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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Regional prices were higher than the previous week's prices on all sizes. In New York, prices were unchanged when compared to last Friday values. Trade sentiment was viewed as steady to fully steady entering the week. Demand into all channels ranged light to good, mostly light to moderate. Supplies were usually adequate to at times tight for current buyer and seller needs. Breaking stock floor stocks were sufficient to tight for various processing schedules. Light type hens were at least adequate to fully sufficient for less than normal to occasionally heavy processing schedules.

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 and slightly higher for mediums. Other reported prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady. Retail demand was moderate to good. Food service movement was mostly moderate. Supplies were balanced to tight. Central states breaking stock prices ranged unchanged to higher with checks and undergrades unchanged. Offerings were tight to inadequate for the mostly moderate demand. Floor stocks were balanced to tight. Trade sentiment was mostly steady.

Prices delivered to wareho use

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	94-103	97-100
LARGE	93-102	95-98
MEDIUM	60-69	62-65

Prices to store door

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	101-109	102-104
LARGE	99-107	100-102
MEDIUM	66-74	67-69

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN EGGS

Prices paid to producers, Cents per dozen

	RANGE	MOSTLY
LARGE	75-84	79
MEDIUM	44-48	46
SMALL	35-41	

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

NORTHEAST Prices were higher on all sizes when compared to prices the previous week. Trade sentiment was steady to at times fully steady. Demand was light to fairly good, mostly light to moderate. Supplies were about adequate for immediate needs. Eastern region breaking stock floor stocks were adequate to short for varied processing schedules. Light hens were at least adequate for a fair to moderate demand.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	104-123	105-109
LARGE	98-112	103-107
MEDIUM	64-77	68-71

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

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were higher on all sizes when compared to the previous week's values. Trade sentiment was fully steady. Demand was moderate to fairly good. Supplies were no more than sufficient to at times tight for present trade needs. Eastern region breaking stock offerings were very limited for the generally normal processing schedules. Light type fowl demand was fair to at least moderate for the at least adequate offerings.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	98.25-110	104-107
LARGE	90.25-108	102-105
MEDIUM	64-73	66-70

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

SOUTH CENTRAL Prices were higher on all sizes. Trade sentiment was fully steady to instances firm. Retail and food service demand was mostly moderate. Supplies were balanced to tight on the heavier weight eggs and the lighter weight eggs were balanced to fully adequate. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged to higher, with checks and undergrades unchanged. Demand was mostly moderate with supplies tight to inadequate. Floor stocks were balanced to tight. Trade sentiment was mostly steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	110.5-119	112-115
LARGE	103.5-112	105-108
MEDIUM	65.5-74	67-70

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

NEW YORK Prices remained the same on extra large, large and medium sized eggs as values last Friday. Trade sentiment was mostly steady. Demand into all channels was light to moderate. Supplies were usually sufficient for current 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	112-116
LARGE	110-114
MEDIUM	76-80

WESTERN Prices were 7 cents higher for jumbo, extra large, and large, and 3 cents higher for medium and small. Trade sentiment was mostly steady. The Pacific inventory was 14% lower than last Monday, with California down 13% and OR-WA- UT declining 16%. Demand was moderate to fairly good, instances good, with offerings adequate. Floor stocks tight to adequate.

CALIFORNIA Benchmark prices were 7 cents higher for jumbo, extra large, and large, and 3 cents higher for medium and small. Trade sentiment was mostly steady. The Pacific inventory declined 14% from last Monday, with California down 13% and OR-WA-UT declining 16%. Offerings were adequate with demand moderate to fairly good. Floor stocks tight to adequate. Small benchmark price 85 cents.

	RANGE
JUMBO	153
EXTRA LARGE	150
LARGE	139
MEDIIUM	105

NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES REPORT

Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending August 15, 2008 will increase by 0 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending August 08, 2008 were 192,582 cases which was 5 percent below the prior week and 5 percent below estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week.....	132,593	59,989	192,582
% change from the prior week.....	-9	+7	-5

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. Offerings were tight to inadequate with demand mostly moderate. Breakers in need of additional product were refusing higher offering prices. Floor stocks balanced to tight. Trade sentiment mostly 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	68-70.5	68
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	51-57	52-54

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 was unchanged to lower compared to last week. Demand was fair for at least adequate and growing supplies of spent heavy fowl. Finished sales were slow. Schedules had increased at most plants. Trade sentiment was no better than steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)* FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 11-AUGUST-08

