



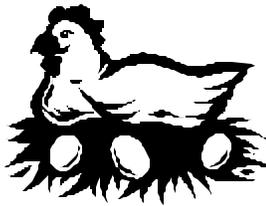
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Prices had irregular trends in early week trading and varied from region to region. By the week's close prices were generally lower in all regions except the Southeast which saw higher trending values on the larger sizes. The trade sentiment was steady to barely steady on all sizes in the Midwest, steady to weak in the South Central region, firm in the Southeast, and generally steady in the Northeast. Demand was mixed from light to good and best into scattered features. Offerings were light to moderate. Supplies were in a range of adequate to ample. Central States breaking stock prices edged lower during the week. Demand was light to moderate at best with offerings adequate to instances fully adequate and more available by the week's end. Floor stocks were closely balanced to adequate. Trade sentiment was steady to barely steady. Light type hens were sufficient to ample for current requirements.

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)	106-108	95-97	79-81
New York	73-75	70-73	60-63
Philadelphia	71-73	69-71	59-64
SOUTHERN CITIES			
Atlanta (1) (2)	65-66	63.5-65	57-58
Jackson (1)	73-74	72-73	66-67
Major Louisiana Cities (1)	78-93	77-91	61-75
MIDWEST CITIES			
Chicago	64-69	63-68	51-56
Detroit (2)	62-65	61-63	51-54
Major Ohio Cities (2)	63-69	62-67	52-58
Major Wisconsin Cities	66-73	64-71	55-62
WESTERN CITIES			
Houston (1)	86-90	83-85	67-70
California (Grade AA)(1)(3)	106	98	87
(1) - Prices reported weekly			
(2) - Delivered Warehouse			
(3) - Reported Invoice prices			

SHELL EGGS-12 METRO AREA FOR WEEK ENDING 16-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	66.30
SOUTHERN	72.21	70.50	62.31
MIDWEST	64.70	63.46	55.77
WESTERN	95.54	89.61	81.03
TWELVE METRO AREAS	79.37	76.00	68.82

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

	02-20-01	02-13-01	02-22-00
Large	44-46	42-44	36-38
Medium	34-36	34-36	27-29

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT-AM FEB 19, 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	8.5	17.6	5.5	10.8	9.6	52.0
	Change	0.6	0.1	-0.2	-1.0	0.2	-1%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	22.9	33.9	11.5	28.6	18.2	115.1
	Change	-3.7	-5.7	3.7	-5.5	0.1	-9%
Large	Curr Wk	38.7	82.0	50.3	54.5	93.6	319.1
	Change	0.2	3.2	9.8	-16.9	9.3	2%
Medium	Curr Wk	12.8	29.1	15.1	21.2	22.1	100.3
	Change	1.6	0.3	0.8	-3.6	1.2	0%
Small	Curr Wk	2.6	9.0	2.6	5.0	4.4	23.6
	Change	-2.0	0.0	0.4	0.1	-2.8	-15%
Misc	Curr Wk	11.7	21.5	4.4	12.5	5.5	55.6
	Change	-1.9	2.2	-1.6	-2.9	0.6	-6%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	23.0	44.3	26.7	27.9	32.0	153.9
	Change	-0.7	2.5	2.4	3.0	2.7	7%
Total	Curr Wk	120.2	237.4	116.1	160.5	185.4	819.6
	Change	-5%	1%	15%	-14%	6%	0%

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

Shell Egg	819.6	0%	170
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	373.0	2%	39
Total Shell Egg	1192.6	0%	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.

EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION W/E 17-Feb-01

(LBS IN THOUSANDS)

(EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)

	CASES BROKEN	LIQUID WHOLE	LIQUID WHITE	LIQUID YOLK	DRIED	INED.
CW	1,058,926	24,325	10,476	5,824	2,087	4,034
PW	1,077,797	24,178	10,955	6,221	2,510	3,772
LY	1,068,696	23,696	11,260	5,961	2,805	3,449
% PW	-2	1	-4	-6	-17	7
% LY	-1	3	-7	-2	-26	17
2001	7,582,267	171,334	76,486	42,378	18,502	27,673
2000	7,798,570	175,183	78,804	43,473	22,116	26,022

**AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE -
CURRENT PREVIOUS LAST
WEEK WEEK YEAR**
42.17 41.87 41.51

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT REPORT W/E 17-Feb-01

(RECEIPTS FROM PRODUCERS)

REGIONS	CASES (IN THOUS)	PERCENT CHANGE FROM	
		PW	LY
N. ATLANTIC	222.3	0	-1
E.N. CENTRAL	531.4	9	16
W.N. CENTRAL	260.4	2	8
S. ATLANTIC	196.7	1	0
S. CENTRAL	72.5	-1	6
WEST	196.5	-1	-2
TOTAL	1,479.8	3	6

MATCHED PLANTS REPORTING 90 90

STATE	<u>Broiler Eggs Set in</u> 15 Selected States		<u>Broiler Chicks Placed</u> in 15 Selected States	
	Feb 10	Feb 17	Feb 10	Feb 17
	Thousand			
AL	28,021	28,323	20,714	20,568
AR	29,752	27,307	*22,457	22,484
DE	3,976	4,262	*5,526	4,347
FL	2,724	2,719	2,183	2,049
GA	*30,786	31,104	*24,709	24,440
MD	8,279	8,590	*5,050	5,876
MS	18,097	18,167	15,261	14,843
NC	18,514	17,760	13,768	13,585
PA	3,410	3,614	2,469	2,726
SC	4,748	4,699	4,067	4,017
TX	14,553	14,544	11,218	11,258
VA	*6,558	6,607	*5,291	5,526
CA, TN, & WV	*11,371	11,486	*10,527	9,565
15 State Total	*180,789	179,182	*143,240	141,284
Previous Year	178,059	178,218	145,858	143,311
Pct. of Prev.	102	101	98	99

BASED ON THE PRELIMINARY CHICK PLACEMENTS, THE NUMBER OF FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING DURING THE WEEK ENDING 31-Mar-01 IS ESTIMATED AT 147.2 MILLION HEAD. THIS COMPARES TO 149.0 MILLION HEAD THE PREVIOUS WEEK AND TO 153.4 MILLION HEAD THE SAME WEEK A YEAR AGO, WHEN THE SLAUGHTER WAS 157.1 MILLION HEAD AND THE 12-CITY WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE WAS 54.75 CENTS PER POUND.

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES-WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES
(CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING WEEK OF 02/15/01-02/21/01

	SE		NE		MW		LOADS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
	GNR W 1	47.10	50.76	46.00	48.00	53.52	
GNR W 2	—	50.00	44.00	45.00	—	—	3.50
GNR W 3	—	47.00	42.00	—	—	—	1.00
GL W XL	—	57.14	53.00	55.00	52.65	—	24.00
GL W LG	—	56.36	51.60	53.88	55.68	—	33.75
GL W MD	—	40.50	33.00	33.00	38.67	41.13	19.25
GL W SM	26.88	28.25	25.64	26.91	—	—	4.75
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	40.75	42.33	22.00
NRBS - 39	—	—	20.20	15.00	25.50	27.25	2.25
NRBS - 36	—	—	—	—	22.25	24.75	2.00

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS W/E 17-Feb-01

SELECTED CONSUMING CENTERS	CW THOUSANDS	PW	PCT CHG	
			PW	LY
ATLANTA	21.9	22.7	-4	-14
BOSTON	3.6	3.5	3	0
CHICAGO	50.6	48.7	4	13
DETROIT	27.6	28.0	-1	4
KANSAS CITY	3.9	3.9	0	3
LOS ANGELES	130.3	121.0	8	44
NEW ORLEANS	9.3	8.9	4	3
NEW YORK	34.5	31.9	8	4
ST. LOUIS	14.3	13.1	9	13
SAN FRANCISCO	22.1	22.2	0	3
TOTAL	318.1	303.9	5	17
4 WK MVG AVG	306.3			

