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Prices were unchanged on all sizes in all locations. Trade sentiment was steady to barely steady beginning the week. Demand was light to very good. Supplies were balanced to adequate for lighter weights and sufficient to instances ample for larger sizes. Breaking stock offerings were adequate to at times ample for the light to moderate demand. Light type hens were generally adequate for the fair to fairly good 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 were unchanged. Trade sentiment was barely steady to steady. Retail demand was moderate to very good. Loose egg sales were mostly light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to ample for the larger sizes and adequate to balanced for the lighter weight eggs. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Offerings were quiet and rated as adequate to fully adequate. Demand was light. Floor stocks were in close balance to fully adequate. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment steady to barely steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY	IA-MN-WI-Prices paid to producers.	
			RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	87-96	90-93	LARGE	68-77 72
LARGE	86-95	88-91	MEDIUM	49-55 53
MEDIUM	67-76	69-72	SMALL	23-27

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

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged when compared to the previous week's values. Trade sentiment was mostly steady to barely steady. Retail and distributive demand was at times light to good, mostly ranging moderate to good. Supplies were adequate to available on larger sizes, at best adequate on mediums for current trade requirements. Breaking stock offerings were sufficient for the light to moderate demand. Light type hen offerings were mostly adequate for normal to heavy processing schedules.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	92-106	95-99
LARGE	89-103	94-98
MEDIUM	68-81	73-75

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

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL Prices were mostly unchanged. Trade sentiment was about steady. Retail demand was moderate to very good. Loose egg movement was usually light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to fully adequate for the larger sizes and adequate to balanced for mediums. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Offerings were quiet and rated as adequate to fully adequate. Demand was light. Floor stocks were in close balance to fully adequate. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment steady to barely steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	96.5-105	98-101
LARGE	95.5-104	97-100
MEDIUM	72.5-81	74-77

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

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged from the previous week's values. The market tone was steady to barely steady. Retail demand was moderate to very good. Supplies were in close balance to fully adequate with the heavier weights in the longest position. Breaking stock offerings were about sufficient to ample for the fair to occasionally moderate demand. Light type fowl were mostly adequate for a fair to fairly good demand.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	93.5-101	95-98
LARGE	92-99	93-96
MEDIUM	70.5-78	71-75

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, when compared to last Friday's values, were unchanged on extra large, large and medium. Trade sentiment was generally steady entering the week. Retail demand was moderate to good. Supplies were adequate to available on larger sizes, adequate to less than adequate on lighter weights.

	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	103-107
LARGE	101-105
MEDIUM	80-84

MIDWEST REGIONAL

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	94-102	95-97
LARGE	92-100	93-95
MEDIUM	73-81	74-76

see page 3 for prices on certified organic eggs in cartons

WESTERN Prices unchanged. The Pacific region inventory was 3% lower than last Monday with California down 5% and Oregon-Washington-Utah unchanged. Retailer demand fairly active. Offerings ample.

CALIFORNIA Prices unchanged. The market tone was barely steady with asking prices for next week unchanged on all sizes. Retailer demand improved seasonally. Offerings ample. Small benchmark price 91.

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	138
EXTRA LARGE	137
LARGE	131
MEDIUM	111

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	279-319	JUMBO	329-409
LARGE	249-319	EXTRA LARGE	288-399
LARGE	199-289	LARGE	199-289
MEDIUM	189-245	MEDIUM	158-315

NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES REPORT Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending December 15, 2006 will increase by 1 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending December 08, 2006 were 364,766 cases which was 1 percent below the prior week and 1 percent below estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week.....	323,280	41,486	364,766
% change from the prior week.....	-1	+0	-1

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 reported as light to moderate with offerings quiet and rated as adequate to fully adequate. Floor stocks in close balance to fully adequate. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment steady to barely 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	33-38	33
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	23-30	25-27

CENTRAL STATES AREA: AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,LA,MI,MN,MO,NM,ND,NE,OH,OK,SD,TX,WI

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

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *
FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 11-DEC-06

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	2-7		4.45
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Prices were generally unchanged from the past week. Demand was moderate for fully adequate offerings of spent heavy hens. Sales of dressed product were seasonally active. Schedules were reduced. Trade sentiment was generally steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *
PRELIMINARY PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 11-DEC-06

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	2-7.75		4.88

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT - DEC 11, 2006

STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/ 2/
(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

		NO	SO	SO	5-Area		
		Northeast	CENT	Atl	Pacific		
Jumbo	Curr Wk	8.0	23.0	9.2	10.8	16.3	67.3
	Change	0.7	-0.7	0.4	-2.9	0.7	-3%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	25.5	71.5	17.5	27.7	38.3	180.5
	Change	-1.0	-11.3	2.0	-0.6	-5.5	-8%
Large	Curr Wk	44.0	168.1	101.9	133.3	135.1	582.4
	Change	4.5	-27.4	-8.0	2.0	-0.2	-5%
Medium	Curr Wk	7.3	32.9	23.4	15.0	34.2	112.8
	Change	-1.2	-6.6	2.9	-2.2	1.9	-4%
Small	Curr Wk	3.0	3.3	2.7	2.6	2.4	14.0
	Change	0.5	-0.4	0.8	-0.6	-0.9	-4%
Misc	Curr Wk	3.4	28.8	11.2	14.7	7.4	65.5
	Change	0.6	-2.0	-1.7	2.9	0.6	1%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	19.3	44.8	21.5	29.5	25.2	140.3
	Change	-1.1	-4.9	-2.9	3.0	-4.7	-7%
Total	Curr Wk	110.5	372.4	187.4	233.6	258.9	1,162.8
Percent	Change	3%	-13%	-3%	1%	-3%	-5%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg	1,162.8	-5%	165
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	245.6	3%	34
Total Shell Egg	1,408.4	-4%	199

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 NOV 27, 2006.

