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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Prices were unchanged. The market tone was about steady entering the weekend. Demand into all outlets continued light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to available, instances ample in some areas. Breaking stock offerings were sufficient to fully adequate for the light to moderate demand. Breaking schedules were normal. Light type hens were fully sufficient for the fair to at least moderate demand. Processing schedules were noted as reduced.

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

MIDWEST REGIONAL EGG Prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady at best with a weaker undertone noted for next week. Retail and food service demand were light to at times moderate.

Supplies were fully adequate to ample.

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|-------------|-------|-------|
| EXTRA LARGE | 60-70 | 61-67 |
| LARGE | 59-69 | 60-63 |
| MEDIUM | 50-60 | 52-55 |

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| IA-MN-WI Prices paid to producers. Range Mostly | | |
| LARGE | 42-51 | 46 |
| MEDIUM | 33-39 | 37 |
| SMALL | 8-12 | |

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

NORTHEAST REGIONAL EGG Prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was about steady. Demand into all channels ranged light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to available for trade requirements. Breaking stock offerings were usually adequate for the moderate demand. Spent hens were fully sufficient for less than normal processing schedules.

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| | RANGE | MOSTLY |
| EXTRA LARGE | 67-82 | 68-71 |
| LARGE | 61-75 | 66-70 |
| MEDIUM | 56-64 | 56-59 |

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

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL EGG Prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was about steady with a weaker undertone noted for next week. Retail demand was light to moderate. Food service movement was usually light to at times moderate. Supplies were fully adequate to available for current needs. Central states breaking stock prices ranged unchanged to higher with checks and undergrades 1 cent higher. Demand was mostly light to instances moderate with offerings adequate to fully adequate. Floor stocks balanced to fully adequate. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment mostly steady.

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| | RANGE | MOSTLY |
| EXTRA LARGE | 70.5-79 | 72-75 |
| LARGE | 67.5-76 | 71-74 |
| MEDIUM | 57.5-66 | 59-62 |

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

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL EGG Prices were unchanged. Asking prices for next week's deliveries were trending unchanged on all sizes. Trade sentiment was about steady entering the weekend. Demand was light to moderate. Supplies were sufficient to available for current requirements. Breaking stock offerings were usually adequate, but limited. Breaking schedules were normal for the moderate and unaggressive demand. Spent hen offerings were fully sufficient for the fair to at least moderate demand. Processing schedules were noted as reduced.

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| | RANGE | MOSTLY |
| EXTRA LARGE | 60.25-74 | 68-71 |
| LARGE | 57.25-72 | 66-69 |
| MEDIUM | 46.25-63 | 56-60 |

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 EGGS Prices were unchanged on all sizes. Trade sentiment was about steady entering the weekend. Demand continued light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to fully adequate for present requirements.

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| | RANGE |
| EXTRA LARGE | 75-79 |
| LARGE | 73-77 |
| MEDIUM | 63-67 |

CHICAGO AND MIDWEST EGGS Prices ended the week unchanged. The trade sentiment was steady with a weaker undertone noted for next week. Retail and food service demand were usually light to instances moderate. Supplies were fully adequate to available for current needs.

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| | RANGE | MOSTLY |
| EXTRA LARGE | 67-75 | 69-71 |
| LARGE | 66-74 | 67-70 |
| MEDIUM | 59-66 | 60-62 |

WESTERN REGION EGG Prices unchanged. The market tone ranged steady to weak with asking prices for next week unchanged to 1 cent lower on jumbo and extra large, unchanged to 2 cents lower on large and medium. Retailer demand good to cover features, light elsewhere. Offerings fully adequate.

CALIFORNIA EGGS Prices unchanged. The market tone was weak with asking prices for next week 1 cent lower on jumbo and extra large, 2 cents lower on large, medium and small. Retailer demand good to cover features in progress and planned, light elsewhere. Offerings adequate to fully adequate. Small benchmark price 74. Ads in Southern California: major- large dozen 99.