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	7-13 CENTS/LB.		9.61

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

SOUTHEAST LIVE HEAVY-TYPE HENS

Prices were unchanged to slightly lower when compared to the previous week. Demand was mostly fair for the at least adequate offerings of spent fowl. Processing schedules were noted as normal. 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 11-AUGUST-08

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	7-13.5 CENTS/LB.		9.84
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 11, 2008		No	So	So			
		Cent	Cent	Atl Pacific	5-Area		
Jumbo	Curr Wk	10.2	14.4	5.2	7.8	11.1	48.7
	Change	1.6	-2.7	0.2	-0.4	-2.5	-7%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	19.5	38.6	8.8	17.7	30.9	115.5
	Change	4.6	7.3	1.6	-2.5	-6.3	4%
Large	Curr Wk	37.3	86.1	44.3	98.4	96.3	362.4
	Change	3.4	-2.2	-0.6	8.7	-20.6	-3%
Medium	Curr Wk	14.4	37.7	22.7	22.6	36.3	133.7
	Change	-0.7	-8.4	-1.3	2.0	-1.1	-7%
Small	Curr Wk	3.1	5.4	2.0	5.5	6.4	22.4
	Change	-1.0	1.0	-0.4	1.1	0.6	6%
Misc	Curr Wk	2.2	20.5	9.4	14.4	8.4	54.9
	Change	-0.4	-5.0	-1.7	4.7	-2.3	-8%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	13.4	44.0	13.9	22.3	18.1	111.7
	Change	-0.1	-2.8	-1.9	1.2	-1.7	-5%
Total	Curr Wk	100.1	246.7	106.3	188.7	207.5	849.3
	Change	8%	-5%	-4%	9%	-14%	-3%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg	849.3	-3%	152
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	239.7	-10%	33
Total Shell Egg	1089.0	-5%	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.

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 JULY 28, 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 28, 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 08, 2008

CURRENT LOADS			18.00		FUTURE LOADS			18.00		TOTAL LOADS			36.00		
SE		NE		MW		SC		NW		SW					
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	--	--	79.50	81.00	--	--	8.00	GL W XL	--	106.75	--	--	--	111.13	4.00
GL W J	--	--	--	--	103.50	108.00	1.00	GL W LG	--	--	--	--	--	97.50	5.25
GL W XL	--	--	96.50	99.00	94.40	97.00	7.50	GL W	--	--	--	--	--	65.00	1.00
GL W LG	--	--	91.00	92.00	85.20	95.00	12.25	NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00
GL W MD	--	--	--	--	53.00	--	3.50	NRBS - 42	56.00	60.00	--	--	--	--	1.00
GL W SM	--	46.00	--	--	--	--	1.00								
GL BR XL	--	--	--	--	--	--	.75								
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00								

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR AUG 04, 2008-AUG 08, 2008

CURRENT LOADS			76.75		FUTURE LOADS			70.50		TOTAL LOADS			147.25		
SE		NE		MW		SC		NW		SW					
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	74.50	77.20	77.75	78.33	--	--	46.00	GNR W 1	--	87.46	--	--	--	--	24.00
GNR BR 1	--	--	--	--	80.25	--	1.25	GL W J	--	--	--	--	--	115.93	7.00
GL W J	--	--	102.75	105.00	101.25	108.00	9.00	GL W XL	92.25	106.10	--	--	--	108.38	13.00
GL W XL	--	94.75	96.38	100.02	94.30	97.00	29.50	GL W LG	--	--	--	--	--	96.92	20.25
GL W LG	--	93.47	87.75	91.43	88.61	95.00	54.00	GL W MD	--	--	--	--	--	64.07	7.25
GL W MD	62.00	55.00	52.00	54.00	51.84	--	13.75	GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	--	90.00	1.00
GL W SM	--	46.00	45.83	49.17	--	--	4.00	NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00
GL BR XL	--	83.00	--	--	79.00	--	1.75	NRBS - 42	56.00	60.00	--	--	--	--	1.00
GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	78.00	--	1.00								
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	65.00	66.02	23.75								
NRBS - 42	--	--	--	58.00	--	--	2.00								
NRBS - 39	--	--	51.33	54.00	--	--	3.00								
NRBS - 36	--	--	47.50	50.00	--	--	1.00								

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)		
	08/04/08	07/28/08	08/06/07
PACIFIC COAST	7	174	12
LOS ANGELES	4	0	0

CERTIFIED ORGANIC EGGS IN CARTONS AUG 11, 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 steady on small, higher on the balance. Supplies are in overall good balance. 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	124.20
LARGE	116.87
MEDIUM	83.86
SMALL	75.00

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