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In New York, prices were unchanged. In the Northeast region, weekly prices were lower on all sizes when compared to previous week's values. Elsewhere, weekly prices were lower on the larger sizes and unchanged on mediums when compared to last week's prices. The market tone was steady beginning the week. Demand was light to very good, mostly moderate to good. Supplies were adequate to fully sufficient for full trade needs. Breaking stock supplies were balanced to fully adequate for the light to moderate demand. Light type hens were fully sufficient for the fair 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 Midwest delivered prices were lower for the larger sizes. Other reported prices unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady. Retail demand ranged light to very good, usually moderate to good, with feature activity providing the best customer interest. Food service movement was light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to fully adequate for current needs. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Offerings were light with demand mostly quiet as inventories were reported as comfortably balanced to fully adequate. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY	IA-MN-WI - Prices paid to producers.	
			RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	38-48	39-45	LARGE	21-29 24
LARGE	37-47	38-41	MEDIUM	6-11 9
MEDIUM	22-32	24-27	SMALL	4-6

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

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were slightly lower on all sizes when compared to the previous week's values. Trade sentiment was steadier entering the week. Demand improved in some areas and ranged moderate to fairly good, best where features were a factor. Supplies were adequate to fully adequate for full trade needs. Breaking stock offerings were usually sufficient for the light to moderate demand. Spent hens were fully sufficient for processing schedules that were noted as normal to instances heavy. Demand was reported as fair to moderate.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	48-63	49-52
LARGE	42-56	47-51
MEDIUM	26-39	31-33

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

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL Prices were lower for the larger sizes and unchanged for medium. Trade sentiment was steady. Retail demand was moderate to at times very good, best where featured. Food service movement was light to moderate. Supplies were mostly adequate for current needs. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Offerings were light with demand mostly quiet as inventories were reported as comfortably balanced to fully adequate. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	49.5-58	51-54
LARGE	46.5-55	48-51
MEDIUM	31.5-40	33-36

SOUTH CENTRAL AREA: AR,AZ,CO,KS,LA,MO,NM,OK, and TX

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were lower on the larger sizes and generally unchanged on mediums when compared to the previous week's values. The market tone was steady beginning the week. Demand was light to mostly moderate. Supplies were adequate to at times fully sufficient. Breaking stock offerings were usually adequate for the light to moderate demand. Light type fowl were fully sufficient for normal to occasionally heavy processing schedules.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	46.5-56.25	48-51
LARGE	45-53.25	46-49
MEDIUM	30.5-38	31-35

SOUTHEAST AREA: AL, FL, GA, MS, NC, SC, eastern TN, and southern VA

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

NEW YORK Prices were unchanged on all sizes when compared to late last week's values. Trade sentiment was generally steady entering the week. Demand was mostly moderate. Supplies were sufficient for current trade needs.

	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	56-60
LARGE	54-58
MEDIUM	38-42

CHICAGO & MIDWEST Prices were lower for the larger sizes and unchanged for medium. The trade sentiment was steady. Retail demand was moderate to good, best for features. Food service movement was light to at times moderate. Supplies were adequate to instances fully adequate for current needs.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	45-53	47-49
LARGE	44-52	45-48
MEDIUM	31-38	32-34

WESTERN Prices 1 cent lower on jumbo, 3 cents lower on extra large and large, unchanged on medium throughout the region. The Pacific region inventory was 25% lower than last Monday with California down 17% and Oregon-Washington-Utah down 36%. Retailer demand moderate to good. Offerings lighter.

CALIFORNIA Prices 1 cent lower on jumbo, 3 cents lower on extra large and large, and unchanged on medium and small. The California inventory was 17% lower than last Monday. Retailer demand fairly good. Offerings adequate. Small benchmark price 45. Ads and prices to consumers in Northern California were not available.

California Egg Marketing Association and other marketers benchmark price for negotiated egg sales of USDA Grade AA and Grade AA in cartons, cents per dozen. This price does not reflect discounts or other contract terms.

