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## NATIONAL EGG REVIEW



As the week began prices were unchanged in all areas. As the week progressed prices were higher for the larger sizes in New York but remained unchanged elsewhere. The market tone was steady on smaller sizes and fully steady to firm on heavier weights. Demand was light to fairly good. Supplies were tight to adequate on larger sizes and sufficient on lighter weights. Breaking stock prices were higher while checks and undergrade prices were unchanged. Demand was mostly good with offerings tight to short of needs. Floor stocks were very tight as most breakers work to fill regular commitments. Schedules were reduced at spot locations for the remainder of this week and next. Trade sentiment was fully steady to firm. Spent hen removal costs were unchanged. Demand was light to fairly good for the adequate offerings. Processing schedules were full-time. Trade sentiment was steady. Removal costs remain 3.5 to 11 cents, mostly 6 to 9 cents per head.

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 fully steady to firm. Retail and food service demand was moderate to fairly good. Food service movement was light to moderate. Supplies of the larger sized eggs were adequate to tight and held with confidence. Medium and small supplies were usually adequate. Central States breaking prices ranged unchanged to higher. Demand was mostly good for the tight to unavailable offerings. Floor stocks were very tight to adequate. Schedules reduced at some locations. Trade sentiment fully steady to firm.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	50-59	53-56
LARGE	49-58	51-54
MEDIUM	44-53	46-49

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 higher. Trade sentiment was fully steady on the larger sizes but steady on medium eggs. Demand ranged light to moderate. Supplies were balanced to adequate for immediate trade needs. Breaking stock demand was reported as moderate to good for closely balanced to about sufficient offerings. Spent hens were at least adequate for the light to moderate demand.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	59-74	60-63
LARGE	53-67	58-62
MEDIUM	46-59	51-53

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

**COMBINED REGIONAL** Oct 13, 2006  
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	61.50	60.00	52.00
SOUTHEAST	59.50	57.50	51.00
MIDWEST	54.50	52.50	47.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	62.50	58.50	53.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	59.63	57.14	51.11

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.

**IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN** PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS FOR LOOSE EGGS AT FARM, CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS, CENTS PER DOZEN

	10-17-06	10-10-06	10-18-05
Large	31-40	31-40	22-31
Medium	26-32	26-32	17-21

## WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT- OCTOBER 16, 2006

Stocks on hand available for marketing 1/  
(30 Dozen cases-in thousands)

		North South South				5-Area	
		Northeast	Cent	Cent	Atl	Pacific	
<b>Jumbo</b>	<b>Curr Wk</b>	<b>9.2</b>	<b>15.9</b>	<b>7.4</b>	<b>11.6</b>	<b>12.3</b>	<b>56.4</b>
	Change	0.9	-2.1	-0.4	-2.6	0.1	-7%
<b>Ex Lge</b>	<b>Curr Wk</b>	<b>28.5</b>	<b>58.4</b>	<b>15.0</b>	<b>24.0</b>	<b>38.6</b>	<b>164.5</b>
	Change	3.1	-4.7	0.1	-2.9	-2.6	-4%
<b>Large</b>	<b>Curr Wk</b>	<b>43.2</b>	<b>172.2</b>	<b>76.8</b>	<b>91.8</b>	<b>117.8</b>	<b>501.8</b>
	Change	-2.4	-8.6	-18.5	-16.0	-9.7	-10%
<b>Medium</b>	<b>Curr Wk</b>	<b>9.9</b>	<b>47.3</b>	<b>18.0</b>	<b>18.1</b>	<b>33.5</b>	<b>126.8</b>
	Change	-0.1	-2.3	-3.7	-9.4	1.3	-10%
<b>Small</b>	<b>Curr Wk</b>	<b>5.1</b>	<b>6.2</b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>5.8</b>	<b>22.5</b>
	Change	0.1	-1.5	0.3	0.1	2.1	5%
<b>Misc</b>	<b>Curr Wk</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>33.4</b>	<b>8.4</b>	<b>11.8</b>	<b>5.6</b>	<b>61.9</b>
	Change	-0.3	-2.5	0.8	0.5	-0.9	-4%
<b>Ungraded</b>	<b>Curr Wk</b>	<b>18.7</b>	<b>51.6</b>	<b>24.6</b>	<b>39.0</b>	<b>22.8</b>	<b>156.7</b>
	Change	0.8	-6.0	0.5	1.2	-1.6	-3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>Curr Wk</b>	<b>117.3</b>	<b>385.0</b>	<b>152.5</b>	<b>199.4</b>	<b>236.4</b>	<b>1090.6</b>
Percent	Change	2%	-7%	-12%	-13%	-5%	-7%

