,229	4,160
TX	14,475	13,990	11,180	11,106
VA	6,591	6,582	5,322	4,758
CA, TN, & WV	11,180	11,387	9,940	10,255
15 State Total	178,227	179,061	*143,967	144,850
Previous Year	179,169	178,533	145,644	144,326
Pct. of Prev.	99	100	99	100

BASED ON THE PRELIMINARY CHICK PLACEMENTS, THE NUMBER OF FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING DURING THE WEEK ENDING 17-Mar-01 IS ESTIMATED AT 149.4 MILLION HEAD. THIS COMPARES TO 148.1 MILLION HEAD THE PREVIOUS WEEK AND TO 153.8 MILLION HEAD THE SAME WEEK A YEAR AGO, WHEN THE SLAUGHTER WAS 157.0 MILLION HEAD AND THE 12-CITY WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE WAS 54.38 CENTS PER POUND.

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES- WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES
(CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING WEEK OF 02/01/01-02/07/01

	SE		NE		MW		LOADS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
	GNR W 1	43.60	46.90	45.00	47.20	49.17	
GNR W 2	—	46.00	—	—	43.00	—	1.50
GNR W 3	—	—	—	—	43.00	—	4.50
GL W XL	48.00	55.40	53.00	55.15	50.20	—	39.75
GL W LG	48.00	55.11	48.75	53.00	50.93	—	43.25
GL W MD	—	—	48.00	50.00	43.94	48.50	13.00
GL W SM	27.75	29.25	27.00	29.13	26.50	—	7.00
NRBS - 50	—	—	—	—	—	39.00	1.00
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	38.00	38.67	24.00
NRBS - 39	—	—	13.00	15.00	30.00	31.00	1.25

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS W/E 03-Feb-01

SELECTED CONSUMING CENTERS	CW THOUSANDS	PW	PCT CHG	
			PW	LY
ATLANTA	23.2	23.1	0	-29
BOSTON	3.7	3.9	-5	0
CHICAGO	39.7	45.8	-13	-30
DETROIT	25.9	27.0	-4	-31
KANSAS CITY	4.1	4.8	-15	0
LOS ANGELES	124.3	128.8	-3	30
NEW ORLEANS	8.4	9.3	-10	-24
NEW YORK	33.2	36.1	-8	-27
ST. LOUIS	14.8	15.3	-3	-11
SAN FRANCISCO	22.1	24.6	-10	2
TOTAL	299.4	318.7	-6	-8
4 WK MVG AVG	311.5			

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING 03-Feb-2001

	YOUNG		YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD	TOTAL
	HENS	TOMS			
	-----THOUSANDS-----				
HEAD	1,795	2,548	45	14	4,402
AVG WT	15.76	34.61	28.68	27.69	27.62
LAST WEEK	1,963	2,719	20	15	4,717
SAME WK YR AGO	4,163 (A)		12	39	4,214
AVG WT	26.84 (A)		24.25	27.59	29.00
TO-DATE/2001	22,171 (A)		145	77	22,393
TO-DATE/2000	22,517 (A)		32	231	22,780

(A) 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 03-Feb-2001
(PRELIMINARY) (RELEASED 12:00 NOON CENTRAL TIME)

	—YOUNG TURKEYS—			OLD BANDED	TOTAL TURKEYS	
	THOUSAND	% CHG	AVG		HEAD- LIVE	LIVE WT
	HEAD	PW	LIVE WT-THOUSAND		HEAD- LIVE	WT
N EAST	786	-6	21.11	(A)	788	21.11
S ATL	776	-6	27.86	(A)	779	27.86
N CENT	1,946	-9	31.01	(A)	1,949	31.01
S CENT	606	-2	20.49	(A)	609	20.49
WEST	274	-6	24.81	(A)	277	24.81
U.S.TOTAL	4,388(B)	-7	26.84	14	4,402	26.84
TO DATE						
2001	22,316(B)			77	22,393	
TO DATE						
2000	22,549(B)			231	22,780	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 45,000 for the year 145,000; last year to date 32,000.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 03-Feb-2001 (PRELIMINARY)

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
HEAD	149,857 (A)	1,942	1,305	3,247	472
AVG WT	4.89	3.36	7.57	5.05	6.69
LAST WEEK	156,803	2,032	1,353	3,385	480
YR AGO	160,713	1,998	1,244	3,242	480
AVG WT	5.16	3.62	7.63	5.16	6.45
TO-DATE/2001	740,594	9,093	6,051	15,144	2,387
TO-DATE/2000	765,044	10,267	6,604	16,871	2,511

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 152.7 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 151.7 million head or 1.0 million head less than or 99 percent of estimated fryers available.

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 10-Feb-01

CLASS	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	02/10/01(1)	02/03/01
	THOUSAND HEAD	
BRO-FRY	153,308(2)	154,056
LT HENS	1,881	1,912
HVY HENS	1,442	2,025
TOTAL	156,631	157,993

(1) ESTIMATED

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 10-Feb-01 is 149.5 million head compared to 157.9 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 153.6 million head or 4.1 million more than estimated available. For week of 17-Feb-01 the estimated available is 148.8 million head.

