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## NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

In New York, prices were unchanged when compared to last Friday. Elsewhere, regional prices were sharply higher on all sizes. The market tone was fully steady to mostly firm. Demand was light to very good. Supplies were sufficient to tight. Breaking stock offerings were at best adequate to short for the moderate to good demand. Light type fowl were at least sufficient to fully adequate for a light to fair demand.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

**MIDWEST REGIONAL** Midwest delivered prices were sharply higher for all sizes. Prices to producers in IA-MN-SI were unchanged for all sizes. Trade sentiment firm. Retail demand was moderate to very good. Food service movement was moderate, instances good. Supplies were closely balanced to tight. Central states breaking stock prices were higher. Demand was fairly good to good for the tight to barely adequate offerings. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment firm.

Prices delivered to warehouse			IA-MN-WI-Prices paid to producers		
	RANGE	MOSTLY		RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	105-114	108-111	LARGE	86-95	90
LARGE	104-113	106-109	MEDIUM	61-66	65
MEDIUM	79-88	81-84	SMALL	43-49	

Prices delivered to store door		
	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	112-120	113-115
LARGE	110-118	111-113
MEDIUM	85-93	86-88

Midwest Area: IA, IL, IN, KY, MN, OH, NE, ND, SD, WI, WV, eastern NY & western PA

**NORTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices were sharply higher on all sizes when compared to the previous week's values. Trade sentiment was mostly firm. Demand into all channels ranged light to good. Supplies were at best adequate to closely balanced for current trade requirements. Eastern region breaking stock offerings were short for normal to less than normal schedules. Offerings of light type hens were at least adequate to fully adequate for a light to fair demand.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	114-132	115-118
LARGE	108-122	113-117
MEDIUM	79-92	84-87

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

**SOUTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices were sharply higher on all sizes when compared to the previous week's values. The market tone was firm entering the week. Demand was moderate to good. Supplies were barely adequate to tight for current trade needs. Eastern region breaking stock offerings were at best sufficient to short for a moderate to good demand. Light type hens were at least adequate to fully sufficient for the light to fair demand.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	99.25-120	114-117
LARGE	93.25-118	112-115
MEDIUM	77.25-89	82-86

Southeast Area: AL, GA, MS, NC, SC, eastern TN, & southern VA

**SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL** Prices were sharply higher for all sizes. Trade sentiment firm. Cartoned egg demand was moderate to very good. Loose egg sales moderate to at times fairly good. Supplies were tight to closely balanced. Central States breaking stock prices were higher. Demand was fairly good to good with for the tight to barely adequate offerings. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment firm.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	120.5-129	122-125
LARGE	112.5-121	114-117
MEIDIUM	84.5-93	86-89

South Central Area: AR, AZ, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, & TX

**NEW YORK** Prices of extra large, large and mediums were unchanged when compared to last Friday's values. Trade sentiment was fully steady to mostly firm. Retail and distributive demand ranged moderate to good. Supplies were at best sufficient to close for present trade requirements.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN

	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	122-126
LARGE	120-124
MEDIUM	91-95

**WESTERN** Prices increased 16 cents for jumbo and extra large, were 14 to 15 cents higher for large, and were 7 to 8 cents higher for medium. Trade was fully steady to firm. The Pacific inventory was 1% higher than last Monday, with California up 5% and OR-WA-UT down 3%. Demand was light to good with offerings tight to adequate.

**CALIFORNIA** Benchmark prices increased 16 cents for jumbo and extra large, were 15 cents higher for large, and 8 cents higher for medium. Trade sentiment was fully steady to firm. The Pacific inventory was up 1% from last Monday, with California increasing 5% and OR-WA-UT down 3%. Offerings were usually adequate to barely adequate with demand moderate to fairly good. Small benchmark price \$1.02.

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	167
EXTRA LARGE	161
LARGE	149
MEDIIUM	122

**NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES REPORT** Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending August 31, 2007 will increase by 1 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending August 24, 2007 were 211,963 cases which was 3 percent above the prior week and 0 percent above estimates.

	<b>CARTONED</b>	<b>LOOSE</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
Cases purchased present week.....	162,960	49,003	211,963

% change from the prior week..... +6 -7 +3  
 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 higher. Offerings were tight to barely adequate with demand fairly good to good. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment firm.

Prices in cents per dozen, delivered to breakers, 48lb. minimum net weight per 30 dozen case, eggs from table egg layers. Packaging may vary.

	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>MOSTLY</b>
BREAKING STOCK	78-81	
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	62-70	62-65
CENTRAL STATES AREA: AR, CO, IA, IL, IN, KS, LA, MI, MN, MO, NM, ND, NE, OH, OK, SD, TX, WI		

**SOUTH CENTRAL LIVE HEAVY-TYPE HENS** Trading levels were generally unchanged. Demand was moderate for at least adequate offerings of spent hens. Schedules were normal. Finished sales were fair. Trade sentiment was generally steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)\* FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 27-AUGUST-07

	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>MAJORITY</b>	<b>WTD AVG</b>
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	7-13 CENTS/LB.		10.01

\*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)\* FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 27-AUGUST -07

	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>MAJORITY</b>	<b>WTD AVG</b>
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	8-13 CENTS/LB.		10.15

AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING TOO FEW TO REPORT  
 FOB PLANT TOO FEW TO REPORT

\*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

**WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT-AUG 27, 2007**  
 STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/ 2/  
 (30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

