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## NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

New York prices were 1 cent higher on larger sizes and unchanged on Mediums. Regional prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady to firm. Demand into all channels was light to good, mostly moderate to fairly good. Winter weather was affecting transportation into parts of the Northeast region. Supplies were adequate to tight for trade needs. Breaking stock offerings were barely sufficient to short for the moderate to fairly good demand. Light type hen offerings were at least adequate to fully adequate; processing schedules were normal to reduced.

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 4 cents higher for large, 3 cents higher for medium and unchanged for small. Midwest delivered prices were unchanged with asking prices for next week 4 cents higher for extra large and large and 3 cents higher for medium. The trade sentiment was fully steady to firm. Cartoned shell egg demand was moderate to fairly good. Loose shell egg demand was light. Supplies were barely adequate to tight. Central states breaking stock prices were irregular with checks and undergrades higher. Demand was moderate to fairly good for the very tight offerings. Floor stocks were tight. Trade sentiment was fully steady to firm.

Prices delivered to warehouse:		RANGE	MOSTLY
	EXTRA LARGE	91-100	94-97
	LARGE	90-99	92-95
	MEDIUM	80-89	82-85
Prices delivered to store door:		RANGE	MOSTLY
	EXTRA LARGE	98-106	99-101
	LARGE	96-104	97-99
	MEDIUM	86-94	87-89

## **IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN EGGS**

Prices paid to producers, cents/dozen.	RANGE	MOSTLY
LARGE	76-86	80
MEDIUM	65-69	67
SMALL	51-57	

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

<u>SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL</u> Prices were unchanged. Next week's asking prices are trending 4 cents higher for extra large and large, up 3 cents for medium. The trade sentiment was fully steady to firm. Retail demand ranged moderate to good. Loose shell egg demand was light. Supplies were balanced to adequate. Central states breaking stock prices were irregular, with checks and undergrades higher. Demand was moderate to fairly good with offerings tight. Floor stocks were tight to closely balanced. Processing schedules were full-time. The trade sentiment was fully steady to mostly firm.

Prices delivered to warehouse:		RANGE	MOSTLY
	EXTRA LARGE	103.5-112	105-108
	LARGE	99.5-108	101-104
	MEDIUM	87.5-96	89-92
South Central Area: AR.	AZ, CO, KS, LA, M	O. OK. & TX	

<u>SOUTHEAST REGIONAL</u> Prices were unchanged. Asking prices for next week's deliveries were trending higher. Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady. Retail demand was moderate to fairly good. Distributive demand was light. Supplies were about sufficient to sufficient for current trade needs. Eastern region breaking stock offerings were barely adequate to tight; processing schedules were irregular. Light type hen offerings were at least sufficient for the moderate to fairly good demand.

Prices delivered to warehouse:			RANGE	MOSTLY
		EXTRA LARGE	99.5-107	101-104
		LARGE	98-105	99-102
		MEDIUM	85.5-93	86-90
Southeast Area: Al	FI	CA MS NC SC	eastern TNI and	couthern V/A

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged. Asking prices for next week's deliveries were trending higher. Trade sentiment was fully steady. Demand was mostly moderate to occasionally fairly good. Winter storms were adversely affecting transportation in parts of the Northeast and New England areas. Present supplies were barely adequate to adequate for trading purposes and held with increased confidence. Eastern region breaking stock floor stocks were short to sufficient for normal breaking schedules. Spent hen offerings were moderate for the regular processing schedules.

Prices delivered to warehouse:		RANGE	MOSILY	
EX.	TRA LARGE	99-113	102-106	
LAF	RGE	95-109	100-104	
ME	DIUM	83-96	88-90	
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NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, eastern NJ, eastern NY, eastern PA, RI, northern VA, and VT

<u>NEW YORK</u> Prices were 1 cent higher on extra large and large. Medium prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady entering the weekend. Demand was light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to barely adequate for needs.

Prices delivered to store door: EXTRA LARGE		RANGE	
		114-118	
	LARGE	112-116	
	MEDIUM	98-102	

**WESTERN** Prices were unchanged. Asking prices for next week were 4 cents higher for jumbo, extra large, and large, and 3 cents higher for medium and small. Trade sentiment was firm. Demand was moderate to good, mostly fairly good to good. Offerings were adequate to tight. Floor stocks balanced to adequate.

<u>CALIFORNIA</u> Benchmark prices were unchanged. Asking prices for next week were 4 cents higher for jumbo, extra large, and large, and 3 cents higher for medium and small. Trade sentiment was firm. Offerings were adequate to tight. Demand was moderate to good, mostly fairly good to good. Floor stocks were adequate. Small benchmark price \$1.03.