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

WEEK ENDING	MILLION HEAD		PCT	AVG WT
	SLAUGHTERED	AVAILABLE		
DECEMBER 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
20	151.7	151.9	100	5.07
27	158.7	152.3	104	4.97
FEBRUARY 3	151.7	152.7	99	4.89
YEAR TO DATE	749.6	743.9	101	
FEBRUARY 10		149.5		
17		148.8		

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

	Change from		
	05-Feb-01	29-Jan-01	29-Jan-01
	56.96	-0.07	57.03
			07-Feb-00
			54.69

NUMBER OF LOADS 570

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 02/05-02/10/01.

	U.S. GRADE A			COMPOSITE		
	MAJ	WTD AVG	LDS	WTD AVG	LDS	LDS
Chicago	47.00-51.00	50.22	46	52.67	76	
Los Angeles	67.00	65.28	60	61.72	136	
New York	50.00-52.00	50.97	30	53.74	58	

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)
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CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/

8-16 LB HENS

EASTERN REGION 3/	60-62	62	62.00	10
CENTRAL REGION 4/	58-60	59	59.00	520
WESTERN REGION 5/	60-61	-	-	-

16-24 LB TOMS

EASTERN REGION	59-60	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	57-60	58	58.00	520
WESTERN REGION	59-60	-	-	-

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 05-Feb-01	3,158	93,548	74,972
AM 1-Feb-01	4,221	68,786	74,663
CHG	-1063	24762	309
PCT CHG	-25	36	0

Based on the historical relationship of the preliminary U.S. Cold Storage holdings report of December 31, 2000 and the selected centers storage report, the expected U.S. holdings on February 1, 2001 are:

FROZEN EGGS	12 MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS
TURKS	327 MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS
POP	798 MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS

HEN MARKETS

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

	HEAVY TYPE		
	02/05/01	RANGE	MAJORITY
Southeast	5-9.25(1)	6.5-8.25	7.64
Southeast	TFEWR(2)		
South Central	5-10.75(1)	6-8	7.84

Cents Per Pound, Generally for slaughter the following week.

	LIGHT TYPE	
	02/02/01	
Eastern	0-0(1)	
Eastern	0-0(2)	
So. Central	TFEWR(2)	
No. Central	TFEWR(1)	
No. Central	0(2)	

