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Prices in New York were higher for extra large and large, steady for medium. Early in the week, regional prices were higher on the heavier weights with mediums higher in the Midwest and steady in the balance of regions. Next week's regional asking prices were trending higher for the larger sizes. The trade sentiment was steady to fully steady. Cartoned egg demand was moderate to good. Loose egg demand was light to moderate. Offerings were light to moderate. Breaking stock prices, along with checks and undergrades, were higher. Demand was light to moderate with offerings tight. Few buyers interested in additional breaking stock as prices trended higher. Schedules were full-time. North Central regional light type hen removal costs were unchanged. Demand was moderate to good with offerings adequate to ample. Processing schedules were full-time. The trade sentiment was steady.



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

MIDWEST REGIONAL Producer prices were 1 cents higher on large, while medium and small unchanged. Midwest delivered prices were unchanged. The trade sentiment is steady to fully steady. Cartoned shell egg demand was moderate to fairly good. Loose shell egg demand was moderate. Offerings were light to moderate, but building. Central states breaking stock prices were higher. Demand was light to moderate while offerings were light. Schedules full time.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	72-81	75-78
LARGE	71-80	73-76
MEDIUM	54-63	56-59

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

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady. Retail demand ranged light to at times fairly good in spot locations. Supplies were sufficient for current needs. Eastern region breaking stock floor stocks were adequate for normal breaking schedules. Spent hens were adequate for the moderate to a least moderate demand.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	76-96	81-85
LARGE	70-84	75-79
MEDIUM	55-68	60-62

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

COMBINED REGIONAL May 21, 2010
Average prices on sales to volume buyers, USDA Grade A and Grade A, white eggs in cartons, delivered warehouse, cents per dozen

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	69.00	66.00	60.50
SOUTHEAST	67.50	65.50	60.00
MIDWEST	62.50	60.50	54.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	76.50	68.50	60.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	69.26	65.27	58.91

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN Prices paid to producers for loose eggs at farm, cases exchanged, grade yield basis, cents per dozen

	05-25-10	05-18-10	05-26-09
Large	53-63	40-50	57-67
Medium	36-40	34-38	32-36

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT

Stocks on hand available for marketing 1/
(Includes Conventional and Specialty - 30 dozen cases-in thousands)

MAY 24, 2010		No	So	So			
		Cent	Cent	Atl	Pacific	5-Area	
Jumbo	Curr Wk	8.3	14.7	8.2	8.0	13.8	53.0
	Change	-0.5	1.8	0.5	-0.3	-0.4	2%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	19.0	29.8	7.8	20.1	40.0	116.7
	Change	0.0	2.6	-3.5	-3.4	-6.3	-8%
Large	Curr Wk	45.2	98.5	59.3	89.6	132.6	425.2
	Change	-5.0	1.7	-13.6	-12.1	15.0	-3%
Medium	Curr Wk	11.4	52.5	20.9	18.4	44.5	147.7
	Change	0.7	-0.7	0.4	-1.2	2.6	1%
Small	Curr Wk	2.5	9.1	2.2	2.7	4.4	20.9
	Change	0.1	1.1	0.9	0.2	-2.8	-2%
Misc	Curr Wk	1.8	22.0	6.4	7.3	6.9	44.4
	Change	0.0	4.0	-0.5	-3.1	1.8	5%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	3.2	54.3	10.9	7.0	21.8	97.2
	Change	-4.4	-3.0	0.0	0.0	-3.6	-10%
Total	Curr Wk	91.4	280.9	115.7	153.1	264.0	905.1
	Percent Change	-9%	3%	-12%	-12%	2%	-3%

TOTAL	No. of Cases	% Change	No. of Coops
Shell Egg	905.1	-3%	158
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	229.0	-8%	29
Total Shell Egg	1134.1	-4%	187

Specialty Shell Egg Inventory 2/
Shell Egg stocks on hand to be marketed as specialty 1/

