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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



In New York, prices unchanged when compared to last Friday's values. Regional prices varied, with most areas reporting higher prices on larger sizes, but unchanged on mediums. Prices in the Northeast unchanged. Trade sentiment steady to fully steady. Demand in a full range of light to good, mostly moderate to fairly good. Supplies were close balanced to adequate for trade requirements. Breaking stock offerings balanced to sufficient for a fairly good to good demand. Light hens generally adequate for normal processing schedules.

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 to producers unchanged with the balance of prices 1 cent higher for the larger sizes and unchanged on medium. Trade sentiment steady to fully steady. Cartoned egg sales fairly good to instances good with loose egg demand mostly moderate. Supplies closely balanced to adequate. Central States breaking stock prices higher. Offerings balanced to adequate with demand fairly good to occasionally good. Floor stocks in close balance to adequate. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment steady to fully steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	139-148	142-145
LARGE	138-147	140-143
MEDIUM	122-131	124-127

IA-MN-WI Prices paid to producers.		
	Range	Mostly
LARGE	120-129	124
MEDIUM	106-110	108
SMALL	73-79	

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

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Price range unchanged on mediums and heavier weight eggs when compared to the previous week's prices. Trade sentiment mostly steady. Demand moderate. Supplies were at best adequate for buyer and seller requirements. Breaking stock floor stocks in the Eastern region about adequate to sufficient for normal to over-time processing schedules. Light type hens adequate for regular schedules.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	148-163	149-152
LARGE	142-156	147-151
MEDIUM	126-139	130-133

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

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL Extra large prices increased 1 cent, large prices 2 cents higher, mediums unchanged. The trade sentiment steady to fully steady. Retail demand moderate to fairly good. Distributive movement fair. Supplies generally adequate for white eggs, tight for brown eggs. Central states breaking stock and check prices higher. Demand fairly good to instances good. Offers in close to adequate balance. Floor stocks adequate. Schedules full time. Trade sentiment steady to fully steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	149.5-158	151-154
LARGE	147.5-156	149-152
MEDIUM	129.5-138	131-134

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

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Mostly prices were higher on extra large and large, unchanged on mediums when compared to last week's values. Trade sentiment generally steady to fully steady. Retail and distributive demand ranged moderate to fairly good. Current supplies about adequate for immediate trade needs. Eastern region breaking stock offerings usually sufficient. Normal to over-time processing schedules. Light type hen offerings generally sufficient for a moderate to fairly good demand.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	149.5-157	151-154
LARGE	148-155	149-152
MEDIUM	129.5-137	130-134

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 compare to last Friday's values. Trade sentiment was at least steady at current levels. Demand was light to mostly moderate. Supplies were generally adequate for present trade requirements.

	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	156-160
LARGE	154-158
MEDIUM	138-142

MIDWEST REGIONAL	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	146-154	147-149
LARGE	144-152	145-147
MEDIUM	128-136	129-131

WESTERN REGIONAL Prices were 1 cent higher for jumbo, extra large, and medium, and 2 cents higher for large. Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady. The Pacific inventory increased 12% from last Monday, with California and OR-WA-UT increasing 12%. Offerings were balanced to adequate with demand moderate to fairly good. Floor stocks tight to adequate.

CALIFORNIA Benchmark prices were 1 cent higher for jumbo, extra large, medium, and small, with large increasing 2 cents. Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady. The Pacific inventory increased 12% from last Monday, with California and OR-WA-UT areas both increasing 12%. Offerings were closely balanced to adequate with demand moderate to fairly good. Supplies were tight to adequate. Small benchmark price \$1.45.

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	190
EXTRA LARGE	192
LARGE	184
MEDIUM	165

NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES REPORT Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending January 25, 2008 will decrease by 3 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending January 18, 2008 were 213,065 cases which was 4 percent below the prior week and 1 percent below estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week.....	162,267	50,798	213,065

% change from the prior week..... -4 -3 -4
 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. Demand was fairly good to instances good. Offerings were in close balance to adequate. Floor stocks balanced to adequate. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment steady to fully steady.

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

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	100-102	
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	84-92	84-86
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 Prices were lower compared to the past week. Demand was moderate for at least adequate offerings from producers. Schedules were reduced. Finished sales were slow. Trade sentiment was steady at best.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)* FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 21-JANUARY-08

RANGE MAJORITY WTD
 AVG

AT FARM BUYER LOADING 6.5-12 CENTS/LB. 8.71
 *WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)* FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 21-JANUARY-08

RANGE MAJORITY WTD
 AVG

AT FARM BUYER LOADING 7-11.5 CENTS/LB. 9.28
 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-JAN 21, 2008

