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At the beginning of the week, prices in the Northeast were unchanged on the larger sizes and two cents lower on mediums. Elsewhere, prices were unchanged. As the week progressed, prices in New York advanced 1 cent on the heavier weights and unchanged on mediums. In all other locations, prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady to at times fully steady. Demand was light to good, best where features were in progress. Supplies ranged closely balanced on the larger sizes to instances available on the lighter weights. Nest run breaking stock prices were unchanged. Offerings were closely balanced to tight while demand was rated as moderate to good. Liquid yolk offerings were seen as adequate with demand for all liquid products reported as fairly good to good. Schedules full-time to over-time. Floor stocks tight to closely balanced. Trade sentiment steady. Offerings for light type fowl were at least fully adequate to mostly burdensome for the light to moderate demand.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

MIDWEST REGIONAL Prices unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady to at times fully steady. Retail demand was moderate to good, usually fairly to good. Loose egg movement was seasonably moderate to fairly good. Supplies were adequate to close. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Offerings were closely balanced to tight while demand was rated as moderate to good. Schedules full-time to over-time. Floor stocks tight to closely balanced. Trade sentiment steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	65-74	67-71
LARGE	64-72	65-70
MEDIUM	50-58	53-55

MIDWEST AREA: IA,IL,IN,KY,MI,MN,OH,NE,ND,SD,WI,WV, Western NY, and Western PA

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged, however the larger sizes were trending slightly higher. The market tone was steady to instances fully steady. Demand into all channels ranged moderate to fairly good, best where features were in progress. Large eggs were advertised at 47 cents per dozen with a minimum purchase of \$25, limit one. Supplies were adequate to at times available for immediate trade needs. Breaking stock offerings were usually sufficient for the moderate to good demand. Light type fowl were at least adequate to fully adequate for slaughter requirements.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	71-84	74-77
LARGE	66-81	71-73
MEDIUM	51-66	56-58

NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, Eastern NJ, Eastern NY, PA, RI, Northern VA, and VT

SHELL EGGS-COMBINED REGIONAL FOR W/E 11-Jul-03

AVERAGE PRICES ON SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A LARGE OR BETTER, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	75.50	72.00	59.00
SOUTHEAST	72.50	70.50	56.00
MIDWEST	69.00	67.50	54.00
SOUTH CENTRAL	74.50	70.50	56.00
COMBINED REGIONAL	72.94	70.13	56.22

COMPUTED FROM SIMPLE WEEKLY AVERAGES WEIGHTED BY REGIONAL AREA POPULATIONS

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT-AM JUL 14, 2003

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	11.6	16.5	5.5	10.1	11.0	54.7
	Change	2.1	1.0	-0.4	-0.9	1.4	6%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	23.1	45.1	12.3	17.7	30.6	128.8
	Change	0.7	8.7	1.2	-3.3	-2.8	4%
Large	Curr Wk	41.6	84.0	47.6	62.1	98.7	334.0
	Change	4.0	-26.9	-21.7	-11.7	-27.2	-20%
Medium	Curr Wk	20.7	37.9	15.8	19.7	35.0	129.1
	Change	3.3	-6.0	0.7	-5.5	5.6	-1%
Small	Curr Wk	2.7	5.5	3.6	5.6	5.7	23.1
	Change	-2.7	-1.0	-0.5	-1.6	-0.2	-21%
Misc	Curr Wk	5.1	23.6	9.4	12.8	5.9	56.8
	Change	-0.5	-1.2	2.2	0.0	0.5	2%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	13.1	46.6	15.5	26.1	30.3	131.6
	Change	-0.6	1.2	-2.8	-1.6	-2.6	-5%
Total	Curr Wk	117.9	259.2	109.7	154.1	217.2	858.1
Percent	Change	6%	-9%	-16%	-14%	-10%	-9%
TOTAL		Number of	Percent	Number of			
		Cases	Change	Cooperators			

Shell Egg	858.1	-9%	172
Shell Egg Breaking Stock 2/	299.3	5%	35
Total Shell Egg	1157.4	-6%	207

1/Information is supplied by a universe of 172 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.