CALIFORNIA 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.

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|-------------|--------------|
| | RANGE |
| JUMBO | 125 |
| EXTRA LARGE | 113 |
| LARGE | 104 |
| MEDIUM | 94 |

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

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

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|-------------|--------------|
| | RANGE |
| JUMBO | 95-114 |
| EXTRA LARGE | 93-101 |
| LARGE | 91-94 |
| MEDIUM | 81-84 |

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

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|-------------|--------------|
| | RANGE |
| JUMBO | 249-269 |
| EXTRA LARGE | 219-289 |
| LARGE | 199-239 |
| MEDIUM | 189-205 |

CENTRAL REGION BREAKING STOCK Breaking stock prices ranged unchanged to higher with checks and undergrades 1 cent higher. Demand was mostly light to instances moderate with offerings adequate to fully adequate. Many breakers were anticipating increased offerings of heavy breaking stock in the near future. Floor stocks balanced to fully adequate. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment mostly steady.

Prices in cents per dozen, delivered to breakers, 48 lb. minimum net weight per 30 dozen case, eggs from table egg layers. Packaging may vary.

| | RANGE | MOSTLY |
|--|-------|--------|
| BREAKING STOCK | 32-33 | |
| CHECKS & UNDERGRADES | 18-22 | 19-21 |
| CENTRAL STATES AREA: AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,LA,MI,MN,MO,NM,ND,NE,OH,OK,SD,TX,WI | | |

EASTERN REGION BREAKING STOCK Prices were higher on checks and undergrades but unchanged on nest run breaking stock when compared to early week trading. Trade sentiment was steady. Offerings were usually sufficient but limited. Demand was moderate, but most buyers were unaggressive. Overall, floor stocks were about adequate for normal breaking schedules. Cases broken under federal inspection in the Eastern region for the week ending 29-Jan-2005 were 2% less than the previous week, but 8% more than a year ago.

Prices in cents per dozen, delivered to breakers, 48 lb. minimum net weight per 30 dozen case, eggs from table egg layers. Packaging may vary.

| | RANGE | MOSTLY |
|--|-------|--------|
| BREAKING STOCK | 24-32 | 28-30 |
| CHECKS & UNDERGRADES | 15-22 | 16-20 |
| EASTERN REGION AREA: AL,CT,DE,FL,GA,KY,ME,MD,MA,MS,NH,NJ,NY,NC,PA,RI,SC,TN,VT,VA,WV | | |

EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION - W/E 29-JAN-05
(LBS IN THOUSANDS) (EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)

| | CASES BROKEN | LIQUID WHOLE | LIQUID WHITE | LIQUID YOLK | DRIED | INED |
|-----------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|--------|--------|
| | | | | | | |
| CW | 1,239,584 | 29,192 | 12,629 | 6,605 | 2,910 | 4,315 |
| PW | 1,194,985 | 27,844 | 12,197 | 6,549 | 3,204 | 4,388 |
| LY | 1,118,124 | 25,723 | 11,045 | 6,112 | 2,584 | 3,906 |
| % CHG PW | 4 | 5 | 4 | 1 | -9 | -2 |
| % CHG LY | 11 | 13 | 14 | 8 | 13 | 10 |
| 2005 | 4,972,263 | 117,659 | 49,613 | 26,463 | 13,069 | 17,701 |
| 2004 | 4,533,778 | 106,452 | 44,022 | 24,383 | 10,752 | 16,377 |
| % CHG YTD | 10 | 11 | 13 | 9 | 22 | 8 |

| AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE - (INEDIBLE INCLUDED) | CURRENT WEEK | PREVIOUS WEEK | LAST YEAR |
|---|-----------------|------------------|--------------|
| | | | |
| (INEDIBLE EXCLUDED) | 39.07 | 38.99 | 38.35 |

NATIONAL LIQUID Pasteurized salt yolk and whites were too few to report. Trade sentiment was firm for whole egg, steady for whites and steady to barely steady for yolk. Spot demand was good for whole egg while contractually based sales continued fairly good to instances good for whites. Demand for additional liquid yolk was mostly light and tempered separation in some locations. Offerings were usually adequate for all liquid products. Breaking schedules had been shortened at a few off-line operations. Breaking stock prices were higher when compared to last week's reported prices.