		No	So	So			
		Cent	Cent	Atl	Pacific	5-Area	
Large	Curr Wk	3.7	6.5	3.9	4.9	6.5	25.5
	Change	-0.2	-0.1	-0.4	0.9	-1.6	-5%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	0.0	12.1	3.3	0.0	0.0	15.4
	Change	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	1%
Total	Curr Wk	3.7	18.6	7.2	4.9	6.5	40.9
	Percent Change	-5%	0%	-4%	23%	-20%	-3%

TOTAL	No. of Cases	% Change	No. of Coops
Specialty Shell Egg	40.9	-3%	41

1/ Information supplied by a universe of size indicated by the number of cooperators. Cooperators normally have stocks on hand each Monday A.M. and must report in both the current and previous week. This is a representative sample of the U.S. inventory and includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

2/ Specialty eggs include certified organic, nutritionally enhanced, cage-free, and vegetarian-fed types.

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

EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

W/E 22-MAY-2010	(Lbs In Thousands)		(Excludes Ingredients)			
Total	Cases	Liquid	Liquid	Liquid		
	Broken	Whole	White	Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CW	1,304,182	31,714	13,211	6,387	2,554	4,374
PW	1,388,579	34,220	13,243	6,575	3,296	4,437
LY	1,303,034	31,309	13,027	6,606	3,084	4,282
% PW	-6%	-7%	0%	-3%	-23%	-1%
% LY	0%	1%	1%	-3%	-17%	2%
2010*	25,499,148	623,038	250,273	124,041	52,021	86,778
2009*	25,263,810	619,183	241,504	122,261	53,043	85,409
% YTD	1%	1%	4%	1%	-2%	2%
Average Yield Per Case -		Current	Previous	Last		
		Week	Week	Year		
(Inedible Included)		42.70	42.11	42.38		
(Inedible Excluded)		39.34	38.92	39.00		

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

	CASES BROKEN		LIQUID WHOLE	
	Cases	% of Total	Lbs.	% of Total
CURRENT WEEK	706,539	54.2%	19,470	61.4%
PREVIOUS WEEK	727,906	52.4%	20,249	59.2%
LAST YEAR	701,207	53.8%	18,370	58.7%

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

BROILER HATCHERY

19 Selected States STATE	Broiler Eggs Set		Broiler Chicks Placed	
	May 15	May 22	May 15	May 22
	Thousand			
AL	30,418	30,776	21,189	21,264
AR	*24,365	24,333	*21,337	22,608
DE	3,796	3,813	5,053	4,757
FL	1,388	1,388	1,129	1,022
GA	*32,372	32,484	*26,148	27,003
KY	7,892	7,858	5,440	6,363
LA	3,319	3,409	3,296	3,186
MD	8,018	8,240	6,446	5,618
MS	19,286	19,140	*16,833	16,832
NC	20,006	20,161	15,547	15,247
OK	6,924	6,633	4,135	3,191
PA	*3,855	3,940	*3,044	3,044
SC	5,796	6,004	5,762	4,940
TX	16,108	16,256	12,952	13,094
VA	6,429	6,411	5,487	5,613
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*20,034	20,286	*18,036	16,949
19 State Total	*210,006	211,132	*171,834	170,731
Previous Year Total	205,499	205,375	168,175	167,722
Pct. of Prev. Year	102	103	102	102

*Revised
Source: NASS, USDA

WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING

Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 03-Jul-10 is estimated at 157.7 million head. This compares to 157.9 million head the previous week and to 158.7 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 163.5 million head and the composite weighted average price was 85.12 cents per pound.

