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## NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

In New York, prices were unchanged when compared to last Friday's values. Elsewhere, weekly prices were sharply lower on all weights. The market tone was about steady to steady. Demand was light to moderate, at times good in areas where inclement weather was a factor. Supplies were adequate to available. Breaking stock offerings were tight to sufficient for the light to good demand. Light type fowl were generally adequate for a moderate to occasionally 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** Midwest delivered prices were sharply lower for all sizes. Prices to producers in IA-MN-WI were unchanged. Trade sentiment mostly steady. Cartoned egg sales were light to instances moderate and noted as slightly improved due to extreme winter weather forecasted for most of the area. Loose egg movement was usually slow. Supplies were fully adequate. Central States breaking stock prices were unchanged. Offerings were tight to adequate for the light to moderate demand. Floor stocks adequate to fully adequate. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment mostly steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY	IA-MN-WI-Prices paid to producers.	
			RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	79-88	82-85		
LARGE	78-87	80-83	LARGE	60-69 64
MEDIUM	60-69	62-65	MEDIUM	42-48 46
			SMALL	38-42

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

**NORTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices were significantly lower on extra large, large and mediums when compared to the previous week's values. Trade sentiment was about steady to steady. Demand ranged light to at times good, best where wintry weather was anticipated. Supplies were fully adequate for current trade requirements. Breaking stock offerings were sufficient for the fair to good demand. Light type hen offerings were usually adequate for normal processing schedules.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	85-99	88-91
LARGE	80-94	85-89
MEDIUM	63-76	68-70

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

**SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL** Prices were sharply lower. Trade sentiment was about steady. Retail demand was light to usually moderate. Loose egg movement was slow. Supplies were adequate to fully adequate for current needs. Central States breaking stock prices were unchanged. Offerings were tight to adequate for the light to moderate demand. Floor stocks adequate to fully adequate. Schedules full time. Trade sentiment mostly steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	86.5-95	88-91
LARGE	85.5-94	87-90
MEDIUM	66.5-75	68-71

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

**SOUTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices were lower on all sizes when compared to the previous week's values. Trade sentiment was barely steady to steady. Demand was light to moderate. Supplies were fully adequate to available for present requirements. Breaking stock offerings were sufficient for a fair to good demand. Spent hens were usually adequate for the moderate to occasionally good demand.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	85.5-128.25	87-90
LARGE	84-126.25	85-88
MEDIUM	66.5-103.25	67-71

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 last Friday's values. Trade sentiment entered the week as generally steady. Retail and distributive demand ranged light to instances good. Supplies were fully sufficient for immediate needs.

	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	94-98
LARGE	92-96
MEDIUM	75-79

## MIDWEST REGIONAL

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	86-94	87-89
LARGE	84-92	85-87
MEDIUM	66-74	67-69

**WESTERN** Prices 24 cents lower on jumbo and extra large, 25 cents lower on large, and 22 cents lower on medium. The Pacific region inventory was 9% higher than last Monday with California up 1% and Oregon-Washington-Utah up 23%. Retailer demand light. Offerings lighter.

**CALIFORNIA** Prices 24 cents lower on jumbo and extra large, 25 cents lower on large, and 22 cents lower on medium and small. The California inventory was 1% higher than last Monday. Retailer demand light. Offerings less freely offered. Small benchmark price 86.

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	133
EXTRA LARGE	132
LARGE	124
MEDIUM	106

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

## SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

	RANGE
JUMBO	299-359
LARGE	269-339
LARGE	219-319
MEDIUM	199-309

## NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

	RANGE
JUMBO	299-479
EXTRA LARGE	289-318
LARGE	269-429
MEDIUM	199-259

**NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES REPORT** Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending February 16, 2007 will increase by 1 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending February 09, 2007 were 338,225 cases which was 1 percent above the prior week and 2 percent above estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week.....	299,079	39,146	338,225
% change from the prior week.....	+3	-11	+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** All prices were unchanged. Demand was light to moderate while offerings were tight to adequate. Floor stocks adequate to fully adequate. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment mostly 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	50-56	52-54
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	39-46	42-44

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 unchanged to slightly higher when compared to the previous week. Offerings were noted as fair to mostly moderate for the generally adequate to at least adequate offerings of spent hens. Processing schedules were noted as normal. Sales of finished product moderate. The undertone was at least steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) \*  
FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 12-FEB-07

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	5-8		6.43
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** Trading levels were unchanged to higher. Demand was moderate for fully adequate offerings of spent heavy fowl. Schedules were reduced. Finished sales were fair. Trade sentiment was about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) \*  
PRELIMINARY PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 12-FEB-07

