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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

New York prices were down 3 cent on larger sizes and 2 cents lower on mediums. Regional prices were lower on mediums and unchanged to lower on heavier weights. Trade sentiment was at best steady to weak, mostly barely steady to weak. Demand into all channels ranged light to very good, generally light to good. Supplies were adequate to available for current trade needs. Breaking stock offerings were sufficient to fully sufficient for the very light to moderate demand. Light type hen offerings were mostly adequate to readily available; processing schedules were normal to reduced.

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

MIDWEST REGIONAL Midwest delivered prices were down 4 cents for extra large and large and 6 cents lower for medium. Producer prices were unchanged. The trade sentiment was weak. Cartoned shell egg demand was moderate to very good. Loose shell egg demand was light. Supplies were fully adequate to available. Central states breaking stock prices were lower. Demand was light to very light for the adequate offerings. Schedules were reduced for next week. The trade sentiment was weak.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	110-119	113-116
LARGE	109-118	111-114
MEDIUM	78-87	80-83

IA-MN-WI Prices paid to producers.

	Range	Mostly
LARGE	91-101	95
MEDIUM	60-64	62
SMALL	49-55	

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

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged to 2 cents lower on mediums. Larger sizes were unchanged when compared to the previous week's prices. Trade sentiment was at best steady to weak, mostly barely steady to weak. Retail and distributive demand was ranged light to good, best in areas where retailers were reordering due to the weekend snow storm. Supplies were sufficient to available for current needs. Eastern region breaking stock floor stocks were adequate for reduced holiday schedules. Light type hen offerings in the Eastern region were adequate to balanced; processing schedules were normal to less than normal.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	116-130	119-123
LARGE	113-127	118-122
MEDIUM	86-101	92-95

N0RTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, Eastern NJ, Eastern NY, PA, RI, Northern VA, and VT

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL Prices were 2 cents lower for large and medium, unchanged for extra large. The trade sentiment was barely steady to weak. Retail demand was good to very good. Loose shell egg demand remained light. Supplies ranged adequate to available. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Offerings were adequate for the light to very light demand. Schedules were reduced. The trade sentiment was weak.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	124.5-133	126-129
LARGE	122.5-131	124-127
MEDIUM	91.5-100	93-96

SOUTH CENTRAL AREA: AR,AZ,CO,KS,LA,MO,NM,OK, and TX

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were lower on all sizes when compared to the previous week. The market tone was about steady to barely steady. Retail and distributive demand was light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to available for buyer and seller needs. Eastern region breaking stock offerings were sufficient to fully sufficient for the light to moderate demand. Light hen offerings were about adequate to balanced; processing schedules were mostly normal to part-time.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	119.5-127	121-124
LARGE	118-125	119-122
MEDIUM	88.5-96	89-93

SOUTHEAST AREA: AL, FL, GA, MS, NC, SC, Eastern TN, and Southern VA

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

NEW YORK EGGS Prices declined 3 cents on larger sizes and 2 cents on mediums when compared to last Friday's prices. Trade sentiment was mixed, but mostly barely steady to weak. Demand was light to good, best in locations where retailers were reordering due to wintry weather. Supplies were sufficient to available for immediate trade needs.

	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	124-128
LARGE	122-126
MEDIUM	98-102

MIDWEST REGIONAL	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	117-125	118-120
LARGE	115-123	116-118
MEDIUM	84-92	85-87

WESTERN REGIONAL Prices were 3 cents lower for large, 6 cents lower for medium and small, and unchanged on the balance. Trade sentiment was barely steady to mostly weak. The Pacific inventory declined 11% from last Monday, with California down 9% and OR-WA-UT down 13%. Demand was moderate to good, mostly fairly good, with offerings adequate. Floor stocks balanced to adequate.

CALIFORNIA EGGS Prices were unchanged for jumbo and extra large, 3 cents lower for large, and 6 cents lower for medium and small. Trade sentiment was barely steady to mostly weak. The Pacific inventory declined 11% from last Monday, with California down 9% and OR-WA-UT down 13%. Offerings were adequate with demand moderate to good, mostly fairly good. Floor stocks balanced to adequate. Small benchmark price $1.00.

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	158
EXTRA LARGE	163
LARGE	156
MEDIUM	120

NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES REPORT

Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending December 25, 2009 will decrease by 1 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending December 18, 2009 were 207,677 cases which was 5 percent below the prior week and 6 percent below estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week.....	174,393	33,284	207,677
% change from the prior week.....	+17	-52	-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

Prices unchanged. Demand was light to very light as most off-line breakers were working reduced schedules this week. Offerings were adequate. Trade sentiment weak.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	46-52	
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	31-36	34-36

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

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LIVE HEAVY-TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)*

FINAL PRICE,
GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 21-DEC-2009

SOUTH CENTRAL

Trading was TFEWR. Demand was moderate for fully adequate offerings of spent hens. Schedules were as desired. Finished sales were slowing. Trade sentiment was at least steady.

	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

SOUTHEAST

Prices were generally unchanged when compared to the previous week. Demand was seasonally moderate to good for the light to moderate offerings of heavy fowl. Processing schedules were less than normal due to the Christmas holiday. Finished product supplies were about adequate to adequate for current trade needs. The undertone was at least steady to fully steady.

