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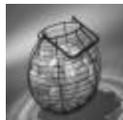
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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



In New York, prices were 2 cents higher on mediums and unchanged on larger sizes when compared to last Friday's values. Elsewhere, weekly prices were higher on all weights. The market tone was fully steady to firm beginning the week. Demand into all channels was light to good, usually moderate. Supplies were closely balanced to sufficient and held with confidence. Breaking stock offerings were short to about adequate for the fair to fairly good demand. Light type fowl were mostly sufficient for a light to fair 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

Midwest delivered prices were higher for all sizes. Prices to producers in IA-MN-WI were higher for large and small and unchanged for medium. Trade sentiment was fully steady to firm. Cartoned egg sales were moderate to very good. Loose egg movement was light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to closely balanced and held with confidence. Central States breaking stock prices were unchanged. Demand was fair to fairly good for the quiet to barely adequate offerings. Floor stocks were in close balance to fully adequate. Trade sentiment fully steady.

	RANGE		MOSTLY	
EXTRA LARGE	72-81	75-78	LARGE	54-63
LARGE	71-80	73-78	MEDIUM	46-52
MEDIUM	64-73	66-69	SMALL	32-36

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 all sizes when compared to the previous week. Trade sentiment was fully steady to firm. Demand ranged light to good, mostly moderate. Supplies, although held with confidence, were sufficient for current needs. Breaking stock offerings were about adequate for usually normal processing schedules. Spent hen availability was adequate for the light to fair at best demand.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	80-92	80-74
LARGE	74-88	79-83
MEDIUM	68-81	72-75

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

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL

Prices were higher for all sizes. Trade sentiment fully steady to firm. Retail demand was moderate to very good. Loose egg sales were light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to close and held with confidence. Central States breaking stock prices were unchanged. Offerings were quiet to barely adequate for the fair to fairly good demand. Floor stocks were in close balance to fully adequate. Trade sentiment fully steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	79.5-88	81-84
LARGE	78.5-87	80-83
MEDIUM	69.5-78	71-74

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

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL

Prices were higher on all weights when compared to the previous week's values. The market tone was fully steady to firm beginning the week. Demand was light to good, mostly moderate. Supplies were adequate to close and confidently held for current needs. Breaking stock offerings were short to about sufficient for a fairly active demand. Spent hens were usually adequate for the light to fair demand.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	74.25-87	81-84
LARGE	73-85	79-82
MEDIUM	68-75	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 were 2 cents higher mediums, although unchanged on larger sizes when compared to last Friday's values. Trade sentiment was fully steady to firm. Demand was moderate to good. Supplies were sufficient for trade requirements.

	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	90-94
LARGE	88-92
MEDIUM	82-86

MIDWEST REGIONAL

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	79-87	80-82
LARGE	77-85	78-80
MEDIUM	70-78	71-73

WESTERN Prices 5-6 cents higher on jumbo, extra large, and large, 3-4 cents higher on medium. The Pacific region inventory was 10% lower than last week with California down 4% and Oregon-Washington-Utah down 18%. Retailer demand moderate. Offerings lighter and in firm hands.

CALIFORNIA Prices 6 cents higher on jumbo, extra large, and large, 4 cents higher on medium and small. The California inventory was 4% lower than last week. Retailer demand moderate though often better than expected. Offerings lighter. Small benchmark price 89.

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	124
EXTRA LARGE	123
LARGE	117
MEDIUM	109

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	
LARGE	249-319	EXTRA LARGE	NOT AVAILABLE
LARGE	199-289	LARGE	
MEDIUM	189-245	MEDIUM	

NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES REPORT Cooperatorsestimate orders for the week ending January 12, 2007 will decrease by 1 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending January 05, 2007 were 351,988 cases which was 0 percent above the prior week and 0 percent above estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week.....	311,900	40,088	351,988
% change from the prior week.....	+1	-7	+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. Offerings were quiet to barely adequate. Demand was reported as fair to fairly good. Floor stocks in close balance to fully adequate. Trade sentiment fully 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.

BREAKING STOCK	RANGE	MOSTLY
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	38-39	
AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,LA,MI,MN,MO,NM,ND,NE,OH,OK,SD,TX,WI	23-30	25-27

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Trading activity was only fair, but slightly improved. Demand was moderate for the light to adequate offerings. Schedules were reduced to normal. Finished sales were slow to fair. Disposal costs were steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)* FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 08-JAN-07

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	2-7.75 CENTS/LB.		4.98
*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.			

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

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)* FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 08-JAN-07

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	3-8 CENTS/LB.		5.15
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.			

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 DECEMBER 18, 2006

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	1.91	1.88	1.79	1.18

MINIMUM PRICES FOR PRODUCERS FOB FARM FOR WEEK OF DECEMBER 18, 2006 AS SET BY ONTARIO EGG PRODUCERS.

