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NATIONAL EGG REVIEW



This week in New York, prices are steady for all egg sizes. Earlier in the week, regional prices were steady for Jumbo, higher for Extra Large and Large, lower for Medium. Next week's regional asking prices are trending steady for both the larger and smaller sized eggs. The undertone is steady. Retail demand is moderate to good, while food service demand is reported in a full range, light to good. Offerings and supplies are light to moderate, occasionally heavy. Breaking stock prices are steady with a steady undertone. Offerings are moderate for the light demand. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow. National light type hen removal costs are steady. Demand is moderate for the light to moderate offerings. Processing schedules are reduced due to the Thanksgiving holiday. Market activity is slow to moderate.

PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS - LOOSE EGGS AT FARM, CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

IA-MN-WI	11/20/12	11/13/12	11/22/11
LARGE	105-115	101-111	90-100
MEDIUM	80-84	82-86	72-76

REGIONAL PRICES -TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A & GRADE A, WHITE EGG IN CARTONS, DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

Regions	LARGE		MEDIUM	
	RANGE	MOSTLY	RANGE	MOSTLY
MIDWEST	123-132	125-128	98-107	100-103
NORTHEAST	124-138	129-133	99-112	104-106
SOUTH CENTRAL	134.5-143	136-139	104.5-113	106-109
SOUTHEAST	132-148	136-139	104.5-124	105-109

WEEKLY COMBINED REGIONAL

11/16/12

Average prices on sales to volume buyers, USDA Grade A and Grade A, white eggs in cartons, delivered warehouse, cents per dozen

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	128.00	127.00	107.00
SOUTHEAST	135.50	133.50	109.00
MIDWEST	124.50	122.50	103.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	133.50	133.50	109.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	130.47	129.29	107.32

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY: Stocks on Hand Available for Marketing (30-dozen cases in thousands)¹ (Includes Conventional and Specialty)

November 19, 2012		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
Jumbo	This Week	6.7	9.0	16.1	8.4	10.0	3.8	54.0
	% Change	-20.4%	-10.2%	-2.1%	-16.4%	-11.4%	-14.9%	-11.0%
Extra Large	This Week	27.2	14.9	32.1	22.7	37.3	3.1	137.3
	% Change	-5.6%	-34.0%	-20.1%	-6.1%	0.6%	-31.9%	-12.8%
Large	This Week	53.9	102.5	95.7	80.4	65.9	41.0	439.4
	% Change	-17.4%	-18.4%	-20.2%	-16.3%	-11.6%	-23.2%	-17.8%
Medium	This Week	11.4	18.5	49.2	23.1	25.1	11.0	138.4
	% Change	-44.1%	-2.6%	-9.6%	-23.5%	-8.6%	-3.7%	-15.1%
Small	This Week	1.8	2.0	8.3	1.6	1.5	2.2	17.4
	% Change	-3.2%	-7.4%	-10.7%	-39.5%	9.6%	2.8%	-10.6%
Miscellaneous	This Week	1.6	15.1	24.9	10.1	5.2	1.8	58.6
	% Change	-39.8%	16.9%	-10.0%	-7.0%	-9.6%	81.0%	-3.5%
Ungraded	This Week	7.3	16.6	71.2	31.6	26.1	10.0	162.8
	% Change	-18.2%	-16.5%	-5.0%	9.1%	5.5%	35.1%	-1.2%
Total Shell Egg	This Week	109.8	178.6	297.5	177.8	171.1	73.0	1,007.8
	% Change	-19.4%	-15.8%	-13.2%	-12.3%	-6.1%	-13.6%	-13.2%

Totals	Cases	Percent Change
Shell Egg	1,007.8	-13.2%
Breaking Stock	243.5	-2.1%
Total Shell Egg	1,251.3	-11.2%

Specialty Shell Egg Inventory² Stocks on Hand to be Marketed (30-dozen cases in thousands)

