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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

New York prices are 2 cents higher on Extra Large, Large, and Medium eggs. Prices for remaining regions are steady with a firm undertone. Asking prices for next week's deliveries are trending higher on all sizes. Demand is mixed, generally moderate to good. Offerings are light to moderate on larger sizes and mostly moderate to heavy on Mediums. Market activity continues moderate to active. Offerings for breaking stock are light for the moderate to good demand. Light type hen offerings are light to mostly moderate; demand is light to moderate.

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

MIDWEST REGIONAL Daily producer prices are 5 cents higher for large, 3 cents higher for medium, and 2 cents higher for small. The balance of prices are steady. The undertone is firm. Next week's asking prices are 17 cents higher for extra large and large, 12 cents higher for medium. Retail and food service demand continues moderate to mostly good. Offerings of jumbo and extra large are light. Large and medium offerings are moderate. Market activity is moderate to mostly actve. Breaking stock prices are higher. The undertone is firm. Demand is good with offerings light. Supplies remain light. Market activity is moderate to active.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	100-109	103-106
LARGE	99-108	101-104
MEDIUM	65-74	67-70

Prices delivered to store door:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	107-115	108-110
LARGE	105-113	106-108
MEDIUM	71-79	72-74

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN EGGS

Prices paid to producers, cents per dozen:	RANGE	MOSTLY
LARGE	98-108	102
MEDIUM	59-63	61
SMALL	36-42	

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

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL Prices are steady with a firm undertone. Next week's asking prices are 18 cents higher for extra large, 17 cents higher for large, and 12 cents higher for medium. Retail demand ranges moderate to mostly good, while food service demand is reported as moderate to fairly good. Jumbo and extra large offerings remain light. Large offerings are moderate and medium are moderate to instances heavy. Market activity continues moderate to mostly active. All Central states breaking stock prices are higher. Offerings are light on good demand. Supplies are light. Market activity is moderate to active.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	123.5-132	125-128
LARGE	110.5-119	112-115
MEDIUM	69.5-78	71-74

SOUTH CENTRAL AREA: AR, AZ, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, and TX

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Prices are steady and undertone is firm. Asking prices for next week's deliveries are trending higher on all sizes. Retail demand is fairly good to good, while food service demand is moderate. Offerings are light to moderate on Extra Large and Large, mostly moderate on Mediums for trading purposes. Market activity remains moderate to active. Eastern region breaking offerings are light for the moderate to good demand. Light type fowl offerings are light to mostly moderate; demand is light to moderate.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	99-125	106-109
LARGE	95-110	104-107
MEDIUM	67-75	68-72

SOUTHEST AREA: AL, FL, GA, MS, NC, SC, Eastern TN, and Southern VA

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices are steady. Asking prices for next week's deliveries are trending sharply higher. Offerings range very light to moderate on Large and moderate to heavy on Medium. Demand is light to mostly moderate. Market activity is moderate to active. Eastern region breaking stock offerings are light for the moderate to good demand. Light type hen offerings are moderate for regular processing schedules.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	108-137	110-123
LARGE	102-116	107-111
MEDIUM	66-79	71-73

N0RTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, Eastern NJ, Eastern NY, Eastern PA, RI, Northern VA, and VT

NEW YORK EGGS Extra Large, Large and Medium prices are 2 cents higher. Offerings are in a full range of very light to heavy, with larger sizes remaining in the lighter position. Demand is mostly moderate. Market activity is moderate to active.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	136-140	-
LARGE	134-138	-
MEDIUM	92-96	-

WESTERN REGIONAL Prices are steady. The undertone is firm. Asking prices for next week are 15 cents higher for jumbo, 17 cents higher for extra large and large and 12 cents higher for medium and small. Demand is light to fairly good, mostly moderate while offerings continue light for jumbo and mostly moderate on the remainder of sizes. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is moderate to active.

CALIFORNIA Benchmark prices are steady with a firm undertone. Asking prices for next week are 15 cents higher for jumbo, 17 cents higher for extra large and large and 12 cents higher for medium and small. Offerings are light for jumbo and moderate for the balance of sizes. Demand is light to fairly good, mostly moderate and better into current features. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is moderate to active. Small benchmark price 84 cents.

CALIFORNIA: Shell egg marketers 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	164
EXTRA LARGE	161
LARGE	144
MEDIUM	104

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	146-156
EXTRA LARGE	143-151
LARGE	122-133
MEDIUM	84-94

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Weekly National Egg Products

F.O.B. Shipper Dock Basis; Wholesale prices; cents per pound unless otherwise noted.