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING 17-Feb-2001

	YOUNG		YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD	TOTAL
	HENS	TOMS			
	-----THOUSANDS-----				
HEAD	1,956	2,682	29	17	4,684
AVG WT	16.71	34.68	21.87	29.23	27.07
LAST WEEK	1,923	2,696	38	7	4,664
SAME WK YR AGO	4,399(A)		5	2	4,406
AVG WT	25.31(A)		25.80	33.00	25.31
TO-DATE/2001	31,428(A)		212	101	31,741
TO-DATE/2000	30,782(A)		37	246	31,065

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

	—YOUNG TURKEYS—		AVG BANDING	TOTAL TURKEYS AVG
	THOUSAND	% CHG		
	HEAD	PW		
N EAST	852	2	22.29 (A)	856 22.29
S ATL	741	-6	28.82 (A)	744 28.82
N CENT	2,055	-1	30.38 (A)	2,059 30.38
S CENT	638	-2	22.13 (A)	641 22.13
WEST	381	25	24.74 (A)	384 24.74
U.S.TOTAL	4,667(B)	0	27.07	4,684 27.07
TO DATE				
2001	31,640(B)		101	31,741
TO DATE				
2000	30,819(B)		246	31,065

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 29,000 for the year 212,000; last year to date 37,000.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 17-Feb-2001 (PRELIMINARY)

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
-----THOUSANDS-----					
HEAD	150,590 (A)	1,585	1,487	3,072	463
AVG WT	4.97	3.36	7.90	5.55	6.70
LAST WEEK	152,518	1,956	1,346	3,302	532
SAME WK YR AGO	155,193	1,986	1,335	3,321	429
AVG WT	5.10	3.38	7.77	5.14	6.27
TO-DATE/2001	1,043,702	12,634	8,884	21,518	3,382
TO-DATE/2000	1,076,285	14,229	9,301	23,530	3,333

(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 152.4 million head or 3.6 million head more than or 102 percent of estimated fryers available.

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 24-Feb-01

	CURRENT WEEK 02/24/01(1)	PREVIOUS WEEK 02/17/01
-----THOUSAND HEAD-----		
CLASS		
BRO-FRY	149,551(2)	154,710
LT HENS	1,882	1,687
HVY HENS	1,348	1,534
TOTAL	152,781	157,931

(1)ESTIMATED

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 24-Feb-01 is 151.6 million head compared to 154.1 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 149.9 million head or 1.7 million less than estimated available. For week of 03-Mar-01 the estimated available is 151.3 million head.

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

WEEK ENDING	MILLION HEAD SLAUGHTERED	MILLION HEAD AVAILABLE	PCT	AVG WT
JANUARY 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
10	154.4	149.5	103	5.12
17	152.4	148.8	102	4.97
YEAR TO DATE	1056.4	1042.2	101	
FEBRUARY 24		151.6		
MARCH 3		151.3		

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

	Change from 12-Feb-01	12-Feb-01	21-Feb-00
19-Feb-01	57.21	-0.01	57.22
			52.67

NUMBER OF LOADS 560

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 02/19-02/24/01.

	U.S. GRADE A			COMPOSITE		
	MAJ	WTD	AVG	LDS	WTD	AVG
Chicago	47.00-51.00	50.63	43	52.11	77	
Los Angeles	67.00	65.42	59	61.61	152	
New York	52.00-54.00	52.62	26	55.48	52	

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	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	59-62	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	60-61	-	-	-

16-24 LB TOMS

EASTERN REGION	60-61	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	58.5-61	-	-	-
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 19-Feb-01	3,245	94,397	66,724
AM 1-Feb-01	3,433	92,899	73,442
CHG	-188	1498	-6718
PCT CHG	-5	2	-9

HEN MARKETS

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

HEAVY TYPE

02/19/01	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD. AVG
Southeast	5-9(1)	7-9	7.81
Southeast	TFEWR(2)		
South Central	5-10(1)	7-9	8.14

Cents Per Pound, Generally for slaughter the following week.