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS FOR LOOSE EGGS AT FARM, CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS, CENTS PER DOZEN			
	07-15-03	07-08-03	07-16-02
Large	47-51	47-51	29-32
Medium	33-35	33-35	14-18

EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 12-JUL-03

DRIED AND INEDIBLE REVISED FOR PREVIOUS WEEK AND TO DATE 2003

	(LBS IN THOUSANDS)		(EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)			
	CASES BROKEN	LIQUID WHOLE	LIQUID WHITE	LIQUID YOLK	DRIED	INED
CW	1,216,309	29,053	11,278	6,145	2,529	4,317
PW	1,077,056	25,632	10,380	5,631	*2,200*	*3,954*
LY	1,316,402	30,004	12,488	6,761	3,343	4,520
% CHG PW	13	13	9	9	15	9
% CHG LY	-8	-3	-10	-9	-24	-4
2003	31,794,172	774,454	290,701	159,866	*64,969*	*115,917*
2002	33,093,324	766,160	326,648	176,083	79,728	118,202
% CHG YTD	-4	1	-11	-9	-19	-2

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK	LAST YEAR
(INEDIBLE INCLUDED)	41.76	42.33	40.85
(INEDIBLE EXCLUDED)	38.21	38.66	37.41

BROILER HATCHERY

STATE	Broiler Eggs Set in 19 Selected States		Broiler Chicks Placed in 19 Selected States	
	Jul 05	Jul 12	Jul 05	Jul 12
	Thousand			
AL	28,419	28,780	21,694	21,518
AR	30,676	30,669	25,195	24,296
DE	3,649	3,701	5,137	5,437
FL	1,315	1,329	1,732	1,779
GA	31,848	32,401	*26,129	25,542
KY	*6,597	6,679	*6,103	5,330
LA	3,983	3,953	4,145	3,784
MD	9,267	9,482	5,691	5,823
MS	18,443	19,375	16,388	15,939
NC	17,787	17,235	14,443	15,002
OK	5,922	6,424	3,932	4,721
PA	*3,816	3,791	*2,699	2,740
SC	4,415	4,427	3,727	4,331
TX	14,756	14,443	12,424	12,328
VA	6,538	6,259	6,219	5,336
CA, LA, MO, TN, & WV	*17,110	16,250	*15,640	15,454
19 State Total	*204,541	205,198	*171,298	169,360
Previous Year Total	206,891	209,239	172,394	168,933
Pct. of Prev. Year	99	98	99	100

BASED ON THE PRELIMINARY CHICK PLACEMENTS, THE NUMBER OF FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING DURING THE WEEK ENDING 23-Aug-03 IS ESTIMATED AT 156.8 MILLION HEAD. THIS COMPARES TO 158.1 MILLION HEAD THE PREVIOUS WEEK AND TO 160.0 MILLION HEAD THE SAME WEEK A YEAR AGO, WHEN THE SLAUGHTER WAS 162.7 MILLION HEAD AND THE COMPOSITE WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE WAS 55.55 CENTS PER POUND.

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES - WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES

(CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING WEEK OF 07/10/03-07/16/03

SE	NE	MW	LOADS				
CURRENT LDS	105.00	FUTURE LDS 50.75	TOTAL LDS 155.75				
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	51.00	53.43	52.83	54.00	—	53.00	19.00
GNR W 4	—	—	—	—	41.33	43.42	3.00
GL W J	62.00	—	72.50	74.00	63.00	—	5.00
GL W XL	—	63.80	63.86	64.94	60.38	—	56.50
GL W LG	60.00	63.38	61.50	62.67	56.68	59.33	36.00
GL W MD	—	49.33	43.73	45.91	41.54	44.10	18.00
GL W SM	31.00	33.17	30.47	32.44	29.00	30.00	8.25
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	48.00	54.00	51.63	28.25
NRBS - 39	51.50	53.00	36.50	38.13	—	—	8.00

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS W/E 12-Jul-2003

SELECTED CONSUMING CENTERS	CW THOUSANDS	PW THOUSANDS	PCT CHG PW	LY
ATLANTA	21.8	21.1	3	23
BOSTON	3.4	3.6	-6	0
CHICAGO	61.8	56.0	10	61
DETROIT	27.8	27.2	2	-9
KANSAS CITY	4.4	12.4	-65	33
LOS ANGELES	85.3	88.3	-3	-5
NEW ORLEANS	13.7	13.8	-1	6
NEW YORK	32.2	30.2	7	5
ST. LOUIS	18.5	17.6	5	8
SAN FRANCISCO	22.2	22.4	-1	-2
TOTAL	291.1	292.6	-1	9
4 WK MVG AVG	287.0			