Prices paid cents per lb., FOB Plant to 10:00 AM non-pasteurized trucklot. For delivery within 14 days.

| CLASS | LOADS | RANGE | CHANGE FROM | |
|--------|-------|---------|-------------|-----------|
| | | | WTD. AVG. | LAST WEEK |
| WHOLE | 17 | 26.5-33 | 29.96 | 4.84 |
| WHITES | 6 | 24 | 24.00 | -1.09 |
| YOLKS | 8 | 44-45.5 | 44.75 | -1.44 |

EASTERN REGION FROZEN Majority prices were unchanged on yolks, unchanged to lower on whole, and unchanged to higher on whites when compared to the previous week's trading. Trade sentiment was still generally steady. Supplies were balanced to available. Demand improved slightly but was mostly light to moderate. Liquid and frozen eggs (ingredients included) processed under federal inspection in the Eastern region for the week ending 29-Jan-2005 were 1% more than the previous week, and 17% higher than a year earlier.

Wholesale selling prices (cents per lb. in 30 lb containers)

| | TRUCKLOTS RANGE | MOSTLY | LTL (MIN. 25 CONT.) RANGE |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|--------|---------------------------------|
| | | | |
| WHOLE | 33-40 | 36-38 | 43-47 |
| BLENDS (/) | TFEWR | | 58-75 |
| WHITES | 36-42 | 39-41 | 44-49 |
| SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS) | 53-60 | 54-57 | 61-65 |
| SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS) | 51-55 | 52-55 | 58-63 |

(/)- Whole plus yolk plus sweetener, generally 20-32% egg solids.

CENTRAL REGION FROZEN All prices ranged unchanged from the previous week's quotations. Trade sentiment was mostly steady for all frozen products. Offerings were adequate to available. Demand continued fairly good to good for whole egg, moderate for whites, and quiet for sugared and salted yolk. Most breakers were producing frozen egg on an as ordered basis. Breaking stock prices were slightly higher when compared to last week's reported prices.

Wholesale selling prices (cents per lb. in 30 lb. containers)

| | RANGE | MOSTLY |
|--------------------------------|-------|--------|
| TRUCKLOTS | | |
| WHOLE | 37-39 | 37 |
| WHITES | 39-42 | 40 |
| SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS) | 54-59 | 58-59 |
| SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS) | 52-56 | 53-54 |

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FROZEN Prices 1 cent higher on whole, unchanged on whites and yolks. Southern California breaking activity for the week ending 1/29 was 13% less than the previous week. Frozen demand fair with freezer stocks adequate.

Wholesale selling prices, f.o.b. shipping point (cents per lb. in 30 lb. containers)

| | LTL (MIN. 25 CONT.) | |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|--|
| | RANGE | |
| WHOLE | 43-46 | |
| WHITES | 44-47 | |
| SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS) | 61-64 | |
| SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS) | 59-62 | |

NATIONAL DRIED EGG Mostly prices were unchanged on blends, unchanged to higher on yolks, lower on albumen, and irregular on whole eggs when compared to a week earlier. Demand improved in some locations but was usually light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to available. Trade sentiment was barely steady to steady on albumen, and usually steady on balance of items. Dried eggs processed under federal inspection for the week ending 29-Jan-2005 were 9% less than the previous week, but 13% more than last year. The total year to date dried eggs produced were 22% higher than a year earlier. Wholesale selling prices, dollars per lb., in containers, trucklot & less-than-trucklot volumes.