		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
Large	This Week	6.2	10.8	6.0	4.7	1.6	1.9	31.1
	% Change	9.1%	-12.8%	6.6%	-7.9%	-15.5%	-4.9%	-4.5%
Ungraded	This Week	0.0	0.0	28.2	13.3	10.2	1.6	53.3
	% Change	0.0%	0.0%	19.0%	10.5%	-10.9%	6.1%	9.5%
Total Specialty	This Week	6.2	10.8	34.2	18.0	11.8	3.5	84.4
	% Change	9.1%	-12.8%	16.7%	5.1%	-11.6%	-0.3%	3.9%

Percentage of Specialty Shell Egg Inventory Comprised of USDA Certified Organic:

Large:	22.3%
Ungraded:	71.5%
Total:	53.4%

1/ Cooperators normally have stocks on hand each Monday A.M. and must report in both the current and previous week. This is a representative sample of the U.S. inventory and includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

2/ Specialty eggs include certified organic, nutritionally enhanced, cage-free, and vegetarian-fed types.

Regional Definitions: **Northeast** = CT, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, AND VT; **Southeast** = AL, FL, GA, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, & WV; **Midwest** = IA, IL, IN, KY, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, & WI; **South Central** = AR, AZ, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX, & UT; **Southwest** = CA & NV; **Northwest** = ID, MT, OR, WA, & WY.

EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

W/E 17-Nov-2012 (Lbs. In Thousands)		(Excludes Ingredients)				
Total	Cases	Liquid	Liquid	Liquid		
Production	Broken	Whole	White	Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CW	1,404,361	35,027	12,854	6,679	2,465	4,563
PW	1,422,142	36,541	13,077	6,324	2,614	4,730
LY	1,394,415	33,129	14,424	7,288	2,826	4,669
% PW	-1%	-4%	-2%	6%	-6%	-4%
% LY	1%	6%	-11%	-8%	-13%	-2%
2012	63,012,228	1,487,501	639,314	324,277	134,808	210,233
2011	62,139,740	1,475,452	624,712	316,945	131,522	208,402
% YTD	1%	1%	2%	2%	2%	1%

	CW	PW	LY
Average Yield Per Case - (inedible included)	42.10	42.66	42.68
Average Yield Per Case - (inedible excluded)	38.85	39.34	39.33

In Line Production (of total production; lbs. in thousands; may include a limited amount of off-line source material.)

	CASES BROKEN		LIQUID WHOLE	
	Cases	% of Total	lbs.	% of Total
CURRENT WEEK	789,888	56.2%	21,157	60.4%
PREVIOUS WEEK	812,928	57.2%	21,550	59.0%
LAST YEAR	762,902	54.7%	20,628	62.3%

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS

W/E 17-Nov-2012			
Selected Consuming Centers	CW (Cases in thousands)	LW	% Change
Atlanta	27.1	22.3	-5
Boston	2.8	3.0	-7
Chicago	56.9	60.4	-6
Los Angeles	58.8	59.4	-1
New Orleans	7.3	6.5	12
New York	42.9	47.9	-10
St. Louis	110.3	99.8	11
San Francisco	25.8	19.5	32
Total	331.9	319.9	4
4 Week Moving Avg.	296.4		6

