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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



In New York, prices ended the week unchanged on all sizes. Trade sentiment was steady to instances barely steady. Demand into all channels was in a full range of light to good. Supplies were adequate to available, occasionally ample on lighter weight eggs. Breaking offerings were sufficient for the quiet to moderate demand. Spent hens were adequate to at least adequate for the fair to mostly moderate demand. Processing schedules were reported as normal for the upcoming week.

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 were unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady to barely steady. Retail sales were light to good with loose egg sales light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to ample with lighter weights in the longest position.

	Range	Mostly	IA-MN-WI	Prices paid to producers.	Range	Mostly
EXTRA LARGE	60-70	61-67	LARGE	42-51	46	
LARGE	59-69	60-63	MEDIUM	21-25	23	
MEDIUM	35-45	37-40	SMALL	5-7		

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

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged. Asking prices for next week's deliveries were trending unchanged on all sizes. The market tone was steady beginning the weekend. Demand was moderate to fairly good. Supplies were adequate to available for current trade needs. Breaking stock offerings were irregular, but noted as still sufficient for the moderate demand. Schedules were mostly normal. Spent hens were adequate to at least adequate for the fair to mostly moderate demand. Processing schedules were reported as normal for the upcoming week.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	71-85	72-77
LARGE	66-80	71-75
MEDIUM	39-52	44-46

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

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL All prices unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady. Retail demand was moderate to instances good, best in areas with significant numbers of hurricane evacuee's. Food service movement was light to moderate. Supplies of all sizes were adequate with lighter weights readily available. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Demand slow with breakers turning away light weight offers and waiting developments on heavy weight breaking stock. Floor stocks adequate. Schedules full time. Trade sentiment steady with a cautious undertone.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	72.5-81	74-77
LARGE	71.5-80	73-76
MEDIUM	43.5-52	45-48

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

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged. Asking prices for next week's deliveries were trending unchanged on all weights. The market tone was steady entering the weekend. Demand was light to at times good. Supplies were adequate to at times available. Breaking stock offerings were mixed, usually sufficient for the moderate demand. Breaking schedules were usually normal. Light type hens were adequate for the fair to mostly moderate demand. Processing schedules were reported as normal.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	70.25-79	73-76
LARGE	64.25-77	71-74
MEDIUM	40.50-48	41-45

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 remained unchanged on all sizes when compared to yesterday's prices. Trade sentiment was steady entering the weekend. Demand was mostly moderate. Supplies were adequate to occasionally fully adequate for current trade requirements.

	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	80-84
LARGE	78-82
MEDIUM	51-55

MIDWEST REGIONAL

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	67-76	69-73
LARGE	66-75	67-69
MEDIUM	42-51	45-47

WESTERN REGIONAL Prices unchanged. The market tone was steady with asking prices for next week unchanged on all sizes throughout the region. Retailer demand moderate. Offerings adequate.

CALIFORNIA Prices unchanged. The market tone was steady with asking prices for next week unchanged on all sizes. Retailer demand moderate. Offerings adequate. Small benchmark price 61.

CALIFORNIA Shell egg marketer's 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	118
EXTRA LARGE	115
LARGE	105
MEDIUM	81

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.

	RANGE
JUMBO	96-107
EXTRA LARGE	94-103
LARGE	92-95
MEDIUM	68-71

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

	RANGE
JUMBO	259-309
EXTRA LARGE	219-289
LARGE	179-229
MEDIUM	179-199

CENTRAL REGION BREAKING STOCK Prices were unchanged. Offerings were adequate with demand quiet as many breakers shy away from available light weight breaking stock and await future market adjustments on heavy breaking stock. Floor stocks adequate. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment steady with a cautious undertone.

