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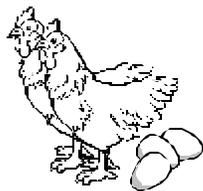
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## NATIONAL EGG REVIEW



Early week prices in Chicago and New York were unchanged while prices in most other locations were higher on all sizes. During the week prices in Chicago, New York, and Philadelphia were higher for the larger sizes and other reported prices were unchanged. The market tone ranged steady to firm with some caution noted. Demand was moderate to at times fairly good, best into scattered retail feature activity. Supplies were usually in good balance to adequate for current trade needs. Nest run breaking stock and checks and undergrades prices were higher throughout the week. Offerings were tight to barely adequate for the aggressive demand. Breakers in need bid higher values as producers held with confidence. Floor stocks balanced to fully adequate. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment fully steady to firm. Light type fowl were fully sufficient for the slow and unaggressive demand.

**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.**

	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
<b>NORTHEAST CITIES</b>			
Boston (Brown)	99-102	90-93	58-60
New York	66-70	64-68	47-51
Philadelphia	61-68	60-66	44-49
<b>SOUTHERN CITIES</b>			
Atlanta (1) (2)	53.5-60	51.5-55	35.5-41
Jackson (1)	62-64	56-58	35-37
Major Louisiana Cities (1)	64-75	60-70	48-58
<b>MIDWEST CITIES</b>			
Chicago	55-59	53-57	39-43
Detroit (2)	49-54	48-52	39-43
Major Ohio Cities (2)	51-55	50-53	37-41
Major Wisconsin Cities	52-59	51-57	39-44
<b>WESTERN CITIES</b>			
Houston (1)	72-74	69-71	57-59
California (Grade AA)(1)(3)	94	85	73

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

**SHELL EGGS-12 METRO AREA** FOR WEEK ENDING 13-Sep-02  
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	64.21	62.33	45.84
SOUTHERN	61.62	56.84	39.59
MIDWEST	51.85	50.17	36.20
WESTERN	82.18	75.08	60.10
TWELVE METRO AREAS	67.55	63.58	48.25

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

	09-17-02	09-10-02	09-18-01
Large	32-35	30-33	26-29
Medium	21-25	16-20	6-9

**WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT-AM SEP 16, 2002**  
STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/ 2/  
(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

		NO	SO	SO	5-Area		
	Northeast	CENT	CENT	Atl	Pacific		
Jumbo	Curr Wk	7.9	11.9	7.9	13.3	10.5	51.5
	Change	0.9	-0.7	1.6	0.5	-1.2	2%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	27.8	41.7	17.9	22.5	23.4	133.3
	Change	4.4	4.6	3.5	-3.5	-4.6	3%
Large	Curr Wk	39.4	108.9	62.3	69.0	93.4	373.0
	Change	5.0	-0.1	-10.8	-9.9	0.0	-4%
Medium	Curr Wk	16.8	44.4	15.3	25.9	33.5	135.9
	Change	3.2	9.8	-8.3	-2.0	8.7	9%
Small	Curr Wk	7.2	8.7	6.4	6.1	5.0	33.4
	Change	1.6	-4.3	0.4	-1.4	-1.1	-13%
Misc	Curr Wk	3.7	18.8	6.1	18.7	6.6	53.9
	Change	-0.1	-3.9	-1.2	4.2	0.7	-1%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	27.0	46.0	30.8	31.0	25.9	160.7
	Change	4.4	-11.3	5.9	6.8	-6.4	0%
Total	Curr Wk	129.8	280.4	146.7	186.5	198.3	941.7
Percent	Change	18%	-2%	-6%	-3%	-2%	0%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg	941.7	0%	174
Shell Egg Breaking Stock 2/	263.8	-13%	38
Total Shell Egg	1205.5	-4%	212

1/Information is supplied by a universe of 174 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.

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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.