BROILER HATCHERY

State	Broiler-Type Eggs Set,		Broiler-Type Chicks Placed,	
	19 Selected States		19 Selected States	
	Week Ending		Week Ending	
	Nov 10, 2012	Nov 17, 2012	Nov 10, 2012	Nov 17, 2012
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)
AL.....	26,932	27,513	18,543	19,054
AR.....	21,045	21,688	17,258	20,306
DE.....	3,389	3,415	4,095	4,371
FL.....	1,353	1,351	1,035	1,326
GA.....	31,559	32,130	25,119	25,014
KY.....	7,094	7,517	5,247	5,659
LA.....	2,956	3,288	2,981	2,891
MD.....	7,136	7,158	5,246	5,307
MS.....	17,223	16,865	13,869	13,993
MO.....	7,258	8,040	4,849	5,265
NC.....	20,202	19,553	15,055	15,679
OK.....	6,553	6,830	4,181	3,680
PA.....	3,546	3,678	2,634	2,647
SC.....	5,129	5,402	3,726	4,365
TX.....	13,980	14,128	10,769	11,234
VA.....	5,127	6,275	4,349	4,507
CA, TN, & WV.....	10,414	10,883	8,560	10,729
19 State Total.....	190,896	195,714	147,516	156,027
Prev. Year Total.....	194,224	195,158	152,174	152,567
Pct. of Prev. Year.....	98	100	97	102

Source: NASS, USDA

*Revised

(5-DAY) WEIGHTED AVERAGE TRAILER LOAD SHELL EGG SALES

NATIONAL TRADING FOR NOV 14, 2012-NOV 20, 2012 (CENTS/DOZEN)									
COURTESY OF U.S.D.A. FEDERAL/STATE MARKET NEWS									
CURRENT LOADS		152.75		FUTURE LOADS		56.75		TOTAL LOADS	
		SE		NE		MW		209.50	
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS		
GNR W 1	103.00	115.48	103.17	106.88	93.00	96.00	64.00		
GNR BR 1	--	--	103.50	--	--	--	1.00		
GL W J	--	--	114.50	116.00	84.95	--	6.00		
GL W XL	100.00	124.76	117.25	118.04	92.60	98.00	43.25		
GL W LG	--	128.25	--	118.97	83.94	106.30	81.50		
GL W MD	--	--	80.50	75.50	82.57	91.00	19.00		
GL W SM	--	78.00	70.33	74.13	69.88	--	7.00		
GL BR J	--	--	121.00	123.00	85.83	--	1.25		
GL BR XL	--	--	109.00	111.00	--	--	1.00		
GL BR LG	--	--	112.00	114.00	101.00	109.00	3.50		
GL BR MD	--	--	--	--	78.00	--	1.00		
NRBS - 50	--	75.25	--	97.00	69.00	--	3.00		
NRBS - 45	--	--	--	--	65.00	--	1.00		
NRBS - 42	--	--	--	--	68.00	74.00	5.00		
NRBS - 39	65.50	--	73.00	75.00	68.00	72.50	4.00		

TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS

Week Ending 17-Nov-2012 (Preliminary)

-----Young turkeys-----		Old		Total turkeys	
Pct Chg		Avg		Avg	
Prev wk		Live wt		Live wt	
-Thousand Head-		--Thousand head--			
North East	876	3	24.44	(A)	876
South Atlantic	718	-12	36.13	(A)	718
North Central	2,311	-5	30.60	(A)	2,311
South Central	740	-30	19.27	(A)	740
West	371	-44	27.78	(A)	371
U.S. total	5,016 (B)	-14	29.33	0	5,016
To-date					
2012*	206,085 (B)			338	206,423
To-date					
2011*	207,806 (B)			358	208,164

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 29,000; for the current year to date* 1,259,000; for last year to date* 1,035,000.

Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

Week Ending 17-Nov-2012 (Preliminary)

	Young		Breeders		Total
	Hens	Toms	Young	Old	Turkeys
	-----Thousands-----				
Head	2,118	2,898	29	0	5,045
Avg Wt	16.88	38.47	25.11	0.00	29.33
Last week	2,828	2,991	38	0	5,857
Same wk yr ago	2,210	2,761	12	14	4,997
Avg Wt	16.66	38.66	29.41	32.46	28.89
To-date/2012*	85,630	120,455	1,259	338	207,682
To-date/2011*	86,995	119,776	1,035	358	208,164
% Change YTD	-2%	1%	22%	-6%	0%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	28,601	89,189	553	0	118,343
Last week	40,655	89,850	769	0	131,274
Same wk yr ago	29,454	85,393	270	347	115,464
To-date/2012*	1,160,904	3,825,663	24,937	8,438	5,020,242
To-date/2011*	1,186,674	3,703,880	22,819	8,478	4,921,851
% Change YTD	-2%	3%	9%	0%	2%
Dressing %	80.0%	80.0%	76.0%	76.0%	

(A) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update.

*Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING

Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 29-Dec-12 is estimated at 139.7 million head. This compares to 137.6 million head the previous week and to 141.3 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 138.2 million head and the composite weighted average price was 81.70 cents per pound.

WEEKLY POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

(Preliminary) Week ending 17-Nov-2012

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
-----Thousands-----					
Head	151,106	1,367	1,793	3,160	426
Avg Wt	5.83	3.22	7.94	5.90	6.87
Last week	154,621	1,181	1,406	2,587	411
Same wk yr ago	147,263	1,339	1,507	2,846	442
Avg Wt	5.67	3.26	7.69	5.61	6.46
To-date/2012*	7,020,721	62,525	74,025	142,015	18,991
To-date/2011*	7,261,250	55,948	71,204	133,422	19,865
% Change YTD	-3%	12%	4%	6%	-4%

Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage

Current week	665,116	2,377	9,325	11,702	2,093
Last week	692,261	2,124	7,349	9,473	1,813
Same wk yr ago	626,236	2,314	7,649	9,963	2,056

To-date/2012*	30,414,781	115,403	386,440	501,843	91,483
To-date/2011*	31,040,115	106,574	368,480	475,054	96,518
% Change YTD	-2%	8%	5%	6%	-5%

Dressing %	75.5%	54.0%	65.5%	71.5%
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(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 149.6 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 152.9 million head, or 3.3 million more than estimated available.

(B) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update. *Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

**ESTIMATED U.S. FRYER SLAUGHTER/
FRYER AVAILABILITY COMPARISON**

Week Ending	Million Head Slaughtered	Million Head Available*	Pct	Avg Wt
10/13	156.9	151.8	103%	5.97
10/20	157.4	150.4	105%	5.86
10/27	155.3	150.6	103%	5.76
11/03	150.1	150.1	100%	5.87
11/10	156.5	151.1	104%	5.93
11/17	152.9	149.6	102%	5.83
Year to date	7106.2	7063.3	101%	
11/24		145.4		
12/01		144.8		

*Based on chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier.

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF U.S. BROILER/FRYERS AND FOWL

Week Ending 24-Nov-12

Class	Current Week 11/24/12 (1)	Previous Week 11/17/12
----- Thousand head -----		
Broiler/fryer	122,460 (2)	160,103
Light hens	829	1,373
Heavy hens	845	1,826
Total	124,134	163,302

(1) ESTIMATED

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 24-Nov-12 is 147.5 million head compared to 114.0 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 122.7 million head or -24.8 million less than estimated available. For the week of 01-Dec-12 the estimated available is 145.1 million head.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS – Selected Centers

		Frozen Eggs LBS	Processed Turkeys LBS	Processed Other Poultry LBS
AM	11/19/12	2,976	81,676	63,521
AM	11/01/12	3,011	122,767	55,357
CHG		-35	-41091	8164
PCT CHG		-1%	-33%	15%

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS

Frozen Grade A basted equivalent offering prices on a national basis for hens 103.00-112.00 cents f.o.b. and 16-24 lb. toms 102.00-112.00 cents f.o.b. for current shipments.

NATIONAL FOWL MARKETS

16-Nov-12

Live Spent Heavy

Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading:	Price Range	Wtd Avg
Prices in cents per pound.	9.5- 21.0	13.77

(Southeast Region broiler breeder hens generally for processing, 7 lbs. and up; under 7 lbs. subject to discount.)

Live Spent Light

The majority price for removal costs remains unchanged at 0-7 cents per head.

(live hens are predominately egg-layers averaging about 3.5 lbs. live weight per bird.)

