



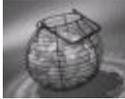
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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



In New York, prices were unchanged on all sizes when compared to Thursday's values. Trade sentiment was fully steady to firm on the heavier weight eggs, but noted as steady on the balance of sizes. Retail and distributive demand was light to fairly good. Supplies were tight to adequate on the heavier weight eggs and usually adequate on the lighter weights. Breaking stock demand was moderate to fairly good for short to barely adequate supplies. Processing schedules were noted as generally normal to slightly reduced. Spent hens were mostly adequate for a light to moderate demand. Slaughter schedules were reported as normal for next 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 to producers in IA-MN-WI were higher for the larger sizes. Other reported prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was fully steady to firm. Retail demand was moderate to fairly good. Food service movement was light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to tight for the larger sizes and usually adequate for the lighter weight eggs.

	RANGE	MOSTLY	IA-MN-WI Prices paid to producers.	Range	Mostly
EXTRA LARGE	50-59	53-56	LARGE	35-44	39
LARGE	49-58	51-54	MEDIUM	26-32	30
MEDIUM	44-53	46-49	SMALL	10-14	

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 higher on the larger sizes and unchanged on mediums. Trade sentiment ranged steady to fully steady entering the weekend. Demand into all outlets was light to moderate. Supplies were about adequate to adequate for immediate needs. Breaking stock offerings were short to about sufficient and demand was reported as moderate to good. Schedules were noted as generally normal. Offerings of spent hens were mostly adequate for the light to moderate demand. Processing schedules were normal for the upcoming week.

	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

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL All prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was fully steady firm. Retail demand was moderate to good. Food service movement was light to mostly moderate. Supplies were barely adequate to tight for the larger sizes and usually adequate for mediums. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged with checks and undergrades higher. Demand was fairly good to good for the tight to barely adequate offerings. Floor stocks were tight to barely adequate. Schedules reduced at some locations for next week. Trade sentiment fully steady to firm.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	59.5-68	61-64
LARGE	55.5-64	57-60
MEDIUM	50.5-59	52-55

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

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was fully steady. Demand was moderate to instances fairly good. Supplies were in balance to adequate for trade needs. Breaking stock offerings were irregular for the moderate to good demand. Light type hen offerings were mostly adequate for normal processing schedules.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	56.5-64	58-61
LARGE	55-62	56-59
MEDIUM	48.5-56	49-53

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 when compared to Thursday's values. Trade sentiment was at least steady entering the weekend. Demand was mostly moderate. Supplies were about adequate to adequate for trade requirements.

	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	71-75
LARGE	69-73
MEDIUM	58-62

MIDWEST REGIONAL

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	57-65	58-60
LARGE	55-63	56-58
MEDIUM	50-58	51-53

WESTERN REGIONAL Prices unchanged. The market tone was fully steady to firm with asking prices for next week unchanged on jumbo, 3 cents higher on extra large, 4 cents higher on large, and unchanged on medium throughout the region. Retailer demand moderate. Offerings adequate but in confident hands.

CALIFORNIA Prices unchanged. The market tone was fully steady to firm asking prices for next week unchanged on jumbo, 3 cents higher on extra large, 4 cents higher on large, and unchanged on medium and small. Retailer demand moderate. Offerings in good balance with an improved call. Small benchmark price 70.

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	113
EXTRA LARGE	105
LARGE	94
MEDIUM	90

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

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

	RANGE
JUMBO	279-299
EXTRA LARGE	249-269
LARGE	199-239
MEDIUM	189-195

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	85-95
EXTRA LARGE	83-93
LARGE	81-84
MEDIUM	77-80

CENTRAL REGION BREAKING STOCK Breaking stock prices were unchanged with checks and undergrades higher. Offerings were unavailable to short of current needs. Demand was fairly good to mostly good. Floor stocks were tight to barely adequate. Schedules were reduced at some locations for next week. Trade sentiment fully steady to firm.

