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#### NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

In New York, prices remained unchanged when compared to last Friday. Regional prices were mostly unchanged, however mediums were higher in the Midwest. Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady. Retail and distributive demand ranged light to fairly good. Supplies were usually adequate to occasionally available for trade requirements. Breaking stock offerings were about adequate to barely adequate for a moderate to at times good demand. Light type hen demand was at least moderate to good for adequate to instances barely adequate offerings.

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

<u>MIDWEST REGIONAL</u> Prices to producers in IA-MN-WI were unchanged in other markets mediums were 2 cents higher. Trade sentiment was steady to at times fully steady. Cartoned egg sales were light to moderate instances good. Loose egg movement was light to moderate. Supplies were adequate for current needs. Central States breaking stock prices were higher. Offerings were adequate to barely adequate for the moderate to instances good demand. Floor stocks tight to very closely balanced. Schedules were full-time. Trade sentiment fully steady to instances firm.

**RANGE** 

MOSTI Y

Prices delivered to warehouse

EXTRA LARGE	139-148	142-145
LARGE	138-147	140-143
MEDIUM	124-133	126-129
Prices delivered to stor	e door	
	RANGE	MOSTLY
	440 454	4 4 7 4 4 0

EXTRA LARGE	146-154	147-149
LARGE	144-152	145-147
MEDIUM	130-138	131-133

## **IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN EGGS**

Prices paid to producers, Cents per dozen.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
LARGE	120-129	124
MEDIUM	108-112	110
SMALL	73-79	

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

western PA

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged on medium and larger sizes when compared to last week's values. Trade sentiment was steady entering the week. Demand was reported as light to moderate. Supplies were generally adequate on mediums and extra large, adequate to instances available on large for immediate trade needs. Breaking stock offerings were limited for a fairly good demand. Light type hens were sufficient for normal processing schedules.

RANGE	MOSILY
148-163	149-152
142-156	147-151
126-139	131-133
	148-163 142-156

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

<u>SOUTHEAST REGIONAL</u> Prices were unchanged on all sizes when compared to the previous week's values. Trade sentiment was steady. Retail and distributive demand was moderate. Supplies were generally sufficient for current trade needs. Eastern region breaking stock offerings were limited for mostly normal breaking schedules. Light type hens were generally adequate for an at least 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, GL, GA, MS, NC, SC, eastern TN, & southern VA

<u>SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL</u> Prices were unchanged. The trade sentiment was steady to instances fully steady. Retail demand was moderate to fairly good. Food service movement was moderate. Supplies were adequate. Central states breaking stock prices were higher. Offerings were adequate to barely adequate for the moderate to instances fairly good demand. Floor stocks were adequate to closely balanced. Schedules full time. Trade sentiment steady to instances firm.

Prices delivered to warehouse

	RANGE	MOSILY
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. & T

**NEW YORK** Extra large, large and medium egg prices were the same as last Friday's values. The market tone was steady. Demand into all channels was light to moderate. Current supplies were at best adequate to instances available for trade requirements.

Prices to retailers, sales to volume buyers, USDA grade A, and grade A white eggs in cartons, delivered store, cents per

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

<u>WESTERN</u> Prices were unchanged on jumbo, extra large and large, up 2 cents on mediums. Trade sentiment was steady to instances fully steady. From last Monday the Pacific inventory increased 16%, California 10% higher and OR-WA-UT up 25%. Retail and food service demand moderate to fairly good. Supplies were adequate to closely balanced.

<u>CALIFORNIA</u> Benchmark prices on jumbo, extra large and large were unchanged, prices on medium and smalls up 2 cents. Trade sentiment was steady to instances fully steady. Retail and food service demand moderate to fairly good. Supplies adequate to closely balanced. The Pacific inventory increased 16% from last Monday. California increased 10% and OR-WA-UT increased 25% Small benchmark price \$1.47. 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
MEDIIUM	167

NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES REPORT Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending February 01, 2008 will increase by 1 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending January 25, 2008 were 196,845 cases which was 8 percent below the prior week and 5 percent below estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week	. 157,228	39,617	196,845
% change from the		00	0
prior week	-3	-22	-8
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 adequate to barely adequate. Demand is moderate to instances fairly good. Buyers needing product bidding over the range to secure product. Floor stocks adequate to closely balanced. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment steady to instances 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.