LIQUID EGGS

All prices are higher with a firm undertone noted on all liquid products. Demand is good for whole egg and yolk and moderate for whites. Supplies are moderate and offerings are usually light as gradeable breaking stock gets diverted to the more attractively priced shell egg market. Market activity is active. Liquid pasteurized salt yolk reported at 80 cents fob.

Non-pasteurized in trucklots; current trading for delivery within 14 days.

	Current Week			Last Week			June Averages	
Class	Range	Loads	Wtd Avg	Range	Loads	Wtd Avg	Loads	Wtd Avg
Whole	64.00 - 65.00	5	64.20	59.00 - 65.00	34	62.32	104	53.03
Whites	46.00 - 47.00	4	46.75	46.00 - 48.50	16	46.69	40	45.69
Yolk	75.00 - 83.50	11	78.91	TFEWR			29	68.05

FROZEN EGGS

Frozen white prices are irregular with the balance of prices higher. Trade sentiment continues steady for whites and firm on the remainder of frozen egg products. Demand is fair to mostly fairly good on light offerings. Freezer stocks are very light to light and held with confidence. Market activity is moderate to active.

Packed in 30-pound containers; less-than-trucklot reflects a minimum volume of 25 containers.

	Current Week		Last Week		June Averages	
TRUCKLOT	Range	Mostly	Range	Mostly	This Month	Last Month
Whole	78.00 - 85.00	82.00 - 83.00	70.50 - 82.00	78.00 - 81.00	74.13	72.10
Whites	70.00 - 76.00	70.00 - 75.00	73.00 - 75.00		72.63	70.10
Sugar Yolk 1/	96.00 - 107.00	99.00 - 102.00	90.00 - 100.00	94.00 - 100.00	92.75	89.70
Salt Yolk 1/	96.00 - 104.00	100.00 - 102.00	90.00 - 98.00	93.00 - 95.00	89.25	86.90
LESS-THAN TRUCKLOT	**Range**	**Mostly**	**Range**	**Mostly**	**This Month**	**Last Month**
Whole			78.00 - 82.00		76.40	77.00
White	80.00 - 83.00		76.00 - 78.00		76.25	74.80
Sugar Yolk 1/	73.00 - 75.00		98.00 - 100.00		95.00	95.00
Salt Yolk 1/	98.00 - 102.00		98.00 - 100.00		95.00	91.00

1/ Minimum 43% solids.

DRIED EGGS

Prices are higher on all dried egg products. The trade sentiment is firm. Offerings are light. Supplies are light to instances moderate with whole and albumen products confidently held. Demand ranges light to good, mostly moderate to fairly good. Market activity is generally active.

Prices in dollars per pound; in containers; includes trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes.

	Current Week		Last Week		June Averages	
Class	Range	Mostly	Range	Mostly	This Month	Last Month
Whole	2.80 - 3.15	2.85 - 3.00	2.65 - 3.00	2.75 - 2.85	2.76	2.72
Yolk	1.99 - 2.35	2.10 - 2.15	1.89 - 2.20	2.00 - 2.10	2.02	1.99
Albumen 2/	4.55 - 5.10	4.75 - 4.90	4.50 - 5.00	4.65 - 4.75	4.77	4.72
Blends 3/	2.14 - 2.40	2.15 - 2.20	2.01 - 2.20		2.12	2.17

2/ Spray Dried; 3/ Whole plus sweetener.

EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

W/E 06-Aug-2011 (Lbs In Thousands) (Excludes Ingredients)

Total	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CW	1,419,217	32,771	13,878	6,880	2,637	4,829
PW	1,382,190	31,911	13,640	6,750	2,974	4,607
LY	1,389,970	32,262	14,141	6,877	2,923	4,629
% PW	3%	3%	2%	2%	-11%	5%
% LY	2%	2%	-2%	0%	-10%	4%
2011*	41,664,848	972,776	430,823	218,295	93,848	139,060
2010*	40,571,452	980,300	403,604	197,614	88,009	135,476
% YTD	3%	-1%	7%	10%	7%	3%

Average Yield Per Case -	Current Week	Previous Week	Last Year
(Inedible Included)	41.12	41.17	41.66
(Inedible Excluded)	37.72	37.84	38.33

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	737,705	52.0%	18,121	55.3%
PREVIOUS WEEK	709,001	51.3%	17,915	56.1%
LAST YEAR	738,636	53.1%	18,824	58.3%

BREAKING STOCK

Prices in cents per dozen, delivered to breakers, 48 lb. minimum net wt. per 30 dozen cases, eggs from table egg layers. Packaging may very.