Eastern region = AL, CT, DE, GA, KY, MA, MD, ME, MS, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, TN, VA, VT, and WV;

North Central = IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI;

South Central = AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX.

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT

Week ending 17-Nov-2012 (Receipts From Producers)

Regions	Cases (In Thousands)	Percent Change From Last Week	Last Year
North Atlantic	216.1	1	3
East North Central	759.3	1	6
West North Central	339.9	5	14
South Atlantic	143.6	6	-15
South Central	55.1	1	7
West	37.2	2	-7
Total	1551.2	3	5

Matched Plants Reporting Previous Week 69 Last Year 69

Areas Covered:

North Atlantic (ME, VT, MA, RI, CT, NH, NY, PA, NJ, MD, DE)

East North Central (WI, IL, MI, OH, IN)

West North Central (IA, MN, MO, KS, SD)

South Atlantic (SC, NC, VA, GA, FL, KY)

South Central (TN, AL, AR, MS, OK)

Western (CA, CO, WA, OR, UT)

FINAL BROILER/FRYER REPORT

Prices negotiated for truck-lot sales of ready-to-cook broiler/fryers delivered to first receivers and FOB dock at major market areas (cents per lb.) Week of 19-Nov-2012

	Grade A Majority	Wtd Avg	Composite Loads	Wtd Avg	Loads
Delivered to First Receivers 1/:					
Los Angeles	106.00	107.33	15	99.61	51
New York	93.00-96.00	95.24	21	95.06	41

Delivered to First Receivers 1/:

	Whole Body 2/:	Composite Loads	Wtd Avg	Loads
Majority Wtd Avg				
Chicago	90.00-97.00		92.95	53

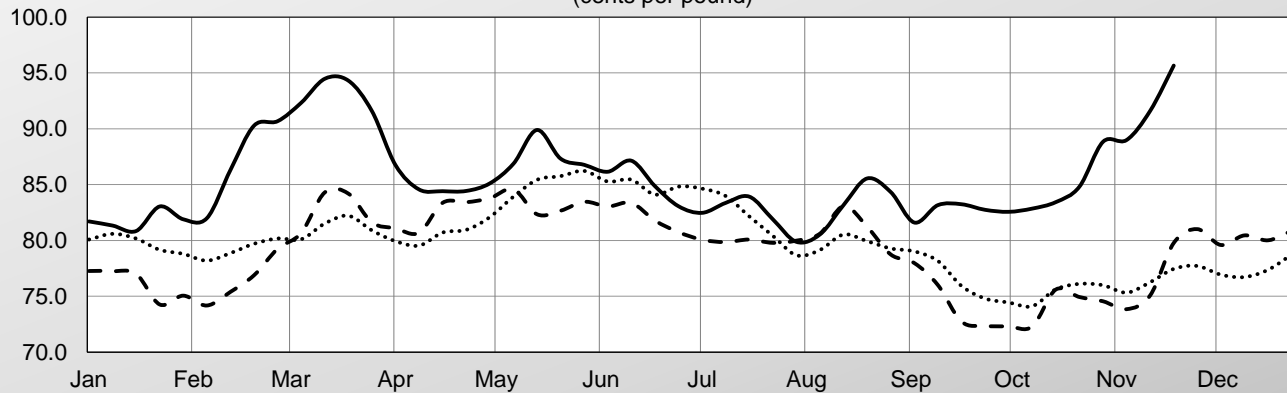
1/: Includes branded product.

2/: Whole Body category includes whole body birds with or without giblets, all grades, brands, and packaging.