	RANGE	MOSILI
BREAKING STOCK	105-107	
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	90-95	89-91
CENTRAL STATES AREA: AR, CO, I	A, IL, IN, KS, LA	A, MI, MN, MO,
NM, ND, NE, OH, OK, SD, TX, WI		

<u>SOUTH CENTRAL LIVE HEAVY-TYPE HENS</u> Trading levels were generally unchanged compared to the past week. Demand was moderate for at least adequate offerings of spent hens. Schedules were reduced. Finished sales were slow. Trade sentiment was about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)\* FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 28-JANUARY-08

RANGE MAJORITY WTD AVG

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AT FARM BUYER LOADING 6.25-12 CENTS/LB. 8.84 \*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)\* FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 28-JANUARY-08

RANGE MAJORITY WTD AVG

AT FARM BUYER LOADING 7-11.5 CENTS/LB. 9.25
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 28, 2008 STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/ (30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

	(00 2		No	So	So	,	
	No	rtheast	Cent	Cent	Atl I	Pacific	5-Area
Jumbo	Curr Wk	7.9	21.8	8.4	10.7	13.8	62.6
	Change	-0.1	1.7	0.0	0.9	3.2	10%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	25.6	41.1	11.0	20.0	35.1	132.8
Ü	Change	2.0	2.8	2.4	-0.2	5.9	11%
Large	Curr Wk	39.5	112.8	55.7	83.1	108.7	399.8
J	Change	2.2	4.5	1.7	-4.9	16.4	5%
Medium	Curr Wk	10.3	43.4	15.6	19.1	35.3	123.7
	Change	0.9	-4.7	-1.5	1.3	1.0	-2%
Small	Curr Wk	2.6	5.3	1.0	2.8	5.1	16.8
	Change	0.4	-0.1	0.2	-0.7	0.7	3%
Misc	Curr Wk	2.7	21.7	12.2	13.3	7.5	57.4
	Change	0.4	2.3	-1.1	0.3	1.8	7%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	13.0	39.7	8.9	8.5	23.2	93.3
-	Change	0.6	-8.7	-9.7	-2.7	-6.8	-23%
Total	Curr Wk	101.6	285.8	112.8	157.5	228.7	886.4
Percent	Change	7%	-1%	-7%	-4%	11%	1%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg Shell Egg Breaking Stock	886.4 < 226.6	1% -4%	154 32
Total Shell Egg	1113.0	0%	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.

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 JAN 07 & 14, 2008

**GRADE A** XLARGE LARGE MEDIUM SMALL 2.09 2.06 1.87 1.24

MINIMUM PRICES FOR PRODUCERS FOB FARM FOR WEEK OF JAN 07 & 14, 2008 AS SET BY ONTARIO EGG PRODUCERS GRADE A XLARGE LARGE MEDIUM SMALL

1.60 1.60 1.44 .84

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

CURRENT LOADS 14.00 FUTURE LOADS 11.00 TOTAL LOADS

CURRENT LOADS 1		14.00		FUTURE LOADS 11.00						TOTAL LOADS 25.00					
	S	E	1	<b>NE</b>	MW		I			SC		w		sw	
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG		ORG	DST	ORG		LOADS
GNR W 1			125.25	126.50			5.00	GNR W 1							2.00
GL W XL			137.75	140.00	131.50		6.00	GL W J	153.00					158.00	
GL W LG					125.50		11.00	GL W XL				150.75		143.75	
GL W SM			138.50	140.00			1.00	GL W LG						138.50	
NRBS - 48							1.00							100.00	3.00

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR JAN 21, 2008-JAN 25, 2008

CURRENT LOADS 67.75 FUTURE LOADS 70.25 TOTAL LOADS 138.00

	s	E	N	1E	M	W			S	С	N	IW	S	w	
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	125.17		125.60	127.13			19.00	GNR W 1		125.00					10.00
GNR W 2		127.00					5.00	GL W J	153.00					157.75	2.00
GNR BR 1		193.00					1.00	GL W XL		142.80		150.75		150.56	16.00
GL W J			140.17	142.00	142.00		4.00	GL W LG		152.71		147.00		140.82	24.75
GL W XL		142.67	138.00	140.27	136.33	139.00	29.75	GL W MD	121.50	119.75				128.23	7.00
GL W LG		138.07		134.81	130.75	131.00	41.75	GL BR XL		194.00					.50
GL W MD		121.25	115.50	60.64	118.80	118.52	21.75	GL BR LG		192.00	181.25			188.00	.75
GL W SM			138.50	140.00			1.00	GL BR MD		'	143.25			150.00	.75
GL BR XL					187.00		.50								
GL BR LG					185.00		.25								
NRBS - 48				102.00		108.11	31.00								
NRBS - 45						102.00	8.00								
NRBS - 36			68.00	70.00			1.00	I							

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 M	OVEMENT – FR	OZEN EGGS		CERTIFIED ORGANIC EGGS IN CARTONS JAN 28, 2008 (price per carton delivered to first receivers)					
	(I	n Thousands)							
ON HAND	01/21/08	01/14/08	01/22/07	Brown Eggs	CENTS/CARTON	MOSTLY			
PACIFIC COAST	4	4	32	Extra Large doz.	229 – 261	239 - 240			
LOS ANGELES	0	0	28	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 all sizes. Supplies are generally adequate. Retail demand is mixed.

PRICES WEIGHTED AVERAGE, IN SMALL LOTS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, NEARBY RETAIL OUTLET, CENTS PER DOZEN.

EXTRA LARGE 168.34
LARGE 166.34
MEDIUM 147.86
SMALL 113.00

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