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|-------------------------------|-----------|--------|-----------|
| WHOLE | 1.34-1.68 | MOSTLY | 1.40-1.55 |
| YOLKS | 1.31-1.45 | MOSTLY | 1.35-1.40 |
| ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED | 2.30-2.80 | MOSTLY | 2.43-2.55 |
| BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER) | 1.34-1.70 | MOSTLY | 1.35-1.50 |

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR JAN 28, 2005-FEB 03, 2005

CURRENT LOADS 78.00 FUTURE LOADS 55.50 TOTAL LOADS 133.50

| CLASS | SE | | NE | | MW | | LOADS | CLASS | SC | | NW | | SW | | LOADS |
|-----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----------|-------|-------|-----|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| | ORG | DST | ORG | DST | ORG | DST | | | ORG | DST | ORG | DST | ORG | DST | |
| GNR W XL | — | — | 47.00 | 48.00 | — | — | 1.00 | GNR W 1 | — | 52.20 | — | — | — | — | 7.00 |
| GNR W 1 | 44.25 | 50.46 | 44.80 | 46.33 | — | 48.00 | 31.00 | GNR W 2 | — | 50.00 | — | — | — | — | 2.00 |
| GNR W 2 | — | — | — | — | — | — | 2.00 | GNR W 3 | — | 47.00 | — | — | — | — | 5.00 |
| GNR W 3 | — | — | — | — | 40.00 | — | 5.00 | GL W XL | — | 61.67 | — | — | — | 67.30 | 9.75 |
| GNR BR 1 | — | 64.00 | — | 65.00 | — | — | 2.00 | GL W LG | 56.50 | 62.08 | — | 73.13 | — | 64.46 | 31.25 |
| GL W J | — | — | 70.00 | 71.00 | — | 69.00 | 3.00 | GL W MD | 36.00 | 62.36 | — | — | — | 54.00 | 12.25 |
| GL W XL | — | 63.33 | 57.90 | 61.18 | 54.41 | — | 35.50 | NRBS - 36 | — | 21.50 | — | — | — | — | 1.00 |
| GL W LG | — | 61.50 | 55.00 | 57.00 | 52.18 | 60.50 | 29.25 | | | | | | | | |
| GL W MD | — | 52.00 | 49.75 | 49.00 | 51.27 | 48.27 | 25.50 | | | | | | | | |
| GL W SM | 26.00 | 28.25 | 23.90 | 26.30 | 23.00 | 26.00 | 8.00 | | | | | | | | |
| NRBS - 48 | — | 29.00 | — | — | 31.00 | 33.92 | 20.00 | | | | | | | | |
| NRBS - 45 | — | — | — | — | — | 33.00 | 5.00 | | | | | | | | |
| NRBS - 39 | — | 18.50 | — | — | 16.00 | — | 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. LOAD MOVEMENT REPRESENTS TOTAL MOVEMENT WITHIN 6 REGIONS.

LIGHT TYPE HENS

CENTS PER HEAD, GENERALLY FOR REMOVAL

WITHIN THE NEXT 10 DAYS

(INCLUDES HANDLING, FREIGHT AND ANY OTHER CHARGES, WEIGHTS AVERAGE ABOUT 3.50 POUNDS)

EASTERN REGION LIGHT LIVE HEN Prices were unchanged when compared to a week ago. Demand was fair to at least moderate with offerings of spent hens fully sufficient for current trade needs. Processing schedules were less than normal. Trade sentiment was at least steady.

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| | RANGE | MAJORITY |
| REMOVAL COST | 4-11 | 8-10 |

SOUTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Transactions were too few to report. Demand was light for fully adequate offerings of spent hens. Finished sales were fair. Schedules were normal. Costs of disposal were too few to report.

