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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

New York prices were down 1 cent on medium and larger sizes. Regional prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was barely steady to weak. Demand was in a full range of light to very good, generally moderate to good. Supplies were about sufficient to fully sufficient for present trade requirements. Breaking stock offerings were adequate to instances fully adequate; processing schedules were reduced for the holidays. Light hen offerings were sufficient to fully sufficient for the light to good 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 2 cents lower for large and medium and unchanged for small. Midwest delivered prices were unchanged. The trade sentiment was weak. Cartoned shell egg demand was moderate to at times fairly good. Loose shell egg demand was light. Supplies were adequate to fully adequate. Central states breaking stock prices were lower. Demand was light for the adequate offerings. Floor stocks were balanced to adequate. The trade sentiment was weak.

PRICES DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:

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

PRICES DELIVERED TO STORE DOOR:

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

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN EGGS

PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CENTS PER DOZEN

	RANGE	MOSTLY
LARGE	83-94	87
MEDIUM	54-58	56
SMALL	49-55	

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 asking prices were trending sharply lower on all sizes. The trade sentiment was barely steady to mostly weak. Retail demand was reported as good to instances very good. Loose shell egg demand was light to moderate. Supplies remained adequate to available. Some reporting winter weather conditions in the upper Midwest affecting transportation and logistics into the South Central region. Central states breaking stock prices, along with checks and undergrades, were lower. Demand was light to occasionally moderate with offerings adequate to instances fully adequate. The trade sentiment was weak.

PRICES DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:

	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, OK, & TX

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged. The market tone was barely steady to weak. Retail demand was moderate to good. Distributive demand was light. Supplies were about sufficient to available for buyer and seller needs. Eastern region breaking stock floor stocks were adequate for reduced processing schedules. Light hen offerings were sufficient to balanced; demand was at least moderate to good.

PRICES DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:

	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

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged. Asking prices for next week's deliveries were trending lower on all sizes. Trade sentiment was weak. Demand into all channels was moderate to fairly good. Supplies were adequate to fully adequate to satisfy immediate needs. Eastern region breaking stock offerings were sufficient for the seasonally light demand. Light type hen offerings in the Eastern region were balanced for the moderate to mostly good demand.

PRICES DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:

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

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 lower on medium and larger sizes when compared to yesterday's prices. Trade sentiment was mostly weak. Demand was moderate to fairly good. Supplies were adequate to fully adequate for immediate trade requirements.

PRICES DELIVERED TO STORE DOOR:

	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	118-122
LARGE	116-120
MEDIUM	93-97

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WESTERN Prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was weak. Offerings were adequate to fully adequate with demand fairly good to good. Many buyers were concerned with truck arrivals due to the upcoming holiday and winter weather in the Midwest. Floor stocks balanced to adequate.

CALIFORNIA Prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was weak. Demand was fairly good to good with offerings adequate to fully adequate. Some buyers were concerned with truck arrivals due to the Christmas holiday and inclement weather in the Midwest. Floor stocks balanced to adequate.

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

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	142-146
EXTRA LARGE	143-149
LARGE	141-144
MEDIUM	104-107

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 adequate to instances fully adequate. Demand was light to occasionally moderate. Supplies were balanced to adequate. Trade sentiment weak.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	45-50	45-48
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	29-34	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 when compared to early week's prices. Trade sentiment was weak. Offerings were more than adequate for the seasonally light demand. Breaking schedules were reduced due to the holiday. Cases broken under federal inspection in the Eastern region for week ending 19-Dec-2009 were 2% more than last week and 13% higher than the same week last year.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	42-50	45-47
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	29-35	31-33

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 19-DEC-2009 (lbs. in thousands) (Excludes Ingredients)

Total Production	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid Whites	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Ined
CW	1,268,148	30,429	12,571	6,256	2,553	4,153
PW	1,258,886	31,313	11,816	5,810	2,008	4,393
LY	1,205,081	30,599	10,559	5,383	2,696	3,891
% PW	1%	-3%	6%	8%	27%	-5%
% LY	5%	-1%	19%	16%	-5%	7%
2009	64,131,002	1,570,761	615,027	309,838	135,497	214,587
2008	65,528,538	1,615,608	611,623	319,528	145,543	218,556
% YTD	-2%	-3%	1%	-3%	-7%	-2%

	CW	PW	LY
Average Yield Per Case - (Inedible Included)	42.12	42.36	41.85
Average Yield Per Case - (Inedible Excluded)	38.84	38.87	38.62

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	668,223	52.7%	17,558	57.7%
PREVIOUS WEEK	681,122	54.1%	18,138	57.9%
LAST YEAR	619,589	51.4%	17,936	58.6%

*Note: Year-to-date total reflects comparable time period.

