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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

New York prices were 2 cents less on lighter and heavier weight eggs. In the Southeast region, prices were unchanged to lower on larger sizes and lower on mediums. Elsewhere, prices were sharply lower on all sizes when compared to last week's values. Trade sentiment was in a full range of steady to weak, mostly weak. Demand was light to at times moderate. Supplies were at least sufficient to ample for current trading requirements. Breaking stock offerings were ample for a generally light demand. Light type hens were about adequate to adequate for mixed processing schedules.

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

MIDWEST REGIONAL Prices were sharply lower to warehouse and store door. Producer prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was ranged from steady to barely steady. Cartoned egg demand was light to moderate, better were featured. Food service movement was usually light. Supplies remained ample for current needs. Central states breaking stock all prices were lower. Offerings were ample for the light demand. Floor stocks were fully adequate to ample. Schedules varied. Trade sentiment was weak.

Prices delivered to warehouse

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	90-99	93-96
LARGE	89-98	91-94
MEDIUM	70-79	72-75

Prices to store door

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	97-105	98-100
LARGE	95-103	96-98
MEDIUM	76-84	77-79

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN EGGS

Prices paid to producers, Cents per dozen

	RANGE	MOSTLY
LARGE	71-80	75
MEDIUM	54-58	56
SMALL	34-40	

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

NORTHEAST Prices were sharply lower on all sizes when compare to the previous week. Trade sentiment was mostly weak. Demand was light to occasionally moderate. Supplies were sufficient to ample for current buyer and seller requirements. Eastern region breaking stock offerings were ample for mixed processing schedules. Light type hens were adequate for a fair to fairly good demand.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	99-118	100-104
LARGE	93-107	98-102
MEDIUM	73-86	78-80

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

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged to lower on larger sizes and lower on mediums when compared to last week's prices. The market tone was weak. Demand was slow to fair. Present supplies were generally plentiful for trade requirements. Eastern region breaking stock offerings were ample for the normal to heavy processing schedules. Spent hen offerings were generally sufficient for the fair to fairly good demand.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	98.5-129.25	110-103
LARGE	97-123.25	98-101
MEDIUM	75.5-90.25	76-80

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

SOUTH CENTRAL Prices were sharply lower on all sizes. Trade sentiment remained weak. Retail and food service demand was reported as mostly light to instances moderate. Supplies were fully adequate to ample. Central states breaking stock prices were lower. Offerings continued ample with demand quiet as breakers assess current inventories and production needs. Floor stocks fully adequate to ample. Schedules were varied. Trade sentiment was weak.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	103.5-112	105-108
LARGE	98.5-107	100-103
MEDIUM	74.5-83	76-79

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

NEW YORK Extra large, large and medium prices were 2 cents less than values reported last Friday. Trade sentiment was barely steady to instances weak. Demand was light to fair. Supplies ranged sufficient to mostly ample for buyer and seller needs.

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	105-109
LARGE	103-107
MEDIUM	83-87

WESTERN Prices were 15 to 17 cents lower for jumbo, extra large, and large, and 10 cents lower for medium and small. Trade sentiment was weak. The Pacific increased 2% from last Monday, with California down 2% and OR-WA-UT up 9%. Offerings were fully adequate to ample with demand light to instances fair. Floor stocks fully adequate to ample.

CALIFORNIA Benchmark prices were 15 cents lower for jumbo, extra large, and large, and 10 cents lower for medium and small. Trade sentiment remains weak. The Pacific inventory increased 2% from last Monday, with California down 2% and OR-WA-UT up 9%. Offerings were fully adequate to ample with demand slow to fair, mostly light. Small benchmark price 95 cents.

	RANGE
JUMBO	145
EXTRA LARGE	145
LARGE	136
MEDIUM	115

NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES REPORT

Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending July 18, 2008 will increase by 0 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending July 11, 2008 were 185,360 cases which was 3 percent above the prior week and 2 percent above estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week.....	145,795	39,565	185,360

% change from the

prior week..... +2 +3 +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 lower. Offerings continued ample with demand quiet as breakers assess current inventories and production needs. Floor stocks fully adequate to ample. Schedules varied. Trade sentiment weak.