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**EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION**

WEEK ENDING 13-Sep-02

	(LBS IN THOUSANDS)		(EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)			
	CASES BROKEN	LIQUID WHOLE	LIQUID WHITE	LIQUID YOLK	DRIED	INED
CW	1,291,183	30,177	12,317	6,861	3,040	4,702
PW	1,184,843	27,271	11,022	6,162	2,895	4,128
LY	1,235,410	28,258	11,864	6,358	2,810	4,219
% CHG PW	9	11	12	11	5	14
% CHG LY	5	7	4	8	8	11
2002	44,582,597	1,036,975	430,254	231,301	106,389	158,470
2001	42,491,971	965,459	426,617	228,483	93,296	151,860
% CHG YTD	5	7	1	1	14	4

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE -	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK	LAST YEAR
(INEDIBLE INCLUDED)	41.87	41.00	41.04
(INEDIBLE EXCLUDED)	38.22	37.52	37.62

**BROILER HATCHERY**

STATE	Broiler Eggs Set in 19 Selected States		Broiler Chicks Placed in 19 Selected States	
	Sep 7	Sep 14	Sep 7	Sep 14
	Thousand			
AL	28,871	28,010	*22,701	21,866
AR	29,592	28,216	23,546	24,824
DE	3,480	3,356	5,394	5,000
FL	2,166	2,166	2,222	1,938
GA	32,029	30,053	*25,074	25,860
KY	6,290	6,385	5,459	5,563
MD	8,952	9,062	6,270	6,078
MS	18,560	17,683	15,940	15,372
NC	18,074	17,001	14,700	14,308
OK	6,685	6,652	4,742	4,136
PA	3,722	3,540	2,770	2,759
SC	4,925	4,937	3,827	4,111
TX	15,198	14,687	11,426	10,575
VA	*6,227	5,809	4,611	5,422
CA, LA, MO, TN, & WV	*19,545	16,887	*18,601	18,717

**19 State Total** \*204,316 194,444 \*167,283 166,529

Previous Year Total 198,093 194,686 167,090 167,537

Pct. of Prev. Year 103 100 100 99

\* Revised

BASED ON THE PRELIMINARY CHICK PLACEMENTS, THE NUMBER OF FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING DURING THE WEEK ENDING 26-Oct-02 IS ESTIMATED AT 153.7 MILLION HEAD. THIS COMPARES TO 154.1 MILLION HEAD THE PREVIOUS WEEK AND TO 154.2 MILLION HEAD THE SAME WEEK A YEAR AGO, WHEN THE SLAUGHTER WAS 158.8 MILLION HEAD AND THE 12-CITY WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE WAS 59.39 CENTS PER POUND.

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES - WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES**

(CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING WEEK OF 09/12/02-09/18/02

CURRENT LDS 95.25 FUTURE LDS 69.00 TOTAL LDS 164.25

CLASS	SE		NE		MW		LOADS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W 1	36.33	43.33	39.63	38.20	42.50	41.58	19.00
GNR W 2	—	—	—	—	38.60	39.50	11.00
GNR W 3	—	37.00	29.00	31.00	30.38	31.00	8.00
GNR BR 1	—	54.00	45.67	47.33	—	—	4.00
GL W J	—	—	—	—	—	—	2.00
GL W XL	—	50.00	48.25	50.92	46.24	49.00	45.00
GL W LG	—	46.00	45.00	50.67	42.12	42.50	28.50
GL W MD	—	—	32.75	32.75	31.71	34.50	24.50
GL W SM	—	—	22.00	24.10	21.00	22.00	4.50
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	32.00	37.75	35.21	35.25
NRBS - 39	17.50	—	18.00	20.00	—	21.00	4.25

**MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS** W/E 14-Sep-2002

SELECTED CONSUMING CENTERS	CW THOUSANDS	PW THOUSANDS	PCT PW	CHG LY
ATLANTA	21.6	18.7	16	-1
BOSTON	3.3	3.5	-6	-23
CHICAGO	50.3	58.7	-14	23
DETROIT	22.2	29.2	-24	-16
KANSAS CITY	4.0	4.3	-7	14
LOS ANGELES	87.0	80.8	8	-16
NEW ORLEANS	9.2	9.1	1	6
NEW YORK	32.1	32.8	-2	-11
ST. LOUIS	15.2	14.6	4	-13
SAN FRANCISCO	20.6	18.4	12	-5
TOTAL	265.5	270.1	-2	-7
4 WK MVG AVG	265.1			

**LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED** WEEK ENDING 14-Sep-2002

	YOUNG		YOUNG		TOTAL
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS	OLD	
	-----THOUSANDS-----				
HEAD	1,946	2,888	88	17	4,939
AVG WT	15.32	34.24	23.86	28.84	26.58
LAST WEEK	1,714	2,541	73	5	4,333
SAME WK YR AGO	2,152	2,927	95	6	5,180
AVG WT	15.48	33.42	24.77	22.24	26.04
TO-DATE/2002	68,063	100,322	1,910	293	170,588
TO-DATE/2001	74,115	100,477	1,583	423	176,598

**NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTS**

BY GEOGRAPHICAL AREAS WEEK ENDING 14-Sep-2002

(PRELIMINARY) (RELEASED 12:00 NOON CENTRAL TIME)

	--YOUNG TURKEYS--			OLD		TOTAL TURKEYS	
	THOUSAND	PCT CHG	AVG	BANDED	HEAD-	LIVE WT	AVG
	HEAD	PW	LIVE WT	-THOUSAND	HEAD-	LIVE WT	
N EAST	784	14	21.93	(A)	788	21.93	
SATL	825	15	27.32	(A)	828	27.32	
N CENT	2,299	19	30.08	(A)	2,303	30.08	
S CENT	542	6	20.19	(A)	545	20.19	
WEST	472	0	23.24	(A)	475	23.24	
U.S. TOTAL	4,922 (B)	14	26.58	17	4,939	26.58	

TO-DATE

2002 170,295 (B) 293 170,588

TO-DATE

2001 176,175 (B) 423 176,598

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 88,000 for the year 1,910,000; last year to date 1,583,000.

**LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION**

WEEK ENDING 14-Sep-2002 (PRELIMINARY)

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
-----THOUSANDS-----					
HEAD	159,008	1,622	1,672	3,294	378
AVG WT	5.18	3.45	8.02	5.77	7.06
LAST WEEK	140,001	1,156	1,084	2,240	348
SAME WK YR AGO	159,987	1,847	1,523	3,370	541
AVG WT	4.97	3.38	8.08	5.50	6.75
TO-DATE/2002	5,739,877	64,668	51,234	115,902	15,698
TO-DATE/2001	5,681,103	65,336	51,039	116,375	18,556

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 158.6 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 160.9 million head or 2.3 million head more than or 101% of estimated fryers available.

**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER**

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 21-Sep-02

CLASS	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	09/21/02(1)	09/14/02
-----THOUSAND HEAD-----		
BRO-FRY	162,990(2)	139,282
LT HENS	2,015	1,768
HVY HENS	1,730	1,731
TOTAL	166,735	142,781

(1)ESTIMATED

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 21-Sep-02 is 159.0 million head compared to 162.8 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 163.3 million head or 4.3 million more than estimated available. For week of 28-Sep-02 the estimated available is 158.0 million head.

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

WEEK ENDING	MILLION HEAD SLAUGHTERED	MILLION HEAD AVAILABLE	AVG WT
AUGUST 10	162.5	162.1	100% 5.02
17	161.4	161.9	100% 5.12
24	162.7	160.0	102% 4.99
31	167.6	157.2	107% 4.90
SEPTEMBER 7	141.7	157.0	90% 5.05
14	160.9	158.6	101% 5.18
YEAR TO DATE	5808.5	5861.6	99%
SEPTEMBER 21		159.0	
28		158.0	

**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 09/16/02-09/21/02

	U.S. GRADE A		COMPOSITE		
	MAJ	WTD AVG	LDS	WTD AVG	LDS
Chicago	45.00-48.00	48.75	41	50.60	80
Los Angeles	69.00	66.65	68	63.36	151
New York	49.00-52.00	51.08	24	53.23	57

**12-CITY COMPOSITE WTD AVG PRICES FOR RTC BROILER/FRYERS**

	Change from			
	9-Sep-02	9-Sep-02	17-Sep-01	
16-Sep-02	56.69	0.28	56.41	62.08

NUMBER OF LOADS 588

**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/	64-69	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	63-69	64-65.5	64.83	240
WESTERN REGION 5/	66-68	66.5	66.50	30