CENTRAL REGION All prices are higher with the undertone firm. Demand is good on light offerings. Supplies are light. Market activity is moderate to mostly active.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	78-80	
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	59-68	59-63

CENTRAL STATES AREA: AR, CO, IA, IL, IN, KS, LA, MI, MN, MO, NM, ND, NE, OH, OK, SD, TX, WI

EASTERN REGION Prices are higher. Offerings remain light. Demand is moderate to good. Market activity is moderate to active. Cases broken under federal inspection for weekending 06-Aug-2011 are 1 percent less than the previous week, although 4 percent more than the same week last year.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	73-80	TFEWR
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	59-68	59-61

EASTERN REGION AREA: AL, CT, DE, FL, GA, KY, ME, MD, MA, MS, NH, NJ, NY, NC, PA, RI, SC, TN, VT, VA, WV

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES Weekly Weighted Average Prices (cents/dozen) National Trading for Aug. 05, 2011 – Aug. 11, 2011

CURRENT LOADS 80.00 **FUTURE LOADS 50.00** **TOTAL LOADS 130.00**

	SE		NE		MW		
CLASS	**ORG**	**DST**	**ORG**	**DST**	**ORG**	**DST**	**LOADS**
GNR W 1	93.67	--	94.38	96.29	--	--	22.50
GNR W 2	--	--	--	103.00	--	--	3.75
GNR BR 1	--	--	--	134.50	--	--	3.00
GL W J	--	--	--	--	105.20	--	5.75
GL W XL	--	129.00	121.50	124.50	109.92	117.29	19.25
GL W LG	--	105.75	109.70	109.60	94.00	113.55	60.00
GL W MD	--	--	59.85	62.00	60.80	69.00	11.50
GL W SM	--	--	46.00	49.16	--	--	4.75
GL BR J	--	--	--	--	104.50	--	.25
GL BR LG	--	105.00	--	--	129.00	--	2.00
NRBS - 45	--	--	--	--	--	82.00	4.00
NRBS - 39	--	--	--	--	56.33	59.42	3.00
NRBS - 36	--	--	--	--	40.00	43.50	1.00

	SC		NW		SW		
CLASS	**ORG**	**DST**	**ORG**	**DST**	**ORG**	**DST**	**LOADS**
GNR W 1	--	107.00	--	--	--	--	14.00
GL W J	117.00	--	--	130.00	119.00	119.58	7.50
GL W XL	--	122.00	107.25	--	--	114.80	4.75
GL W LG	--	105.50	--	--	--	104.61	21.50
GL W MD	62.50	73.00	61.00	--	--	69.35	7.75
GL BR J	--	--	--	--	--	118.00	.25
GL BR LG	--	141.00	129.00	--	130.75	135.00	2.50

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.

NATIONAL FOWL MARKETS

LIVE SPENT HEAVY FOWL

Prices are trending steady to firm when compared to the previous week. Offerings are light to moderate for the mostly moderate to good demand. Processing schedules are noted as normal. Finished product supplies are sufficient for current needs. Market activity is moderate to active with feature activity noted as fairly good.

Final prices at Farm Buyer Loading:	**Price Range**	**Wtd Avg**
Prices in cents per pound.	8.5 – 19.0	13.20

(Southeast Region broiler breeder hens generally for processing, 7 lbs. and up; under 7 lbs. subject to discount.)

LIVE SPENT LIGHT FOWL

Prices are trending steady. Demand is light to moderate for the light to mostly moderate offerings of light type hens as the hot and humid weather diminishes in most of the areas. Processing schedules are mostly normal. Market activity is slow to mostly moderate. The majority of removal costs range 0-7 cents per head.

(live hens are predominately egg-layers averaging about 3.5 lbs. live weight per bird.) Eastern region = AL, CT, DE, GA, KY, MA, MD, ME, MS, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, TN, VA, VT, and WV; North Central = IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI; South Central = AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX.

SHELL EGGS-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	116.50	109.00	72.00
SOUTHEAST	107.50	105.50	70.00
MIDWEST	104.50	102.50	68.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	126.50	113.50	72.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	114.44	107.92	70.82

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.

