

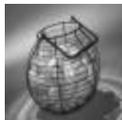


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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

In New York, prices were unchanged from last Friday. Elsewhere, regional prices were higher on the larger sizes and unchanged on mediums. The market tone was fully steady to firm beginning the week. Demand into all channels was light to good. Supplies were usually sufficient on all weights. Breaking stock supplies were short to about adequate for a moderate to good demand. Light type hens were mostly adequate for the light 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 Prices to producers in IA-MN-WI were unchanged with the balance of prices 4 cents higher for the larger sizes and unchanged on mediums. Trade sentiment was fully steady to mostly firm. Cartoned egg sales were moderate to good with loose egg demand light to mostly moderate. Supplies were usually adequate for needs. Central States breaking prices were unchanged. Demand was moderate to fairly good with offerings inadequate to unavailable with off-line operators working from regular commitments and company owned production only. Floor stocks were tight to barely adequate. Trade sentiment fully steady to firm.

IA-MN-WI-Prices paid to producers.					
	RANGE	MOSTLY		RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	54-63	57-60	LARGE	35-44	39
LARGE	53-62	55-58	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 higher on the larger sizes, but unchanged on mediums when compared to the previous week's values. Trade sentiment was fully steady beginning the week. Retail and distributive demand ranged moderate to good. Supplies were usually adequate for current trade needs. Breaking stock offerings were short to about sufficient for a moderate to good demand. Spent hen supplies were mostly adequate for normal processing schedules.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	63-77	63-66
LARGE	57-71	62-66
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 Prices were higher for the larger sizes and unchanged on the balance. Trade sentiment was fully steady to firm. Cartoned egg demand was moderate to good with loose egg demand light to mostly moderate. Supplies were barely adequate to tight for the larger sizes and adequate for mediums. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Demand was moderate to fairly good with offerings inadequate to unavailable with in-line operators working from regular commitments and company owned production only. Floor stocks were tight to barely adequate. Trade sentiment fully steady to firm.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	61.5-70	63-66
LARGE	60.5-69	62-65
MEDIUM	50.5-59	52-55

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

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were higher on the larger sizes, however mediums remained unchanged when compared to the previous week's values. The market tone was fully steady beginning the week. Demand was moderate to at times fairly good. Supplies were balanced to adequate. Breaking stock offerings were short to about sufficient for the moderate to good demand. Spent hens were mostly adequate for the light to moderate demand.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	60-69	63-66
LARGE	56-67	61-64
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 Prices were unchanged on all sizes when compared to Friday's values. Trade sentiment was fully steady entering the week. Demand was moderate to fairly good. Supplies were usually adequate for immediate trade requirements.

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

MIDWEST REGIONAL

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	61-69	62-64
LARGE	59-67	60-62
MEDIUM	50-58	51-53

WESTERN Prices unchanged on jumbo, 3 cents higher on extra large, 4 cents higher on large, and unchanged on medium throughout the region. The Pacific region inventory was 1% lower than last Monday with California up 2% and Oregon- Washington-Utah down 4%. Retailer demand moderate. Offerings in good balance.

CALIFORNIA Prices unchanged on jumbo, 3 cents higher on extra large, 4 cents higher on large, and unchanged on medium and small. The California inventory was 2% higher than last week. Retailer demand moderate. Offerings held confidently. Small benchmark price 70.

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	108
LARGE	98
MEDIUM	90

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	279-299	JUMBO	
LARGE	249-269	EXTRA LARGE	NOT AVAILABLE
LARGE	199-239	LARGE	
MEDIUM	189-195	MEDIUM	

NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES REPORT Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending October 27, 2006 will increase by 1 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending October 20, 2006 were 323,543 cases which was 0 percent below the prior week and 2 percent below estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week.....	286,756	36,787	323,543
% change from the prior week.....	+3	-17	-0

Comparison figures are compiled on a matched plant basis. Purchases and estimates by 14 cooperators; 30 dozen cases or equivalent.

CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK Prices were unchanged. Demand was moderate to fairly good with offerings inadequate to unavailable with off-line operators working from regular commitments and company owned production only. Floor stocks were tight to barely adequate. 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
AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,LA,MI,MN,MO,NM,ND,NE,OH,OK,SD,TX,WI		

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Prices were generally unchanged. Demand was moderate for spent hens. Schedules were reduced. Finished sales were fair. Trade sentiment was about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)*
FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF
23-OCT-06

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	2-8 CENTS/LB.		5.37

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

SOUTHEAST LIVE HEAVY HEN Prices were generally unchanged when compared to the previous week. Demand was fair to moderate for the at least adequate to fully adequate offerings of spent hens. Processing schedules were noted as normal. Sales of finished product was fair. The undertone was steady

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)*
FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF
23-OCT-06

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	2-7 CENTS/LB.		4.94
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT- OCTOBER 23, 2006

STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/
(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

		NO	SO	SO	Atl	Pacific	5-Area
	Northeast	CENT	CENT				
Jumbo	Curr Wk	10.3	16.9	8.0	11.7	13.3	60.2
	Change	1.1	1.0	0.6	0.1	1.0	7%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	26.5	50.6	12.5	21.5	38.2	149.3
	Change	-2.0	-7.8	-2.5	-2.5	-0.4	-9%
Large	Curr Wk	51.9	137.4	78.4	93.3	118.5	479.5
	Change	8.7	-34.8	1.6	1.5	0.7	-4%
Medium	Curr Wk	10.5	44.5	16.7	18.7	29.9	120.3
	Change	0.6	-2.8	-1.3	0.6	-3.6	-5%
Small	Curr Wk	4.3	4.3	1.7	2.8	5.3	18.4
	Change	-0.8	-1.9	-0.6	-0.3	-0.5	-18%
Misc	Curr Wk	2.6	33.6	11.0	12.6	6.3	66.1
	Change	-0.1	0.2	2.6	0.8	0.7	7%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	16.5	52.1	23.7	33.5	23.7	149.5
	Change	-2.2	0.5	-0.9	-5.5	0.9	-5%
Total	Curr Wk	122.6	339.4	152.0	194.1	235.2	1043.3
Percent	Change	5%	-12%	0%	-3%	-1%	-4%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg	1043.3	-4%	165
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	216.4	-1%	35
Total Shell Egg	1259.7	-4%	200

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.

