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Regional prices are 1 to 4 cents higher on Extra Large and Large, 2 to 3 cents lower on Mediums. New York prices are unchanged. Retail and food service demand are light to mostly moderate. Supplies are mixed, light to moderate on larger sizes and moderate to heavy on Mediums. Market activity is moderate. Breaking stock offerings are moderate to heavy for the light to moderate demand.

**NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE** 

Spent fowl offerings are light to adequate; processing schedules are reduced.

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 1 cent higher for extra large and large, and 2 cents lower for medium. Daily producer prices are steady for all reported sizes. The undertone is unevenly steady. Food service demand is light to moderate, while retail demand is moderate. Offerings are light to moderate. Supplies are mostly light to instances moderate for extra large and jumbo, balanced for large, and moderate to heavy for medium. Market activity is moderate. Breaking stock prices are steady. Trade sentiment is steady. Demand is light to moderate with offerings moderate to occasionally heavy. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	81-90	84-87
LARGE	80-89	82-85
MEDIUM	71-80	73-76
Prices delivered to store door:	RANGE	MOSTLY
Prices delivered to store door: EXTRA LARGE	<b>RANGE</b> 88-96	<b>MOSTLY</b> 89-91

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

Prices paid to producers, cents per dozen:	RANGE	MOSTLY
LARGE	62-72	66
MEDIUM	53-57	55
SMALL	51-57	

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

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices are 1 to 4 cents higher on Extra Large, 1 cent higher on Large and 2 cent lower on Medium. Offerings are light to instances heavy. Demand is light to moderate. Market activity is moderate. Eastern region breaking stock offerings are moderate to heavy for the light to moderate demand. Offerings of spent hens in the East are about adequate to adequate; demand is moderate to good.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	90-108	91-94
LARGE	84-98	89-93
MEDIUM	74-87	79-81
NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD,	ME, NH, Eastern N.	J, Eastern NY,
PA, RI, Northern VA, and VT		

<u>SOUTHEAST REGIONAL</u> Prices are higher on Extra Large and Large sizes, lower on Mediums. Retail demand is mostly moderate and distributive demand remains light to moderate. Offerings are light to moderate on larger sizes, moderate to instances heavy on Mediums. Market activity is moderate. Eastern region breaking stock demand is light to at times moderate on moderate to heavy offerings. Light type hen offerings are about sufficient to sufficient; processing schedules are reduced.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	88.5-96	90-93
LARGE	87-94	88-91
MEDIUM	75.5-83	76-80
SOUTHEAST AREA: ALL FLIGA MS NC.	SC Fastern TN and	Southern VA

<u>SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL</u> Prices are 4 cents higher for extra large, 3 cents higher for large, and 3 cents lower for medium. The undertone is steady. Retail demand is mostly moderate. Food service demand ranges light to moderate. Offerings are light to moderate. Market activity is moderate. Central states breaking stock prices are steady. Trade sentiment is steady. Demand is light to moderate with offerings moderate to at times heavy. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	89.5-98	91-94
LARGE	86.5-95	88-91
MEDIUM	80.5-89	82-85
SOUTH CENTRAL AREA: AR.AZ.CO.KS.LA	.MO.NM.OK. and T	X

<u>NEW YORK EGGS</u> Prices are unchanged on all sizes. Supplies are mixed, ranging light to heavy. Demand is light to moderate. Market activity is usually moderate.

RANGE
98-102
96-100
86-90

<u>WESTERN REGIONAL</u> Prices are 3 cents higher for jumbo and extra large, 1 cent higher for large and 2 cents lower for medium and small. Demand is light to moderate with offerings light for jumbo and moderate on the remainder of sizes. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate.

<u>CALIFORNIA EGGS</u> Benchmark prices are 3 cents higher for jumbo and extra large, 1 cent higher for large and 2 cents lower for medium and small. Trade sentiment is steady. Demand is light to moderate while offerings are light for jumbo and moderate on the balance of sizes. Market activity is slow to moderate. Supplies are balanced. Small benchmark price 94 cents.

