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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



New York prices are 1 cent higher on extra large and large eggs, up 3 cents on Mediums. Regional prices are higher on all sizes. Retail and food service demand is moderate to good. Supplies are light to moderate for trade needs and at times held with confidence. Market activity is moderate to active. Breaking stock offerings are light to very light for the moderate to good demand. Light type fowl offerings are light to moderate; processing schedules are mixed.

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

MIDWEST REGIONAL Midwest delivered asking prices are 14 cents higher on extra large and large, and 7 cents higher on medium sized eggs. Daily producer prices are 2 cents higher large, and steady on medium and small sizes. Demand is moderate to fairly good. Offerings are light. Supplies are light to moderate and held with confidence. Market activity is moderate to active. Breaking stock prices are higher. Offerings are light to very light with demand fairly good to good. Supplies are light. Market activity is moderate.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	108-117	111-114
LARGE	107-116	109-112
MEDIUM	79-88	81-84

Prices delivered to store door:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	115-123	116-118
LARGE	113-121	114-116
MEDIUM	85-93	86-88

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN

Prices paid to producers, Cents per dozen.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
LARGE	91-101	95
MEDIUM	61-65	63
SMALL	37-43	

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

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices are 7 to 15 cents higher on extra large, 15 cents higher on large and 7 cents higher on medium. Offerings are mostly light to moderate. Demand is moderate to good. Market activity is moderate to active. Eastern region breaking stock offerings are very light; breaking schedules are mixed. Light hen demand is mostly moderate for adequate offerings.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	116-130	116-120
LARGE	110-124	115-119
MEDIUM	80-93	85-87

Northeast Area: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, eastern NJ, eastern NY, PA, RI, northern VA, & VT

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Prices are higher on larger sized eggs and Mediums. Demand into retail and food service channels is moderate to good. Supplies are light to moderate and held with confidence. Market activity is moderate to active. Eastern region breaking stock demand is moderate to good on light offerings. Light type fowl offerings are adequate; processing schedules are normal.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	108.5-124	118-121
LARGE	104.5-122	116-119
MEDIUM	78-89	82-86

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

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL Prices are 7 cents higher for extra large, 15 cents higher for large, and 7 cents higher for medium. Retail demand remains moderate to good. Food service demand is light to at times moderate. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity continues moderate to active. Central states breaking stock prices, along with checks and undergrades, are higher. Demand is fairly good to good with offerings light to very light. Supplies are light. Market activity is moderate.

Prices delivered warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	120.5-129	122-125
LARGE	117.5-126	119-122
MEDIUM	84.5-93	86-89

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

NEW YORK Prices are 3 cents higher on medium. Extra large and large egg prices are 1 cent higher. Offerings are mostly light to moderate for trading purposes. Demand is moderate to good. Market activity is moderate to active.

Prices delivered store door:	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	127-131
LARGE	125-129
MEDIUM	95-99

WESTERN Prices are 2 cents higher for jumbo, 6 cents higher for extra large, 14 cents higher for large and 7 cents higher for medium and small. The Pacific inventory increased 7% from last Monday, with California up 13% and OR-WA-UT down 2%. Demand is light to fairly good, mostly moderate on light to moderate offerings. Supplies are moderate to heavy. Market activity is mostly moderate.

CALIFORNIA Benchmark prices are 2 cents higher for jumbo, 6 cents higher for extra large, 14 cents higher for large, and 7 cents higher for medium and small. The Pacific inventory increased 7% from last Monday, with California up 13% and OR-WA-UT down 2%. Offerings are light to moderate. Demand is light to fairly good, mostly moderate. Supplies are moderate to heavy. Market activity is light to mostly moderate. Small benchmark price \$1.02.

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	150
EXTRA LARGE	157
LARGE	151
MEDIUM	122

NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES REPORT Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending November 05, 2010 will increase by 1 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending October 29, 2010 were 172,070 cases which was 20 percent above the prior week and 20 percent above estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week.....	148,504	23,566	172,070

% change from the prior week..... +22 +9 +20
Comparison figures are compiled on a matched plant basis. Purchases and estimates by 14 cooperators; 30 dozen cases or equivalent.

CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK All prices are higher. Offerings are light to very light with demand fairly good to good. Supplies are light. Market activity is moderate.

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

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	60-62	
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	43-50	43-47
CENTRAL STATES AREA: AR, CO, IA, IL, IN, KS, LA, MI, MN, MO, NM, ND, NE, OH, OK, SD, TX, WI		

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

FINAL PRICE,
GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 01-NOV-2010

SOUTH CENTRAL Trading levels were TEWR. Demand was moderate for heavy hens. Offerings were easily obtainable for current trade needs. Schedules were mostly normal. Finished sales were fair. Trade sentiment was about steady.

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

SOUTHEAST Prices are trending steady entering the week. Offerings are sufficient for current needs. Processing schedules are noted as normal. Finished product supplies are moderate to heavy. Trade activity is mostly moderate.