**TOTAL**                      **Number of Cases**                      **Percent Change**                      **Number of Cooperators**

Shell Egg	1090.6	-7%	165
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	219.5	-1%	35
<b>Total Shell Egg</b>	<b>1310.1</b>	<b>-6%</b>	<b>200</b>

1/ Information supplied by a universe of 165 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. This is a representative sample of the U.S. inventory and includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

2/ Due to changes in the cooperator universe, the relevant totals for the previous week were ADJUSTED. This adjustment is necessary to facilitate valid comparisons. The revised figures are:

	NO	SO	SO	5-AREA		
NORTHEAST	CENT	CENT	ATL	PACIFIC	SUMMARY	
	115.2	412.7	173.4	228.5	247.7	1177.5

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.

Northeast- CT, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT  
North Central - IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI  
South Central - AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX  
South Atlantic - AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, WV  
Pacific- AZ, CA, ID, MT, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY

**EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION** - W/E 14-OCT-06(Lbs in Thousands)  
(Excludes Ingredients)

	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Ined
CW	1,305,402	32,403	11,915	6,302	2,296	4,498
PW	1,339,918	35,161	11,226	5,826	2,041	4,324
LY	1,397,621	35,200	12,766	6,588	3,588	4,601
% Chg PW	-3%	-8%	6%	8%	13%	4%
% Chg LY	-7%	-8%	-7%	-4%	-36%	-2%
2006	53,201,437	1,308,216	496,392	262,424	116,735	179,158
2005	53,907,203	1,272,905	526,800	281,955	121,252	181,847
% Chg YTD	-1%	3%	-6%	-7%	-4%	-1%

Average Yield Per Case -	Current Week	Previous Week	Last Year
(Inedible Included)	42.22	42.19	42.33
(Inedible Excluded)	38.78	38.97	39.03

IN-LINE PRODUCTION (of total production; lbs. in thousands;  
may include limited amount of off-line source material)

	CASES BROKEN		LIQUID WHOLE	
	Cases	% of Total	Lbs.	% of Total
CURRENT WEEK	603,292	46.2%	17,139	52.9%
PREVIOUS WEEK	607,473	45.3%	17,925	51.0%
LAST YEAR	595,439	42.6%	16,337	46.4%

**BROILER HATCHERY**

STATE	Broiler Eggs Set in 19 Selected States		Broiler Chicks Placed in 19 Selected States	
	Oct 07	Oct 14	Oct 07	Oct 14
	Thousand			
AL	*30,200	29,668	*20,748	20,797
AR	27,263	28,049	*21,851	24,171
DE	3,697	3,697	4,321	3,973
FL	1,374	1,374	1,245	1,426
GA	34,923	34,766	26,954	28,046
KY	*7,535	6,764	*5,630	6,273
LA	*3,399	3,802	*3,664	3,733
MD	8,879	8,362	5,306	6,776
MS	17,064	16,934	15,702	15,237
NC	17,135	17,418	14,743	15,174
OK	6,579	6,455	5,115	3,999
PA	*4,089	3,855	*2,650	3,064
SC	5,484	4,951	4,421	4,292
TX	14,913	14,525	11,863	11,857
VA	6,398	6,186	5,541	4,734
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*16,611	16,577	*15,220	15,412
19 State Total	*205,543	203,383	*164,974	168,964
Previous Year Total	209,968	202,542	165,328	168,732
Pct. of Prev. Year	98	100	100	100

\* Revised  
Source: NASS

**WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING** Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 25-Nov-06 is estimated at 153.8 million head. This compares to 153.1 million head the previous week and to 157.2 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 128.0 million head and the composite weighted average price was 66.89 cents per pound.

