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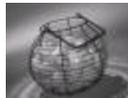
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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



In New York, prices were unchanged when compared to a day earlier. In regional reports values were also generally trending unchanged for next week deliveries. The undertone was steady, but improvement was noted as producers are showing confidence for export commitments. Demand was light to moderate with feature activity limited. Floor stocks were irregular and in some locations they were fair balance but at others locations offerings were fully adequate for current needs. Breaking stock offerings were not available in late week trading as early week, but still reported as generally sufficient for normal to about normal processing. Demand was fair to moderate, but unaggressive. Light type hens were mostly adequate for the light 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 fully steady to instances firm. Cartoned and loose egg sales ranged light to fairly good, usually moderate. Supplies were fully adequate to at times ample and were held with confidence.

	RANGE	MOSTLY	IA-MN-WI Prices paid to producers.	
			Range	Mostly
EXTRA LARGE	79-88	82-85	LARGE	60-69 64
LARGE	78-87	80-83	MEDIUM	42-48 46
MEDIUM	60-69	62-65	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 unchanged on all sizes. Trade sentiment was steady with improvement noted. Demand was light to good, with best inquiry on heavy weight eggs. Supplies were adequate to fully adequate, but held with increasing confidence. Breaking stock demand was fair to good for irregular but sufficient offerings. Light type hen offerings were generally 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 unchanged. Trade sentiment was fully steady to instances firm. Retail demand was moderate to fairly good. Loose egg movement was light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to fully adequate and held with confidence. Central States breaking stock prices were unchanged. Demand was light to moderate for the tight to barely adequate offerings. Most breakers worked from regular supplies. Schedules were full-time. Trade sentiment steady with a firm undertone.

	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 unchanged. Asking prices for next week's deliveries are trending unchanged on all weights. The market tone was improving and was at least steady entering the week-end. Demand was irregular but generally in a range of fair to good. Supplies were adequate to fully sufficient, but were being held with confidence. Breaking stock offerings were usually about adequate for the fair to good demand. Light type fowl were sufficient for the fair demand.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	85.5-128.25	87-90
LARGE	84.0-126.25	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 EGGS Prices were unchanged on all sizes when compared to Thursday's values. Trade sentiment entering the weekend was steady. Demand was mostly moderate. Supplies were adequate to fully sufficient for current requirements.

	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 REGIONAL Prices unchanged. The market tone was steady with asking prices for next week unchanged on all sizes throughout the region. Retailer demand light. Offerings adequate.

CALIFORNIA Prices unchanged. The market tone was steady with asking prices for next week unchanged on all sizes. Retailer demand light. Offerings in confident hands but buyer interest cautious and selective. Small benchmark price 86.

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	133
EXTRA LARGE	132
LARGE	124
MEDIUM	106

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

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

	RANGE
JUMBO	115-121
EXTRA LARGE	113-120
LARGE	111-114
MEDIUM	93-96

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	299-359
EXTRA LARGE	269-329
LARGE	219-309
MEDIUM	199-289

CENTRAL REGION BREAKING STOCK Prices were unchanged. Demand was light to moderate with offerings tight to barely adequate. Most breakers worked from regular commitments and company owned production or purchased liquid product to fulfill needs. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment steady with a firm undertone. 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		

EASTERN REGION BREAKING STOCK Mostly prices were unchanged on checks and undergrades but unchanged to slightly higher on breaking stock when compared to early week trading. Trade sentiment was steady and improving. Offerings were irregular but about sufficient for trade needs. Demand was not that aggressive, but usually fair to good. Breaking schedules were less than normal to normal due in part to inclement weather. Cases broken under federal inspection in the Eastern region for the week ending 10-Feb-2007 were 9 % more than the previous week, but 12 % less than a year earlier.

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	51-55	52-54
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	38-45	39-42
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 10-Feb-2007
(LBS IN THOUSANDS) (EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)

	CASES	LIQUID	LIQUID	LIQUID	DRIED	INED
	BROKEN	WHOLE	WHITE	YOLK		
CW	1,242,214	29,768	12,338	6,656	2,831	4,216
PW	1,181,877	29,454	11,094	5,690	2,004	4,122
LY	1,333,180	32,373	12,554	7,245	4,090	4,549
% PW	5%	1%	11%	17%	41%	2%
% LY	-7%	-8%	-2%	-8%	-31%	-7%
2007	7,095,471	176,318	65,713	35,264	14,640	25,068
2006	7,698,485	185,504	73,745	41,019	19,635	26,329
% YTD	-8%	-5%	-11%	-14%	-25%	-5%

	CW	PW	LY
Average Yield Per Case - (Inedible Included)	42.65	42.61	42.55
Average Yield Per Case - (Inedible Excluded)	39.25	39.12	39.13

