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## NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

In New York, prices ended the week unchanged on all sizes. Trade sentiment was steady. Demand was light to occasionally fairly good, mostly light to moderate. Supplies were sufficient to ample for current trade needs. Breaking stock offerings were tight to about adequate for a light to moderate demand. Light type fowl were barely sufficient to adequate for the fair to at times fairly good demand. Processing schedules were reported as normal to reduced.

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 steady. Retail demand was light to moderate with loose egg sales reported as usually light. Supplies were adequate to ample although confidently held for the upcoming Easter holiday.

|             | RANGE | MOSTLY | IA-MN-WI Prices paid to producers. Range Mostly |          |
|-------------|-------|--------|---|----------|
| EXTRA LARGE | 86-95 | 89-92  | LARGE   | 67-76 71 |
| LARGE       | 85-94 | 87-90  | MEDIUM  | 49-55 53 |
| MEDIUM      | 67-76 | 69-72  | SMALL   | 44-48    |

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

**NORTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices were unchanged. The market tone was generally steady. Demand into all channels ranged light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to available for current needs. Breaking stock offerings were short to about sufficient for a fair to moderate demand. Light hen offerings were adequate to barely adequate for normal to less than normal processing schedules.

|             | RANGE  | MOSTLY |
|-------------|--------|--------|
| EXTRA LARGE | 94-108 | 94-97  |
| LARGE       | 88-102 | 93-97  |
| MEDIUM      | 69-82  | 74-76  |

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 steady. Retail demand was moderate to at times fairly good. Distributive movement was light. Supplies were adequate to ample and held with confidence. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Offerings were tight to barely adequate for the light demand. Floor stocks were balanced to adequate. Schedules were full-time as most breakers work regular commitments. Trade sentiment steady.

|             | RANGE    | MOSTLY |
|-------------|----------|--------|
| EXTRA LARGE | 93.5-102 | 95-98  |
| LARGE       | 91.5-100 | 93-96  |
| MEDIUM      | 71.5-80  | 73-76  |

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

**SOUTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices were unchanged with asking prices for next week's deliveries trending unchanged on all sizes. The market tone was steady entering the weekend. Demand was light to usually moderate. Supplies were sufficient to ample for current needs. Breaking stock offerings were short to about adequate for the fair to moderate demand. Breaking schedules were noted as less than normal to normal. Light type fowl were barely sufficient to adequate for the fair to at times fairly good demand. Processing schedules were reported as normal to reduced.

|             | RANGE    | MOSTLY |
|-------------|----------|--------|
| EXTRA LARGE | 94.5-102 | 96-99  |
| LARGE       | 93-100   | 94-97  |
| MEDIUM      | 71.5-79  | 72-76  |

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 ended the week unchanged on mediums and heavier weight eggs. Trade sentiment was mostly steady. Demand ranged light to mostly moderate entering the weekend. Supplies were adequate to available for trade requirements.

|             | RANGE   |
|-------------|---------|
| EXTRA LARGE | 102-106 |
| LARGE       | 100-104 |
| MEDIUM      | 81-85   |

## MIDWEST REGIONAL

|             | RANGE  | MOSTLY |
|-------------|--------|--------|
| EXTRA LARGE | 93-101 | 94-96  |
| LARGE       | 91-99  | 92-94  |
| MEDIUM      | 73-81  | 74-76  |

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

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

**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       | 139   |
| EXTRA LARGE | 138   |
| LARGE       | 131   |
| MEDIUM      | 111   |

## SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

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

|             | RANGE   |
|-------------|---------|
| JUMBO       | 239-319 |
| EXTRA LARGE | 229-349 |
| LARGE       | 189-339 |
| MEDIUM      | 159-309 |

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       | 122-127 |
| EXTRA LARGE | 120-126 |
| LARGE       | 118-121 |
| MEDIUM      | 98-101  |

**CENTRAL REGION BREAKING STOCK** Prices unchanged. Offerings were tight to barely adequate while demand was reported as light. Floor stocks balanced to adequate. Schedules usually full-time as most breakers work from regular commitments. Trade sentiment 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  | 53-56 | 55-56  |
| CHECKS & UNDERGRADES  | 40-47 | 43-45  |
| 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** Prices were unchanged when compared to early week trading. Offerings were irregular and ranged from short to about adequate for trade needs. Buyers remain unaggressive but interest was still reported as fair to moderate. The undertone was generally steady. Breaking schedules were reported as less than normal to normal. Cases broken under federal inspection in the Eastern region for the week ending 10-Mar-2007 were 10% less than the previous week, and 4% lower than last year.