#### **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

	IVANOL
JUMBO	140
EXTRA LARGE	135
LARGE	126
MEDIUM	114

Weekly Shell Egg Inventory: Stocks on Hand Available for Marketing (30-dozen cases in thousands)<sup>1</sup> (Includes Conventional and Specialty)

		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
Jumbo	This Week	6.8	8.3	14.0	6.2	8.3	2.6	46.1
	% Change	-5.0%	-15.5%	3.0%	-32.2%	-6.3%	-31.7%	-11.8%
Extra Large	This Week	20.3	19.8	25.4	13.6	34.8	10.8	124.7
	% Change	-12.6%	1.5%	-18.3%	-8.4%	-14.4%	34.8%	-9.2%
Large	This Week	55.8	89.4	85.3	71.4	86.7	39.7	428.3
	% Change	6.8%	5.1%	-25.6%	-11.9%	-6.3%	-13.8%	-9.2%
Medium	This Week	20.5	24.2	43.6	24.5	25.1	12.5	150.4
	% Change	12.8%	31.2%	2.2%	-2.6%	-11.1%	-5.1%	3.1%
Small	This Week	2.4	2.6	9.3	2.4	1.2	2.8	20.7
	% Change	24.2%	-33.0%	113.3%	14.8%	-7.0%	14.3%	29.1%
Miscellaneous	This Week	1.9	10.3	26.4	11.0	3.7	3.1	56.4
	% Change	-21.4%	11.8%	8.7%	-11.1%	-4.9%	50.7%	4.0%
Ungraded	This Week	8.3	9.7	65.8	15.6	13.2	13.2	125.8
	% Change	-9.4%	28.1%	-14.5%	53.1%	-12.2%	14.1%	-3.6%
Total Shell Egg	This Week	115.9	164.4	269.7	144.6	173.0	84.7	952.3
	% Change	1.5%	7.0%	-12.3%	-6.5%	-9.2%	-2.8%	-5.5%

Totals	Cases	Percent Change
Shell Egg	952.3	-5.5%
Breaking Stock	257.6	3.7%
Total Shell Egg	1,209.9	-3.7%

**Specialty Shell Egg Inventory**<sup>2</sup> Stocks on Hand to be Marketed (30-dozen cases in thousands)

		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
Large	This Week	4.6	6.7	1.9	3.1	4.9	5.4	26.5
	% Change	2.9%	-6.8%	-27.7%	-20.7%	73.3%	31.4%	6.0%
Ungraded	This Week	0.0	0.0	18.0	6.2	0.0	0.0	24.2
	% Change	0.0%	0.0%	-30.3%	9.6%	0.0%	0.0%	-23.1%
Total Specialty	/ This Week	4.6	6.7	19.9	9.2	4.9	5.4	50.7
	% Change	2.9%	-6.8%	-30.0%	-2.7%	73.3%	31.4%	-10.3%

### Percentage of Specialty Shell Egg Inventory Comprised of USDA Certified Organic:

Large: 35.8% Ungraded: 34.5% Total: 35.2%

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

Regional Definitions: Northeast = CT, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, AND VT; Southeast = AL, FL. GA, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, & WV; Midwest = IA, IL, IN, KY, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, & WI; South Central = AR, AZ, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX, & UT; Southwest = CA & NV; Northwest = ID, MT, OR, WA, & WY.

### National Retail Egg Purchases

Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending June 10, 2011 will increase by 0 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending June 03, 2011 were 186,366 cases which was 35 percent above the prior week and 35 percent above estimates.

Cartoned Loose Total
Cases purchased present week:

164,568 21,798 186,366

% change from the prior week:

+37 +17 +35 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 are steady. Trade sentiment is steady. Demand is light to moderate with offerings moderate to occasionally heavy. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow.

Range Mostly
Breaking Stock 56-58
Checks & Undergrades 37-46 37-41
Central States Area: AR, CO, IA, IL, IN, KS, LA, MI, MN, MO, NM, ND, NE, OH, OK, SD, TX, & WI

Canadian Eggs Week of May 23, 2011

Quebec/Montreal: Wholesale pricesgraded in cartons (Canadian dollars) as reported by agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID, Poultry Section.

