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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Prices were unchanged on all sizes in New York. In other regions, prices were higher on extra large and large, however unchanged on mediums when compared to the previous week. Trade sentiment was full steady to firm on heavier weights, at least steady on the balance of sizes. Demand was generally moderate to good. Supplies ranged about sufficient to tight for current needs. Breaking stock offerings were adequate to tight for regular processing schedules. Light hen offerings were at least sufficient to sufficient for a light to moderate demand.

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

MIDWEST Midwest delivered prices were sharply higher for the larger sizes. Other reported prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was fully steady to firm. Retail demand was fairly good to good. Loose egg movement was mostly moderate. Supplies were balanced to tight for the larger sizes and adequate for the lighter weight eggs. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged to higher with checks and undergrades unchanged. Offerings were tight to adequate for the moderate to fairly good demand. Schedules full-time. Floor stocks balanced to adequate. Trade sentiment was steady to instances fully steady.

Prices delivered to wareho use

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	87-96	90-93
LARGE	86-95	88-91
MEDIUM	57-66	59-62

Prices to store door

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	94-102	95-97
LARGE	92-100	93-95
MEDIUM	63-71	64-66

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN EGGS

Prices paid to producers, Cents per dozen

	RANGE	MOSTLY
LARGE	68-77	72
MEDIUM	41-45	43
SMALL	34-40	

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

NORTHEAST Prices were higher on extra large and large, but remained unchanged on medium eggs when compared to values last week. Trade sentiment was steady to full steady. Demand was moderate. Supplies were at best adequate for current trading requirements and held with confidence. Eastern region breaking stock offerings were viewed as adequate to at times tight for a fair demand. Light type hen demand was fair for adequate to at least adequate offerings.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	97-116	98-102
LARGE	91-105	96-100
MEDIUM	61-74	65-68

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

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were higher on extra large and large when compared to the previous week's prices. Trade sentiment was fully steady to instances firm. Demand was at least moderate. Supplies were in balance to tight for current trade requirements. Eastern region breaking stock offerings were about adequate for the mostly normal processing schedules. Light type fowl demand was fair to moderate for the at least sufficient offerings.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	91.25-103	97-100
LARGE	85.25-101	95-98
MEDIUM	62.50-70	63-67

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

SOUTH CENTRAL Prices were sharply higher on extra large and large, unchanged on medium. Trade sentiment was fully steady to firm. Retail demand was reported as good. Food service demand ranged light to fairly good, mostly moderate. Supplies were balanced to tight for the larger sizes and mostly adequate for mediums. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged to higher with checks and undergrades unchanged. Demand was moderate to fairly good with offerings tight to adequate. Floor stocks were balanced to adequate. Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	102.5-111	104-107
LARGE	95.5-104	97-100
MEDIUM	61.5-70	63-66

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

NEW YORK Prices were unchanged on lighter and heavier weight eggs when compared to last Friday's values. Trade sentiment was steady to full steady. Demand was mostly moderate. Supplies were at best sufficient for immediate trade 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	73-77

WESTERN Prices were 10 cents higher for jumbo, extra large, and large and unchanged on medium and small. Trade sentiment was fully steady to firm. The Pacific inventory increased 7% from last Monday, with California increasing 8% and OR-WA-UT up 5%. Demand was light to fairly good, mostly moderate to fairly good, with offerings generally adequate. Floor stocks balanced to adequate.

CALIFORNIA Benchmark prices were 10 cents higher for jumbo, extra large, and large and unchanged on the balance of sizes. Trade sentiment was fully steady to firm. The Pacific inventory increased 7% from last Monday, with California up 8% and OR-WA-UT increasing 5%. Offerings were usually adequate with demand light to fairly good, mostly moderate to fairly good. Floor stocks balanced to adequate. Small benchmark price 82 cents.

	RANGE
JUMBO	146
EXTRA LARGE	143
LARGE	132
MEDIUM	102

NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES REPORT

Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending August 08, 2008 will increase by 0 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending August 01, 2008 were 202,169 cases which was 12 percent below the prior week and 12 percent below estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week.....	146,060	56,109	202,169
% change from the prior week.....	-1	-31	-12

Comparison figures are compiled on a matched plant basis. Purchases and estimates by 14 cooperators; 30 dozen cases or equivalent.

CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK

Breaking stock prices ranged unchanged to higher with checks and undergrades unchanged. Demand was moderate to fairly good with offerings tight to adequate. Schedules full-time. Floor stocks balanced to adequate. Trade sentiment steady to instances 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	60-62	
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	45-51	46-48

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 unchanged to lower. Demand was light to moderate for at least adequate offerings of spent hens. Schedules were normal. Finished sales were slow. Trade sentiment was at least steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)* FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 04-AUGSUT-08

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	7-13 CENTS/LB.		9.56

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

SOUTHEAST LIVE HEAVY-TYPE HENS

Prices were slightly lower when compared to the previous week. Demand was mostly fair to moderate for the adequate to at least adequate offerings of spent fowl. Processing schedules were noted as normal to instances heavy. Sales of finished product was fair. The undertone was about steady to steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)* FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 04-AUGUST-08

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	7-14 CENTS/LB.		9.88
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

STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/ 2/ (30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