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES** - 5-Day Weighted Average Prices  
(CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 10/12/06-10/18/06

Current Loads 74.25 Future Loads 39.25 Total Lds 113.50

CLASS	SE		NE		MW		LOADS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W 1	36.83	--	36.88	38.57	--	--	8.00
GL W J	--	--	53.50	55.00	--	--	1.00
GL W XL	53.50	56.50	48.50	50.59	42.75	--	40.00
GL W LG	--	--	--	47.00	38.66	--	37.50
GL W MD	45.00	34.00	38.70	40.40	29.63	--	11.75
GL W SM	--	30.00	24.75	26.00	--	--	4.00
GL BR XL	--	--	73.00	--	74.00	--	1.25
GL BR LG	--	--	67.00	--	72.00	93.00	2.25
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	29.00	26.17	12.00
NRBS - 36	--	--	--	--	--	15.00	1.00

**MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS**

W/E 14-OCT-2006 Selected	CW (Thousands)	LW (Thousands)	Percent Change LW	LY
<b>Consuming Centers</b>				
Atlanta	27.3	30.5	-10	1
Boston	3.2	2.8	14	-3
Chicago	71.8	72.5	-1	-25
Detroit	16.9	16.9	0	-6
Kansas City	2.8	2.8	0	-3
Los Angeles	108.6	103.8	5	-10
New Orleans	4.6	5.9	-22	-19
New York	26.1	25.9	1	-11
St. Louis	20.0	13.6	47	27
San Francisco	17.6	17.0	4	-6
Total	298.9	291.7	2	-11
4 Week Moving Avg.	284.4			

**LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED**

W/E 14-Oct-2006	Young		Young	Old	Total
	Hens	Toms	Breeders		Turkeys
	-----Thousands-----				
Head	1,858	2,819	36	10	4,723
Avg Wt	16.40	36.66	24.89	30.71	28.59
Last week	2,088	2,860	24	6	4,978
Same wk yr ago	1,864	2,660	30	5	4,559
Avg Wt	16.66	35.94	25.32	36.72	27.99
To-date/2006	78,928	105,193	1,020	195	185,336
To-date/2005	72,654	105,869	971	182	179,676

**TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS**

W/E 14-Oct-2006 (Preliminary)	Young		Old	Total
	Pct Chg	Avg Live	Banded	Avg
	-Thousand Head- Prev wk wt -Thousand Head- Live wt			
North East	813	7	23.53	(A) 815 23.53
South Atlantic	745	-17	31.14	(A) 747 31.14
North Central	2,321	0	31.98	(A) 2,323 31.98
South Central	599	-15	19.32	(A) 601 19.32
West	235	-18	28.12	(A) 237 28.12
U.S. total	4,713(B)	-5	28.59	10 4,723 28.59
To-date				
2006	185,141(B)			195 185,336
To-date				
2005	179,494(B)			182 179,676

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 36,000; for the current year to date 1,020,000; for last year to date 971,000.

**LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION** (Preliminary)

W/E 14-OCT-2006	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
-----THOUSANDS-----					
Head	161,719	1,008	1,538	2,546	483
Avg Wt	5.61	3.29	8.05	6.17	6.67
Last week	169,726	952	1,672	2,624	457
Same wk yr ago	164,748	1,322	1,501	2,823	498
Avg Wt	5.50	3.31	7.98	5.79	6.98
To-date/2006	6,628,666	44,751	60,884	105,635	20,542
To-date/2005	6,614,426	59,844	58,095	117,939	20,342

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 163.3 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 163.7 million head, or 0.4 million more than estimated available.