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	1.91	1.88	1.79	1.18

MINIMUM PRICES FOR PRODUCERS FOB FARM FOR WEEK OF NOV 27, 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 DEC 08, 2006

CURRENT LOADS								FUTURE LOADS				TOTAL LOADS			
9.50								15.00				24.50			
SE		NE		MW		SC		NW		SW					
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	72.50	—	73.00	74.50	—	—	11.00	GL W MD	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.00
GL W XL	—	68.00	82.50	85.00	60.00	—	3.00	GL BR XL	—	—	—	—	—	112.00	.50
GL W MD	—	—	—	—	—	—	2.00	GL BR MD	54.25	—	—	—	—	59.00	1.00
GL W SM	—	—	45.00	46.50	—	—	1.00								
GL BR XL	—	—	97.00	—	—	—	.50								
NRBS - 48	—	—	36.00	38.00	—	—	6.00								

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES — WEEKLY (5-DAY) WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 12/04/06-12/08/06

CURRENT LOADS								FUTURE LOADS				TOTAL LOADS			
87.00								70.50				157.50			
SE		NE		MW		SC		NW		SW					
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	72.50	—	73.10	74.64	72.00	76.00	40.00	GNR W 1	—	83.00	—	—	—	—	5.00
GNR W 4	—	—	—	49.00	44.00	—	2.00	GL W J	58.67	—	—	—	61.00	69.00	5.00
GL W J	—	—	86.50	88.00	58.00	—	2.00	GL W XL	50.67	—	—	—	—	71.22	10.50
GL W XL	—	72.19	82.33	78.34	60.81	—	38.75	GL W LG	50.00	—	—	90.50	91.00	76.18	21.25
GL W LG	—	84.38	77.00	77.67	59.83	85.00	26.75	GL W MD	—	69.50	—	61.00	—	65.43	11.50
GL W MD	67.00	—	53.93	59.00	50.00	53.00	19.25	GL W SM	—	—	—	—	41.00	45.00	1.00
GL W SM	—	—	43.09	45.91	—	—	2.75	GL BR J	—	—	—	—	—	104.00	.25
GL BR J	—	—	—	—	—	—	.25	GL BR XL	—	—	—	—	—	112.00	.50
GL BR XL	—	—	97.00	—	—	—	.50	GL BR LG	—	—	—	—	95.00	100.00	1.00
GL BR LG	—	—	—	—	—	—	.25	GL BR MD	54.25	—	—	—	—	59.00	1.00
NRBS - 50	—	—	—	—	—	40.60	6.00	NRBS - 50	—	—	—	—	—	—	6.00
NRBS - 48	—	—	37.75	39.63	34.00	37.45	43.00								
NRBS - 45	—	—	—	—	—	42.00	1.00								
NRBS - 42	—	—	—	—	—	33.67	8.00								

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	12/04/06	12/27/06	12/05/05
PACIFIC COAST	0	0	113
LOS ANGELES	0	0	107

NORTH CAROLINA EGGS The market is steady on all sizes. Supplies are adequate. Retail demand is light to moderate.

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	110.86
LARGE	109.86
MEDIUM	88.86
SMALL	62.00

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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Egg Quality Control**

Out Of State Eggs - State Compilation

Report Period: 12/03/2006 - 12/09/2006

State	Number Cases Shipped To Northern CA	Number Cases Shipped To Central CA	Number Cases Shipped To Southern CA	Total State
Arizona	0	0	6,826	6,826
Arkansas	0	1,530	2,210	3,740
Colorado	0	0	1,899	1,899
Illinois	150	42	0	192
Iowa	3,520	4,090	56,970	64,580
Michigan	0	900	7,175	8,075
Minnesota	6,470	3,155	15,193	24,818
Missouri	0	0	7,061	7,061
Nevada	0	0	780	780
New York	0	0	840	840
North Carolina	1,465	1,460	6,270	9,195
Ohio	0	0	4,120	4,120
Oregon	2,434	0	0	2,434
South Dakota	0	0	2,882	2,882
Texas	0	0	3,062	3,062
Utah	720	3,660	12,613	16,993
Washington	0	720	0	720
Wisconsin	780	750	0	1,530
Grand Total	15,539	16,307	127,901	159,747
SHIPPED TO MILITARY	0	0	0	0
SHIPPED TO NON-MILITARY	15,539	16,307	127,901	159,747