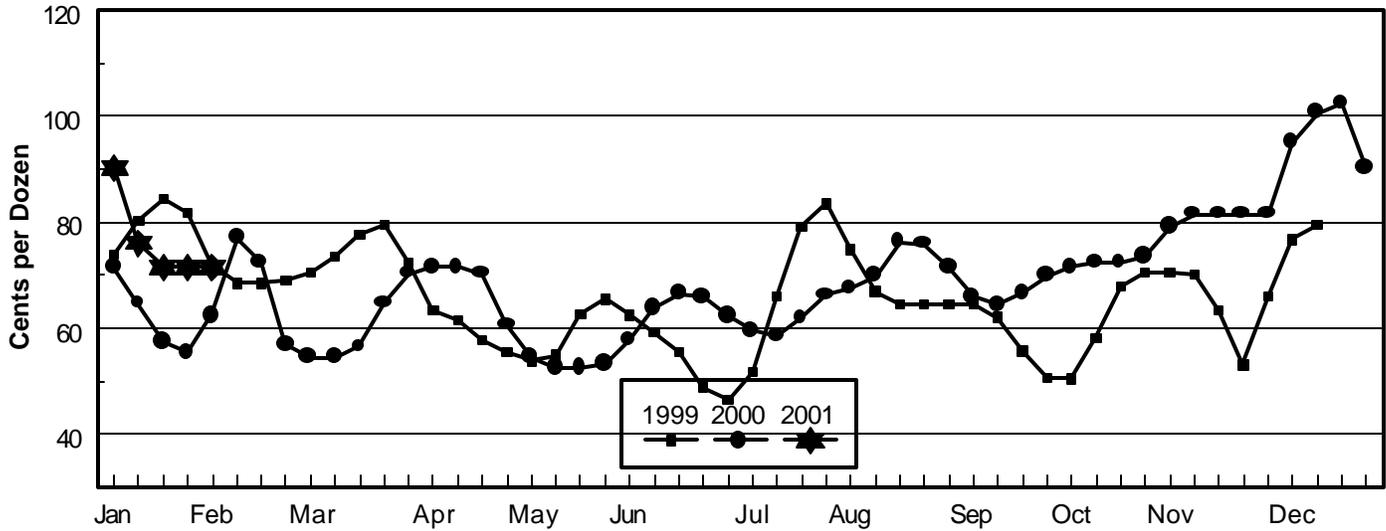
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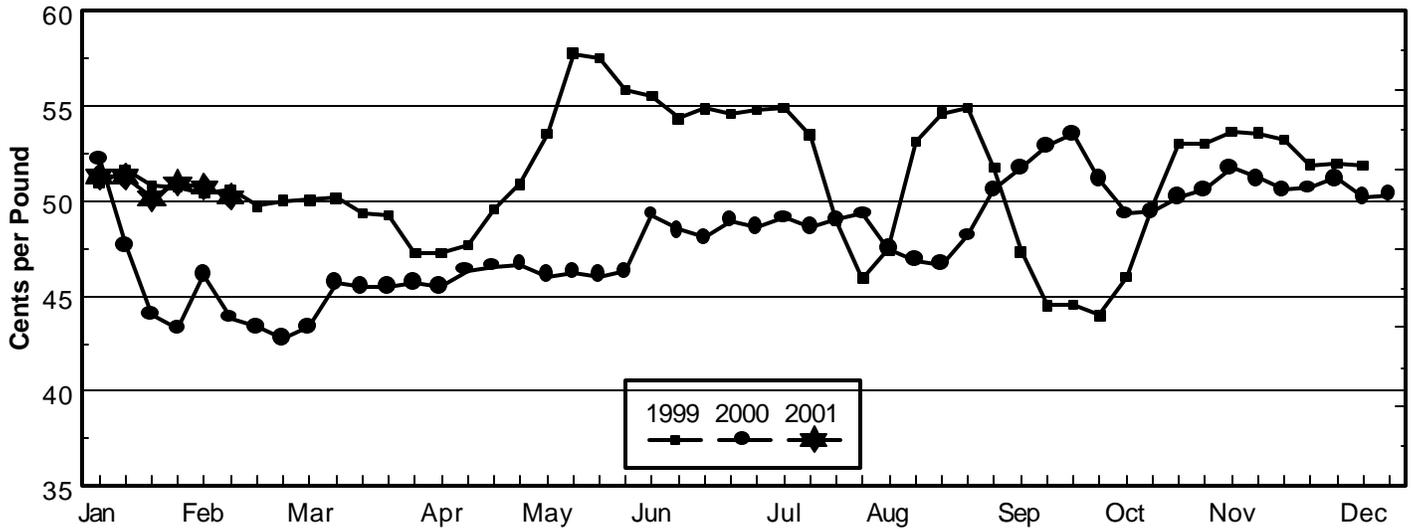
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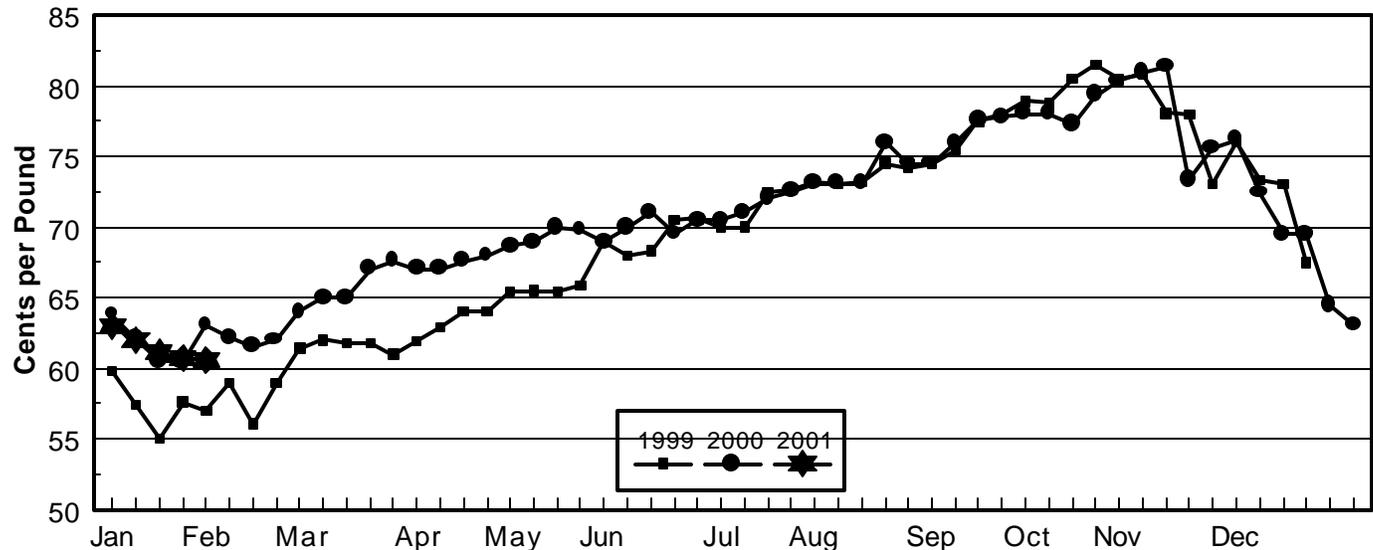
New York Large Egg Weekly Average Price 1999, 2000, 2001



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.