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| | RANGE | MAJORITY |
| REMOVAL COST | TOO FEW TO REPORT | TOO FEW TO REPORT |

NORTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Prices ranged unchanged. Offerings were easily adequate for needs. Demand light to moderate. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment steady.

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| | RANGE | MAJORITY |
| REMOVAL COST | 0-7 | 0-5 |

WEST COAST LIGHT LIVE HEN Plant schedules moderate. Offerings adequate.

SHELL EGGS-COMBINED REGIONAL

FEB 04, 2005

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 | 69.50 | 68.00 | 57.50 |
| SOUTHEAST | 69.50 | 67.50 | 58.00 |
| MIDWEST | 64.00 | 61.50 | 53.50 |
| SOUTH CENTRAL | 73.50 | 72.50 | 60.50 |
| COMBINED REGIONAL | 69.31 | 67.61 | 57.51 |

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.

NATIONAL CANNER FOWL MARKET Trading was too few to report on heavy canners; slightly higher on lights when compared to a week earlier. Demand was at least moderate for both light and heavy canners with most available supplies of heavy canners being used internally. Offerings were mostly adequate to about adequate and clearing satisfactorily. Processing schedules were normal to less than normal. The undertone was at least steady.

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, WITHOUT FREIGHT COST

| | |
|--|---|
| LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS) | HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS) |
| 28-33 MAJORITY 28-30 | TOO FEW TO REPORT |

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, FREIGHT COST INCLUDED

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|--|---|
| LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS) | HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS) |
| 30-35 MAJORITY 31-35 | TOO FEW TO REPORT |

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER INSPECTION W/E 29-JAN-05
(PRELIMINARY)

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED DOMESTICALLY

| | LIGHT HENS | HEAVY HENS | TOTAL HENS |
|------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | THOUSANDS | | |
| Head | 1,307 | 1,024 | 2,331 |
| Last Week | 1,451 | 1,205 | 2,656 |
| Same week yr ago | 1,274 | 1,255 | 2,529 |
| To-date/2005 | 5,854 | 4,931 | 10,785 |
| To-date/2004 | 5,487 | 5,073 | 10,560 |

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA

| | LIGHT HENS | HEAVY HENS | TOTAL HENS |
|------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | THOUSANDS | | |
| Head | 315 | 0 | 315 |
| Last Week | 359 | 0 | 359 |
| Same week yr ago | 221 | 0 | 221 |
| To-date/2005 | 1,403 | 0 | 1,403 |
| To-date/2004 | 1,219 | 18 | 1,237 |

TOTAL U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN THE U.S. AND CANADA

| | LIGHT HENS | HEAVY HENS | TOTAL HENS |
|------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | THOUSANDS | | |
| Head | 1,622 | 1,024 | 2,646 |
| Last Week | 1,810 | 1,205 | 3,015 |
| Same week yr ago | 1,495 | 1,255 | 2,750 |
| To-date/2005 | 7,257 | 4,931 | 12,188 |
| To-date/2004 | 6,706 | 5,091 | 11,797 |

Inspected Egg Products-U.S. & Canada Export/Import Trade**U.S. Exports to Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)**

| Week Ending January 22, 2005 | | Year-To-Date | | |
|------------------------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|
| TYPE | 2005 | 2004 1/ | 2005 2/ | 2004 |
| Liquid | 105 | 194 | 669 | 342 |
| Frozen | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Dried | 0 | 9 | 6 | 9 |
| Total | 105 | 203 | 675 | 351 |

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)

| Week Ending January 22, 2005 | | Year-To-Date | | |
|------------------------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|
| TYPE | 2005 | 2004 1/ | 2005 2/ | 2004 |
| Liquid | 245 | 182 | 579 | 359 |
| Frozen | 52 | 40 | 59 | 88 |
| Dried | 40 | 116 | 120 | 195 |
| Total | 337 | 338 | 758 | 642 |

Inspected Shell Eggs**U.S Exports To Canada, In 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary)**

| Week Ending January 22, 2005 | | Year-To-Date | | |
|------------------------------|------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| TYPE | 2005 | 2004 1/ | 2005 2/ | 2004 |
| Jumbo | 0 | 0 | 0 | 50 |
| Extra Large | 0 | 750 | 0 | 750 |
| Large | 0 | 0 | 550 | 2,093 |
| Medium | 600 | 0 | 1,965 | 30 |
| Ungraded | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Misc | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 600 | 750 | 2,515 | 2,923 |

1/ Comparable Week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.