<u>CALIFORNIA:</u> 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.

JUMBO	142
EXTRA LARGE	141
LARGE	135
MEDIUM	123

**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	134-138
EXTRA LARGE	130-136
LARGE	129-132
MEDIUM	114-117

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#### **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 Breaking stock prices ranged irregular with checks and undergrades higher. Demand was moderate to mostly fairly good while offerings were very tight. Floor stocks tight to closely balanced for current full-time production schedules. Trade sentiment fully steady to mostly firm.

**MOSTLY RANGE** BREAKING STOCK 60-65 60-62 **CHECKS & UNDERGRADES** 42-47 44-47 CENTRAL STATES AREA: AR, CO, IA, IL, IN, KS, LA, MI, MN, MO, NM, ND, NE, OH, OK, SD, TX, WI

EASTERN REGION Mostly prices were higher on breaking stock and checks and undergrades when compared to early weeks prices. Trade sentiment was fully steady. Offerings were barely adequate to tight. Demand was moderate to fairly good. Breaking schedules were irregular. Cases broken under federal inspection in the Eastern region were 3 percent higher than the previous week, but 11 percent less than the same week last year.

	RANGE	MOSILY
BREAKING STOCK	54-62	55-59
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	39-47	42-45
EASTERN STATES AREA: AL, CT, DE	, FL, GA, KY	, ME, MD,
MA, MS, NH, NJ, NY, NC, PA, RI, SC, T	N, VT, VA, \	٧V

#### EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION (lbc in thousands)

VV/E 20-FE	(Excludes	ingrealen	ts)			
Total	Cases	Liquid	Liquid	Liquid	Dried	Ined
Production	n Broken	Whole	Whites	Yolk		
CW	1,258,497	30,694	12,656	6,020	2,567	4,475
PW	1,259,935	30,193	12,848	6,264	2,834	4,331
LY	1,260,572	31,571	11,737	5,712	2,819	4,250
% PW	0%	2%	-1%	-4%	-9%	3%
% LY	0%	-3%	8%	5%	-9%	5%
2010	8,685,312	208,205	87,729	43,056	18,774	29,796
2009	8,733,328	212,424	83,448	42,568	19,646	30,156
% YTD	-1%	-2%	5%	1%	-4%	-1%
				CW	PW	LY
Average Y	ield Per Cas	se - (Inedibl	e Include	d) 42.79	42.57	42.26
Average Y	ield Per Cas	se - (Inedibl	e Exclude	ed) 39.23	39.13	38.89

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

•	Cases Broken		Liqu	id Whole
	Cases	% of Total	Lbs.	% of Total
CURRENT WEEK	701,587	55.7%	17,804	58.0%
PREVIOUS WEEK	700,931	55.6%	17,961	59.5%
LAST YEAR	641,335	50.9%	17,145	54.3%

<sup>\*</sup>Note: Year-to-date total reflects comparable time period.

NATIONAL LIQUID Trade sentiment was fully steady to firm for whole egg, firm for whites, and about steady for yolk. Demand was fairly good to good for whole egg and whites and quiet for yolk. Offerings were tight to short for whole egg and whites and easily adequate for yolk. Breaking stock prices were higher when compared to the previous week's reported prices. Schedules fulltime for next week.

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

CLASS	LOADS	RANGE	WTD. AVG.	% FROM LW
WHOLE	12	43-51	45.96	2.05
WHITES	10	35-44	37.20	-2.45
YOLKS	3	63-64.5	64.00	1.60

NATIONAL DRIED Mostly prices were higher on whole, unchanged to higher on albumen and unchanged on the balance of dried product when compared to last week's prices. Trade sentiment was mostly steady to fully steady. Supplies were adequate to barely sufficient for needs. Demand improved and was light to moderate. Dried eggs processed under federal inspection for the week ending 20-Feb-2010 were 9% below than last week and 9% less the same week last year. The total year to date production of dried eggs produced was 4% less than a year ago.

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

WHOLE	2.25-2.65	MOSTLY	2.30-2.45
YOLKS	1.40-1.85	MOSTLY	1.50-1.55
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	3.30-3.85	MOSTLY	3.30-3.50
BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER)	1.95-2.10	MOSTLY	1.95-2.05

NATIONAL FROZEN Frozen sugared yolk prices ranged unchanged to 1 cent lower with the remainder of prices unchanged. Trade sentiment was fully steady to firm for whole egg and whites and about steady for sugared and salted yolk. Offerings were tight to instances inadequate for spot trucklot quantities of frozen products. Demand was moderate and buying interest was centered around less than trucklot quantities of frozen products. Breaking stock prices were higher when compared to last week's reported prices.

