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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Prices in New York were 1 cent lower on mediums, and unchanged on larger sizes. Regional prices were unchanged, but asking prices for next week were trending lower on all sizes. Trade sentiment ranged steady to weak, mostly about steady to barely steady. Retail demand was light to moderate, fairly good in the Midwest aided by feature activity. Food service was slow to fair. Supplies were adequate to ample for current trading needs. Breaking stock offerings were at least adequate to ample for mixed processing schedules. Spent hen offerings readily available for the light to fair demand.

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

MIDWEST REGIONAL Producer prices were lower for all sizes. Midwest delivered prices were unchanged with asking prices for next week trending sharply lower. The trade sentiment was steady to barely steady. Retail demand was moderate to instances fairly good as feature activity continues to improve egg movement into retail channels. Loose egg movement was very light. Supplies were adequate to fully adequate. Central states breaking stock prices were lower. Offerings were fully adequate to ample for the light demand. Schedules mixed. Trade sentiment barely steady to weak.

Prices delivered to warehouse:

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	90-99	93-96
LARGE	89-98	91-94
MEDIUM	82-91	84-87

Prices delivered to store door.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	97-105	98-100
LARGE	95-103	96-98
MEDIUM	88-96	89-91

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN EGGS

Prices paid to producers, cents per dozen.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
LARGE	59-69	63
MEDIUM	53-57	55
SMALL	43-49	

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

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL Prices were unchanged. Next week's prices were trending sharply lower on all sizes. Trade sentiment was barely steady to weak. Retail demand was generally moderate to fairly good, best movement was noted into areas with feature activity. Food service demand remained slow. Supplies ranged closely balanced to fully adequate. Central states breaking stock prices were lower. Demand was light with offerings fully adequate to ample. Processing schedules were mixed. Trade sentiment was barely steady to weak.

Prices delivered to warehouse:

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	100.5-109	102-105
LARGE	99.5-108	101-104
MEDIUM	87.5-96	89-92

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

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was mixed, but overall no better than steady. Demand into all channels was mostly light to fair. Supplies of all sizes were at least adequate to available for current trade requirements. Eastern region breaking stocks supplies were fully adequate to ample for a light to fair demand. Light type hen offerings were at least sufficient; schedules for next week are normal.

Prices delivered to warehouse:

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	99-120.25	103-106
LARGE	98-119.25	101-104
MEDIUM	86.5-94	87-91

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

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged. Asking prices for next week's deliveries were trending lower on all sizes. Trade sentiment was barely steady to about steady. Demand was light to moderate entering the weekend. Current supplies were fully adequate to ample for needs. Breaking stock supplies were more than adequate for the light to fair demand. Light type hens were at least sufficient for the moderate demand.

Prices delivered to warehouse:

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	96-110	99-103
LARGE	93-107	98-102
MEDIUM	84-97	89-91

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

NEW YORK Prices were 1 cent less on mediums, however larger sizes were unchanged when compared to Thursday's prices. Trade sentiment barely steady to steady. Demand was mostly light to fair. Supplies remain fully adequate to ample for present buyer and seller needs.

Prices delivered to store door.

	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	95-99
LARGE	93-97
MEDIUM	86-90

WESTERN Prices were unchanged. Asking prices for next week were 12 cents lower for jumbo, extra large, and large and 11 cents lower for medium and small. Trade sentiment was about steady. Offerings were adequate with demand mostly moderate. Floor stocks adequate to fully adequate.

CALIFORNIA Benchmark prices were unchanged. Asking prices for next week were 12 cents lower for jumbo, extra large, and large, and 11 cents lower for medium and small. The trade sentiment was about steady. Offerings were adequate with demand mostly moderate. Floor stocks balanced to fully adequate. Small benchmark price $1.08.

CALIFORNIA: 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	148
EXTRA LARGE	140
LARGE	134
MEDIUM	128

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA: Prices to retailers, sales to volume buyers, USDA Grade AA and Grade AA, white eggs in cartons, Delivered store door, cents per dozen.