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	58-70	70
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	55-61	56-58
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 from the past week. Demand was moderate for at least adequate supplies of spent hens. Processing schedules were normal. Dressed sales were slow to fair. Trade sentiment was about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)* FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 14-JULY-08

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	7-13 CENTS/LB.		9.79
*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 sufficient offerings of spent fowl. Processing schedules were noted as normal. Sales of finished product was fair to moderate. The undertone was steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)* FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 14-JULY-08

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	7.5-15 CENTS/LB.		10.06
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

Stocks on hand available for marketing 1/
(30 Dozen cases-in thousands)

		No Northeast Cent	So Cent	So Atl	Pacific	5-Area
Jumbo	Curr Wk	12.8	23.6	6.5	10.4	15.8
	Change	1.4	3.4	0.3	-0.4	1.2
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	20.4	50.0	8.9	24.7	33.7
	Change	-6.0	-6.8	-2.6	1.4	-4.3
Large	Curr Wk	26.1	115.5	70.8	108.9	113.6
	Change	-19.4	-8.2	-5.2	-5.7	0.8
Medium	Curr Wk	16.7	47.6	26.4	21.4	33.1
	Change	-1.8	-7.7	0.2	0.9	1.8
Small	Curr Wk	6.0	7.0	1.8	4.0	4.1
	Change	1.5	-2.6	-0.5	1.9	0.2
Misc	Curr Wk	2.1	20.4	10.4	11.2	7.9
	Change	0.5	-0.3	-0.7	-0.8	-0.4
Ungraded	Curr Wk	11.3	55.7	13.7	25.9	27.9
	Change	6.2	-11.2	-2.7	1.6	5.0
Total	Curr Wk	95.4	319.8	138.5	206.5	236.1
Percent	Change	-16%	-9%	-7%	-1%	2%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
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Shell Egg	996.3	-6%	151
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	287.9	12%	32
Total Shell Egg	1,284.2	-2%	183

1/ Information supplied by a universe of 151 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

DATA UNAVAILABLE

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES - DAILY WTD AVG PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR JULY 11, 2008

CURRENT LOADS									FUTURE LOADS									TOTAL LOADS		
9.50									21.50									31.00		
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	72.50	--	74.00	75.00	--	--	2.00	GL W J	--	--	--	--	--	--	86.00	--	.50			
GL W J	--	--	--	--	72.25	--	.50	GL W XL	--	--	--	--	--	78.00	--	1.75				
GL W XL	--	75.00	82.50	85.00	61.89	66.00	6.75	GL W LG	--	77.00	--	--	--	--	--	1.25				
GL W LG	--	--	--	--	63.00	--	1.25	GL W MD	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	2.50				
GL W MD	--	--	50.50	53.00	--	--	3.50													
GL W SM	--	--	49.00	51.00	--	--	1.00													
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	--	--	12.00													
NRBS - 45	--	--	--	--	--	--	4.00													

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR JULY 07, 2008-JULY 11, 2008

CURRENT LOADS									FUTURE LOADS									TOTAL LOADS		
76.50									103.25									179.75		
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	78.50	--	80.25	81.10	--	--	13.00	GNR W 1	--	85.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	2.00			
GNR BR 1	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.25	GNR BR 1	82.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.25			
GL W J	--	--	98.00	100.50	74.36	--	6.50	GL W J	84.00	--	--	--	--	--	90.55	5.50				
GL W XL	--	77.20	88.70	89.71	70.14	79.00	32.50	GL W XL	81.33	89.47	--	--	--	85.70	24.50					
GL W LG	--	75.60	--	83.00	70.13	--	18.00	GL W LG	71.00	84.18	--	--	--	81.40	13.75					
GL W MD	72.00	63.00	53.13	55.50	66.11	--	18.50	GL W MD	--	--	--	--	--	68.43	15.00					
GL W SM	52.50	55.83	49.00	51.00	40.00	42.60	6.75													
GL BR XL	--	--	--	--	76.00	--	.75													
NRBS - 48	--	--	64.50	66.50	--	77.82	103.00													
NRBS - 45	--	--	--	72.00	66.00	--	14.00													
NRBS - 39	--	--	--	--	--	42.00	2.00													

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)		
	07/07/08	06/30/08	07/09/07
PACIFIC COAST	23	3	1
LOS ANGELES	0	0	0

CERTIFIED ORGANIC EGGS IN CARTONS JULY 14, 2008

Brown Eggs	(price per carton delivered to first receivers)	
	CENTS/CARTON	MOSTLY
Extra Large doz.	255 - 316	275 - 310
1/2 doz.	173 - 198	173 - 188
Large doz.	245 - 310	265 - 300
1/2 doz.	160 - 189	160 - 178

NORTH CAROLINA EGGS The market is lower on all sizes.

Supplies are long. Retail demand is poor.

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	124.99
LARGE	118.89
MEDIUM	92.64
SMALL	72.00

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