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	4-9.5		6.31

\*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

**WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT- FEB 12, 2007**

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

		North	South	South	5-Area		
		Northeast	Cent	Atl	Pacific		
Jumbo	Curr Wk	10.1	28.4	9.7	12.7	14.0	74.9
	Change	0.3	0.5	0.1	2.5	0.3	5%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	26.3	63.6	17.5	23.1	54.0	184.5
	Change	-6.5	6.5	5.0	1.5	10.6	10%
Large	Curr Wk	32.7	128.7	90.7	100.2	118.7	471.0
	Change	-2.2	11.7	10.0	13.8	5.8	9%
Medium	Curr Wk	11.1	43.3	17.4	23.5	33.2	128.5
	Change	-1.5	-2.9	-0.5	-1.5	-0.3	-5%
Small	Curr Wk	3.3	7.4	4.6	4.8	6.2	26.3
	Change	-0.7	-3.7	2.5	-0.5	2.6	1%
Misc	Curr Wk	2.0	19.2	11.7	11.8	7.0	51.7
	Change	-0.7	1.5	-1.1	-2.7	0.7	-4%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	13.5	60.4	21.6	22.2	21.1	138.8
	Change	-1.2	11.2	8.4	-0.8	2.3	17%
Total	Curr Wk	99.0	351.0	173.2	198.3	254.2	1,075.7
Percent	Change	-11%	8%	16%	7%	9%	7%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg	1,075.7	7%	158
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	265.5	24%	33
Total Shell Egg	1,341.2	10%	191

1/ Information supplied by a universe of 158 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 JAN 29, 2007.

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	1.97	1.95	1.73	1.19

MINIMUM PRICES FOR PRODUCERS FOB FARM FOR WEEK OF JAN 29, 2007 AS SET BY ONTARIO EGG PRODUCERS.

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	1.52	1.52	1.30	.77

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES**— DAILY WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR FEB 09, 2007

CURRENT LOADS								FUTURE LOADS								TOTAL LOADS	
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	—	—	62.00	64.00	—	—	1.00	GL W J	62.50	—	—	—	66.00	71.00	5.00		
GL W J	—	—	—	—	56.00	—	1.00	GL W XL	—	66.08	—	—	—	71.57	6.50		
GL W XL	—	—	70.50	72.00	57.69	—	9.50	GL W LG	—	—	—	—	—	63.25	4.00		
GL W LG	—	—	—	—	50.00	—	4.00	GL W MD	45.50	—	—	—	—	50.00	3.00		
GL W MD	—	—	—	—	40.00	46.00	4.00	NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	—	60.50	1.00		
GL W SM	—	—	53.00	55.00	—	—	1.00										
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	51.17	54.00	3.00										

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES**— WEEKLY (5-DAY) WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 02/05/07-02/09/07

CURRENT LOADS								FUTURE LOADS								TOTAL LOADS	
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	70.50	—	70.10	72.00	—	—	13.00	GNR W 1	—	80.67	—	—	—	—	3.00		
GNR BR 1	—	—	—	—	105.00	—	4.00	GNR BR 1	—	—	—	91.00	—	—	4.00		
GL W J	—	—	80.00	81.50	56.25	—	5.00	GL W J	62.50	—	—	—	66.00	70.94	8.00		
GL W XL	—	70.50	66.79	71.73	57.56	58.00	73.75	GL W XL	60.44	65.89	—	—	—	69.47	28.50		
GL W LG	72.75	78.40	51.50	64.91	50.46	—	39.00	GL W LG	57.55	72.44	—	61.00	—	67.21	27.50		
GL W MD	63.00	—	48.42	64.00	42.86	46.00	14.75	GL W MD	48.33	56.25	—	57.50	—	58.41	12.25		
GL W SM	61.00	64.00	53.00	55.00	52.50	55.00	6.00	GL W SM	—	—	—	—	60.00	64.00	1.00		
GL BR XL	—	—	—	—	—	—	.25	GL BR XL	—	—	—	—	—	—	.25		
GL BR LG	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.50	GL BR LG	—	—	—	—	—	122.00	.50		
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	50.32	53.96	36.00	NRBS - 48	—	56.50	—	—	—	60.50	7.00		
NRBS - 45	—	—	46.50	49.00	48.00	—	6.00	NRBS - 45	—	—	—	—	—	60.50	3.00		
NRBS - 42	—	—	—	—	—	47.50	1.00	NRBS - 39	22.00	23.00	—	—	—	—	1.00		
NRBS - 39	—	—	—	—	—	49.83	3.00										

EIGHTED 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	02/05/07	01/29/07	02/06/06
PACIFIC COAST	21	31	138
LOS ANGELES	18	28	136

**NORTH CAROLINA EGGS** The market is steady on small, lower on the balance. Supplies are adequate to meet a fair retail demand. 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	102.83
LARGE	99.83
MEDIUM	81.65
SMALL	75.00

**CERTIFIED ORGANIC EGGS IN CARTONS** FEBRUARY 12, 2007

(price per carton delivered to first receivers)

Brown Eggs	CENTS/CARTON	MOSTLY
Extra Large doz.	229 - 261	239 - 240
1/2 doz.	120 - 158	130 - 134
Large doz. 2	224 - 250	225 - 230
1/2 doz.	115 - 149	125 - 128

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