**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER**

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 21-OCT-06

CLASS	CW - 10/21/06(1)	PW - 10/14/06
-----THOUSAND HEAD-----		
Broiler/fryer	165,120(2)	168,383
Light hens	1,162	1,049
Heavy hens	1,476	1,550
Total	167,758	170,982

(1)ESTIMATED

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 21-Oct-06 is 162.9 million head compared to 165.8 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 165.5 million head or 2.6 million more than estimated available. For the week of 28-Oct-06 the estimated available is 163.3 million head.

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

WEEK ENDING	MILLION HEAD SLAUGHTERED	MILLION HEAD AVAILABLE	PCT	AVG WT
September 9	156.5	162.0	97%	5.39
16	168.5	163.7	103%	5.45
23	167.8	164.6	102%	5.49
30	166.7	164.5	101%	5.49
October 7	171.8	164.2	105%	5.57
14	163.7	163.3	100%	5.61
Year to date	6709.1	6717.6	100%	
October 21		162.9		
28		163.3		

**FINAL BROILER/FRYER** Final report of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook ice-packed broiler/fryers (includes branded product) to be delivered to first receivers at major market centers week of: 16-OCT-2006 (cents per lb)

	U.S. GRADE A		COMPOSITE		
	MAJ	WTD AVG	LDS	WTD AVG	LDS
Chicago	57.00-60.00	59.70	34	60.19	66
Los Angeles	77.00	75.52	67	72.56	125
New York	60.00-63.00	61.74	23	62.58	49

**COMPOSITE WTD AVG PRICES FOR RTC BROILER/FRYERS**

16-OCT-2006	Change from 09-OCT-2006	09-OCT-2006	17-OCT-2005
65.57	.34	65.23	68.81
NUMBER OF LOADS	539		

**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS,** FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/ 8-16 LB HENS	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	LBS (000)
EASTERN REGION 3/	96-100	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	96-100	100	100.00	20
WESTERN REGION 5/	96-100	-	-	-

**16-24 LB TOMS**

EASTERN REGION	96-100	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	96-100	100	100.00	20
WESTERN REGION	96-100	-	-	-

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.

**COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS -** Selected Centers (Incl. Gov't Stocks) (IN THOUSANDS)

	Frozen Eggs/LBS	Turkeys/LBS	Processed other Poultry/LBS
AM 10/16/06	3,245	94,125	62,691
AM 10/01/06	3,290	103,507	66,894
CHG	-45	-9382	-4203
PCT CHG	-1%	-9%	-6%

**HEN MARKETS****HEAVY TYPE**

(7 pounds and up)\* Final price, cents per lb., Generally for slaughter the week of 16-OCT-06

REGIONS	RANGE	MAJORITY	AVG
Southeast (1)	2-7 CENTS/LB.	-	4.92
Southeast (2)	TFEWR		
South Central(1)	2-8 CENTS/LB.	-	5.05

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

\*Weights under 7 lbs. subject to discount.

**LIGHT TYPE**

Cents per head, generally for removal within the next 10 days (includes handling, freight and any other charges, weights average about 3.50 pounds) 13-OCT-06

**REMOVAL COST**

REGIONS	RANGE	MAJORITY
Eastern	6-12	9-10
South Central	Too Few To Report	
North Central	3.5-11	6-9