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	41-43	
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	27-31	27-29
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 Mostly prices were unchanged when compared to early week trading. The undertone was generally reported as steady at prevailing price levels. Offerings were irregular, but still sufficient for current needs. Demand was moderate with most locations usually on normal breaking schedules. Cases broken under federal inspection in the Eastern region for the week ending 10-Sep-2005 were 8% less than the previous week, but 4% higher 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	35-40	36-39
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	22-30	23-27
EASTERN STATES 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 10-Sep-05
(LBS IN THOUSANDS) (EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)

	CASES BROKEN	LIQUID WHOLE	LIQUID WHITE	LIQUID YOLK	DRIED	INED
CW	1,254,268	29,775	11,770	5,985	2,480	4,087
PW	1,303,179	30,779	12,358	6,596	2,787	4,274
LY	1,173,586	28,309	11,133	5,889	2,534	4,055
% PW	-4%	-3%	-5%	-9%	-11%	-4%
% LY	7%	5%	6%	2%	-2%	1%
2005	46,976,255	1,105,301	462,180	247,713	105,106	159,007
2004	44,259,457	1,051,263	424,529	230,028	99,607	151,555
% YTD	6%	5%	9%	8%	6%	5%

	CW	PW	LY
Average Yield Per Case - (Inedible Included)	41.15	41.44	42.08
Average Yield Per Case - (Inedible Excluded)	37.89	38.16	38.63

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	534,473	42.6%	14,007	47.0%
PREVIOUS WEEK	535,842	41.1%	14,185	46.1%
LAST YEAR	495,165	42.2%	12,997	45.9%

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FROZEN Prices 4 cents higher on whole, 1 cent higher on whites, and 3 cents higher yolks. Southern California breaking activity for the holiday week ending 9/10 was 15% less than the previous week. Frozen demand moderate with freezer stocks adequate.

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

	RANGE
WHOLE	55-59
WHITES	40-43
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	76-79
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	74-77

CENTRAL REGION FROZEN All frozen product prices were higher. Trade sentiment was mostly steady for all products at current quoted prices. Offerings were adequate with demand moderate to instances good with reports of additional demand being generated for frozen salt yolk. Floor stocks were tight to adequate, mostly closely balanced on all frozen items. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged when compared to the previous week's reported prices.

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

TRUCKLOTS	RANGE	MOSTLY
WHOLE	50-53	50-51
WHITES	34-37	35
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	70-74	71-73
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	67-73	68-72

EASTERN REGION FROZEN Mostly prices were unchanged to lower on whites, but higher on balance of items when compared to a week earlier. Demand was fair. Offerings were still generally sufficient for trade needs, but held with confidence. Trade sentiment was steady to full steady on most items. Liquid and frozen eggs (ingredients included) processed under federal inspection in the Eastern region for the week ending 10-Sep-2005 were 9% less than the previous week, and 1% lower than a year earlier.

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

	RANGE	MOSTLY	LTL RANGE
WHOLE	40-52	47-51	54-59
BLENDS (I)	TFEWR		65-80
WHITES	34-38	34-36	40-52
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	69-74	70-74	75-85
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	65-73	67-73	72-86

(I) - Whole plus yolk plus sweetener, generally 28-32% egg solids.

NATIONAL DRIED Mostly prices were unchanged on blends, unchanged to higher on albumen, and balance of items were higher when compared to a week earlier. Trading was light to moderate with late week values continuing to trend higher than early week trading. Trade sentiment was at least steady. Dried eggs processed under federal inspection for the week ending 10-Sep-2005 were 11% less than the previous week, and 2% less than a year earlier. The total year to date production on dried eggs produced were 6% higher than a year ago. Wholesale selling prices, dollars per lb., in containers, Trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes.