	RANGE
JUMBO	132-146
EXTRA LARGE	120-126
LARGE	119-122
MEDIUM	112-115

BREAKING STOCK

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

CENTRAL REGION All prices were lower. Offerings were fully adequate to ample with demand quiet. Schedules vary from plant to plant. Trade sentiment barely steady to weak.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	43-45	
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	29-36	32-34

CENTRAL STATES AREA: AR, CO, IA, IL, IN, KS, LA, MI, MN, MO, NM, ND, NE, OH, OK, SD, TX, WI

EASTERN REGION Prices were lower on breaking stock and checks and undergrades when compared to early week prices. Trade sentiment was barely steady to weak as traders closely watched further market developments. Supplies were fully adequate to instances ample for mixed breaking schedules. Demand was light to fair. Cases broken under federal inspection in the Eastern region for the week ending 07-Feb-2009 were 5% less than last week and 4% less than the same week a year ago.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	40-46	42-44
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	30-37	33-36

EASTERN STATES AREA: AL, CT, DE, FL, GA, KY, ME, MD, MA, MS, NH, NJ, NY, NC, PA, RI, SC, TN, VT, VA, WV

EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

W/E 07-Feb-2009 (lbs. in thousands) (Excludes Ingredients)

Total Production	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid Whites	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Ined
CW	1,239,824	28,881	12,152	6,206	2,760	4,271
PW	1,194,124	29,360	11,120	5,856	2,535	4,026
LY	1,214,538	29,812	11,105	6,043	2,327	4,121
% PW	4%	-2%	9%	6%	9%	6%
% LY	2%	-3%	9%	3%	19%	4%
2009	6,231,594	151,687	59,092	30,193	14,081	21,682
2008	6,279,638	156,758	56,376	30,197	13,351	21,665
% YTD	-1%	-3%	5%	0%	5%	0%

	CW	PW	LY
Average Yield Per Case - (Inedible Included)	41.55	42.17	42.06
Average Yield Per Case - (Inedible Excluded)	38.10	38.80	38.66

IN LINE PRODUCTION (of total production; lbs. in thousands; may include a limited amount of off-line source material.)

	Cases Broken		Liquid Whole	
	Cases	% of Total	Lbs.	% of Total
CURRENT WEEK	649,641	52.4%	16,434	56.9%
PREVIOUS WEEK	641,382	53.7%	16,883	57.5%
LAST YEAR	601,944	49.6%	16,365	54.9%

NATIONAL DRIED Prices were unchanged to lower on yolks, lower on whole and albumen when compared to prices last week. Trade sentiment ranged at best steady to occasionally weak, mostly barely steady to occasionally weak. Demand was light to moderate. Supplies were fully adequate to instances ample for current trading needs. Dried eggs processed under federal inspection for the week ending 07-Feb-2009 were 9% higher than last week and 19% more than last year. The total year to date production of dried eggs produced was 5% higher than a year ago.

Wholesale selling prices, dollars per lb., in cont., Trucklot and LTL volumes.

WHOLE	2.15-2.38	MOSTLY	2.25-2.38
YOLKS	1.62-1.85	MOSTLY	1.69-1.78
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	3.59-4.10	MOSTLY	3.60-3.85
BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER)	2.20-2.40	MOSTLY	2.20-2.35

NATIONAL LIQUID All prices trended lower with liquid whole egg and yolk too few to report. Trade sentiment was about steady for whole egg and whites and weak for yolk. Demand was moderate for whites and light on the balance of products. Offerings were fully adequate to mostly ample for all products. Breaking stock prices were lower when compared to last week's reported prices.

Prices paid cents per lb., FOB Plant to 10:00 AM non-pasteurized trucklot. For delivery within 14 days.

CLASS	LOADS	RANGE	WTD. AVG.	% FROM LW
WHOLE		TFEWR		
WHITES	16	21-26.5	24.59	-5.07
YOLKS		TFEWR		

Note: As of February 13, 2009, the National Frozen Egg report replaced the Central Region, Eastern Region, and Southern California Frozen Egg reports which will no longer be issued.

NATIONAL FROZEN

All prices ranged lower. Trade sentiment was steady to barely steady for whole egg and whites and barely steady to mostly weak for frozen yolk products. Demand was light to moderate for all products with offerings easily adequate.

Wholesale selling prices (cents per lb., in 30 lb. containers)
Sugared and salted yolks are a minimum 43% solids.

	TRUCKLOTS		LTL (MIN. 25 CONT.)	
	RANGE	MOSTLY	RANGE	MOSTLY
WHOLE	49-55	49-53	51-62	53-56
WHITES	45-56	47-52	53-59	54-58
SUGARED YOLKS	80-88	83-86	84-99	85-93
SALTED YOLKS	75-89	78-80	79-88	80-83

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES – WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES (CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR FEB 06, 2009-FEB 12, 2009

