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## NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Prices were unchanged. The market tone was mostly steady beginning the week. Demand was light to fairly good. Supplies were balanced to adequate. Breaking stock offerings were tight to sufficient for the light to moderate demand. Light type fowl were adequate to fully sufficient for a fair to moderate 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 mostly steady to instances barely steady. Cartoned egg sales were moderate to good. Loose egg movement was light to moderate. Supplies were balanced to adequate. Central States breaking stock prices were unchanged. Demand was light to moderate for the tight to adequate offerings. Floor stocks balanced to adequate. Trade sentiment steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY	IA-MN-WI-Prices paid to producers.		
			RANGE	MOSTLY	
EXTRA LARGE	71-80	74-77	LARGE	52-61	56
LARGE	70-79	72-75	MEDIUM	36-42	40
MEDIUM	54-63	56-59	SMALL	31-35	

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 when compared to values last week. Trade sentiment was usually steady. Demand was mostly moderate to at times fairly good as stormy weather moved through the region. Supplies were about adequate to adequate for current trade requirements. Eastern region breaking stock offerings were usually sufficient for a moderate demand. Light type hen offerings were adequate to fully sufficient for normal to reduced processing schedules.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	79-93	79-82
LARGE	73-87	78-82
MEDIUM	56-69	61-63

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 good. Food service movement was usually fair. Supplies were balanced to adequate. Central states breaking stock prices unchanged. Offerings were tight to adequate for the light to moderate demand. Floor stocks were balanced to adequate. Schedules full time. Trade sentiment steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	78.5-87	80-83
LARGE	76.5-85	78-81
MEDIUM	58.5-67	60-63

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

**SOUTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices were generally unchanged when compared to the previous week's values. The market tone steady beginning the week. Demand was mostly moderate to at times fairly good. Supplies were sufficient for trade needs. Eastern region breaking stock offerings were usually adequate for the moderate demand. Light type fowl were sufficient to fully adequate for a fair to moderate demand.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	79.5-91.25	81-84
LARGE	78-89.25	79-82
MEDIUM	58.5-68.25	59-63

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 mediums and heavier weight eggs when compared to Friday's values. Trade sentiment was at best steady. Retail and distributive demand ranged fair to fairly good. Supplies were sufficient for current trade needs.

	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	87-91
LARGE	85-89
MEDIUM	68-72

## MIDWEST REGIONAL

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	78-86	79-81
LARGE	76-84	77-79
MEDIUM	60-68	61-63

**WESTERN** Prices unchanged. The Pacific region inventory was 26% higher than last Monday with California up 34% and Oregon-Washington-Utah up 15%. Retailer demand light to moderate. Offerings adequate.

**CALIFORNIA** Prices unchanged. The California inventory was 34% higher than last Monday. Retailer demand light to moderate. Offerings adequate. Small benchmark price 78.

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	122
LARGE	115
MEDIUM	98

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	239-319	JUMBO	
EXTRA LARGE	209-339	EXTRA LARGE	NOT AVAILABLE
LARGE	179-329	LARGE	
MEDIUM	139-309	MEDIUM	

**NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES REPORT** Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending April 20, 2007 will decrease by 3 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending April 13, 2007 were 351,581 cases which was 13 percent below the prior week and 6 percent below estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week.....	309,706	41,875	351,581
% change from the prior week.....	-15	+1	-13

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 unchanged. Demand was light to moderate as breakers assess current needs. Offerings were tight to adequate. Floor stocks balanced to adequate. Schedules full-time. 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	47-51	48-50
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	36-43	38-41
AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,LA,MI,MN,MO,NM,ND,NE,OH,OK,SD,TX,WI		

**SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN** Prices are higher in light trading compared to the past week. Demand was moderate for adequate offerings of spent hens. Schedules were normal. Finished sales were fair. Trade sentiment was at least steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)\* FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 16-APR-07

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	5-11 CENTS/LB.		8.01
*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.			

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

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)\* FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 16-APR-07

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	5.5-12 CENTS/LB.		8.21
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 APRIL 02, 2007

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	1.99	1.96	1.78	1.20

MINIMUM PRICES FOR PRODUCERS FOB FARM FOR WEEK OF APRIL 02, 2007 AS SET BY ONTARIO EGG PRODUCERS.

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	1.56	1.56	1.40	.80

**WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT- APR 16, 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	6.1	15.6	7.3	8.9	12.8	50.7
	Change	0.7	-2.5	-0.6	-1.8	1.3	-5%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	15.3	44.9	6.6	18.3	29.2	114.3
	Change	1.2	-4.5	-4.4	0.4	11	3%
Large	Curr Wk	20.2	81.3	55.2	80.9	92.1	329.7
	Change	-0.9	-27.1	2	5.6	13.3	-2%
Medium	Curr Wk	7.1	33.8	13.8	15	28.5	98.2
	Change	-3.1	-5.7	0.1	-2.5	8.3	-3%
Small	Curr Wk	2.8	8.5	0.5	3.9	4.4	20.1
	Change	0	0.3	-0.9	-2.1	0.4	-10%
Misc	Curr Wk	3.6	20.2	9.7	12.6	5.9	52
	Change	0	-0.5	1.1	-3.6	0.9	-4%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	13.7	42.3	12.1	18.2	25.9	112.2
	Change	2.4	-9	-11.1	-18	5.4	-21%
Total	Curr Wk	68.8	246.6	105.2	157.8	198.8	777.2
Percent	Change	0%	-17%	-12%	-12%	26%	-5%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg	777.2	-5%	157
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	254.0	0%	33
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Total Shell Egg	1031.2	-4%	190