WHOLE	1.40-1.75	MOSTLY	1.60-1.70
YOLKS	1.63-1.85	MOSTLY	1.65-1.70
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	2.05-2.45	MOSTLY	2.20-2.38
BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER)	1.25-1.70	MOSTLY	1.25-1.45

NATIONAL LIQUID Pasteurized salt yolk reported from 56 to 64 cents fob with pasteurized whites too few to report. Trade sentiment was steady to instances barely steady for whole egg, steady for whites, and fully steady to firm for yolk. Offerings were fully adequate for whole egg and whites and adequate to mostly tight for yolk. Demand was fair to fairly good for whole egg and good for whites and yolk. Central States breaking prices were unchanged compared to the previous 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	WTD. AVG.	CHANGE FROM LW
WHOLE	19	36-38	36.26
WHITES	18	16-21	19.72
YOLKS	9	64.5-65.5	64.72

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR SEPT 09, 2005-SEPT 15, 2005

CURRENT LOADS								FUTURE LOADS								TOTAL LOADS											
81.00								107.50								188.50											
SE		NE		MW		SC		NW		SW		SE		NE		MW		SC		NW		SW					
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS		
GNR W 1	52.33	—	52.17	54.25	—	51.00	21.00	GNR W 1	—	57.00	—	—	—	—	—	—	67.00	13.00	GL W J	—	—	—	—	—	—	76.75	2.00
GNR W 3	—	38.00	—	—	—	33.00	—	1.00	GL W XL	—	68.57	—	69.75	—	70.58	—	11.50	GL W LG	54.00	63.69	—	70.56	—	61.50	28.25		
GL W J	—	—	73.00	74.75	60.00	—	5.00	GL W MD	33.81	35.00	—	39.50	—	38.00	—	10.75	GL BR LG	59.75	—	—	—	—	65.00	1.00			
GL W XL	—	68.00	65.45	67.25	57.58	61.50	44.75	NRBS - 48	40.50	41.50	—	—	—	—	—	5.00	NRBS - 39	—	17.00	—	—	—	—	—	1.00		
GL W LG	—	65.40	58.14	62.00	55.06	—	27.50	NRBS - 45	—	—	35.00	38.00	34.00	—	1.50	NRBS - 39	—	25.00	—	—	23.00	27.00	6.00				
GL W MD	37.00	—	33.95	35.45	27.00	30.00	8.50	NRBS - 36	—	22.75	15.00	17.50	19.75	29.75	12.75												
GL W SM	19.75	22.25	17.38	19.71	18.00	19.50	9.75																				
GL BR XL	—	—	—	—	—	—	.50																				
GL BR LG	—	—	—	—	—	—	.75																				

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 Majority prices were generally unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was fair to mostly moderate for the adequate to at least adequate offerings of spent hens. Processing schedules were noted as normal. Trade sentiment was steady.

REMOVAL COST

RANGE MAJORITY
6-13 9-11

SOUTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Costs of disposal were TFEWR. Demand was light for adequate offerings of spent fowl. Schedules were as desired. Finished sales were measured. Salvage values were expected to remain constant.

REMOVAL COST

RANGE MAJORITY
TOO FEW TO REPORT

NORTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Removal costs were unchanged. Demand was moderate with offerings adequate. Trade sentiment steady. Schedules full-time for next week.

REMOVAL COST

RANGE MAJORITY
6-11 8-10

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

NATIONAL CANNER FOWL MARKET Trading was too few to report for heavy canners; unchanged on lights when compared to a week earlier. Demand was light to fair for light canners; heavy canners were fair to moderate with most available supplies being used internally. Offerings were adequate to at least adequate for current trade needs. Processing schedules were noted as normal. The undertone was steady to about steady.

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, WITHOUT FREIGHT COST

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
19-28 MAJORITY 24.5-25.5	TOO FEW SALES TO REPORT

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, FREIGHT COST INCLUDED

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
21-29 MAJORITY 26-27	TOO FEW SALES TO REPORT

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER INSPECTION W/E 10-Sep-05**U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED DOMESTICALLY**

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
	THOUSANDS		
Head	1,035	1,042	2,077
Last Week	1,369	1,338	2,707
Same week yr ago	1,231	1,346	2,577
To-date/2005	53,462	50,937	104,399
To-date/2004	48,922	48,040	96,962