**16-24 LB TOMS**

EASTERN REGION	58-60	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	55-59	57-57.5	57.17	120
WESTERN REGION	56-60	-	-	-

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 (INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)**

	FREGS LBS	TURKS LBS	POP LBS
AM 09/16/02	2,004	214,488	72,938
AM 09/01/02	2,514	216,327	71,124
CHG	-510	-1839	1814
PCT CHG	-20%	-1%	3%

**HEN MARKETS** Final Price, Cents Per LB, Generally for slaughter the week of 09/16/02

HEAVY TYPE	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD. AVG
Southeast (1)	4-10.5 CENTS/LB.	8-9	8.26
Southeast (2)	TFEWR		
South Central(1)	5.25-11.75 CENTS/LB.	8-9	8.58

**LIGHT TYPE**

Cents Per LB, Day of Negotiation, Generally for slaughter within the next 10 days. 09/13/02

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

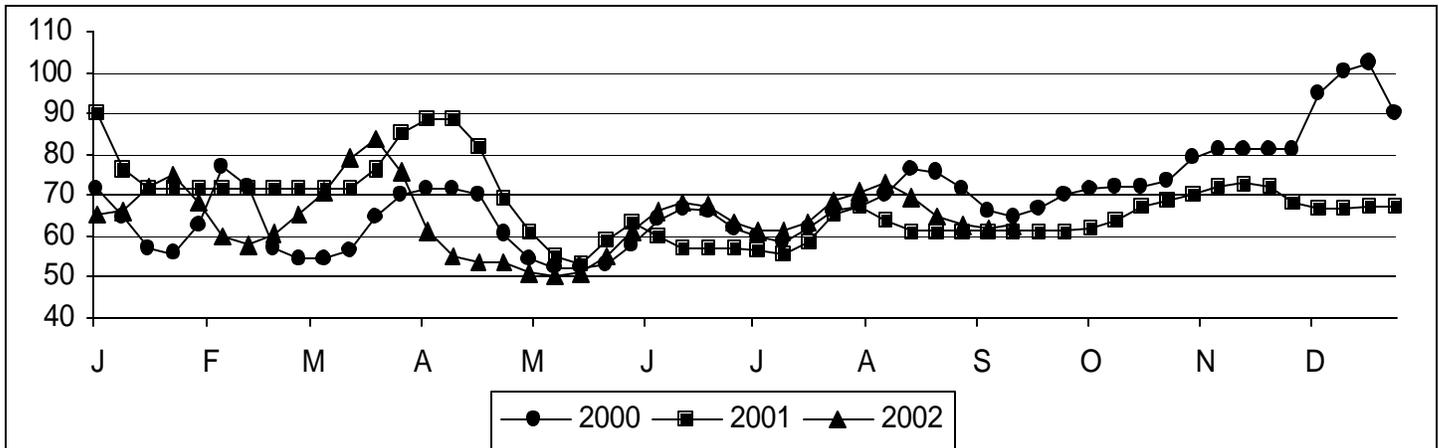
(1) At Farm Buyer Loading (2) At Farm Producer Loading