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

	TRUCKL	OTS	LTL (MIN	LTL (MIN. 25 CONT.)		
	RANGE	MOSTLY	RANGE	MOSTLY		
WHOLE	62-69	65	69-75	69-71		
WHITES	50-56	52-53	55-61	55-57		
SUGARED YOLKS	78-83	78-81	83-89	84-86		
SALTED YOLKS	74-79	77	78-85	80		

## **EGG PRODUCTS**

# Shell Eggs Broken Down 3 Percent from Last Year

Shell eggs broken totaled 158 million dozen during January 2010, down 3 percent from January a year ago, and 6 percent below the 169 million dozen broken last month.

January 2010 contained 21 weekdays (including two holidays) and 5 Saturdays. January 2009 contained 22 weekdays (including two holidays) and 5 Saturdays.

Source: USDA/NASS

## TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES - Daily (5-Day) weighted average prices (cents/dozen)

National Trading for February 19, 2010-February 25, 2010

Courtesy of U.S.D.A. Federal/State Market News

Current L	oads 1	04.50					Futu	re Loads	66.00				Total	Loads	170.50
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CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	75.75		76.50	78.13			40.00	GNR W 1		87.00					32.00
GNR BR 1		126.50				126.00	3.00	GL W J	87.00				94.50	99.94	7.50
GL W J	91.00		93.50	95.00	85.61		8.75	GL W XL		92.00				91.87	8.75
GL W XL		84.42	91.67	90.88	83.04		30.75	GL W LG	92.17	91.28				92.72	30.50
GL W LG		82.00	85.50	87.82	82.41		44.50	GL W MD	72.00	81.38				82.79	12.25
GL W MD			74.75	78.38	72.43	81.50	22.00	GL W SM	49.33					61.00	1.50
GL W SM			58.00	61.00	48.00	50.00	4.00	GL BR J						99.75	.25
GL BR J			149.00		87.00		.50	GL BR XL					130.00	134.08	.75
GL BR LG			120.00		118.50	130.00	8.50	GL BR LG	109.00	129.86			130.00	126.98	10.00
NRBS - 48					64.00	60.40	18.00								

\*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 unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was moderate to fairly good for the at least moderate offerings of light type hens. Processing schedules were normal to less than normal. Trade sentiment was steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	2-11	3-7

SOUTH CENTRAL Trading was of insufficient volume to report pricing. Demand was moderate for fully adequate offerings of spent hens. Schedules were reduced. Finished sales were stable. Trade sentiment was steady at best.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	TOO FEW TO REPORT	

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NORTH CENTRAL Prices unchanged. Demand was fair with offerings ranging from light to adequate. Schedules part to fulltime. 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, dein	rered warehous	se, cents pe	er dozen.
REGIONS	<b>EX LARGE</b>	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	104.00	102.00	89.00
SOUTHEAST	102.50	100.50	88.00
MIDWEST	95.50	93.50	83.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	106.50	102.50	90.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	102.31	99.72	87.85
Computed from simple weekly	avg's wtd. by reg	jional area p	opulations.

NATIONAL CANNER FOWL MARKET Sales were too few to report prices. Offerings were at least sufficient for current trade needs. Demand was fair at best with trading limited due to the majority of supplies being used internally. Processing schedules were normal to less than normal. The undertone was no better than steady.

Cents per Pound, Current Negotiations, Without Freight Cost

**LIGHT CANNER HENS HEAVY CANNER HENS** (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS) (WITHOUT NECKS)

TOO FEW SALES TO REPORT TOO FEW SALES TO REPORT

Cents per Pound, Current Negotiations, Freight Cost Included

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

# **U.S./Canadian Live Poultry Slaughtered Under Inspection** W/E 20-FEB-10 (PRELIMINARY)

U.S. fowl slaughtered domestically Light Hone Heavy Hens Total Hone

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Head	1,307	1,265	2,572
Last Week	1,339	1,201	2,540
Same week yr ago	1,172	1,323	2,495
To-date/2010*	10,401	9,274	19,675
To-date/2009*	8,964	10,749	19,713

U.S. fowl slaughtered in Canada

Lig	int Hens	Heavy Hens	lotal Hens
	Thou	sands	
Head	252	0	252
Last Week	308	0	308
Same week yr ago	140	0	140
To-date/2010*	2,523	0	2,523
To-date/2009*	1,645	11	1,656

Data Source: Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID, Poultry Section Total II & fowl claughtered in the II & and Canada

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Light Hens		Heavy Hens	<b>Total Hens</b>	
	Thou	sands		
Head	1,559	1,265	2,824	
Last Week	1,647	1,201	2,848	
Same week yr ago	1,312	1,323	2,635	
To-date/2010*	12,924	9,274	22,198	