	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	8-17 CENTS/LB.		12.55
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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 WEEKS OF OCTOBER 18, 2010

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	2.20	2.18	1.96	1.36

MINIMUM PRICES FOR PRODUCERS FOB FARM FOR THE WEEKS OF OCTOBER 18, 2010 AS SET BY ONTARIO EGG PRODUCERS

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	1.67	1.67	1.51	1.03

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT

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

NOV 01, 2010		NO	SO	SO	5-AREA		
		Northeast	Cent	Atl	Pacific		
Jumbo	Curr Wk	11.8	13.9	7.3	9.9	14.2	57.1
	Change	1.0	0.3	0.7	-0.7	1.0	4%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	26.7	26.8	14.6	25.9	44.4	138.4
	Change	-0.8	-2.6	3.2	1.3	5.4	5%
Large	Curr Wk	64.4	90.0	78.3	102.8	135.7	471.2
	Change	5.6	-1.5	11.0	1.2	3.3	4%
Medium	Curr Wk	12.5	45.6	20.0	21.7	41.4	141.2
	Change	-0.9	-1.7	2.7	-2.0	6.6	3%
Small	Curr Wk	5.2	3.7	0.9	3.2	4.0	17
	Change	0.7	-4.1	0.4	-0.6	0.2	-17%
Misc	Curr Wk	1.9	22.0	8.1	9.4	6.5	47.9
	Change	-0.7	-0.6	-1.5	-0.9	-0.4	-8%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	18.0	55.3	20.0	9.2	30.0	132.5
	Change	-2.5	-3.2	6.8	1.5	2.0	4%
Total	Curr Wk	140.5	257.3	149.2	182.1	276.2	1005.3
	Change	2%	-5%	19%	0%	7%	3%

TOTAL	No. of Cases	% Change	No. of Coops
Shell Egg	1005.3	3%	158
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	269.8	-1%	29
Total Shell Egg	1275.1	2%	187

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

		NO	SO	SO	5-AREA		
		Northeast	Cent	Atl	Pacific		
Large	Curr Wk	3.9	9.6	1.7	3.6	4.6	23.4
	Change	-1.3	0.4	-0.3	-1.0	-1.0	-12%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	0.0	9.5	3.5	0.0	0.0	13.0
	Change	0.0	2.6	-0.1	0.0	0.0	24%
Total	Curr Wk	3.9	19.1	5.2	3.6	4.6	36.4
	Change	-25%	19%	-7%	-22%	-18%	-2%

TOTAL	No. of Cases	% Change	No. of Coops
Specialty Shell Egg	36.4	-2%	42

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.

Note: 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	
	138.1	270.7	125.9	182.3	258.1	975.1

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

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES - DAILY WTD AVG PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR OCT 29, 2010

CURRENT LOADS									FUTURE LOADS									TOTAL LOADS		
34.75									6.00									40.75		
SE			NE			MW			SC			NW			SW					
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS					
GNR W 1	93.50	--	--	96.00	--	--	1.00	GL W J	--	--	--	--	105.18	108.00	3.50					
GL W J	--	--	--	--	95.11	--	1.75	GL W XL	--	111.00	--	--	--	--	3.00					
GL W XL	--	--	110.00	111.30	99.00	--	9.00	GL W LG	--	98.00	--	--	119.00	109.00	7.00					
GL W LG	--	116.00	106.00	108.00	84.75	92.00	12.00	GL W MD	78.25	--	--	--	--	85.67	3.00					
GL W MD	--	--	--	74.00	74.00	--	2.00	GL BR J	--	--	--	--	--	120.00	.25					
GL W SM	--	--	52.00	55.00	--	--	1.00													
GL BR J	--	--	--	--	107.25	--	.25													
NRBS - 50	--	--	--	--	84.50	85.00	2.00													
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	84.50	85.00	2.00													
NRBS - 39	--	--	--	--	77.40	81.10	5.00													

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR OCT 25, 2010 – OCT 29, 2010

CURRENT LOADS									FUTURE LOADS									TOTAL LOADS		
122.00									54.25									176.25		
SE			NE			MW			SC			NW			SW					
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS					
GNR W 1	88.25	91.50	86.50	92.64	80.00	91.00	60.00	GNR W 1	--	96.64	--	--	--	--	24.00					
GNR BR 1	--	137.00	126.00	--	--	--	2.00	GNR BR 1	--	138.00	--	--	--	139.00	3.00					
GL W J	--	--	104.50	107.00	95.16	--	3.75	GL W J	104.50	--	--	--	105.18	108.00	6.00					
GL W XL	--	--	101.21	106.19	95.28	--	34.00	GL W XL	--	107.31	--	103.50	100.00	104.29	16.75					
GL W LG	--	102.31	100.83	101.75	87.06	92.00	68.25	GL W LG	120.50	109.41	--	--	119.00	98.90	42.25					
GL W MD	--	--	73.88	67.67	72.64	77.50	17.50	GL W MD	78.13	--	--	85.81	--	85.58	17.75					
GL W SM	--	--	50.50	53.42	53.50	56.50	6.50	GL BR J	--	--	--	--	--	120.00	.25					
GL BR J	--	--	--	--	107.25	--	.25													
NRBS - 50	--	--	--	--	84.50	85.00	2.00													
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	73.00	74.00	4.00													
NRBS - 39	--	--	--	--	77.80	81.25	10.00													

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

ON HAND	(In Thousands)		
	10/25/10	10/18/10	10/26/09
PACIFIC COAST	33	32	56
LOS ANGELES	0	0	0

CERTIFIED ORGANIC EGGS IN CARTONS Nov 01, 2010

Brown Eggs	(price per carton delivered to first receivers)	
	CENTS/CARTON	MOSTLY
Extra Large doz.	255 – 316	275 - 310
1/2 doz.	173 – 198	173 - 188
Large doz.	230 – 310	265 - 300
1/2 doz.	160 – 189	160 - 178

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

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	134.32
LARGE	131.99
MEDIUM	101.69
SMALL	80.00

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