NATIONAL LIQUID

Trade sentiment was weak for whole egg and whites and about steady for yolk. Spot demand was light for all liquid products while offerings were adequate. Trucking delays were noted in many locations due to the upcoming shortened holiday week. Breaking stock prices were lower when compared to the previous week's reported prices. Processing schedules were once again reduced for next week's New Year's Day holiday.

Trade 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	0	TFEWR		
WHITES	10	31-35	32.10	-3.61
YOLKS	0	TFEWR		

NATIONAL DRIED

Majority prices were unchanged when compared to the previous week's prices. Trade sentiment was steady to barely steady. Demand was seasonally light. Offerings were usually adequate to cover current trade needs. Dried eggs processed under federal inspection for the week ending 19-DEC-2009 were 27% higher than last week, but 5% less than the same week last year. The total year to date production of dried eggs produced was 7% less than a year earlier.

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

WHOLE	2.25-2.75	MOSTLY	2.25-2.35
YOLKS	1.40-1.85	MOSTLY	1.50-1.60
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	3.24-3.85	MOSTLY	3.30-3.50
BLENDS (Whole Plus Sweetener)	1.95-2.15	MOSTLY	2.00-2.05

NATIONAL FROZEN

Trucklot prices on frozen whole egg ranged 1 to 3 cents lower with whites unchanged. Sugared yolk ranged unchanged to 2 cents lower with salted yolk unchanged to 5 cents lower. Trade sentiment was weak for whole egg and about steady to barely steady on the balance of frozen products. Demand was light for spot loads of frozen product with contractual pull reported as light to mostly moderate. Offerings were adequate.

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

	TRUCKLOTS		LTL (MIN. 25 CONT.)	
	RANGE	MOSTLY	RANGE	MOSTLY
WHOLE	60-67	60-65	65-70	66-67
WHITES	51-57	52	54-59	54-57
SUGARED YOLKS	78-85	80-83	88-92	88-90
SALTED YOLKS	69-80	74-78	80-87	80-84

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES – WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES (CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR DEC 17 - DEC 23, 2009

Current Loads 77.75 Future Loads 39.50 Total Loads 117.25

	SE		NE		MW		
CLASS	**ORG**	**DST**	**ORG**	**DST**	**ORG**	**DST**	**LOADS**
GNR W XL	83.50	--	--	86.00	--	--	1.00
GNR W 1	86.17	89.00	79.13	88.20	--	90.07	28.00
GNR W 4	--	44.00	40.00	--	--	--	1.00
GNR BR 1	--	98.00	--	--	--	--	4.00
GL W J	90.00	--	--	--	81.51	83.75	5.25
GL W XL	--	--	97.60	98.86	69.67	72.50	18.75
GL W LG	--	90.00	95.00	85.14	72.62	--	18.50
GL W MD	--	65.33	65.89	70.00	56.82	62.70	23.75
GL W SM	--	--	60.50	63.00	54.00	57.00	1.75
GL BR J	--	--	125.00	--	81.75	--	.75
GL BR XL	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00
GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	--	--	4.00
NRBS - 48	--	--	45.00	47.00	42.20	46.67	12.00

	SC		NW		SW		
CLASS	**ORG**	**DST**	**ORG**	**DST**	**ORG**	**DST**	**LOADS**
GL W J	84.50	--	--	--	88.50	93.19	7.75
GL W XL	--	91.50	75.80	78.25	--	80.38	7.25
GL W LG	--	--	75.20	--	--	80.07	10.75
GL W MD	--	--	62.00	--	--	65.86	10.75
GL W SM	--	--	--	--	58.75	61.00	1.00
GL BR J	--	--	--	--	--	94.00	.50
GL BR XL	--	103.00	--	--	90.00	94.00	1.75
GL BR LG	--	108.00	--	--	90.00	94.00	4.50

*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 unchanged when compared to the previous week. Demand was moderate to mostly good for the balanced offerings of light type hens. Processing schedules were less than normal due to the Christmas holiday. Trade sentiment was steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	2-11	3-7

SOUTH CENTRAL

Trading was TFEWR. Demand was light for fully adequate offerings. Finished sales were slow. Schedules were reduced. Trade sentiment was steady at best.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	TOO FEW TO REPORT	

NORTH CENTRAL

Prices were unchanged. Demand was good while offerings mostly adequate for the holiday and early 2010 schedules. Trade sentiment about 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	121.00	120.00	93.50
SOUTHEAST	122.50	120.50	91.00
MIDWEST	114.50	112.50	81.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	127.50	125.50	94.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	121.66	119.89	90.30

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.