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

		No	So	So	5-Area		
	Northeast	Cent	Cent	Atl	Pacific		
Jumbo	Curr Wk	8.0	20.1	8.4	9.8	10.6	56.9
	Change	1.1	3.0	2.1	0.2	0.6	14%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	23.6	38.3	8.6	20.2	29.2	119.9
	Change	5.5	-2.3	0.4	0.3	2.4	6%
Large	Curr Wk	37.3	108.3	54.0	88.0	92.3	379.9
	Change	8.3	5.6	-1.2	3.4	10.4	7%
Medium	Curr Wk	9.4	48.1	17.1	17.8	34.3	126.7
	Change	-1.0	-1.3	-1.7	0.2	1.2	-2%
Small	Curr Wk	2.2	5.4	0.8	3.5	4.4	16.3
	Change	0.0	1.1	-1.4	1.8	-0.2	9%
Misc	Curr Wk	2.3	19.4	13.3	13.0	5.7	53.7
	Change	0.3	-3.8	0.0	0.7	-3.7	-11%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	12.4	48.4	18.6	11.2	30.0	120.6
	Change	-2.9	-1.1	-2.3	-2.8	11.1	2%
Total	Curr Wk	95.2	288.0	120.8	163.5	206.5	874.0
	Change	13%	0%	-3%	2%	12%	4%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg	874.0	4%	154
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	236.3	-4%	32

Total Shell Egg 1110.3 2% 186

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.

2/ Due to changes in the cooperator universe, the relevant totals for the previous week were ADJUSTED. This adjustment is necessary to facilitate valid comparisons. The revised figures are:

NORTHEAST	NO CENT	SO CENT	SO ATL	PACIFIC	5-AREA SUMMARY
83.9	286.8	124.9	159.7	184.7	840.0

Due to a change in the cooperator universe for breaking stock an adjustment is necessary to facilitate valid comparisons. The adjusted total was 246.4.

- 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

*** The information for this report is not available.***

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES - DAILY WTD AVG PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR JANUARY 18, 2008

CURRENT LOADS									FUTURE LOADS									TOTAL LOADS		
SE			NE			MW			LOADS	SC			NW			SW				
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST		CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	
GNR W 2	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	3.00	GL W J	--	--	--	--	--	--	156.38	2.00		
GL W J	--	--	--	--	140.38	--	--	--	2.00	GL W XL	--	--	--	--	--	--	149.40	1.75		
GL W XL	--	--	--	--	135.80	132.00	--	--	2.25	GL W LG	--	--	--	--	--	--	144.00	1.50		
GL W LG	--	130.00	--	--	132.00	--	--	--	10.25	GL W MD	--	--	--	--	--	--	128.00	2.00		
GL W MD	113.00	--	--	118.00	117.87	118.00	--	--	11.50	GL BR MD	--	--	--	--	--	--	160.00	.25		
GL BR MD	--	--	--	--	149.00	--	--	--	.25											

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR JAN 14, 2008-JAN 18, 2008

CURRENT LOADS									FUTURE LOADS									TOTAL LOADS		
SE			NE			MW			LOADS	SC			NW			SW				
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST		CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	
GNR W 1	125.17	125.75	125.67	128.11	118.25	--	--	--	26.00	GNR W 1	--	124.17	--	--	--	--	--	10.00		
GNR W 2	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	3.00	GL W J	152.00	--	--	--	--	--	156.58	4.00		
GL W J	188.00	--	139.33	141.00	140.38	--	--	--	6.00	GL W XL	--	137.83	--	--	--	--	142.24	18.75		
GL W XL	--	139.97	135.00	137.69	133.85	132.00	--	--	45.75	GL W LG	134.00	142.54	--	146.50	--	--	139.86	27.75		
GL W LG	--	139.31	135.00	132.60	127.70	136.00	--	--	54.00	GL W MD	--	--	--	--	--	--	128.00	11.50		
GL W MD	123.33	117.52	113.25	120.50	117.40	116.12	--	--	34.00	GL W SM	--	90.50	--	--	--	--	--	1.00		
GL W SM	86.50	--	88.50	91.00	86.00	88.00	--	--	3.00	GL BR MD	--	--	--	--	--	--	160.00	.25		
GL BR XL	--	211.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	.50	NRBS - 39	--	94.00	--	--	--	--	--	1.00		
GL BR LG	--	211.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	.75											
GL BR MD	--	--	--	--	149.00	--	--	--	.25											
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	96.80	92.00	100.00	--	--	12.00											

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

ON HAND	(In Thousands)		
	01/14/08	01/17/08	01/15/07
PACIFIC COAST	04	0	32
LOS ANGELES	0	0	28

CERTIFIED ORGANIC EGGS IN CARTONS JAN 21, 2008

Brown Eggs	(price per carton delivered to first receivers)		MOSTLY
	CENTS/CARTON		
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 slightly higher on large and steady on the balance when compared to Friday. Supplies are well balanced. Retail demand is fair to 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	168.34
LARGE	166.34
MEDIUM	147.86
SMALL	113.00

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