2/ Includes revisions to previous week(s).

Data Source: Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID, Poultry Section

Source: USDA/AMS Poultry Programs, Market News Branch.

COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS - Selected Centers (INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

| | Frozen Eggs/LBS | Turkeys/LBS | Processed other Poultry/LBS |
|-------------|-----------------|-------------|-----------------------------|
| AM 01/31/05 | 3,602 | 74,727 | 45,938 |
| AM 01/01/05 | 3,427 | 59,916 | 54,376 |
| CHG | 175 | 14811 | -8438 |
| PCT CHG | 5% | 25% | -16% |

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS

W/E 29-Jan-2005

| Selected Consuming Centers | CW (Thousands) | LW | PERCENT CHANGE | |
|----------------------------|----------------|--------------|----------------|-----------|
| | | | LW | LY |
| Atlanta | 28.4 | 28.0 | 1 | 10 |
| Boston | 3.4 | 3.6 | -6 | 3 |
| Chicago | 72.1 | 68.6 | 5 | 16 |
| Detroit | 24.6 | 36.5 | -33 | -4 |
| Kansas City | 4.4 | 8.9 | -51 | -40 |
| Los Angeles | 108.7 | 103.4 | 5 | 25 |
| New Orleans | 9.2 | 7.5 | 23 | 22 |
| New York | 29.3 | 32.9 | -11 | -6 |
| St. Louis | 18.4 | 16.3 | 13 | 8 |
| San Francisco | 23.8 | 20.3 | 17 | 7 |
| Total | 322.3 | 326.0 | -1 | 12 |
| 4 Week Moving Avg. | 324.1 | | | |

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT

(Receipts From Producers)

| W/E 29-Jan-05 | CASES (IN THOUS) | PERCENT CHANGE FROM | |
|--------------------|------------------|---------------------|----------|
| REGIONS | | PW | LY |
| North Atlantic | 244.6 | 1 | 7 |
| East North Central | 613.1 | -5 | 10 |
| West North Central | 298.5 | 0 | -1 |
| South Atlantic | 213.4 | 0 | 1 |
| South Central | 61.5 | -8 | -12 |
| West | 186.8 | 3 | 3 |
| Total | 1617.9 | -2 | 4 |

Matched Plants reporting Previous week 86

Last year 85

Areas Covered: North Atlantic (ME,VT,MA,RI,CT,NH,NY,PA,NJ,MC,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)
 West (CA,CO,WA,OR,UT)

NEW ENGLAND WEEKLY SHELL EGG REPORT

Feb 1, 2005

PRICES PAID PER DOZEN GRADE A BROWN EGGS IN CARTONS DELIVERED STORE DOOR.

| | EXTRA LARGE | LARGE | MEDIUM | SMALL |
|---------------|-------------|---------|--------|-------|
| MAINE | 114 | 111 | 86 | 47 |
| MOSTLY | - | - | - | - |
| NEW HAMPSHIRE | 106-110 | 103-107 | 78-82 | 40-44 |
| MOSTLY | 108-109 | 105-106 | 80-81 | 42-43 |
| RHODE ISLAND | 113-117 | 110-114 | 85-89 | 46-50 |
| MOSTLY | 113 | 110 | 85 | 46 |
| VERMONT | 114-115 | 111-112 | 86-89 | - |
| MOSTLY | 114 | 111 | 86 | - |

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