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	610,418	49.1%	16,068	54.0%
PREVIOUS WEEK	592,810	50.2%	16,490	56.0%
LAST YEAR	617,006	46.3%	15,790	48.8%

NATIONAL LIQUID Pasteurized whites and salted yolk were too few to report. Trade sentiment was steady to instances fully steady for whole egg and yolk and firm for whites. Demand was fair for whole egg, fairly good to mostly good for whites and yolk. Offerings were tight to adequate for whole egg and whites and adequate for yolk. Breaking stock prices were unchanged when compared to the prior 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 LW
WHOLE 14	41-43	42.14	-.22
WHITES 25	41-46.5	42.46	.59
YOLKS 13	48-51	49.31	.31

CENTRAL REGION FROZEN Prices ranged unchanged to higher for whole egg, sugared and salted yolk, with white prices unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady to mostly fully steady for all frozen products with whites in the strongest position and all products held confidently. Offerings were limited as most operations reported thinned freezer stocks. Demand was fair to instances good with many buyers interested in longer term purchases while most sellers were only willing to engage in short term arrangements. Breaking stock prices were unchanged when compared to last week's reported prices.

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

	RANGE	MOSTLY
WHOLE	64-69	65-69
WHITES	65-69	69
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	65-69	
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	61-67	61-62

EASTERN REGION FROZEN Mostly prices were unchanged on whites, irregular on whole, and unchanged to higher on yolks when compared to a week earlier. Demand improved and was light to fair. Supplies were usually about adequate for trade needs. Trade sentiment was generally steady to full steady. Liquid and frozen eggs (ingredients included) processed under federal inspection in the Eastern region for the week ending 10-Feb-2007 were 9 % more than the previous week, but 13 % lower than a year ago.

Wholesale selling prices (cents per lb. in 30 lb containers) LTL TRUCKLOTS (MIN. 25 CONT.)

	RANGE	MOSTLY	RANGE
WHOLE	63-69	64-66	70-74
BLENDS (/)	TFEWR		
WHITES	63-69	64-67	69-78
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	64-69	65-67	69-78
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	61-67	61-63	65-76

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

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FROZEN Prices unchanged. Southern California breaking activity for the week ending 2/10 was 1% less than the previous week. 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	70-74
WHITES	69-72
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	69-72
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	66-69

NATIONAL DRIED Mostly prices were unchanged on whole and blends, trending higher on yolks, and sharply higher on albumen when compared to a week earlier. Demand was mixed but usually moderate. Offerings were limited but generally sufficient for current trade needs. The undertone was steady to full steady. Dried eggs processed under federal inspection for the week ending 10-Feb-2007 were 41% more than the previous week, but 31% lower than a year ago. The total year to date production of dried eggs produced were 25% lower than a year earlier.

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

WHOLE	2.25-2.40	MOSTLY 2.25-2.35
YOLKS	1.38-1.95	MOSTLY 1.40-1.50
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	4.60-5.00	MOSTLY 4.65-4.75
BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER)	1.65-1.80	

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR FEB 09, 2007-FEB 15, 2007

CURRENT LOADS		97.50		FUTURE LOADS		39.000		TOTAL LOADS		136.50					
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	62.83	—	63.17	64.67	—	63.00	17.00	GNR BR 1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.00
GNR W 2	—	—	—	—	54.50	60.50	2.00	GL W J	63.50	—	—	—	70.67	75.64	11.00
GNR W 4	—	48.00	—	—	—	—	1.00	GL W XL	76.00	81.03	—	88.50	—	79.25	21.25
GNR BR 1	—	—	—	—	105.00	—	1.00	GL W LG	—	81.10	—	82.75	—	74.33	21.00
GL W J	—	—	—	—	65.63	—	4.00	GL W MD	52.88	67.40	—	—	—	54.40	7.50
GL W XL	—	72.51	75.00	72.70	71.22	86.50	62.00	GL BR XL	—	78.00	—	—	—	110.00	1.50
GL W LG	69.00	—	73.00	67.25	65.13	66.00	33.00	GL BR LG	—	—	—	—	—	108.67	1.75
GL W MD	—	62.00	56.36	57.15	50.67	46.00	12.50	NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	—	60.50	3.00
GL W SM	59.00	62.00	53.13	55.00	—	—	6.50								
GL BR XL	—	—	—	—	91.00	—	1.50								
GL BR LG	—	—	—	—	92.00	97.00	3.75								
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	51.17	53.94	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. 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 HEN Prices were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was fair to at least moderate for the generally adequate offerings of light type hens. Processing schedules were normal. Trade sentiment was steady.

REMOVAL COST	RANGE	MAJORITY
	5-12	8-10

SOUTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Trading was TFEWR. Demand was light for fully adequate offerings of spent leghorn fowl. Schedules were reduced. Finished sales were slow. Salvage costs were expected to remain constant.