NATIONAL CANNER FOWL MARKET

Sales were too few to report. Offerings were moderate for current trade needs. Demand was generally fair to moderate with trading limited due to the majority of supplies being used internally. Processing schedules were less than normal due to the Christmas Day holiday. 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 19-DEC-09 (PRELIMINARY)

U.S. fowl slaughtered domestically

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	----------Thousands----------		
Head	1,147	1,328	2,475
Last Week	1,402	1,412	2,814
Same week yr ago	1,380	1,411	2,791
To-date/2009*	63,167	74,688	137,855
To-date/2008*	68,108	81,353	149,461

U.S. fowl slaughtered in Canada

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	----------Thousands----------		
Head	447	0	447
Last Week	509	0	509
Same week yr ago	369	0	369
To-date/2009*	15,930	43	15,973
To-date/2008*			

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	1,594	1,328	2,922
Last Week	1,911	1,412	3,323
Same week yr ago	1,749	1,411	3,160
To-date/2009*	79,097	74,731	153,828
To-date/2008*	83,794	81,422	165,216

Source: USDA,AMS Poultry Programs, Market News & Analysis Branch

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

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

Week Ending December 12, 2009			Year-To-Date	
Type	**2009**	**2008 /1**	**2009 /2**	**2008**
Liquid	341	95	12,023	1,531
Frozen	0	0	135	84
Dried	30	40	789	572
Total	371	135	12,947	2,187

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

Week Ending December 12, 2009			Year-To-Date	
Type	**2009**	**2008 /1**	**2009 /2**	**2008**
Liquid	454	371	16,741	18,191
Frozen	4	14	280	566
Dried	0	0	50	707
Total	458	385	17,071	19,464

Inspected Shell Eggs

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

Week Ending December 12, 2009			Year-To-Date	
	2009	**2008 /1**	**2009 /2**	**2008**
Jumbo	0	0	0	0
Extra Large	2,900	1,977	78,911	81,867
Large	14,120	12,965	210,748	115,834
Medium	1,653	501	48,826	49,687
Ungraded	10,482	6,186	415,669	449,772
Misc	0	0	10,711	10,760
Total	29,155	21,629	764,865	707,920

/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

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS – Selected Centers

(Inc. Gov't Stocks) (In Thousands)

	Frozen Eggs Lbs	**Proc. Turkeys Lbs**	**Proc. other Poultry Lbs**
AM 12/21/09	2,889	75,272	59,530
AM 12/01/09	2,936	73,050	56,224
CHG	-47	2222	3306
PCT CHG	-2%	3%	6%

MONTHLY COLD STORAGE REPORT

(In Units of 1,000)

FROZEN EGGS:	**OCT 2008**	**OCT 2009**	**NOV 2008**	**NOV 2009**
Whites	3,272	3,510	2,873	1,761
Yolks	962	1,273	1,049	729
Whole & Mixed	8,898	9,120	8,762	5,872
Unclassified	9,226	9,009	8,577	12,737
Total Frozen Eggs	22,358	22,912	21,261	21,099

Source: USDA/NASS

CHICKENS AND EGGS

November Egg Production Up 1 Percent

U.S. egg production totaled 7.55 billion during November 2009, up 1 percent from last year. Production included 6.52 billion table eggs, and 1.03 billion hatching eggs, of which 960 million were broiler-type and 67 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during November 2009 averaged 337 million, down slightly from last year. November egg production per 100 layers was 2,238 eggs, up 1 percent from November 2008.

All layers in the U.S. on December 1, 2009 totaled 339 million, down slightly from last year. The 339 million layers consisted of 282 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 53.2 million layers producing broiler- type hatching eggs, and 2.90 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on December 1, 2009, averaged 74.8 eggs per 100 layers, up 1 percent from December 1, 2008.
Source: USDA/NASS

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT (Receipts from Producers)

W/E 19-DEC-2009	**Cases**	**% Change From**	
REGIONS	**(in thousands)**	**LW**	**LY**
North Atlantic	192.7	0	1
East North Central	664.4	0	-5
West North Central	309.2	1	-8
South Atlantic	170.4	-3	-9
South Central	59.0	22	-2
West	163.0	0	-22
Total	1558.7	0	-7
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 19-DEC-2009

Selected Consuming Centers	**CW (Cases, in thousands)**	**LW**	**% CHANGE LW**	**LY**
Atlanta	27.6	21.6	28	-11
Boston	3.7	3.8	-3	23
Chicago	60.9	59.9	2	-8
Los Angeles	67.0	66.3	1	-33
New Orleans	5.6	5.7	-2	12
New York	36.1	36.1	0	-10
St. Louis	70.0	58.9	19	-13
San Francisco	21.0	21.2	-1	35
Total	291.9	273.5	7	-15
4 Week Moving Avg.	272.1			

NEW ENGLAND WEEKLY SHELL EGG REPORT DEC 22, 2009

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

	Ex Large	**Large**	**Med**	**Small**
MAINE	163	162	114	90
MOSTLY	-	-	-	-
NEW HAMPSHIRE	156-160	155-159	107-111	83-87
MOSTLY	158-159	157-158	109-110	85-86
RHODE ISLAND	162-166	155-161	113-117	89-93
MOSTLY	162	155	113	89
VERMONT	163-165	162-163	109-114	-
MOSTLY	-	-	-	-

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