WEEKLY U.S./CANADIAN LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER INSPECTION

Week ending 06-Aug-11 (PRELIMINARY)

U.S. fowl slaughtered domestically

Thousands	**Light Hens**	**Heavy Hens**	**Total Hens**
Head	1,135	1872	3,007
Last Week	1,056	1781	2,837
Same week yr ago	1,397	1518	2,915
To-date/2011*	42,550	47,893	90,443
To-date/2010*	44,353	43,201	87,554

U.S. fowl slaughtered in Canada

Thousands	**Light Hens**	**Heavy Hens**	**Total Hens**
Head	379	0	379
Last Week	437	0	437
Same week yr ago	302	4	306
To-date/2011*	11,798	285	12,083
To-date/2010*	10,840	278	11,118

Data Source: Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID, Poultry Section

Total U.S. fowl slaughtered in the U.S. and Canada

Thousands	**Light Hens**	**Heavy Hens**	**Total Hens**
Head	1,514	1,872	3,386
Last Week	1,493	1,781	3,274
Same week yr ago	1,699	1,522	3,221
To-date/2011*	54,348	48,178	102,526
To-date/2010*	55,193	43,479	98,672

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

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

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

Week Ending July 30, 2011			Year-To-Date	
Liquid	48	49	819	2,030
Frozen	0	0	0	88
Dried	0	5	139	264
Total	48	54	958	2,382

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

Week Ending July 30, 2011		Year-To-Date		
Liquid	139	419	9,469	12,165
Frozen	8	53	570	320
Dried	0	49	48	151
Total	147	521	10,087	12,636

Inspected Shell Eggs

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

Week Ending July 30, 2011			Year-To-Date	
	2011	2010 /1	2011 /2	2010
Jumbo	0	0	0	0
Extra Large	720	1,320	44,629	50,221
Large	3,519	4,040	79,532	74,405
Medium	1,140	810	25,095	27,372
Ungraded	96	2,532	81,050	100,395
Misc	0	0	600	900
Total	5,475	8,702	230,906	253,293

/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

MONTHLY INVENTORY U.S. DRIED EGG

Comparisons on the Basis of Matched Plants

Class	Number of Pounds	% Change Last Month	% Change Last Year
WHOLE			
PLAIN	1,909,701	10%	-40%
FREE FLOWING	6,557,479	20%	115%
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SUBTOTAL:	8,467,180	18%	35%
WHITE			
(ALBUMEN)	7,396,871	1%	8%
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SUBTOTAL:	7,396,871	1%	8%
YOLK			
PLAIN	4,558,450	3%	43%
FREE FLOWING (W/SODIUM SILICO ALUMINATE)	4,112,564	37%	133%
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SUBTOTAL:	8,671,014	17%	75%
BLENDS 1/			
WHOLE	1,811,402	-2%	-10%
WHITE	6,700	-58%	-20%
YOLK	599,044	25%	68%
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SUBTOTAL:	2,417,146	3%	2%
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TOTAL:	26,952,211	11%	32%

DRIED EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION:
JULY 3, 2011 - JULY 30, 2011 TOTAL 13,171,000 POUNDS.
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Calculations were adjusted to represent matched plants from current month compared to previous month, and current month compared to previous year. Subsequently, the percent change calculations may be based on different cooperators if directly compared with data on previous reports.
1/: Blended with a percentage of additives including, but not limited to, sugar, salt, soy, and corn syrup.

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT (Receipts from producers)

W/E 06-Aug-11

REGIONS	Cases (In Thousands)	% Change From LW	LY
North Atlantic	199.3	1	4
East North Central	666.7	1	5
West North Central	260.6	0	-15
South Atlantic	136.4	-1	-3
South Central	49.3	-6	1
West	53.6	8	6
Total	1,365.9	1	0
Matched plants reporting		71	71

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 06-Aug-11

Selected Consuming Centers	CW Cases, in thousands	PW	% CHANGE LW	LY
Atlanta	21.1	18.9	12	38
Boston	3.0	3.1	-3	11
Chicago	53.4	54.7	-2	-16
Los Angeles	62.0	52.3	19	-7
New Orleans	6.3	5.4	17	19
New York	34.7	33.4	4	17
St. Louis	79.1	88.7	-11	4
San Francisco	17.2	16.7	3	-14
Total	276.8	273.2	1	-1
4 Week Moving Avg.	273.0			

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS – Selected Centers

(Including government stocks) (In thousands)

		Frozen Eggs Lbs	Proc. Turkeys Lbs	Proc. other Poultry lbs
AM	08/08/11	3,182	174,346	53,837
AM	08/01/11	3,130	173,497	51,134
CHG		52	849	2,703
PCT CHG		2%	0%	5%

NEW ENGLAND WEEKLY SHELL EGG REPORT August 09, 2011

Prices paid per dozen Grade A Brown egg in cartons delivered store door.

	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
MAINE	182	169	113	83
MOSTLY	-	-	-	-
NEW HAMPSHIRE	179-183	166-170	107-111	78-82
MOSTLY	181-182	168-169	109-110	80-81
RHODE ISLAND	186-190	173-177	112-116	84-88
MOSTLY	186	173	112	84
VERMONT	185	172-173	113-115	-
MOSTLY	-	-	-	-