02/16/01**LIGHT TYPE**

Eastern	0-0(1)
Eastern	0-0 2)
So. Central	TFEWR(2)
No. Central	TFEWR(1)
No. Central	0(2)

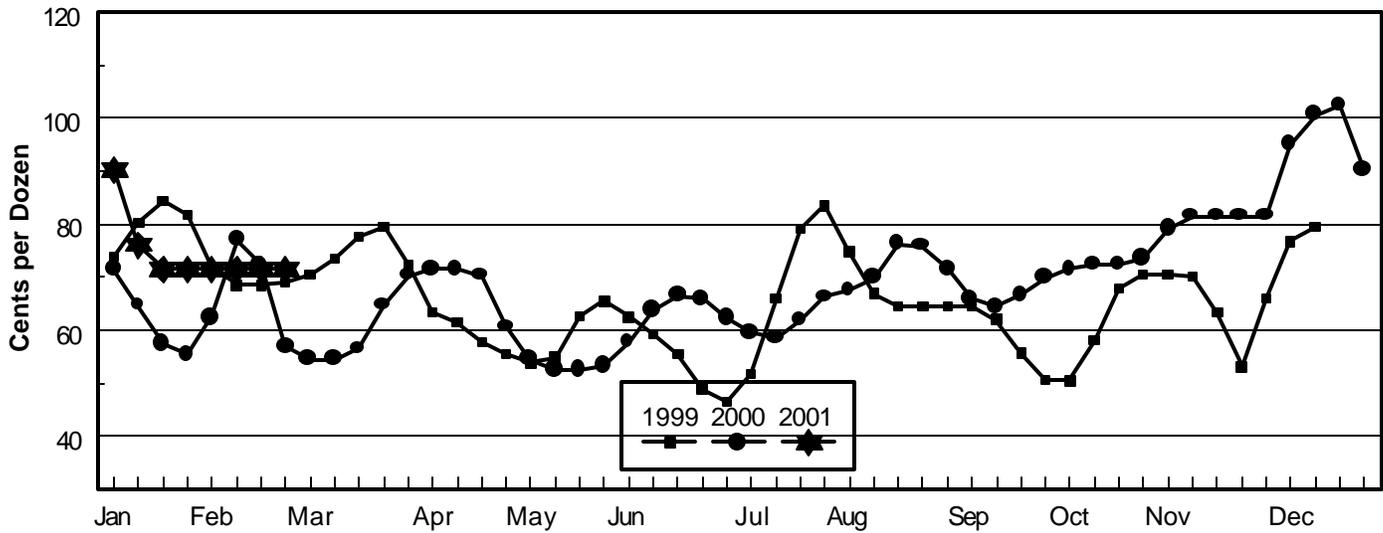
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(2) At Farm Producer Loading