	RANGE
JUMBO	100
EXTRA LARGE	89
LARGE	80
MEDIUM	65

PRICES TO CONSUMERS MAJOR CHAINS, METROPOLITAN AREA, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA		NORTHERN CALIFORNIA
	RANGE	RANGE
JUMBO	249-269	
EXTRA LARGE	219-239	NOT AVAILABLE
LARGE	199-239	
MEDIUM	189-205	

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES— DAILY WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR JANUARY 7, 2005

CURRENT LOADS		27.50		FUTURE LOADS				7.50		TOTAL LOADS		35.00		LOADS	
SE		NE		MW		LOADS		SC		NW		SW		LOADS	
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	—	—	27.00	28.00	—	—	1.00	GNR W 1	—	—	—	—	—	—	3.00
GNR BR 1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.00	GL W XL	—	—	—	—	—	51.25	1.00
GL W J	—	—	50.50	52.00	—	—	1.00	GL W LG	—	—	—	—	—	45.80	10.00
GL W XL	40.75	43.25	39.00	40.50	37.00	—	8.00	GL W SM	—	—	—	—	20.00	—	2.00
GL W LG	—	—	36.50	38.00	33.91	35.71	12.75								
GL W MD	—	—	—	—	20.00	22.00	1.25								
GL W SM	—	—	—	—	20.38	—	4.00								
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	22.50	23.00	3.00								

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES— WEEKLY (5-DAY) WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 01/03/05-01/07/05

CURRENT LOADS		113.50		FUTURE LOADS				72.50		TOTAL LOADS		186.00		LOADS	
SE		NE		MW		LOADS		SC		NW		SW		LOADS	
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	27.00	—	26.33	28.20	—	26.00	6.00	GNR W 1	—	—	—	—	—	—	3.00
GNR BR 1	—	—	—	62.00	—	—	3.00	GL W J	43.00	—	—	—	—	56.00	3.00
GL W J	—	—	49.50	51.00	43.00	48.00	6.00	GL W XL	35.00	40.14	—	—	—	44.44	20.25
GL W XL	40.75	42.05	38.68	40.17	33.54	35.53	60.75	GL W LG	37.00	38.18	—	43.60	—	44.72	30.50
GL W LG	—	41.09	35.92	36.67	33.79	34.57	37.75	GL W MD	—	25.90	—	27.00	—	30.67	10.50
GL W MD	—	27.00	21.00	22.00	20.13	22.00	16.00	GL W SM	—	—	—	—	20.00	—	2.00
GL W SM	23.75	26.29	—	—	19.42	19.00	8.50	NRBS - 48	21.50	24.25	—	—	—	—	5.00
GL BR LG	—	62.00	—	—	—	—	2.00								
GL BR MD	26.00	28.50	—	—	—	—	1.00								
NRBS - 48	—	23.00	25.25	27.00	22.50	24.61	77.00								
NRBS - 45	—	—	23.00	24.00	—	—	1.00								
NRBS - 42	—	—	—	—	18.50	20.50	2.00								
NRBS - 39	—	—	—	18.00	—	—	2.00								

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES ARE LISTED FOR VARIOUS CLASSES PRICED BY ORIGIN AND/OR DESTINATION FOR 6 REGIONS. THE LOADS COLUMN REFLECTS TOTAL LOADS REPORTED AND INCLUDES LOADS WITH PRICES TO BE DETERMINED LATER. NRBS CATEGORIES REPRESENT NET WEIGHT - MATERIAL MAY OR MAY NOT BE INCLUDED.

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT-FROZEN EGGS (In Thousands)

ON HAND	01/03/05	12/27/04	01/05/04
PACIFIC COAST	400	400	131
LOS ANGELES	387	387	49

NORTH CAROLINA EGGS The market was steady on medium and small sizes, lower on the balance. Supplies are adequate. Retail demand is good.

PRICES WEIGHTED AVERAGE, IN SMALL LOTS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, NEARBY RETAIL OUTLET, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	65.63
LARGE	62.63
MEDIUM	48.63
SMALL	42.00

CERTIFIED ORGANIC EGGS IN CARTONS

(price per carton delivered to first receivers)

Brown Eggs	CENTS/CARTON	MOSTLY
Extra Large doz.	222 - 260	239 - 240
1/2 doz.	120 - 151	130 - 134
Large doz.	217 - 250	225 - 230
1/2 doz.	115 - 142	125 - 128

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