10,760

21,369

10,609 \*Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

To-date/2009\*

Total

2,070

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INSPECTED EGG PRODUCTS- U.S. & CANADA IMPORT/EXPORT TRADE						
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U.S	6. Exports to C	anada, in Poui	nds (000) (Preli:	minary)		
Week Endi	ng February 13	3, 2010	Year-To-	Date		
Type	2010	2009 /1	2010 /2	2009		
Liquid	290	145	1,014	480		
Frozen	0	0	0	0		
Dried	37	3	77	84		
Total	327	148	1,091	564		
U.S.	Imports From	Canada, in Po	unds (000) (Pre	liminary)		
Week Endi	ng February 13	3, 2010	Year-To-	Date		
Type	2010	2009 /1	2010 /2	2009		
Liquid	607	278	2,579	1,995		
Frozen	4	8	37	75		
Dried	0	0	0	0		

# 286 **Inspected Shell Eggs**

2,616

U.S Exports to Canada,	In 30-Dozen Cases	(Preliminary)
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Week Ending	February 13	Year-To-Date			
	2010	2009 /1	2010 /2	2009	
Jumbo	0	0	0	0	
Extra Large	0	2,090	1,500	3,123	
Large	0	1,580	800	6,940	
Medium	750	180	1,500	1,290	
Ungraded	2,496	6,378	22,212	13,320	
Misc	0	65	0	201	
Total	3,246	10,293	26,012	24,874	
/1 Comparable Week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding					

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/2 Includes revisions to previous week(s)

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

	Frozen	Proc.	Proc	
	Eggs Lbs	Trkys lbs.	other Pltry lbs.	
AM 02/22/10	3,086	114,787	55,370	
AM 02/01/10	3,103	103,658	60,250	
CHG	-17	11129	-4880	
PCT CHG	-1%	11%	-8%	

MONTHLY COLD STO	(In Units of 1,000)			
	Jan	Jan		
Frozen Eggs:	2008	2009	2009	2010
Whites	3,087	2,505	2,812	3,501
Yolks	1,209	1,017	1,051	870
Whole & Mixed	9,003	6,971	9,511	7,430
Unclassified	9,339	13,151	9,184	12,606
Total Frozen Eggs	22,638	23,644	22,558	24,407
Source: USDA/NASS				

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT (Receipts from Producers)							
W/E 20-Feb-2010 Cases % Change From							
REGIONS	(in thousands)	LW	LY				
North Atlantic	185.1	0	0				
East North Central	661.0	0	6				
West North Central	308.4	2	-1				
South Atlantic	159.5	-2	-11				
South Central	51.3	7	3				
West	162.7	-1	13				
Total	1528.0	0	2				
Matched plants reporting 81 8 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 20-Feb-2010							
Selected Consuming	CW	LW	% Ch	ange			
Centers	(Cases, in t	housands)	LW	LY			
Atlanta	19.0	21.5	-12	-15			
Boston	3.1	2.9	7	19			
Chicago	61.6	60.1	3	-3			
Los Angeles	60.5	69.4	-13	-1			
New Orleans	5.4	5.5	-2	-5			
New York	31.4	28.9	9	-3			
St. Louis	74.0	76.8	-4	-10			
San Francisco	19.8	20.4	-3	-7			
Total	274.8	285.5	-4	-6			
4 Week Moving Avg.	276.2						

NEW ENGLAND WE	EKLI SHEL	L EGG KEPC	reb 23	, 2010			
Prices paid per doz. Grade A Brown eggs in cartons dlvrd store door.							
	Ex Large	Large	Med	Small			
MAINE	154	151	110	90			
MOSTLY	-	-	-	-			
NEW HAMPSHIRE	147-151	144-148	103-107	83-87			
MOSTLY	149-150	146-147	105-107	85-86			
WOOTET	140 100	140 147	100 100	00 00			
RHODE ISLAND	153-157	150-154	109-113	89-93			
MOSTLY	153	150	109	89			
VERMONT	154-155	151-153	110	-			
MOSTLY	-	-	-	-			

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# **January Egg Production Up Slightly**

U.S. egg production totaled 7.69 billion during January 2010, up slightly from last year. Production included 6.61 billion table eggs, and 1.08 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.01 billion were broiler-type and 75 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during January 2010 averaged 339 million, down 1 percent from last year. January egg production per 100 layers was 2,268 eggs, up 1 percent from January 2009.

All layers in the U.S. on February 1, 2010 totaled 338 million, down 1 percent from last year. The 338 million layers consisted of 281 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 54.5 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 2.96 million layers producing eggtype hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on February 1, 2010, averaged 72.5 eggs per 100 layers, up 1 percent from February 1, 2009. Source: USDA/NASS

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