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

CANADIAN EGGS QUEBEC/MONTREAL: WHOLESALE PRICES- GRADED IN CARTONS (CANADIAN DOLLARS) AS REPORTED BY AGRICULTURE AND AGRI-FOOD CANADA, AISD, AID, POULTRY SECTION FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 09, 2006

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	1.91	1.88	1.79	1.18

MINIMUM PRICES FOR PRODUCERS FOB FARM FOR WEEK OF OCTOBER 09, 2006 AS SET BY ONTARIO EGG PRODUCERS.

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	1.46	1.46	1.36	.77

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES — DAILY WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR OCT 20, 2006

CURRENT LOADS								20.00		FUTURE LOADS				12.50		TOTAL LOADS			32.50	
CLASS	SE		NE		MW		LOADS	CLASS	SC		NW		SW		LOADS					
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST			ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST						
GNR W 1	—	—	41.50	43.00	—	—	3.00	GL W J	61.25	—	—	—	—	65.14	1.75					
GNR BR 1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.00	GL W XL	50.50	—	—	—	—	62.86	5.50					
GL W J	—	—	—	—	52.00	—	1.00	GL W LG	46.50	55.00	—	57.00	—	58.75	4.50					
GL W XL	—	—	53.00	55.00	49.23	54.00	10.00	GL W MD	35.00	—	—	—	—	43.00	1.00					
GL W LG	—	—	—	—	45.33	—	7.50	GL W SM	—	—	—	—	28.00	32.00	1.00					
GL W MD	—	—	42.50	44.00	—	—	2.50	GL BR LG	—	—	—	86.00	—	—	.75					
GL W SM	—	—	24.00	26.00	—	—	1.00													
GL BR LG	—	—	—	—	73.00	—	1.75													

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES — WEEKLY (5-DAY) WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 10/16/06-10/20/06

CURRENT LOADS								75.50		FUTURE LOADS				47.50		TOTAL LOADS			123.00	
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	38.50	43.00	39.83	41.00	—	—	13.00	GNR W 1	—	—	—	—	—	—	4.00					
GNR BR 1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.00	GL W J	52.96	—	—	—	—	62.27	5.50					
GL W J	—	—	53.50	55.00	50.25	—	3.00	GL W XL	49.75	55.00	—	—	—	60.35	11.50					
GL W XL	53.50	53.43	51.10	54.64	47.64	53.67	34.75	GL W LG	43.83	49.13	—	57.00	—	55.38	31.25					
GL W LG	—	53.00	—	50.50	42.06	49.00	46.00	GL W MD	34.50	36.50	—	—	—	42.00	6.00					
GL W MD	45.00	42.00	39.36	41.14	30.63	38.00	14.75	GL W SM	—	—	—	—	28.00	32.00	1.00					
GL W SM	—	—	24.00	25.33	—	—	3.00	GL BR XL	—	—	—	—	—	88.00	1.25					
GL BR XL	—	—	73.00	—	74.00	—	1.25	GL BR LG	—	—	—	86.00	—	84.00	2.00					
GL BR LG	—	—	—	—	72.43	—	3.00													
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	29.40	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.

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT-FROZEN EGGS (In Thousands)

ON HAND	10/16/06	10/10/06	10/17/05
PACIFIC COAST	50	49	106
LOS ANGELES	40	48	103

NORTH CAROLINA EGGS The market is higher on extra large and large, steady on the balance. Supplies are well balanced. Retail demand is fairly 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	78.86
LARGE	77.86
MEDIUM	66.86
SMALL	50.00

CERTIFIED ORGANIC EGGS IN CARTONS

(price per carton delivered to first receivers)

Brown Eggs	CENTS/CARTON	MOSTLY
Extra Large doz.	222 - 261	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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Out Of State Eggs - State Compilation

Report Period: 10/15/2006 - 10/21/2006

State	Number Cases Shipped To Northern CA	Number Cases Shipped To Central CA	Number Cases Shipped To Southern CA	Total State
Arizona	0	0	792	792
Arkansas	0	0	1,414	1,414
Colorado	0	0	2,098	2,098
Illinois	482	403	780	1,665
Indiana	0	0	780	780
Iowa	5,195	2,808	58,375	66,378
Maine	0	0	1,530	1,530
Michigan	0	0	4,845	4,845
Minnesota	5,620	2,540	7,242	15,402
Missouri	0	0	5,378	5,378
North Carolina	2,548	1,530	6,034	10,112
Ohio	0	510	1,680	2,190
Oregon	2,652	0	0	2,652
Texas	0	0	3,000	3,000
Utah	720	3,660	12,115	16,495
Washington	0	1,091	0	1,091
Wisconsin	0	810	860	1,670
Grand Total	17,217	13,352	106,923	137,492
SHIPPED TO MILITARY	0	0	0	0
SHIPPED TO NON-MILITARY	17,217	13,352	106,923	137,492