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING 12-Jul-2003

	YOUNG		OLD	TOTAL	
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS		
	-----THOUSANDS-----				
HEAD	2,125	2,901	47	21	5,094
AVG WT	15.85	35.33	24.28	29.70	27.08
LAST WEEK	1,639	2,256	47	2	3,944
SAME WK YR AGO	1,836	2,950	69	19	4,874
AVG WT	15.51	35.54	23.99	27.26	27.80
TO-DATE/2003	50,900	75,683	1,689	403	128,675
TO-DATE/2002	50,380	74,588	1,330	228	126,526

NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTS

BY GEOGRAPHICAL AREAS WEEK ENDING 12-Jul-2003

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

—YOUNG TURKEYS—				OLD	TOTAL TURKEYS	
THOUSAND	PCT CHG	AVG	BANDED	HEAD-	AVG	LIVE WT
HEAD	PW	LIVE WT	-THOUSAND	HEAD-	LIVE WT	
N EAST	882	24	22.06	(A)	887	22.06
SATL	867	50	28.56	(A)	872	28.56
N CENT	2,337	26	30.60	(A)	2,342	30.60
S CENT	479	10	20.41	(A)	482	20.41
WEST	507	37	23.23	(A)	510	23.23
U.S. TOTAL	5,072(B)	29	27.08	21	5,093	27.08
TO-DATE						
2003	128,272(B)				403	128,675
TO-DATE						
2002	126,298(B)				228	126,526

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 47,000 for the year 1,689,000; last year to date 1,330,000.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

W/E 12-Jul-2003

(PRELIMINARY)	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
-----THOUSANDS-----					
HEAD	159,849	1,153	1,515	2,668	347
AVG WT	5.23	3.74	8.04	6.18	6.68
LAST WEEK	143,589	1,019	1,179	2,198	340
SAME WK YR AGO	158,616	1,498	1,418	2,916	378
AVG WT	5.03	3.39	7.95	5.61	6.44
TO-DATE/2003	4,252,661	45,040	38,006	83,046	11,588
TO-DATE/2002	4,315,575	49,710	37,388	87,098	12,081

The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 160.4 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period is 161.8 million head or 1.4 million head more than or 101% of estimated fryers available.

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 19-Jul-03

CLASS	Current Week	Previous Week
	07/19/03(1)	07/12/03
-----THOUSAND HEAD-----		
BRO-FRY	162,640(2)	170,164
LT HENS	1,244	1,307
HVY HENS	1,698	1,583
TOTAL	165,582	173,054

(1)ESTIMATED

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 19-Jul-03 is 160.8 million head compared to 161.9 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 163.0 million head or 2.2 million more than estimated available. For week of 26-Jul-03 the estimated available is 162.6 million head.

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

WEEK ENDING	MILLION HEAD		PCT	AVG WT	
	SLAUGHTERED	AVAILABLE			
JUNE	7	157.8	159.0	99%	5.23
	14	160.7	161.3	100%	5.34
	21	161.7	161.0	100%	5.12
	28	167.3	160.4	104%	5.37
JULY	5	145.3	160.9	90%	5.24
	12	161.8	160.4	101%	5.23
YEAR TO DATE	4304.4	4364.8	99%		
JULY	19		160.8		
	26		162.6		

READY-TO-COOK POULTRY BROILER/FRYERS

Final report of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook broiler/fryers f.o.b. and Delivered to First Receivers at major market areas week of 07/14/03-07/18/03 (cents per lb.)