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES – WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES

(CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 05/20/10 – 05/26/10						
CURRENT LDS	76.75	FUTURE LDS	61.50	TOTAL LDS 138.25		
SE		NE		MW		
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST
GNR W 1	52.50	--	54.75	55.60	67.20	64.00
GNR W 2	--	--	--	--	--	63.50
GNR BR 1	--	--	55.25	--	--	55.00
GL W J	--	--	72.50	74.00	87.00	88.00
GL W XL	--	--	73.70	77.20	68.38	75.25
GL W LG	--	--	62.13	66.56	68.60	72.00
GL W MD	55.00	--	43.50	45.33	44.86	48.00
GL W SM	46.50	--	46.50	49.42	45.00	48.00
NRBS - 50	--	--	--	--	--	3.00
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	53.60	--	8.00
NRBS - 42	--	--	--	--	38.00	41.00
NRBS - 39	39.00	39.50	--	--	34.00	36.50

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS W/E 22-May-10

Selected Consuming Centers	CW		PW		% CHANGE	
	Cases	in thousands	LW	LY		
Atlanta	14.1	15.2	-7	-45		
Boston	3.6	3.2	13	20		
Chicago	64.8	65.6	-1	43		
Los Angeles	53.9	70.6	-24	0		
New Orleans	6.1	5.7	7	17		
New York	32.6	33.0	-1	-6		
St. Louis	87.3	85.4	2	11		
San Francisco	20.0	22.8	-12	14		
Total	282.4	301.5	-6	7		
4 Week Moving Avg.		289.7				

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED W/E 22-May-10 (Preliminary)

	YOUNG		YOUNG		OLD		TOTAL TURKEYS
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS				
Head	1,967	2,464	18	5			4,454
Avg Wt	16.97	38.96	27.89	37.26			29.20
Last week	1,828	2,563	19	7			4,417
Same wk yr ago	1,861	2,054	3	1			3,919
Avg Wt	16.27	37.62	20.55	41.18			27.47
To-date/2010*	35,663	50,535	443	130			86,771
To-date/2009*	37,502	51,802	511	101			89,916
% Change YTD	-5%	-2%	-13%	29%			-3%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage							
Current week	26,705	76,800	387	143			104,035
Last week	25,064	79,074	360	150			104,648
Same wk yr ago	23,920	61,044	47	32			85,043
To-date/2010*	484,670	1,578,354	8,808	3,375			2,075,207
To-date/2009*	496,774	1,594,384	10,741	2,572			2,104,471
% Change YTD	-2%	-1%	-18%	31%			-1%
Dressing %	80.0%	80.0%	77.0%	77.0%			

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

NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTS

W/E 22-May-10	(Preliminary)			Old Breeder	Total Turkeys	Avg
	-----Young turkeys-----					
	Thousand	Pct chg	Avg	-Thousand head-Live wt		
North East	549	-10	27.83	(A)	550	27.83
South Atlantic	660	-4	31.47	(A)	661	31.47
North Central	2,212	3	32.71	(A)	2,213	32.71
South Central	800	8	18.74	(A)	801	18.74
West	228	0	28.4	(A)	229	28.40
U.S. total	4,449 (B)	1	29.20	5	4,454	29.20
To-date						
2010*	86,641 (B)			130	86,771	
To-date						
2009*	89,815 (B)			101	89,916	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turkeys included: this week 18,000; for the current year to date* 443,000; for last year to date* 511,000.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

(Preliminary) W/E 22-May-2010	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
-----Thousands-----					
Head	163,850	1,380	1,490	2,870	451
Avg Wt	5.62	3.35	7.95	5.74	8.94
Last week	161,500	1,403	1,468	2,871	444
Same wk yr ago	161,125	1,431	1,396	2,827	416
Avg Wt	5.46	3.38	7.79	5.56	6.83
To-date/2010*	3,199,158	29,322	27,023	56,345	8,307
To-date/2009*	3,113,444	25,484	29,958	55,442	8,241
% Change YTD	3%	15%	-10%	2%	1%

Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage

Current week	686,024	2,427	7,877	10,304	2,903
Last week	671,372	2,342	7,536	9,878	2,199
Same wk yr ago	655,408	2,443	7,232	9,675	2,032
To-date/2010*	13,283,879	50,192	140,064	190,256	41,449
To-date/2009*	12,750,772	42,173	148,289	190,462	39,741
% Change YTD	4%	19%	-6%	0%	4%

Dressing %	74.5%	52.5%	66.5%	72.0%
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(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 160.5 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 165.8 million head, or 5.3 million more than estimated available.