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	1.46	1.46	1.36	.77

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT - JAN 08, 2007

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

		North	South	South		5-Area	
	Northeast	Cent	Cent	Atl	Pacific		
Jumbo	Curr Wk	7.1	14.6	7.3	9.5	10.5	49.0
	Change	0.2	-2.7	-0.5	-3.8	0.3	-12%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	19.0	37.4	8.5	15.7	33.2	113.8
	Change	2.8	-7.6	-2.3	-4.5	-1.2	-10%
Large	Curr Wk	29.2	92.9	51.7	75.8	88.9	338.5
	Change	-10.2	-17.8	-27.8	-15.5	-12.4	-20%
Medium	Curr Wk	10.0	44.0	19.8	12.7	22.1	108.6
	Change	2.7	2.2	-0.7	-1.2	-2.8	0%
Small	Curr Wk	3.8	7.1	2.9	3.3	2.5	19.6
	Change	1.1	-0.3	0.2	0.0	0.0	5%
Misc	Curr Wk	2.2	23.1	11.0	13.0	7.2	56.5
	Change	-1.0	-0.2	1.2	3.7	1.4	10%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	16.6	48.2	12.9	39.0	15.8	132.5
	Change	3.4	-14.5	-6.9	9.5	-6.2	-10%
Total	Curr Wk	87.9	267.3	114.1	169.0	180.2	818.5
Percent	Change	-1%	-13%	-24%	-7%	-10%	-12%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg	818.5	-12%	160
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	283.9	3%	33
Total Shell Egg	1102.4	-8%	193

1/ Information supplied by a universe of 160 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

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES — DAILY WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR JAN 05, 2007

CURRENT LOADS								FUTURE LOADS								TOTAL LOADS							
SE		NE		MW		LOADS		SC		NW		SW		LOADS		LOADS							
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	LOADS						
GNR W 1	61.50	66.00	60.00	62.75	—	—	13.00	GNR W 1	—	64.00	—	—	—	—	3.00	GNR W 1	3.00						
GNR W 2	—	—	—	—	50.00	—	3.00	GNR W 2	—	56.50	—	—	—	—	3.00	GNR W 2	3.00						
GL W XL	—	91.00	74.00	78.00	70.05	—	9.75	GL W J	81.50	—	—	—	—	90.00	GL W J	2.00							
GL W LG	—	—	—	—	59.63	78.00	9.50	GL W XL	—	—	—	—	—	81.25	GL W XL	1.00							
GL W MD	—	—	63.50	66.00	59.25	—	5.00	GL W LG	—	—	—	72.50	—	70.25	GL W LG	3.00							
NRBS - 50	—	—	—	—	—	39.00	4.00	GL W MD	—	—	—	—	—	69.92	GL W MD	4.00							
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	—	38.00	5.00	GL W SM	49.00	—	—	—	—	57.00	GL W SM	1.00							

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES — WEEKLY (5-DAY) WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 01/01/07-01/05/07

CURRENT LOADS								FUTURE LOADS								TOTAL LOADS							
SE		NE		MW		LOADS		SC		NW		SW		LOADS		LOADS							
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	LOADS						
GNR W 1	58.17	63.56	56.00	59.05	70.00	58.00	55.00	GNR W 1	—	64.25	—	—	—	—	24.00	GNR W 1	24.00						
GNR W 2	—	—	—	—	50.00	—	3.00	GNR W 2	—	56.50	—	—	—	—	3.00	GNR W 2	3.00						
GNR BR 1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.00	GNR BR 1	—	80.00	—	—	—	—	2.00	GNR BR 1	2.00						
GL W J	—	—	74.50	76.00	—	—	1.00	GL W J	81.50	—	—	—	—	90.00	GL W J	2.00							
GL W XL	—	72.94	68.13	72.60	66.01	69.00	39.00	GL W XL	—	74.00	—	—	—	79.37	GL W XL	9.25							
GL W LG	—	—	—	65.95	63.50	70.20	44.00	GL W LG	—	71.50	—	72.25	—	75.27	GL W LG	29.50							
GL W MD	67.00	60.63	61.92	64.21	56.09	—	22.00	GL W MD	—	—	—	64.50	—	68.27	GL W MD	11.75							
GL W SM	50.00	52.50	—	—	—	—	2.00	GL W SM	44.33	—	—	—	—	54.50	GL W SM	3.00							
GL BR XL	—	—	—	—	—	—	.75	GL BR XL	—	—	—	—	—	—	GL BR XL	.75							
GL BR LG	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.00	GL BR LG	—	—	—	—	—	109.00	GL BR LG	1.00							
NRBS - 50	—	—	—	—	—	39.00	4.00																
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	—	38.48	25.00																

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	01/01/07	12/25/06	01/02/06
PACIFIC COAST	32	33	131
LOS ANGELES	28	29	91

NORTH CAROLINA EGGS The market is lower on extra large and large, higher on medium and small. Supplies are adequate. Retail demand is 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	98.00
LARGE	97.00
MEDIUM	89.22
SMALL	73.00

CERTIFIED ORGANIC EGGS IN CARTONS

JANUARY 08, 2007

(price per carton delivered to first receivers)	CENTS/CARTON	MOSTLY
Brown Eggs		
Extra Large doz.	222 - 261	239 - 240
1/2 doz.	120 - 151	130 - 134
Large doz. 2	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: 12/31/2006 - 01/06/2007

State	Number Cases Shipped To Northern CA	Number Cases Shipped To Central CA	Number Cases Shipped To Southern CA	Total State
Arizona	0	0	660	660
Arkansas	0	1,560	0	1,560
Colorado	0	0	2,472	2,472
Iowa	2,930	8,100	79,528	90,558
Michigan	0	840	10,648	11,488
Minnesota	2,855	690	14,644	18,189
Missouri	0	780	19,781	20,561
Nevada	0	0	960	960
North Carolina	2,016	1,020	4,806	7,842
Ohio	0	0	6,040	6,040
Oregon	786	0	0	786
South Dakota	0	0	2,370	2,370
Texas	0	0	2,479	2,479
Utah	0	1,320	7,028	8,348
Wisconsin	0	0	1,810	1,810
Grand Total	8,587	14,310	153,226	176,123
SHIPPED TO MILITARY	0	0	0	0
SHIPPED TO NON-MILITARY	8,587	14,310	153,226	176,123