	U.S. GRADE A			COMPOSITE			
	MAJ	WTD	AVG	LDS	WTD	AVG	LDS
Chicago	52.00-55.00		55.33	40	57.84		74
Los Angeles	72.00		69.85	62	73.64		190
New York	58.00-61.00		59.02	23	59.80		49

COMPOSITE WTD AVG PRICES FOR RTC BROILER/FRYERS

Change from			
14-Jul-03	7-Jul-03	7-Jul-03	15-Jul-02
64.11	1.67	62.44	57.56

NUMBER OF LOADS 670

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	LBS
CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/			AVG	(000)
8-16 LB HENS				
EASTERN REGION 3/	55.5-60	59	59.00	40
CENTRAL REGION 4/	53-60	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	59-61	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS				
EASTERN REGION	55.5-59	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	55-59	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	58-59	-	-	-

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 - (INCL GOVT STOCKS)

SELECTED STGE CENTERS (IN THOUSANDS)

		FREGS LBS	TURKS LBS	POP LBS
AM	07/14/03	3,350	212,645	58,070
AM	07/01/03	3,240	206,919	57,844
CHG		110	5726	226
PCT CHG		3%	3%	0%

HEN MARKETS

HEAVY TYPE Final Price, Generally for slaughter the week of 14-Jul-03

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD.
			AVG
Southeast (1)	5-8.75 CENTS/LB.	8-8.5	8.22
Southeast (2)	TFEWR		
South Central(1)	5.5-11.25 CENTS/LB.	8.5-9	8.58

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

LIGHT TYPE 11-Jul-03 Cents per Head, generally for removal within the next 10 days (includes handling, freight and any other charges, weights average about 3.50 pounds)

	RANGE	MAJORITY
Eastern		
Removal Cost	0-12	9-11
So. Central		
Removal Cost	Too Few To Report	
No. Central		
Removal Cost	0-11	10-11

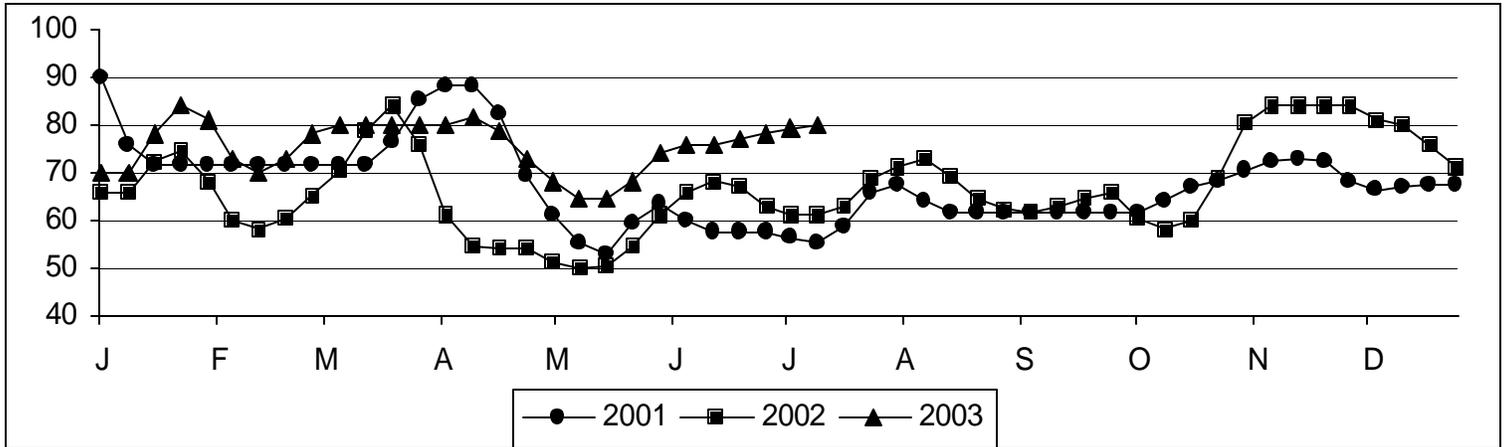
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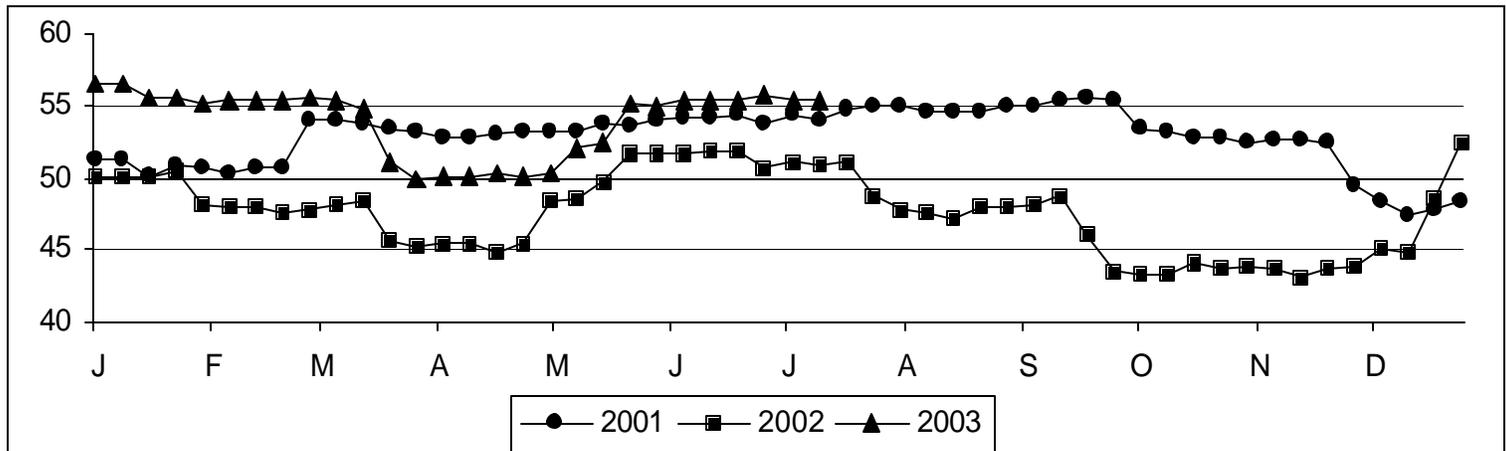
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REGIONS	CASES (IN THOUS)	PERCENT CHANGE FROM	
		PW	LY
N. ATLANTIC	204.8	-4	-9
E.N. CENTRAL	511.6	-4	-3
W.N. CENTRAL	283.9	0	3
S. ATLANTIC	175.3	2	14
S. CENTRAL	104.2	7	30
WEST	193.1	2	-1
TOTAL	1472.9	-1	1
MATCHED PLANTS REPORTING		86	86