1/ Information supplied by a universe of 157 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 APR 13, 2007

CURRENT LOADS								FUTURE LOADS								TOTAL LOADS	
33.50								14.50								48.00	
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	57.50	—	58.00	59.50	41.00	—	6.00	GL W J	—	—	—	—	70.00	76.80	2.50		
GL W J	—	—	71.50	73.00	64.00	—	2.50	GL W XL	65.00	72.67	—	74.00	—	75.57	9.25		
GL W XL	—	—	67.00	70.38	63.57	—	17.75	GL W LG	65.50	63.00	—	68.25	—	74.30	8.50		
GL W LG	58.00	—	—	—	60.82	—	12.75	NRBS - 48	39.00	42.00	—	—	—	—	1.00		
GL W MD	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.00	NRBS - 39	—	—	—	53.75	—	—	1.00		
NRBS - 45	—	—	—	—	—	—	3.00										
NRBS - 39	—	—	—	—	42.00	—	1.00										

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES**— WEEKLY (5-DAY) WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 04/09/07-04/13/07

CURRENT LOADS								FUTURE LOADS								TOTAL LOADS	
110.25								66.25								176.50	
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	57.17	—	56.63	58.85	47.21	—	17.00	GNR W 1	—	59.83	—	—	—	69.00	7.00		
GNR W 2	—	50.00	—	59.00	46.50	—	4.00	GL W J	70.00	—	—	—	70.00	73.62	5.25		
GNR BR 1	—	59.00	—	—	50.00	—	1.00	GL W XL	64.00	68.42	—	74.00	—	72.52	20.25		
GL W J	—	—	71.50	73.00	58.58	—	5.25	GL W LG	65.50	64.67	—	66.08	—	69.21	30.00		
GL W XL	—	70.92	67.33	69.63	60.65	—	46.00	GL W MD	48.00	49.44	55.00	—	—	58.67	6.50		
GL W LG	58.00	71.40	70.00	67.38	56.49	71.50	55.50	GL BR XL	—	—	—	—	—	66.00	1.00		
GL W MD	55.00	51.00	51.20	52.83	42.88	44.17	18.50	GL BR LG	—	66.00	—	—	—	—	.75		
GL W SM	—	—	48.50	50.00	—	—	1.75	NRBS - 48	39.00	42.00	—	—	—	—	1.00		
GL BR XL	—	—	—	—	—	—	2.00	NRBS - 39	—	—	—	55.44	—	—	4.00		
GL BR LG	—	—	—	—	—	—	.75	NRBS - 36	31.50	33.00	—	—	—	—	1.00		
NRBS - 48	—	—	45.00	46.50	46.00	50.65	34.00										
NRBS - 45	—	—	—	—	—	48.00	7.00										
NRBS - 39	—	—	—	—	43.50	—	4.00										

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	04/09/07	04/02/07	04/10/06
PACIFIC COAST	24	24	72
LOS ANGELES	18	18	67

**NORTH CAROLINA EGGS** APR 16, 2007

The market is steady on all sizes. 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	97.86
LARGE	95.86
MEDIUM	76.86
SMALL	70.00

**CERTIFIED ORGANIC EGGS IN CARTONS** APRIL 16, 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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**California Department of Food and Agriculture  
Egg Quality Control**

Out Of State Eggs - State Compilation

**Report Period: 04/08/2006 - 04/14/2007**

<b>State</b>	<b>Number Cases Shipped To Northern CA</b>	<b>Number Cases Shipped To Central CA</b>	<b>Number Cases Shipped To Southern CA</b>	<b>Total State</b>
Arizona	0	0	2,694	2,694
Arkansas	0	0	1,230	1,230
Colorado	0	0	948	948
Illinois	150	12	340	502
Iowa	900	3,967	49,123	53,990
Michigan	0	0	8,032	8,032
Minnesota	4,765	2,850	6,372	13,987
Missouri	2,340	0	2,340	4,680
Nevada	0	0	720	720
North Carolina	1,601	675	5,235	7,511
Ohio	0	0	5,880	5,880
Oregon	2,845	360	0	3,205
South Dakota	0	0	720	720
Texas	0	0	5,178	5,178
Utah	800	4,410	7,605	12,815
Wisconsin	0	0	1,638	1,638
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>13,401</b>	<b>12,274</b>	<b>98,055</b>	<b>123,730</b>
<b>SHIPPED TO MILITARY</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>SHIPPED TO NON-MILITARY</b>	<b>13,401</b>	<b>12,274</b>	<b>98,055</b>	<b>123,730</b>