CURRENT LOADS 96.00 FUTURE LOADS 82.00 TOTAL LOADS 178.00

	SE		NE		MW		
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	64.50	--	66.40	65.89	--	50.00	34.00
GNR W 2	--	--	--	--	--	--	9.00
GNR W 3	--	60.00	--	--	--	--	1.00
GNR W 4	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00
GL W J	--	--	--	--	70.42	--	6.00
GL W XL	--	85.87	76.94	76.18	60.70	66.00	63.00
GL W LG	--	80.59	--	74.48	57.34	70.27	45.25
GL W MD	--	66.20	63.87	68.13	68.90	--	16.75
GL W SM	54.00	56.50	53.00	56.67	44.00	47.00	6.00
GL BR J	--	--	--	--	71.00	--	1.25
GL BR XL	--	--	--	--	55.00	--	.50
GL BR LG	--	--	97.50	100.50	55.00	--	2.00
NRBS - 48	--	--	42.00	44.50	46.00	47.33	15.00

	SC		NW		SW		
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	--	69.00	--	--	--	--	23.00
GNR W 2	--	66.67	--	--	--	--	9.00
GL W J	78.33	--	--	--	--	84.00	9.00
GL W XL	62.67	75.62	--	--	--	72.94	23.50
GL W LG	--	75.40	--	--	--	68.01	39.75
GL W MD	--	--	--	--	--	74.46	8.75
GL W SM	--	--	--	--	--	55.50	1.00
GL BR J	--	--	--	--	--	85.00	1.25
GL BR XL	--	--	--	--	--	60.00	.50
GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	--	60.00	1.00

*Weighted average prices are listed for various classed 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

LIGHT TYPE HENS
CENTS PER HEAD, GENERALLY FOR REMOVAL WITHIN THE NEXT 10 DAYS
(INCLUDES HANDLING, FREIGHT AND ANY OTHER CHARGES, WEIGHTS AVERAGE ABOUT 3.50 POUNDS)

EASTERN REGION

Prices were slightly lower when compared to a week earlier. Demand was moderate for the at least adequate offerings of light type hens. Processing schedules were normal. Trade sentiment was steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	2-10	3-7

SOUTH CENTRAL

Trading was TFEWR. Demand was steady for at least adequate offerings of light fowl. Schedules were as desired. Finished sales were measured. Salvage costs were expected to remain constant.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	TOO FEW TO REPORT	

NORTH CENTRAL

Prices were unchanged. Demand was mostly moderate with offerings adequate to ample. Schedules are in a full range with some schedules changed for some due to down time at a plant. Trade sentiment steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	0-10.5	0-5

COMBINED REGIONAL

Average prices on sales to volume buyers, Grade A Large or better, White eggs in cartons, delivered warehouse, cents per dozen.

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	101.00	100.00	90.00
SOUTHEAST	104.50	102.50	89.00
MIDWEST	94.50	92.50	85.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	103.50	102.50	90.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	100.94	99.47	88.80

Computed from simple weekly averages wtd. by regional area populations.

NATIONAL CANNER FOWL MARKET

Sales were too few to report prices. Offerings were fully sufficient for current trade needs. Demand was mostly fair to moderate with trading limited due to the majority of supplies being used internally. Processing schedules were normal. The undertone was steady.

Cents per Pound, Current Negotiations, Without Freight Cost

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
TOO FEW SALES TO REPORT	TOO FEW SALES TO REPORT

Cents per Pound, Current Negotiations, Freight Cost Included

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
TOO FEW SALES TO REPORT	TOO FEW SALES TO REPORT

U.S./Canadian Live Poultry Slaughtered Under Inspection

W/E 07-Feb-09 (PRELIMINARY)

U.S. fowl slaughtered domestically

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	----------Thousands----------		
Head	1,246	1,545	2,791
Last Week	1,384	1,394	2,778
Same week yr ago	1,320	1,568	2,888
To-date/2009*	6,686	7,854	14,540
To-date/2008*	7,355	7,532	14,887

U.S. fowl slaughtered in Canada

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	----------Thousands----------		
Head	280	0	280
Last Week	267	0	267
Same week yr ago	310	0	310
To-date/2009*	1,260	11	1,271
To-date/2008*	1,517	4	1,521

Data Source: Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID, Poultry Section

Total U.S. fowl slaughtered in the U.S. and Canada

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	----------Thousands----------		
Head	1,526	1,545	3,071
Last Week	1,651	1,394	3,045
Same week yr ago	1,630	1,568	3,198
To-date/2009*	7,946	7,865	15,811
To-date/2008*	8,872	7,536	16,408

*Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

INSPECTED EGG PRODUCTS- U.S. & CANADA IMPORT/EXPORT TRADE

U.S. Exports to Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)

Week Ending Jan 31, 2009			Year-To-Date*	
Type	**2009**	**2008 /1**	**2009 /2**	**2008**
Liquid	96	0	192	0
Frozen	0	0	0	0
Dried	0	40	41	40
Total	96	40	233	40

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)