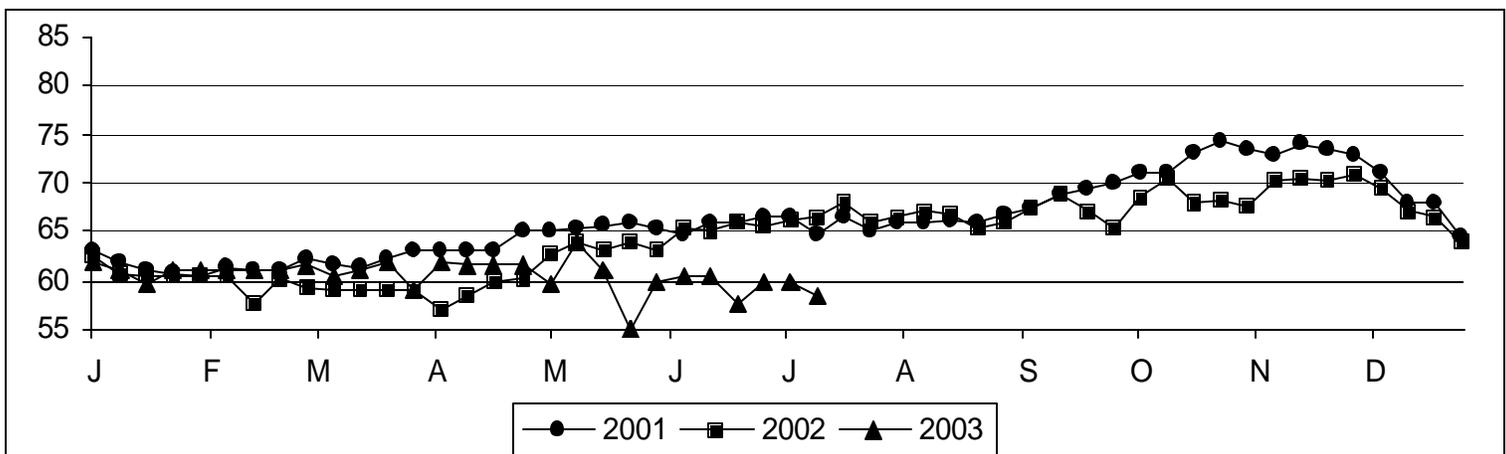
New York Large Weekly Average Price
Cents per Dozen



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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