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	29-33	29-30
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	16-23	18-20
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 usually trended higher when compared to early week trading. Undertone remained fully steady to steady. Demand was moderate to good, but not aggressive for irregular offerings. Floor stocks were short to about sufficient for generally normal, but slightly reduced processing schedules. Cases broken under federal inspection in the Eastern region for the week ending 14-Oct-2006 were 4% less than a week earlier, and 7% lower 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	26-30	27-29
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	14-24	15-18
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 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
% PW	-3%	-8%	6%	8%	13%	4%
% 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
% YTD	-1%	3%	-6%	-7%	-4%	-1%

	CW	PW	LY
Average Yield Per Case - (Inedible Included)	42.22	42.19	42.33
Average Yield Per Case - (Inedible Excluded)	38.78	38.97	39.03

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	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%

NATIONAL LIQUID Pasteurized whites were too few to report with pasteurized salt yolk reported at 32 to 34 cents fob. Trade sentiment was steady for whole egg and whites with yolk reported as firm. Demand was fairly good for whole egg, fair for whites, and fairly good to mostly good for yolk. Offerings were usually adequate for whole egg and whites and tight to short for yolk. Breaking stock prices were higher when compared to the past 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 LAST WEEK
WHOLE	36	26-29	27.20	.29
WHITES	17	27-30.75	29.49	.02
YOLKS	11	31.5-34.5	33.02	-.05

CENTRAL REGION FROZEN Frozen whole egg ranged unchanged to 2 cents lower with sugared yolk ranging 1 to 2 cents lower while the balance of frozen prices ranged unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady to mostly steady for all frozen products. Offerings were adequate to instances fully adequate however, many processors reported freezer stocks as in better balance as stronger holiday interest was developing. Demand was best for sugared yolk and whole egg, reported as moderate to fairly good, while white and salted yolk demand was rated as slow to just fair. Breaking stock prices were higher when compared to the previous week's reported prices.

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

	TRUCKLOTS	
	RANGE	MOSTLY
WHOLE	40-46	42-44
WHITES	44-52	44-47
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	51-57	51-53
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	46-48	

EASTERN REGION FROZEN Mostly prices were irregular on whole, unchanged to higher on salt yolks, and higher on whites and sugar yolks when compared to a week earlier. Demand was light on salt yolks, but usually fair to moderate on balance of items. Supplies were adequate for most needs. Undertone was firm on sugar yolks, and generally steady to full steady on balance of other items. Liquid and frozen eggs (ingredients included) processed under federal inspection in the Eastern region for the week ending 14-Oct-2006 were 5% less than the previous week, and 9% lower than a year ago.

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

	TRUCKLOTS		LTL
	RANGE	MOSTLY	(MIN. 25 CONT.) RANGE
WHOLE	39-46	41-45	44-51
BLENDS (/)	TFEWR		
WHITES	42-52	43-47	48-55
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	51-58	53-57	57-67
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	46-50	47-48	51-66

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

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FROZEN Prices unchanged. Southern California breaking activity for the week ending 10/14 was 9% less than the previous week. Frozen demand moderate and freezer stocks adequate.

Wholesale selling prices, FOB Shipping point

(cents per lb. in 30 lb. containers) LTL (MIN. 25 CONT.)

	RANGE
WHOLE	46-50
WHITES	48-51
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	57-60
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	52-55

NATIONAL DRIED Mostly prices on albumen were irregular but usually trending higher, other items were mostly higher when compared to a week earlier. Demand was moderate to light and offerings were usually sufficient. However, increased trade confidence was noted. Trade sentiment was steady to firm. Dried eggs processed under federal inspection for the week ending 14-Oct-2006 were 13% higher than the previous week, but 36% lower than a year ago. The total year to date production on dried eggs produced were 4% less than a year earlier.

Wholesale selling prices, dollars per lb., in cont., Trucklot and LTL volumes.

WHOLE	1.40-1.60	MOSTLY 1.50-1.55
YOLKS	1.11-1.50	MOSTLY 1.18-1.29
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	2.95-3.33	MOSTLY 3.00-3.20
BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER)	1.17-1.50	MOSTLY 1.30-1.35

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES* WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR OCT 13, 2006-OCT 19, 2006

CURRENT LOADS 77.75 FUTURE LOADS 44.25 TOTAL LOADS 122.00

CLASS	SE		NE		MW		LOADS	CLASS	SC		NW		SW		LOADS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST			ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W 1	37.75	--	38.33	39.86	--	--	12.00	GNR W 1	--	--	--	--	--	--	4.00
GL W J	--	--	53.50	55.00	48.50	--	2.00	GL W J	50.70	--	--	--	--	60.93	3.75
GL W XL	53.50	56.50	50.63	52.85	44.20	--	35.00	GL W XL	49.00	55.00	--	--	--	56.00	11.25
GL W LG	--	--	--	47.00	40.40	--	45.50	GL W LG	43.30	47.00	--	51.50	--	53.71	33.75
GL W MD	45.00	34.00	38.83	40.67	30.42	--	12.75	GL W MD	33.33	36.25	--	--	--	41.00	7.00
GL W SM	--	30.00	24.75	25.50	--	--	4.00	GL W SM	--	--	27.25	28.25	--	--	1.00
GL BR XL	--	--	73.00	--	74.00	--	1.25	GL BR XL	--	--	--	--	--	88.00	1.25
GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	72.00	--	1.25	GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	--	84.00	1.25
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	29.20	24.00	10.00								