AUGUST 04, 2008		No		So		So	
		Cent	Cent	Cent	Atl Pacific	5-Area	
Jumbo	Curr Wk	8.6	17.1	5.0	8.2	13.6	52.5
	Change	-1.9	-2.0	-0.9	0.8	-0.7	-8%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	14.9	31.3	7.2	20.2	37.2	110.8
	Change	-5.3	-0.4	-2.6	1.5	3.1	-3%
Large	Curr Wk	33.9	88.3	44.9	89.7	116.9	373.7
	Change	-18.2	-8.0	-11.6	7.1	7.5	-6%
Medium	Curr Wk	15.1	46.1	24.0	20.6	37.4	143.2
	Change	-3.2	-5.3	-0.7	-0.9	6.3	-3%
Small	Curr Wk	4.1	4.4	2.4	4.4	5.8	21.1
	Change	-1.5	-0.6	-0.2	-3.1	0.2	-20%
Misc	Curr Wk	2.6	25.5	11.1	9.7	10.7	59.6
	Change	-0.4	3.6	0.9	0.2	0.8	9%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	13.5	46.8	15.8	21.1	19.8	117.0
	Change	1.9	-0.5	2.6	4.9	-1.5	7%
Total	Curr Wk	92.7	259.5	110.4	173.9	241.4	877.9
	Change	-24%	-5%	-10%	6%	7%	-3%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg	877.9	-3%	152
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	267.3	-5%	33
Total Shell Egg	1145.2	-4%	185

1/ Information supplied by a universe of 152 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.

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 figure is: Breaking stock 282.3

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: WHOLESAL E PRICES-GRADED IN CARTONS (CANADIAN DOLLARS) AS REPORTED BY AGRICULTURE AND AGRI-FOOD CANADA, AISD, AID, POULTRY SECTION FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 21, 2008

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	2.16	2.14	1.94	1.31

MINIMUM PRICES FOR PRODUCERS FOB FARM FOR WEEK OF JULY 21, 2008 AS SET BY ONTARIO EGG PRODUCERS

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	1.68	1.68	1.52	1.01

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES - DAILY WTD AVG PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR AUGUST 01, 2008

CURRENT LOADS 9.25								FUTURE LOADS 1.00				TOTAL LOADS 10.25			
SE		NE		MW		SC		NW		SW					
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS		
GNR W 1	--	--	73.50	75.00	--	--	1.00	GL W J	--	--	--	--	104.00 110.00 1.00		
GL W J	--	--	96.50	99.00	--	--	1.00	GL W LG	--	--	--	--	89.38 3.25		
GL W XL	--	--	92.00	94.00	--	--	1.00								
GL W LG	--	--	81.50	84.00	76.00	--	5.25								
GL W MD	--	--	53.00	54.00	--	--	1.00								

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR JULY 28, 2008-AUG 01, 2008

CURRENT LOADS 78.00								FUTURE LOADS 65.50				TOTAL LOADS 143.50			
SE		NE		MW		SC		NW		SW					
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS		
GNR W 1	69.83	73.71	70.00	71.71	--	--	31.00	GNR W 1	--	87.00	--	--	12.00		
GNR BR 1	--	--	--	--	61.50	--	2.25	GNR BR 1	76.00	--	--	--	1.25		
GL W J	--	--	94.17	96.33	92.00	--	6.00	GL W J	100.75	--	--	104.00	106.46 6.50		
GL W XL	--	--	84.00	88.70	82.89	86.39	24.75	GL W XL	82.00	93.85	--	--	92.44 11.50		
GL W LG	--	87.33	82.75	76.95	79.00	87.50	58.25	GL W LG	78.00	89.18	--	--	87.62 28.00		
GL W MD	59.00	--	51.10	52.71	52.17	--	17.50	GL W MD	46.00	56.00	--	--	59.08 9.25		
GL W SM	48.00	51.00	45.00	48.00	45.00	48.71	5.50	GL W SM	--	--	--	46.00	-- 2.00		
GL BR XL	--	--	83.60	87.00	71.00	--	1.50	GL BR XL	--	--	75.00	--	82.00 .50		
GL BR LG	--	--	84.00	85.00	71.00	--	1.00	GL BR LG	--	--	74.00	--	81.00 .75		
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	59.50	60.71	44.50								
NRBS - 39	--	--	44.00	49.00	37.00	40.00	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)		
	07/28/08	07/21/08	07/30/07
PACIFIC COAST	174	9	12
LOS ANGELES	0	6	0

CERTIFIED ORGANIC EGGS IN CARTONS AUG 04, 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 higher on extra large and large, steady on the balance. Supplies are well balanced. 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.

	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	117.64
LARGE	111.44
MEDIUM	80.86
SMALL	74.00

Out of State Eggs - State Compilation

Report Period: 7/27/2008 - 8/2/2008

Region	Cases Shipped to			Total State
	Northern CA	Central CA	Southern CA	
Midwest:	8,796	8,399	58,409	75,604
South Central:	4,520	0	11,181	15,701
Southeast:	8,322	0	5,368	13,690
Northeast:	0	0	1,927	1,927
Western:	5,800	784	6,487	13,071
Grand Total:	27,438	9,183	83,372	119,993
Military:	0	0	0	0
Non-Military:	27,438	9,183	85,697	122,318

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