		<b>Northeast</b>	<b>No Cent</b>	<b>So Cent</b>	<b>So Atl</b>	<b>Pacific</b>	<b>5-Area</b>
Jumbo	Curr Wk	6.4	12.1	5.8	6.4	9.0	39.7
	Change	0.3	0.6	1.5	-0.8	0.3	5%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	22.2	35.5	11.5	18.8	31.2	119.2
	Change	3.6	-0.3	-1.1	4.4	0.6	6%
Large	Curr Wk	28.8	78.8	62.3	74.5	95.2	339.6
	Change	-0.2	-19.3	-8.0	1.3	-6.4	-9%
Medium	Curr Wk	11.6	42.8	21.8	22.3	37.0	135.5
	Change	1.1	2.2	0.0	4.2	4.2	9%
Small	Curr Wk	5.0	8.9	1.9	3.3	7.1	26.2
	Change	0.2	-2.5	0.4	-1.5	1.2	-8%
Misc	Curr Wk	2.3	22.4	7.5	10.7	7.2	50.1
	Change	0.5	-2.0	0.4	-3.1	-1.3	-10%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	12.9	37.9	8.3	17.5	24.9	101.5
	Change	1.4	-9.2	1.2	-5.2	4.5	-7%
Total	Curr Wk	89.2	238.4	119.1	153.5	211.6	811.8
	Change	8%	-11%	-4%	0%	1%	-3%

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>Number of Cases</b>	<b>Percent Change</b>	<b>Number of Cooperators</b>
Shell Egg	811.8	-3%	154
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	222.7	-13%	33
Total Shell Egg	1034.5	-5%	187

1/ Information supplied by a universe of 154 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 AUG 13, 2007

<b>GRADE A</b>	<b>XLARGE</b>	<b>LARGE</b>	<b>MEDIUM</b>	<b>SMALL</b>
	2.04	2.02	1.82	1.20

MINIMUM PRICES FOR PRODUCERS FOB FARM FOR WEEK OF AUG 13, 2007 AS SET BY ONTARIO EGG PRODUCERS

<b>GRADE A</b>	<b>XLARGE</b>	<b>LARGE</b>	<b>MEDIUM</b>	<b>SMALL</b>
	1.60	1.60	1.44	.84

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES** - DAILY WTD AVG PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR AUG 24, 2007

CURRENT LOADS								17.25	FUTURE LOADS								10.25	TOTAL LOADS								27.50
SE				NE				MW				SC				NW				SW						
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS									
GNR W 1	--	--	92.50	94.00	--	--	7.00	GNR W 1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	6.00									
GL W XL	--	--	109.00	111.85	103.03	108.00	8.25	GL W LG	--	--	--	110.00	--	--	--	--	1.00									
GL W LG	--	--	--	--	98.00	--	4.50	GL BR J	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	.25									
GL W MD	--	--	75.00	77.00	--	--	1.00	GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	.50									
GL W SM	--	--	51.00	53.50	60.00	62.00	2.00	NRBS - 39	--	--	--	83.00	--	--	--	--	2.00									
GL BR J	--	--	--	--	--	--	.25																			
GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	--	--	.50																			
NRBS - 39	--	--	--	--	71.50	--	2.00																			
NRBS - 36	--	--	--	--	--	49.00	2.00																			

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES** WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR AUG 20, 2007-AUG 24, 2007

CURRENT LOADS								89.00	FUTURE LOADS								76.50	TOTAL LOADS								165.50
SE				NE				MW				SC				NW				SW						
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS									
GNR W 1	87.17	--	88.50	92.50	80.00	90.67	38.00	GNR W 1	--	98.25	--	96.00	--	--	--	--	17.00									
GNR BR 1	--	--	--	--	--	92.00	1.00	GL W J	118.00	120.00	--	--	--	--	126.00	2.00										
GL W J	--	--	102.50	104.25	--	--	2.00	GL W XL	--	108.00	--	111.00	--	--	114.88	5.50										
GL W XL	--	109.36	102.50	107.24	101.12	105.33	46.00	GL W LG	--	101.12	--	110.00	--	--	104.79	24.25										
GL W LG	--	104.26	95.00	103.25	92.03	95.50	55.25	GL W MD	68.00	76.86	--	--	--	78.26	9.00											
GL W MD	85.25	71.00	80.75	71.67	67.60	71.00	17.50	GL W SM	--	--	--	--	49.00	54.50	2.00											
GL W SM	52.00	--	48.00	50.50	52.67	55.33	6.00	GL BR J	--	--	--	--	--	--	.25											
GL BR J	--	--	--	--	--	--	.25	GL BR XL	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00											
GL BR XL	--	--	--	--	106.00	--	1.00	GL BR LG	--	98.00	--	--	--	--	1.00											
GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00	NRBS - 39	--	--	--	83.00	75.00	78.00	4.00											
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	--	77.00	2.00																			
NRBS - 42	--	--	--	64.00	59.00	62.00	2.00																			
NRBS - 39	--	--	57.00	60.00	71.50	--	3.00																			
NRBS - 36	--	--	--	--	--	49.00	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.

**COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT - FROZEN EGGS (In Thousands)**

ON HAND	08/20/07	08/13/07	08/21/06
PACIFIC COAST	11	12	115
LOS ANGELES	0	0	112

**CERTIFIED ORGANIC EGGS IN CARTONS AUG 27, 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.	224 - 250	225 - 230
1/2 doz.	115 - 149	125 - 128

**NORTH CAROLINA EGGS** The market is steady on small, higher on the balance.

Supplies are moderate. Retail demand is moderate.

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	131.72
LARGE	125.52
MEDIUM	99.86
SMALL	83.00

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