	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	8-17.75 CENTS/LB.		12.15
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
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)

DECEMBER 21, 2009		Northeast	No Cent	So Cent	So Atl	Pacific	5-Area
Jumbo	Curr Wk	9.7	13.4	8.8	9.9	15.9	57.7
	Change	-1.4	-2.8	0.8	-4.1	-4.0	-17%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	29.8	35.7	13.4	26.8	30.6	136.3
	Change	-2.1	-5.9	-6.3	-7.2	0.9	-13%
Large	Curr Wk	51.9	97.3	82.4	129.7	139.9	501.2
	Change	-13.4	-16.2	-29.0	-41.8	-15.2	-19%
Medium	Curr Wk	10.8	39.9	21.6	22.2	37.6	132.1
	Change	-2.1	-2.0	-0.4	-1.8	0.1	-4%
Small	Curr Wk	1.8	4.6	0.5	2.9	6.3	16.1
	Change	0.1	1.1	-0.3	-0.1	-1.0	-1%
Misc	Curr Wk	3.1	19.5	11.0	11.9	8.1	53.6
	Change	0.9	-1.4	2.4	2.5	-1.9	5%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	8.3	44.0	12.0	11.5	20.6	96.4
	Change	0.8	-12.9	-2.3	5.8	-9.5	-16%
Total	Curr Wk	115.4	254.4	149.7	214.9	259.0	993.4
Percent	Change	-13%	-14%	-19%	-18%	-11%	-15%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg	993.4	-15%	157
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	197.1	-11%	30
Total Shell Egg	1190.5	-14%	187

1/ Information supplied by a universe of 157 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.

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 figures are:

NORTHEAST	NO CENT	SO CENT	SO ATL	PACIFIC	5-AREA SUMMARY
132.6	294.5	184.8	261.6	289.6	1163.1

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 NOV 30 & DEC 07, 2009

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	2.13	2.11	1.89	1.28

MINIMUM PRICES FOR PRODUCERS FOB FARM FOR WEEK OF NOV 30 & DEC 07, 2009 AS SET BY ONTARIO EGG PRODUCERS

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	1.58	1.58	1.42	.94

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES - DAILY WTD AVG PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR DEC 18, 2009

CURRENT LOADS 19.50 FUTURE LOADS 10.25 TOTAL LOADS 29.75

	SE		NE		MW		
CLASS	**ORG**	**DST**	**ORG**	**DST**	**ORG**	**DST**	**LOADS**
GNR W 1	89.50	--	--	92.00	--	--	6.00
GL W XL	--	--	102.00	104.00	76.50	--	5.00
GL W LG	--	90.00	--	--	82.20	--	5.50
GL W MD	--	--	70.50	73.50	68.00	--	2.25
GL W SM	--	--	60.50	63.00	--	--	1.00
GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	43.00	46.00	1.00

	SC		NW		SW		
CLASS	**ORG**	**DST**	**ORG**	**DST**	**ORG**	**DST**	**LOADS**
GL W J	--	--	--	--	88.50	94.00	.75
GL W XL	--	91.50	82.00	--	--	85.60	2.25
GL W LG	--	--	74.75	--	--	81.70	5.00
GL W MD	--	--	62.00	--	--	68.00	.75
GL W SM	--	--	--	--	58.75	61.00	1.00
GL BR XL	--	--	--	--	90.00	94.00	.75
GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	90.00	94.00	1.50

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR DEC 14, 2009 – DEC 20, 2009

CURRENT LOADS 80.00 FUTURE LOADS 21.25 TOTAL LOADS 101.25

	SE		NE		MW		
CLASS	**ORG**	**DST**	**ORG**	**DST**	**ORG**	**DST**	**LOADS**
GNR W 1	89.83	--	90.75	93.86	--	98.70	25.00
GNR W 4	--	46.00	42.00	--	--	--	1.00
GNR BR 1	--	101.00	--	--	--	--	5.00
GL W J	90.00	--	--	--	81.46	83.75	4.50
GL W XL	--	--	102.25	103.05	77.89	--	12.75
GL W LG	--	90.00	82.25	91.34	76.21	--	19.50
GL W MD	--	74.00	70.74	76.33	62.69	66.13	24.75
GL W SM	59.00	--	59.25	62.00	52.55	57.00	6.75
GL BR J	--	--	123.00	--	81.75	--	.75
GL BR XL	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00
GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	--	--	3.00
NRBS - 48	--	--	49.00	51.44	44.33	52.57	16.00
NRBS - 42	--	--	--	--	36.50	38.50	2.00

	SC		NW		SW		
CLASS	**ORG**	**DST**	**ORG**	**DST**	**ORG**	**DST**	**LOADS**
GNR W 1	--	102.33	--	--	--	--	3.00
GNR BR 1	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00
GL W J	90.00	--	--	--	88.50	93.97	9.00
GL W XL	--	91.50	82.00	--	--	88.00	2.50
GL W LG	--	--	75.20	118.00	--	82.63	11.75
GL W MD	--	--	62.00	--	--	70.07	9.50
GL W SM	58.00	--	--	--	58.75	60.67	4.00
GL BR J	--	--	--	--	--	94.00	.25
GL BR XL	--	--	--	--	90.00	94.00	1.75
GL BR LG	--	108.00	--	--	90.00	94.00	3.50

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

(In Thousands)

ON HAND	12/14/09	12/07/09	12/15/08
PACIFIC COAST	30	38	0
LOS ANGELES	0	0	0

CERTIFIED ORGANIC EGGS IN CARTONS

(price per carton delivered to first receivers)

Brown Eggs	CENTS/CARTON	MOSTLY
Extra Large doz.	255 – 316	275 - 310
1/2 doz.	173 – 198	173 - 188
Large doz.	225 – 310	265 - 300
1/2 doz.	160 – 189	160 - 178

NORTH CAROLINA EGGS The market is steady on small, lower on the balance. Supplies are moderate. Retail demand is moderate.

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	136.93
LARGE	135.38
MEDIUM	105.64
SMALL	89.00

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