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  | 51-56 | 54-55  |
| CHECKS & UNDERGRADES  | 38-46 | 40-43  |
| 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-Mar-2007 (LBS IN THOUSANDS) (EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)

|       | CASES<br>BROKEN | LIQUID<br>WHOLE | LIQUID<br>WHITE | LIQUID<br>YOLK | DRIED  | INED   |
|-------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|--------|--------|
| CW    | 1,265,159       | 31,484          | 11,840          | 6,219          | 2,572  | 4,602  |
| PW    | 1,244,556       | 30,640          | 12,266          | 6,505          | 2,050  | 4,398  |
| LY    | 1,237,397       | 31,140          | 10,861          | 5,643          | 2,400  | 4,113  |
| % PW  | 2%              | 3%              | -3%             | -4%            | 25%    | 5%     |
| % LY  | 2%              | 1%              | 9%              | 10%            | 7%     | 12%    |
| 2007  | 12,055,013      | 299,995         | 112,465         | 59,922         | 24,417 | 42,452 |
| 2006  | 12,733,093      | 311,661         | 119,861         | 65,744         | 30,441 | 43,518 |
| % YTD | -5%             | -4%             | -6%             | -9%            | -20%   | -2%    |

|  | CW    | PW    | LY    |
|--|-------|-------|-------|
| Average Yield Per Case - (Inedible Included) | 42.80 | 43.24 | 41.83 |
| Average Yield Per Case - (Inedible Excluded) | 39.16 | 39.70 | 38.50 |

**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  | 594,412      | 47.0%      | 16,750       | 53.2%      |
| PREVIOUS WEEK | 576,489      | 46.3%      | 16,022       | 52.3%      |
| LAST YEAR     | 569,857      | 46.1%      | 15,989       | 51.3%      |

**NATIONAL LIQUID** Pasteurized whites and salted yolk continued too few to report. Trade sentiment was mostly steady for whole egg, steady to barely steady for whites with yolk reported as steady. Offerings were adequate for all liquid products. Demand was light for whole egg and fair to mostly good for whites and yolk. Breaking stock prices were unchanged from the previous 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<br>AVG | CHANGE FROM<br>LAST WEEK |
|--------|-------|-------|------------|--------------------------|
| WHOLE  | 17    | 46-48 | 47.21      | .02                      |
| WHITES | 45    | 46-51 | 48.93      | -.63                     |
| YOLKS  | 22    | 51-53 | 52.36      | -.22                     |

**CENTRAL REGION FROZEN** Frozen sugared yolk ranged unchanged to 1 cent higher with the balance of prices unchanged. Trade sentiment remained steady for all frozen products. Demand was instances light to usually moderate for whole egg and whites and moderate to fairly good for sugared and salted yolk. Offerings were tight to adequate with most freezer stocks still reported as closely balanced. Breaking stock prices remain unchanged from last week's reported prices.

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

|                                | RANGE | MOSTLY |
|--------------------------------|-------|--------|
| WHOLE                          | 66-72 | 67-70  |
| WHITES                         | 66-72 | 66-70  |
| SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS) | 69-76 | 71-75  |
| SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)  | 66-72 |        |

**EASTERN REGION FROZEN** Mostly prices were unchanged to lower on whole, unchanged to slightly higher on sugar yolks, with the balance of items mostly unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand and trading was light to occasionally fair. Supplies were usually sufficient for trade needs but where available were still held with confidence. Trade sentiment was generally steady. Liquid and frozen eggs (ingredients included) processed under federal inspection in the Eastern region for the week ending 10-Mar-2007 were 17% less than the previous week, and 1% lower than a year ago.

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

|                                | TRUCKLOTS |        | LTL                      |
|--------------------------------|-----------|--------|--------------------------|
|                                | RANGE     | MOSTLY | (MIN. 25 CONT.)<br>RANGE |
| WHOLE                          | 65-72     | 66-70  | 71-76                    |
| BLENDS (/)                     | TFEWR     |        |                          |
| WHITES                         | 65-72     | 66-70  | 71-80                    |
| SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS) | 67-75     | 69-73  | 73-81                    |
| SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)  | 65-72     | 65-69  | 70-79                    |

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

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FROZEN** Prices unchanged. Southern California breaking activity for the week ending 3/10 was 10% less than the previous week. Demand improved seasonally. Freezer stocks adequate.