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
	THOUSANDS		
Head	326	0	326
Last Week	289	0	289
Same week yr ago	153	0	153
To-date/2005	9,541	40	9,581
To-date/2004	8,605	90	8,695

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

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
	THOUSANDS		
Head	1,361	1,042	2,403
Last Week	1,658	1,338	2,996
Same week yr ago	1,384	1,346	2,730
To-date/2005	63,003	50,977	113,980
To-date/2004	57,527	48,130	105,657

Source: USDA/AMS Poultry Programs, Market News Branch

SHELL EGGS-COMBINED REGIONAL SEPT 16, 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	74.50	73.00	45.00
SOUTHEAST	74.50	72.50	43.00
MIDWEST	64.00	61.50	38.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	75.50	74.50	46.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	72.23	70.52	43.39

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.

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

Week Ending September 03, 2005		Year-To-Date		
TYPE	2005	2004 1/	2005 2/	2004
Liquid	255	652	11,748	10,899
Frozen	0	0	113	11
Dried	0	0	489	433
Total	255	652	12,350	11,343

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

Week Ending September 03, 2005		Year-To-Date		
TYPE	2005	2004 1/	2005 2/	2004
Liquid	62	247	4,759	6,514
Frozen	3	0	657	1,280
Dried	0	0	371	1,813
Total	65	247	5,787	9,607

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

Week Ending September 03, 2005		Year-To-Date		
TYPE	2005	2004 1/	2005 2/	2004
Jumbo	0	0	145	318
Extra Large	3,420	7,150	150,345	123,496
Large	5,990	14,630	238,382	266,109
Medium	990	7,098	74,899	89,599
Ungraded	3,660	12,006	75,364	206,868
Misc	0	0	8,053	16,790
Total	14,060	40,884	547,188	703,180

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.

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT

W/E 10-Sep-2005	CASES	(Receipts From Producers)	
REGIONS	(IN THOUS)	PERCENT CHANGE FROM	
		PW	LY
North Atlantic	238.8	-5	-4
East North Central	586.6	-2	7
West North Central	317	9	6
South Atlantic	195.5	3	-9
South Central	57.2	-1	-18
West	201.8	2	12
Total	1596.9	1	2
Matched Plants reporting		Previous week	86
		Last year	85
Areas Covered: North Atlantic (ME,VT,MA,RI,CT,NH,NY,PA,NJ,NC,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)			

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS

Selected	CW	LW	W/E 10-Sep-2005	
Consuming Centers	(Thousands)		PERCENT CHANGE	
			LW	LY
Atlanta	27.9	25.9	8	-9
Boston	3.8	3.2	19	12
Chicago	80.5	85.4	-6	19
Detroit	21.4	30.3	-29	-27
Kansas City	2.1	6.4	-67	-67
Los Angeles	114.5	114.4	0	17
New Orleans	Storm	Storm	Storm	Storm
New York	28.6	32.3	-11	-9
St. Louis	21.7	21.5	1	21
San Francisco	18.6	17.5	6	-6
Total	319.1	336.9	-5	5
4 Week Moving Avg.	335.4			

NEW ENGLAND WEEKLY SHELL EGG REPORT

Sep 13, 2005

Prices paid per dozen Grade A Brown eggs in cartons delivered store door.

	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
MAINE	125	115	75	40
MOSTLY	-	-	-	-
NEW HAMPSHIRE	118-122	107-111	68-72	33-37
MOSTLY	120-121	109-110	70-71	35-37
RHODE ISLAND	116-120	105-109	67-71	38-42
MOSTLY	116	105	67	38
VERMONT	125-127	115-116	75	-
MOSTLY	127	116	-	-

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

	Frozen Eggs/LBS	Turkeys/LBS	Processed other Poultry/LBS
AM 09/12/05	3,498	118,240	53,812
AM 09/01/05	3,517	118,073	52,120
CHG	-19	167	1692
PCT CHG	-1%	0%	3%

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