\*TFEWR - Too Few to Report

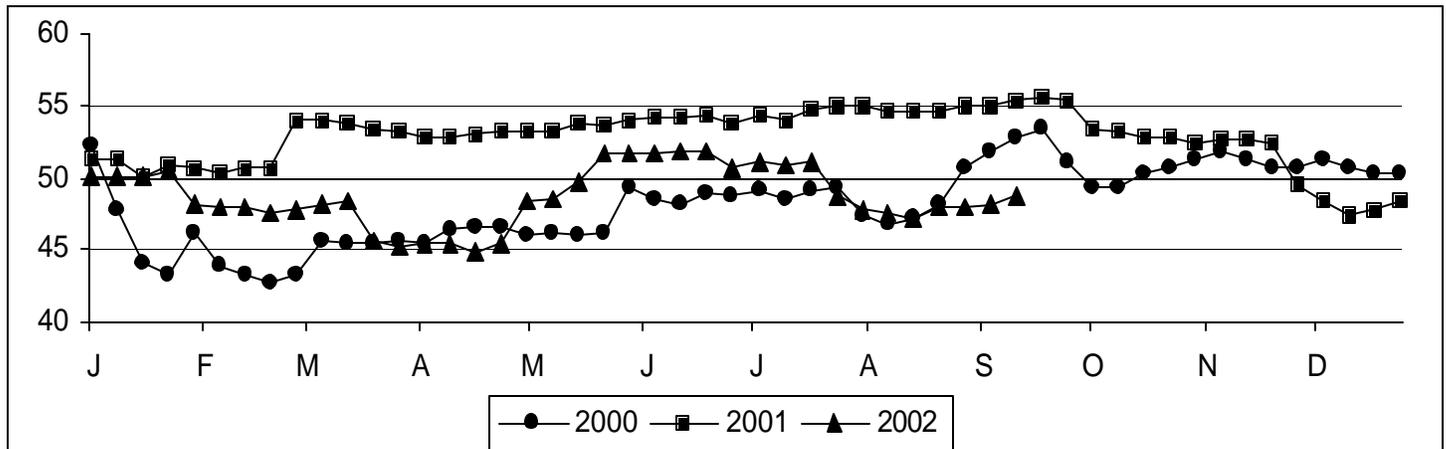
**COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT REPORT** W/E 14-Sep-02 (RECEIPTS FROM PRODUCERS)

REGIONS	CASES (IN THOUS)	PERCENT CHANGE FROM PW	LY
N. ATLANTIC	218.0	-5	2
E.N. CENTRAL	554.3	1	3
W.N. CENTRAL	282.7	1	-1
S. ATLANTIC	191.4	6	6
S. CENTRAL	85.4	1	8
WEST	197.1	8	-2
TOTAL	1528.9	2	2
MATCHED PLANTS REPORTING		87	86

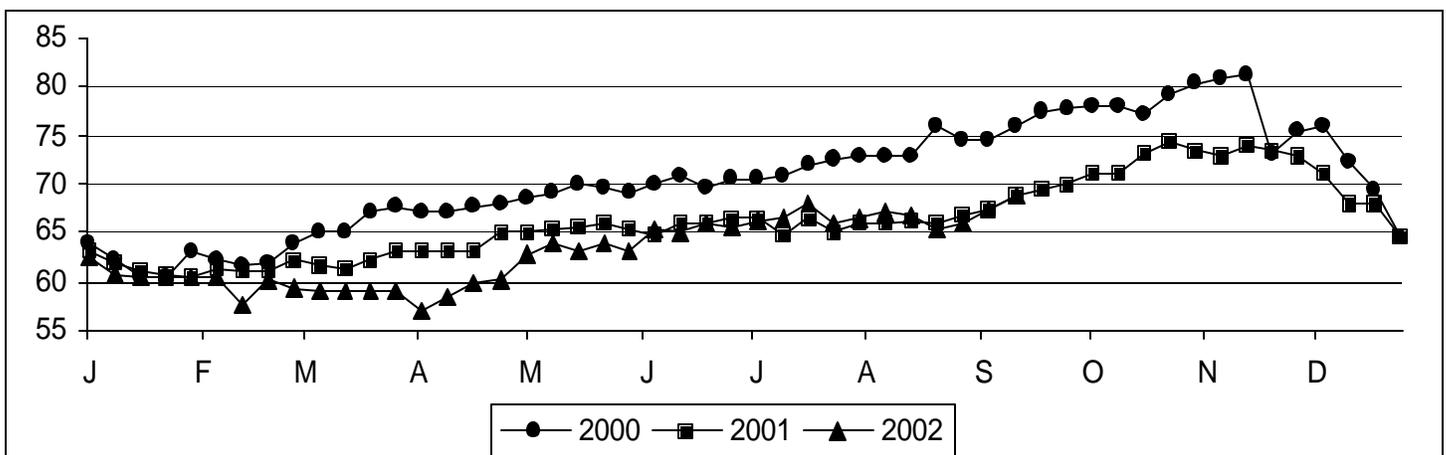
New York Large Weekly Average Price  
Cents per Dozen



Chicago Broiler/Fryer Weighted Average Prices  
Cents per Pound



Eastern Region Weekly Average Prices For 8-16 LB Hen Turkeys  
Cents per Pound



Note: Some Weeks' Average Prices are Based on Offers Only

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