REMOVAL COST	RANGE	MAJORITY
	TOO FEW TO REPORT	

NORTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Prices were unchanged. Offerings were balanced to adequate with demand fair to instances fairly good. Processing schedules continued normal for next week. Trade sentiment steady.

REMOVAL COST	RANGE	MAJORITY
	5-9	

SHELL EGGS-COMBINED REGIONAL

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	89.50	87.00	69.00
SOUTHEAST	88.50	86.50	69.00
MIDWEST	83.50	81.50	63.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	89.50	88.50	69.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	87.80	85.97	67.80

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.

NATIONAL CANNER FOWL MARKET Trading for heavy canners were too few to report; unchanged to slightly higher on lights when compared to the previous week. Offerings of both light and heavy canners were about adequate to adequate for current needs with most available supplies of heavy canners being used internally. Demand was at least moderate. Processing schedules were normal. The undertone was at least steady to instances fully steady.

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, WITHOUT FREIGHT COST

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
21-31 MAJORITY 24.5-25.5	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)
23-33.5 MAJORITY 28-29	TOO FEW SALES TO REPORT

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER INSPECTION W/E 10-Feb-07

U.S. fowl slaughtered domestically

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	—Thousands—		
Head	1,121	1,435	2,556
Last Week	1,202	1,309	2,511
Same week yr ago	1,269	1,349	2,618
To-date/2007	6,488	8,148	14,636
To-date/2006	8,359	8,299	16,658

U.S. fowl slaughtered in Canada

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	—Thousands—		
Head	231	0	231
Last Week	157	14	171
Same week yr ago	313	0	313
To-date/2007	1,196	14	1,210
To-date/2006	1,547	7	1,554

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	1,352	1,435	2,787
Last Week	1,359	1,323	2,682
Same week yr ago	1,582	1,349	2,931
To-date/2007	7,684	8,162	15,846
To-date/2006	9,906	8,306	18,212

SOURCE: USDA AMS Poultry Programs, Market News & Analysis Branch

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

Week Ending February 03, 2007		Year-To-Date		
TYPE	2007	2006 1/	2007 2/	2006
Liquid	50	209	621	1,041
Frozen	0	0	3	40
Dried	0	0	80	0
Total	50	209	704	1,081

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

Week Ending February 03, 2007		Year-To-Date		
TYPE	2007	2006 1/	2007 2/	2006
Liquid	319	31	1,229	268
Frozen	9	7	26	113
Dried	0	0	0	0
Total	328	38	1,255	381

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

Week Ending February 03, 2007		Year-To-Date		
TYPE	2007	2006 1/	2007 2/	2006
Jumbo	0	0	0	0
Extra Large	0	300	180	2,730
Large	400	1,200	2,071	4,290
Medium	750	1,650	750	1,830
Ungraded	0	750	0	1,650
Misc	0	0	0	0
Total	1,150	3,900	3,001	10,500

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 & Analysis Branch.

COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS - Selected Centers (Incl. Gov't Stocks)

		Frozen Eggs/LBS	Turkeys/LBS	Processed other Poultry/LBS
		(THOUSANDS)		
AM	02/12/07	3,008	58,554	55,229
AM	02/01/07	3,281	53,819	56,977
CHG		-273	4735	-1748
PCT CHG		-8%	9%	-3%

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT (Receipts From Producers)

W/E 10-Feb-2007	CASES	PERCENT CHANGE FROM	
REGIONS	(IN THOUS)	PW	LY
North Atlantic	177.5	0	-7
East North Central	616.5	1	0
West North Central	268.8	1	-4
South Atlantic	179.5	-4	-3
South Central	63.5	17	12
West	185.1	2	-6
Total	1490.9	1	-2
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 10-Feb-2007	CW	LW	PERCENT CHANGE	
Selected Consuming Centers	(In Thousands)		LW	LY
Atlanta	25.7	26.4	-3	-2
Boston	3.6	3.1	16	9
Chicago	54.3	66.5	-18	-27
Detroit	16.4	16.1	2	-16
Kansas City	3.8	4.2	-10	-37
Los Angeles	98.7	76.7	29	-13
New Orleans	5.5	5.9	-7	8
New York	26.6	26.1	2	-18
St. Louis	15.0	12.5	20	-13
San Francisco	17.4	16.5	5	-6
Total	267.0	254.0	5	-16
4 Week Moving Avg.	270.0			

NEW ENGLAND WEEKLY SHELL EGG REPORT

Feb 06, 2007

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

	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
MAINE	139	136	109	79
MOSTLY	-	-	-	-
NEW HAMPSHIRE	134-138	131-135	104-108	72-76
MOSTLY	136-137	133-134	106-107	74-75
RHODE ISLAND	138-142	135-139	108-112	78-82
MOSTLY	138	135	108	78
VERMONT	162-163	159	132	-
MOSTLY	162	-	-	-

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