Wholesale selling prices, FOB Shipping point (cents per lb. in 30 lb. containers)

|                                | RANGE |
|--------------------------------|-------|
| WHOLE                          | 72-76 |
| WHITES                         | 71-74 |
| SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS) | 75-78 |
| SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)  | 72-75 |

**NATIONAL DRIED** Mostly prices were unchanged on whole, unchanged to slightly lower on yolks, and unchanged to higher on blends and albumen when compared to a week earlier. Demand was seasonal with buyers purchasing on as needed basis. Offerings were limited and in a range of about adequate to adequate for trade inquiry. The undertone was usually steady. Dried eggs processed under federal inspection for the week ending 10-Mar-2007 were 25% more than the previous week, and 7% higher than a year ago. The total year to date production of dried eggs produced were 20% lower than a year earlier.

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

|                               |           |                  |
|-------------------------------|-----------|------------------|
| WHOLE                         | 2.20-2.50 | MOSTLY 2.25-2.35 |
| YOLKS                         | 1.38-1.62 | MOSTLY 1.39-1.55 |
| ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED         | 4.85-5.10 | MOSTLY 4.85-5.00 |
| BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER) | 1.75-1.90 |                  |

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

| CURRENT LOADS |       |       |       |           |       |       |       | TOTAL LOADS |       |       |       |           |       |       |       |           |     |     |       |    |  |  |  |
|---------------|-------|-------|-------|-----------|-------|-------|-------|-------------|-------|-------|-------|-----------|-------|-------|-------|-----------|-----|-----|-------|----|--|--|--|
| SE            |       |       |       | NE        |       |       |       | MW          |       |       |       | SC        |       |       |       | NW        |     |     |       | SW |  |  |  |
| CLASS         | ORG   | DST   | LOADS | CLASS     | ORG   | DST   | LOADS | CLASS       | ORG   | DST   | LOADS | CLASS     | ORG   | DST   | LOADS | CLASS     | ORG | DST | LOADS |    |  |  |  |
| GNR W 1       | 70.50 | —     | 33.00 | GNR W 1   | —     | 79.00 | 2.00  | GL W J      | 74.50 | —     | 8.00  | GL W XL   | 68.00 | 75.23 | 83.00 | GL W J    | —   | —   | 2.00  |    |  |  |  |
| GNR W 2       | —     | —     | 8.00  | GL W XL   | —     | 88.43 | 28.75 | GL W LG     | —     | 81.32 | 19.25 | GL W MD   | —     | —     | 5.75  | GL W J    | —   | —   | 2.00  |    |  |  |  |
| GNR BR 1      | —     | —     | .50   | GL W LG   | —     | 87.67 | 28.00 | GL W SM     | —     | —     | 2.00  | GL BR J   | —     | —     | .25   | GL BR J   | —   | —   | .25   |    |  |  |  |
| GL W J        | —     | —     | 3.00  | GL W MD   | 68.00 | 59.00 | 12.75 | GL BR XL    | —     | —     | 1.50  | GL BR XL  | —     | —     | 1.50  | GL BR XL  | —   | —   | 1.50  |    |  |  |  |
| GL W XL       | —     | 88.43 | 28.75 | GL W SM   | —     | —     | 3.50  | GL BR LG    | —     | —     | .75   | NRBS - 48 | —     | —     | 3.00  | GL BR LG  | —   | —   | .75   |    |  |  |  |
| GL W LG       | —     | 87.67 | 28.00 | GL BR J   | —     | —     | 1.25  | NRBS - 50   | —     | —     | 5.00  | NRBS - 48 | —     | —     | 3.00  | NRBS - 50 | —   | —   | 5.00  |    |  |  |  |
| GL W MD       | 68.00 | 59.00 | 12.75 | GL BR XL  | —     | —     | 1.50  | NRBS - 48   | —     | —     | 5.00  | NRBS - 48 | —     | —     | 3.00  | NRBS - 48 | —   | —   | 5.00  |    |  |  |  |
| GL W SM       | —     | —     | 3.50  | GL BR LG  | —     | —     | .75   | NRBS - 48   | —     | —     | 5.00  | NRBS - 48 | —     | —     | 3.00  | NRBS - 48 | —   | —   | 5.00  |    |  |  |  |
| GL BR J       | —     | —     | 1.25  | NRBS - 50 | —     | —     | 5.00  | NRBS - 48   | —     | —     | 5.00  | NRBS - 48 | —     | —     | 3.00  | NRBS - 48 | —   | —   | 5.00  |    |  |  |  |
| GL BR XL      | —     | —     | 1.50  | NRBS - 48 | —     | —     | 5.00  | NRBS - 48   | —     | —     | 5.00  | NRBS - 48 | —     | —     | 3.00  | NRBS - 48 | —   | —   | 5.00  |    |  |  |  |
| GL BR LG      | —     | —     | .75   | NRBS - 48 | —     | —     | 5.00  | NRBS - 48   | —     | —     | 5.00  | NRBS - 48 | —     | —     | 3.00  | NRBS - 48 | —   | —   | 5.00  |    |  |  |  |
| NRBS - 50     | —     | —     | 5.00  | NRBS - 48 | —     | —     | 5.00  | NRBS - 48   | —     | —     | 5.00  | NRBS - 48 | —     | —     | 3.00  | NRBS - 48 | —   | —   | 5.00  |    |  |  |  |
| NRBS - 48     | —     | —     | 5.00  | NRBS - 48 | —     | —     | 5.00  | NRBS - 48   | —     | —     | 5.00  | NRBS - 48 | —     | —     | 3.00  | NRBS - 48 | —   | —   | 5.00  |    |  |  |  |