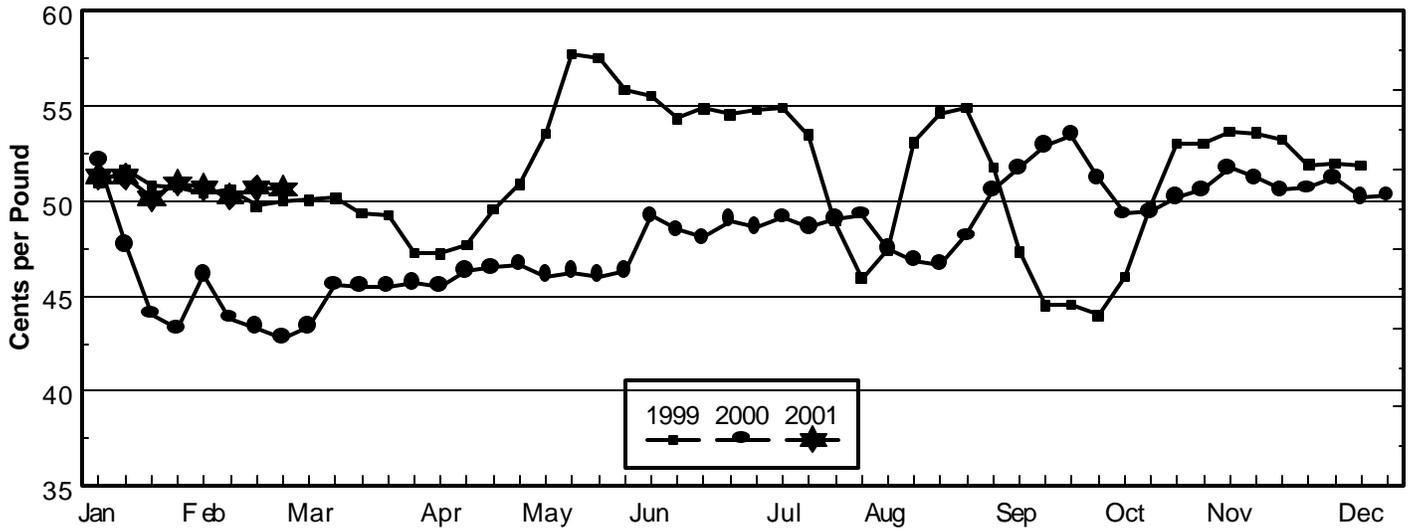
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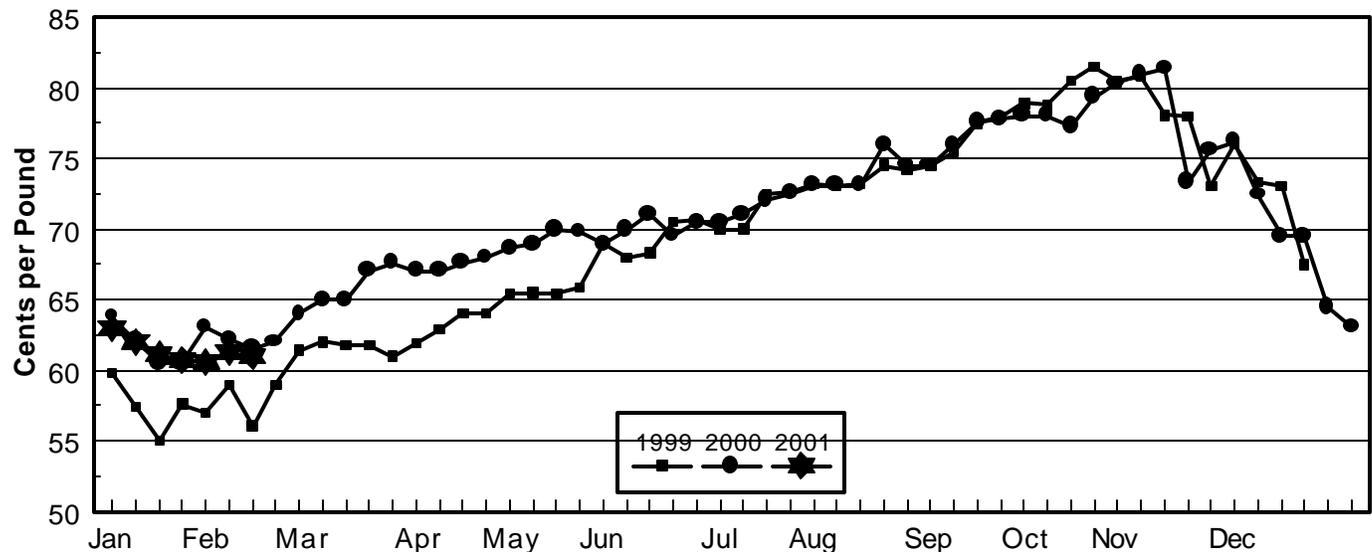
New York Large Egg Weekly Average Price 1999, 2000, 2001



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.