*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 HENS Prices were generally unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand ranged light to moderate. Offerings were mostly adequate. Processing schedules were normal. Trade sentiment was steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	6-12	9-11

SOUTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HENS Disposal costs were TFEWR. Demand was light for fully adequate offerings of spent hens. Schedules were reduced. Finished sales were fair. Trade sentiment was about steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	TOO FEW TO REPORT	

NORTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HENS Removal prices ranged unchanged to higher. Offerings were adequate to about adequate with demand light to moderate. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment mostly steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	5-11	6-9

WEST COAST LIGHT Plants schedule moderate. Offerings adequate.

COMBINED REGIONAL SHELL EGGS

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

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

Cents per Pound, Current Negotiations, Without Freight Cost

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
18-28 MAJORITY 23.5-24	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)
20-29 MAJORITY 25-26	TOO FEW SALES TO REPORT

U.S./CANADIAN LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER INSPECTION

W/E 14-Oct-06 (PRELIMINARY)

U.S. Fowl Slaughtered Domestically

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	-----Thousands-----		
Head	1,008	1,538	2,546
Last Week	952	1,672	2,624
Same week yr ago	1,322	1,501	2,823
To-date/2006	44,751	60,884	105,635
To-date/2005	59,844	58,095	117,939

U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	-----Thousands-----		
Head	90	4	94
Last Week	140	4	144
Same week yr ago	197	2	199
To-date/2006	6,370	35	6,405
To-date/2005	10,691	60	10,751

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

Total U.S. Fowl slaughtered in the U.S. and Canada

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	-----Thousands-----		
Head	1,098	1,542	2,640
Last Week	1,092	1,676	2,768
Same week yr ago	1,519	1,503	3,022
To-date/2006	51,121	60,919	112,040
To-date/2005	70,535	58,155	128,690

Source: USDA/AMS Poultry Programs, Market News Branch

INSPECTED EGG PRODUCTS-**U.S. & CANADA IMPORT/EXPORT TRADE****U.S. Exports to Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)**

Week Ending October 07, 2006		Year-To-Date		
TYPE	2006	2005 1/	2006 2/	2005
Liquid	450	351	8,569	14,027
Frozen	0	0	172	59
Dried	41	89	532	578
Total	491	440	9,273	14,664

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

Week Ending October 07, 2006		Year-To-Date		
TYPE	2006	2005 1/	2006 2/	2005
Liquid	45	224	3,018	5,619
Frozen	10	0	880	562
Dried	0	0	66	371
Total	55	224	3,964	6,552

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

Week Ending October 07, 2006		Year-To-Date		
TYPE	2006	2005 1/	2006 2/	2005
Jumbo	0	0	150	163
Extra Large	900	1,970	70,791	177,458
Large	3,388	5,255	135,814	302,912
Medium	1,260	2,154	69,672	99,017
Ungraded	23,640	7,320	154,358	153,610
Misc	0	0	6,975	8,053
Total	29,188	16,699	437,760	741,213

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. 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%

MONTHLY COLD STORAGE REPORT

		(In Units of 1,000)			
		31-Aug 2005	31-Aug 2006	30-Sep 2005	30-Sep 2006
FROZEN EGGS:					
Whites		2,806	2,537	2,908	2,610
Yolks		1,207	1,366	1,217	1,338
Whole & Mixed		12,447	13,609	11,198	12,120
Unclassified		3,478	4,048	3,514	3,223
Total Frozen Eggs		19,938	21,560	18,837	19,291

Source: NASS

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT (Receipts From Producers)

W/E 14-OCT-2006	CASES (IN THOUS)	PERCENT CHANGE FROM	
REGIONS		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)**MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS**

W/E 14-OCT-2006	CW	LW	PERCENT CHANGE	
Selected Consuming Centers	(Thousands)		LW	LY
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			

NEW ENGLAND WEEKLY SHELL EGG REPORT

Oct 17, 2006

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

	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
MAINE	118	110	73	51
MOSTLY	-	-	-	-
NEW HAMPSHIRE	111-115	103-107	66-70	44-48
MOSTLY	113-114	105-106	68-69	46-47
RHODE ISLAND	117-121	109-113	72-76	50-54
MOSTLY	117	109	72	50
VERMONT	118	110	73-75	-
MOSTLY	-	-	73	-

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