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 generally unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was fair to instances fairly good for the adequate to barely adequate offerings of light type hens. Processing schedules were normal to less than normal. Trade sentiment was steady.

|              | RANGE | MAJORITY |
|--------------|-------|----------|
| REMOVAL COST | 4-12  | 7-10     |

**SOUTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN** Salvage values were too few to report. Demand was light for fully adequate supplies of spent leghorn fowl. Schedules were reduced. Finished sales were slow. Costs of disposal were expected to remain constant.

|              | RANGE             | MAJORITY |
|--------------|-------------------|----------|
| REMOVAL COST | TOO FEW TO REPORT |          |

**NORTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN** Majority prices were unchanged. Offerings were tight to adequate with demand continuing fair to fairly good. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment steady.

|              | RANGE | MAJORITY |
|--------------|-------|----------|
| REMOVAL COST | 2-9   | 5.5-9    |

**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         | 95.50    | 95.00 | 75.00  |
| SOUTHEAST         | 97.50    | 95.50 | 74.00  |
| MIDWEST           | 90.50    | 88.50 | 70.50  |
| SOUTH CENTRAL     | 96.50    | 94.50 | 74.50  |
| COMBINED REGIONAL | 95.02    | 93.38 | 73.52  |

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.

**NATIONAL CANNER FOWL MARKET** Trading for heavy canners were too few to report; generally unchanged 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 moderate to at least moderate. Processing schedules were mostly normal to instances light. The undertone was at least steady to fully steady.

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, WITHOUT FREIGHT COST

| LIGHT CANNER HENS<br>(LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS) | HEAVY CANNER HENS<br>(WITHOUT NECKS) |
|---|--------------------------------------|
| 23-31 MAJORITY 26-28                          | TOO FEW SALES TO REPORT              |

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, FREIGHT COST INCLUDED

| LIGHT CANNER HENS<br>(LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS) | HEAVY CANNER HENS<br>(WITHOUT NECKS) |
|---|--------------------------------------|
| 24-33.5 MAJORITY 29-31                        | TOO FEW SALES TO REPORT              |

**LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER INSPECTION** W/E 10-MAR-07**U.S. fowl slaughtered domestically**

|                  | Light Hens  | Heavy Hens | Total Hens |
|------------------|-------------|------------|------------|
|                  | —Thousands— |            |            |
| Head             | 1,182       | 1,356      | 2,538      |
| Last Week        | 1,085       | 1,465      | 2,550      |
| Same week yr ago | 977         | 1,580      | 2,557      |
| To-date/2007     | 11,002      | 13,723     | 24,725     |
| To-date/2006     | 12,514      | 14,216     | 26,730     |

**U.S. fowl slaughtered in Canada**

|                  | Light Hens  | Heavy Hens | Total Hens |
|------------------|-------------|------------|------------|
|                  | —Thousands— |            |            |
| Head             | 165         | 0          | 165        |
| Last Week        | 283         | 0          | 283        |
| Same week yr ago | 171         | 0          | 171        |
| To-date/2007     | 2,073       | 14         | 2,087      |
| To-date/2006     | 2,619       | 7          | 2,626      |

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             | 1,347       | 1,356      | 2,703      |
| Last Week        | 1,368       | 1,465      | 2,833      |
| Same week yr ago | 1,148       | 1,580      | 2,728      |
| To-date/2007     | 13,075      | 13,737     | 26,812     |
| To-date/2006     | 15,133      | 14,223     | 29,356     |