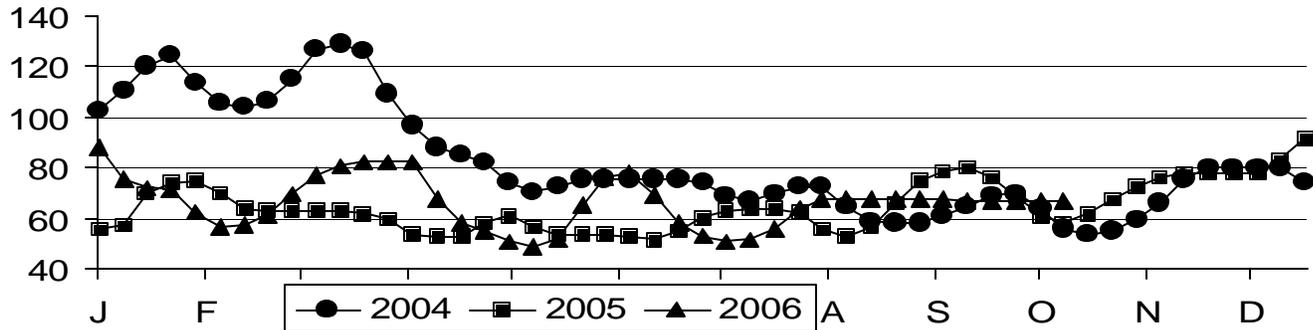
**COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT**

(Receipts From Producers)

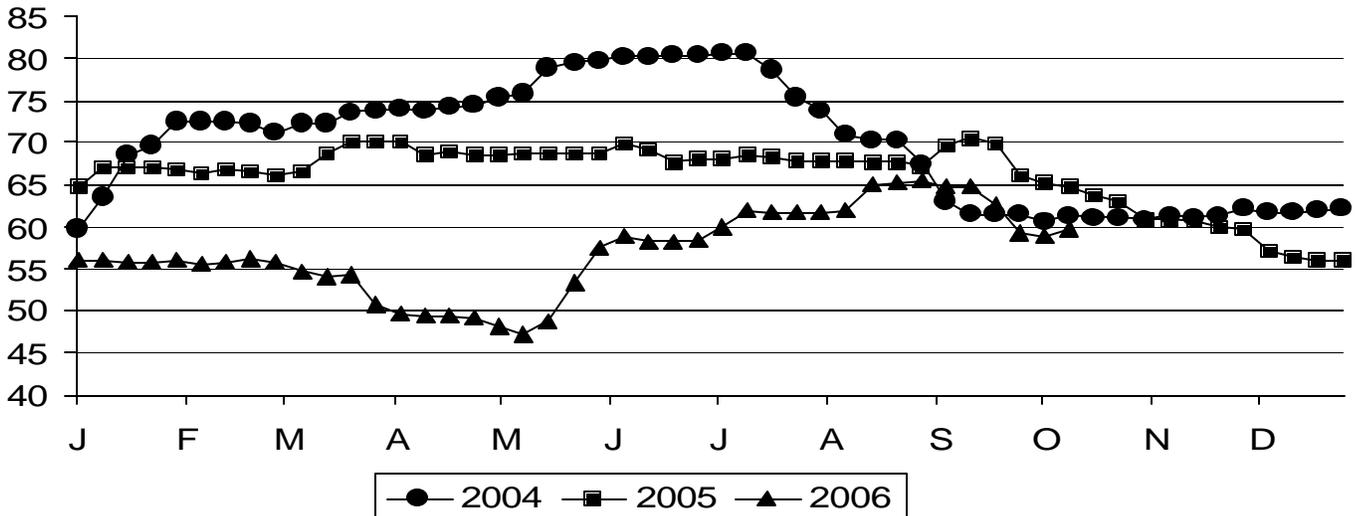
W/E 14-OCT-2006	CASES (IN THOUS)	PW	LY
North Atlantic	185.5	-2	-6
East North Central	602.0	-3	1
West North Central	280.3	2	-8
South Atlantic	185.6	-2	-1
South Central	61.8	13	-2
West	191.4	-1	-10
Total	1506.6	-1	-4
Matched Plants reporting		82	82

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

**New York Large Weekly Average Price**  
cents per dozen



**Chicago Broiler/Fryer Weighted Average Prices**  
cents per pound



**Eastern Weekly Average Prices For 8-16 LB Hen Turkey**  
cents per pound