**Grade A Ex Lrg Lrg Med Small** 2.31 2.29 2.07 1.50

Minimum prices for producers' f.o.b. farm, as set by Ontario egg producers

**Grade A Ex Lrg Lrg Med Small** 1.80 1.80 1.64 1.16

<sup>1/</sup> 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.

122.25

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES - Daily weighted average prices (cents/dozen) National Trading for June 03, 2011

CURR	URRENT LOADS 27.75 FUTURE LOADS 8.25											TO	TAL LO	ADS	36.00		
	S	E	N	ΙE	MW				SC		SC		NV		SW		
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS		
GNR W 1	62.00		63.00	65.00			9.00	GNR W 1							7.00		
GL W J					85.00		.75	GL W J	96.00					100.00	1.50		
GL W XL	75.00			83.75	76.00		4.50	GL W XL	76.36	83.88				86.09	4.75		
GL W LG					67.95		5.25	GL W LG	73.63	78.46				80.00	9.25		
GL W MD			55.00	57.00	62.00		1.25	GL W MD			56.00			65.40	1.25		
GL W SM			58.00	61.00			1.00	NRBS - 39	53.50	60.00					3.00		
NRBS - 48					54.00	56.00	2.00										

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES Weekly weighted average prices (cents/dozen) National Trading for May 30, 2011 – June 03, 2011 CURRENT LOADS 94.50 FUTURE LOADS 27.75 TOTAL LOADS

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CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	61.33	71.50	63.25	64.60		60.40	25.00	GNR W 1		78.00					10.00
GL W J					83.38	89.00	4.00	GL W J	93.50			103.75	93.71	99.13	9.00
GL W XL	75.00	78.86		84.28	75.67	78.00	27.75	GL W XL	76.36	83.38		85.00		85.83	16.75
GL W LG	70.00	78.00		76.25	68.02		22.00	GL W LG	73.19	79.54				80.00	21.50
GL W MD		68.00	58.50	59.33	70.57		5.75	GL W MD	62.00	69.00	56.00			66.33	4.25
GL W SM	56.83		57.67	60.67	51.50	55.00	10.00	GL W SM	51.75					59.00	3.00
GL BR J					83.00		.25	GL BR J						98.00	.25
GL BR LG	78.00				70.00		2.00	GL BR LG						83.00	1.00
NRBS - 48					53.50	56.00	10.00	NRBS - 39	53.50	60.00					3.00
NRBS - 45					50.00	54.00	2.00	I WINDO - 33	55.50	00.00					3.00
NRBS - 36					36.50	39.50	1.00								

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)			
	05/30/11	05/23/11	05/31/10	
PACIFIC COAST	35	35	17	
LOS ANGELES	0	0	0	

## **NORTH CAROLINA EGGS**

The market is steady on all sizes. 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	111.80
LARGE	107.29
MEDIUM	94.64
SMALL	93.00

### **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.	230 – 310	265 - 300		
1/2 doz	160 – 189	160 - 178		

## LIVE HEAVY-TYPE HENS (7 pounds and up) \*

Final Price, Cents per pound. Generally for slaughter the week of 06-Jun-11

### **SOUTH CENTRAL LIVE HEAVY-TYPE HENS**

Trading was TFEWR. Demand was moderate for fully adequate offerings of spent hens. Schedules were reduced. Finished sales were slow. Trade sentiment was about steady.

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

### **SOUTHEAST LIVE HEAVY-TYPE HENS**

Prices were trending steady to slightly higher when compared to the previous week. Offerings are sufficient for the moderate to good demand. Processing schedules are noted as normal. Finished product supplies are moderate. Market activity is moderate to active.

			WTD
	<b>RANGE</b>	MAJORITY	AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	8.5-18.5		13.15
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FE	W TO REPO	RT
FOB PLANT TOO FEW TO RE	PORT		

<sup>\*</sup>Weights under 7 pounds subject to discount.

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