COMPOSITE WEIGHTED AVERAGE RTC BROILER/FRYER

Loads	11/19/12	Change Last Wk	11/12/12	11/21/11
304	95.66	4.06	91.60	79.77

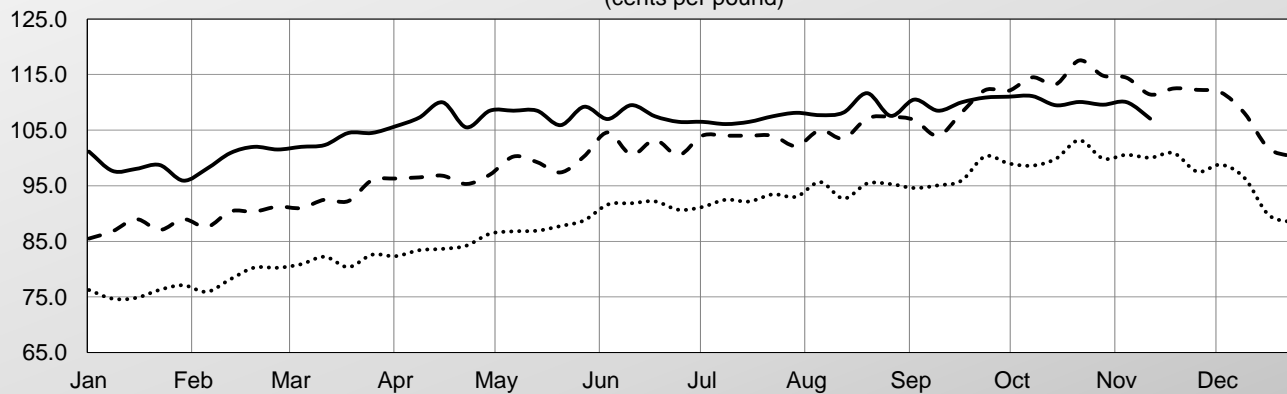
Composite Weighted Average Prices For RTC Broiler-Fryers
(cents per pound)



Source: USDA AMS Poultry Market News and Analysis

— 2012 - - - 2011 3-Year Av.

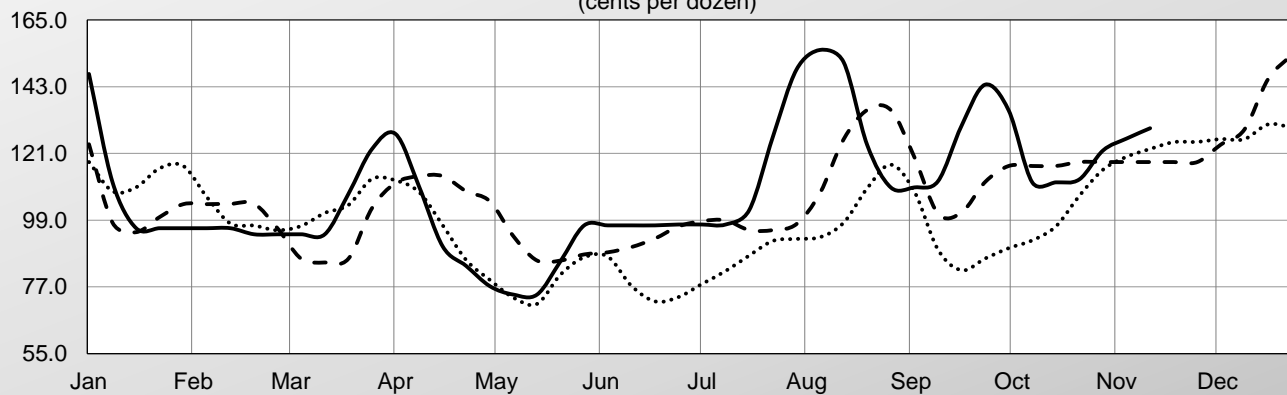
National Frozen 8-16 lb Hen Turkey Weekly Average Prices
(cents per pound)



Source: USDA AMS Poultry Market News and Analysis

— 2012 - - - 2011 3-Year Av.

Combined Regional Large Egg Weekly Average Prices
(cents per dozen)



Source: USDA AMS Poultry Market News and Analysis

— 2012 - - - 2011 3-Year Av.