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 March 03, 2007 |      | Year-To-Date |         |       |
|----------------------------|------|--------------|---------|-------|
| TYPE                       | 2007 | 2006 1/      | 2007 2/ | 2006  |
| Liquid                     | 145  | 0            | 862     | 1,776 |
| Frozen                     | 0    | 0            | 3       | 40    |
| Dried                      | 40   | 0            | 120     | 120   |
| Total                      | 185  | 0            | 985     | 1,936 |

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

| Week Ending March 03, 2007 |      | Year-To-Date |         |      |
|----------------------------|------|--------------|---------|------|
| TYPE                       | 2007 | 2006 1/      | 2007 2/ | 2006 |
| Liquid                     | 466  | 49           | 2,804   | 460  |
| Frozen                     | 0    | 9            | 106     | 182  |
| Dried                      | 40   | 41           | 76      | 41   |
| Total                      | 506  | 99           | 2,986   | 683  |

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

| Week Ending March 03, 2007 |       | Year-To-Date |         |        |
|----------------------------|-------|--------------|---------|--------|
| TYPE                       | 2007  | 2006 1/      | 2007 2/ | 2006   |
| Jumbo                      | 0     | 150          | 0       | 150    |
| Extra Large                | 960   | 3,300        | 1,350   | 8,880  |
| Large                      | 2,060 | 3,065        | 4,641   | 11,585 |
| Medium                     | 750   | 2,657        | 3,665   | 10,535 |
| Ungraded                   | 0     | 0            | 5,880   | 3,950  |
| Misc                       | 0     | 810          | 85      | 810    |
| Total                      | 3,770 | 9,982        | 15,621  | 35,910 |

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 &amp; Analysis Branch.

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

|         |          | Frozen Eggs/LBS<br>(THOUSANDS) | Turkeys/LBS | Processed other<br>Poultry/LBS |
|---------|----------|--------------------------------|-------------|--------------------------------|
| AM      | 03/12/07 | 3,253                          | 71,956      | 53,060                         |
| AM      | 03/01/07 | 3,312                          | 69,187      | 54,570                         |
| CHG     |          | -59                            | 2769        | -1510                          |
| PCT CHG |          | -2%                            | 4%          | -3%                            |

**COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT (Receipts From Producers)**

| W/E 10-Mar-2007    | CASES<br>(IN THOUS) | PERCENT CHANGE FROM |    |
|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----|
| REGIONS            |                     | PW                  | LY |
| North Atlantic     | 170.4               | 0                   | -9 |
| East North Central | 664.2               | -4                  | 7  |
| West North Central | 290.1               | 7                   | 3  |
| South Atlantic     | 199.4               | 0                   | 4  |
| South Central      | 63.3                | 5                   | -6 |
| West               | 195.2               | 2                   | 3  |
| Total              | 1582.6              | 0                   | 3  |

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-Mar-2007               | CW<br>(In Thousands) | LW    | PERCENT CHANGE |     |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|-------|----------------|-----|
| Selected<br>Consuming Centers |                      |       | LW             | LY  |
| Atlanta                       | 25.3                 | 30.2  | -16            | -13 |
| Boston                        | 3.2                  | 3.3   | -3             | 0   |
| Chicago                       | 62.5                 | 49.8  | 26             | -19 |
| Detroit                       | 16.5                 | 18.4  | -10            | -3  |
| Kansas City                   | 3.8                  | 3.9   | -3             | 3   |
| Los Angeles                   | 105.2                | 99.6  | 6              | -3  |
| New Orleans                   | 5.9                  | 5.2   | 13             | -40 |
| New York                      | 26.5                 | 26.7  | -1             | -17 |
| St. Louis                     | 12.8                 | 11.5  | 11             | -52 |
| San Francisco                 | 18.1                 | 17.5  | 3              | -2  |
| Total                         | 279.8                | 266.1 | 5              | -14 |
| 4 Week Moving Avg.            | 273.4                |       |                |     |

**NEW ENGLAND WEEKLY SHELL EGG REPORT**

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

|                         | EXTRA LARGE        | LARGE              | MEDIUM             | SMALL          |
|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------|
| MAINE<br>MOSTLY         | 145<br>-           | 142<br>-           | 112<br>-           | 82<br>-        |
| NEW HAMPSHIRE<br>MOSTLY | 138-142<br>140-141 | 135-139<br>137-138 | 105-109<br>107-108 | 75-79<br>77-78 |
| RHODE ISLAND<br>MOSTLY  | 144-148<br>144     | 141-145<br>141     | 111-115<br>111     | 81-85<br>81    |
| VERMONT<br>MOSTLY       | 145<br>-           | 142-143<br>142     | 112<br>-           | -<br>-         |

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