(B) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update.

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

**ESTIMATED U.S. FRYER SLAUGHTER/
FRYER AVAILABILITY COMPARISON**

Week Ending	Million Head Slaughtered	Million Head Available*	Pct	Avg Wt
Apr 17	163.5	158.7	103%	5.60
24	165.0	159.6	103%	5.64
May 1	165.5	160.0	103%	5.68
8	167.7	159.6	105%	5.66
15	163.5	158.9	103%	5.58
22	165.8	160.5	103%	5.62
Year to date	3237.9	3140.0	103%	
May 29		160.8		
Jun 5		159.3		

*Based on chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier.

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER of U.S. BROILER/FRYERS and FOWL

Under Federal Inspection for Week Ending 29-May-10

Class	Current Week 05/29/10 (1)	Previous Week 05/22/10
Broiler/fryer	172,550 (2)	167,419
Light hens	1,597	1,513
Heavy hens	1,405	1,510
Total	175,552	170,442

(1) Estimated

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 29-May-10 is 160.8 million head compared to 146.2 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 172.9 million head or 12.1 million more than estimated available. For the week of 05-Jun-10 the estimated available is 159.3 million head.

**WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS – Selected Centers
(Inc. Gov't Stocks) (In Thousands)**

	Frozen Eggs Lbs	Proc. Turkeys Lbs	Proc. other Poultry Lbs
AM 05/24/10	3,097	140,516	52,052
AM 05/01/10	3,158	127,146	49,456
CHG	-61	13370	2596
PCT CHG	-2%	11%	5%

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS

Frozen basted equivalent offering prices on a national basis for hens 85.00-89.50 cents shipping point and toms 85.00 cents shipping point for current deliveries.

LIVE HEN MARKETS

HEAVY TYPE (7 pounds and up)*

Final price, Cents per lb., Generally for slaughter the week of 24-May-10

REGIONS	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
Southeast (1)	8-16 CENTS/LB.		12.24
Southeast (2)	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
South Central (1)	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

(1) At Farm Buyer Loading (2) At Farm Producer Loading

*Weights under 7 lbs. subject to discount.

LIGHT TYPE

Cents per head, generally for removal within the next 10 days (Includes handling, freight and any other charges, weights average about 3.50 pounds) 21-May-10

REGIONS:	Eastern	South Central	North Central
RANGE:	2-11	TFEWR	0-10.5
MAJORITY:	3-7		0-5

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT (Receipts From Producers)

W/E 22-May-2010	Cases (In thousands)	% Change From LW	LY
North Atlantic	188.4	-1	7
East North Central	696.3	0	8
West North Central	330.0	4	11
South Atlantic	144.8	-2	-10
South Central	53.9	-2	11
West	147.9	-2	-2
Total	1561.3	0	5

Matched plants reporting 82 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)

FINAL BROILER/FRYER REPORT

Prices negotiated for truck-lot sales of RTC ice-packed broiler/fryers (includes branded product) to be delivered to first receivers at major market centers week of: 24-May-2010 (cents per lb)

Grade A	Composite	
	Maj	Wtd Avg Lds

Delivered to First Receivers 1/:

Los Angeles	96.00	97.56	34	:	90.34	95
New York	89.00-92.00	90.74	23	:	90.00	45

Delivered to First Receivers 1/:

Whole Body 2/:	Composite	
	Maj	Wtd Avg Lds

Chicago	84.00-86.00	:	87.29	54
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1/: Includes branded product.

2/: Whole Body category includes whole body birds with or without giblets, all grades, brands, and packaging.

COMPOSITE WEIGHTED AVERAGE RTC BROILER/FRYER

Loads	05/24/10	Change Last Wk	05/17/10	05/25/09
411	88.52	-92	89.44	86.09