Week Ending Jan 31, 2009			Year-To-Date*	
Type	**2009**	**2008 /1**	**2009 /2**	**2008**
Liquid	369	411	1,357	1,566
Frozen	2	16	67	90
Dried	0	0	0	0
Total	371	427	1,424	1,656

Inspected Shell Eggs

U.S Exports to Canada, In 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary)

Week Ending Jan 31, 2009			Year-To-Date*	
	2009	**2008 /1**	**2009 /2**	**2008**
Jumbo	0	0	0	0
Extra Large	351	0	643	0
Large	314	0	5,360	0
Medium	0	750	0	750
Ungraded	888	3,030	2,064	9,720
Misc	75	0	136	0
Total	1,628	3,780	8,203	10,470

/1 Comparable Week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.
/2 Includes revisions to previous week(s)
*Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.
Data Source: Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID, Poultry Section

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT (Receipts From Producers)

W/E 07-FEB-2009	Cases	% Change From	
REGIONS	**(In Thousands)**	**LW**	**LY**
North Atlantic	191.6	4	8
East North Central	614.4	2	2
West North Central	310.0	6	2
South Atlantic	182.5	0	8
South Central	52.6	3	-2
West	145.8	-4	-17
Total	1496.9	2	1
Matched plants reporting		81	81

Areas Covered:
North Atlantic (ME, VT, MA, RI, CT, NH, NY, PA, NJ, MD, DE)
East North Central (WI, IL, MI, OH, IN)
West North Central (IA, MN, MO, KS, SD)
South Atlantic (SC, NC, VA, GA, FL, KY)
South Central (TN, AL, AR, MS, OK)
West (CA, CO, WA, OR, UT)

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS

W/E 07-FEB-2009

Selected Consuming	CW	LW	% CHANGE	
Centers	**(Cases, in Thousands)**		**LW**	**LY**
Atlanta	23.3	23.2	0	-2
Boston	2.9	3.0	-3	-6
Chicago	64.7	63.7	2	-2
Los Angeles	63.3	59.1	7	-29
New Orleans	5.6	6.4	-13	17
New York	34.5	39.2	-12	23
St. Louis	86.9	71.8	21	93
San Francisco	18.5	20.0	-8	30
Total	299.7	286.4	5	10
4 Week Moving Avg.	295.3			

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS –

Selected Centers	(Inc. Gov't Stocks)		(In Thousands)
	Frozen Eggs Lbs	**Processed Turkeys Lbs**	**Processed other Poultry Lbs**
AM 02/09/09	3,215	105,078	90,617
AM 02/01/09	3,206	102,864	94,005
CHG	9	2214	-3388
PCT CHG	0%	2%	-4%

NEW ENGLAND WEEKLY SHELL EGG REPORT FEB 10, 2009

Prices paid per doz. Grade A Brown eggs in cartons dlvrd store door.

	Ex Large	**Large**	**Med**	**Small**
MAINE	144	143	113	92
MOSTLY	-	-	-	-
NEW HAMPSHIRE	136-140	135-139	106-110	85-89
MOSTLY	138-139	137-138	108-109	87-88
RHODE ISLAND	140-144	139-143	112-116	91-95
MOSTLY	140	139	112	91
VERMONT	137-149	136-145	113	-
MOSTLY	-	-	-	-

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MONTHLY INVENTORY U.S. DRIED EGGS

AS OF JANUARY 31, 2009
COMPARISONS ON THE BASIS OF MATCHED PLANTS

CLASS	NUMBER OF POUNDS	% CHANGE LAST MONTH	% CHANGE LAST YEAR
WHOLE			
PLAIN	3,195,092	5%	178%
FREE FLOWING	4,987,343	-6%	263%
SUBTOTAL:	8,182,435	-2%	224%
WHITE			
(ALBUMEN)	7,620,486	52%	84%
YOLK			
PLAIN	4,016,005	22%	331%
FREE FLOWING (W/SODIUM SILICO ALUMINATE)	4,233,528	23%	146%
SUBTOTAL:	8,249,533	23%	211%
BLENDS 1/			
WHOLE	1,807,718	30%	99%
WHITE	9,650	-7%	-78%
YOLK	284,462	-53%	3878%
SUBTOTAL:	2,101,830	5%	119%
TOTAL:	26,154,284	18%	154%

DRIED EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION:
JANUARY 4, 2009 - JANUARY 31, 2009
TOTAL 11,321,000 POUNDS.

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Calculations were adjusted to represent matched plants from current month compared to previous month, and current month compared to previous year. Subsequently, the percent change calculations may be based on different cooperators if directly compared with data on previous reports. 1/: Blended with a percentage of additives including, but not limited to, sugar, salt, soy, and corn syrup.
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