



National Egg Review

This week, New York prices are sharply lower on all sizes. Regional prices were steady. Next week's regional asking prices are trending sharply lower for both heavier and lighter weight eggs. The undertone is weak. Retail and food service demand is light to moderate. Offerings are moderate to heavy. Supplies are moderate to instances heavy. Market activity is slow to moderate. Central states breaking stock prices, along with checks and undergrades, are lower. The undertone is barely steady to mostly weak. Offerings are moderate for the light demand. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow. National light type hen removal costs are steady. Offerings are moderate on the light to moderate demand. Processing schedules are mostly full-time. Market activity remains slow to moderate.



Regional Prices - to retailers, sales to volume buyers, USDA Grade A & Grade A, white egg in cartons, delivered to warehouse, cents per dozen.

Regions	Large		Medium	
	Range	Mostly	Range	Mostly
Midwest	125-134	127-130	84-93	86-89
Northeast	129-143	134-138	85-98	90-92
South Central	136.5-145	138-141	88.5-97	90-93
Southeast	134-141	135-138	87.5-95	88-92

Prices paid to Producers - loose eggs at farm, cases exchanged, grade yield basis, cents per dozen.

IA-MN-WI	08/30/11	08/23/11	08/31/10
Large	107-117	107-117	110-120
Medium	66-70	66-70	69-73

Weekly Combined Regional

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	137.50	136.00	91.00
Southeast	138.50	136.50	90.00
Midwest	130.50	128.50	87.50
South Central	144.50	139.50	91.50
Combined Regional	138.07	135.31	90.04

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.

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

August 29, 2011		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
Jumbo	This Week	6.5	10.9	15.7	8.7	11.6	3.0	56.3
	% Change	6.4%	8.3%	5.2%	7.5%	6.0%	-14.1%	5.2%
Extra Large	This Week	30.6	24.1	32.1	14.1	43.9	4.8	149.6
	% Change	19.4%	46.2%	-6.4%	40.4%	15.1%	-4.0%	15.4%
Large	This Week	57.8	90.2	118.7	78.5	84.6	52.1	481.9
	% Change	6.8%	21.1%	25.4%	21.8%	36.5%	45.5%	25.0%
Medium	This Week	22.5	28.6	49.2	25.6	27.7	12.5	166.1
	% Change	69.3%	20.3%	31.7%	-1.3%	27.3%	1.5%	23.5%
Small	This Week	3.3	8.1	5.9	2.4	2.0	3.8	25.4
	% Change	-0.3%	36.4%	13.9%	10.5%	7.1%	4.4%	15.4%
Miscellaneous	This Week	2.8	9.7	28.1	13.3	3.8	1.5	59.2
	% Change	7.3%	-44.1%	2.1%	6.3%	-7.0%	25.6%	-9.2%
Ungraded	This Week	3.5	7.5	58.7	20.8	8.5	12.1	111.2
	% Change	-71.5%	-21.9%	-8.2%	40.9%	7.2%	-15.4%	-9.5%
Total Shell Egg	This Week	126.9	179.0	308.4	163.5	182.1	89.8	1,049.7
	% Change	8.2%	13.6%	11.0%	18.4%	24.1%	18.6%	14.9%

Totals	Cases	Percent Change
Shell Egg	1,049.7	14.9%
Breaking Stock	247.8	1.7%
Total Shell Egg	1,297.5	12.2%

Specialty Shell Egg Inventory² Stocks on Hand to be Marketed (30-dozen cases in thousands)

		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
Large	This Week	3.3	5.4	1.8	3.4	2.4	0.5	16.8
	% Change	-24.0%	40.8%	17.1%	-6.4%	-19.9%	-58.5%	-4.6%
Ungraded	This Week	0.0	0.0	12.4	3.4	0.0	2.7	18.5
	% Change	0.0%	0.0%	18.7%	19.4%	-100.0%	44.8%	20.9%
Total Specialty	This Week	3.3	5.4	14.2	6.8	2.4	3.2	35.3
	% Change	-24.0%	40.8%	18.5%	5.0%	-23.4%	1.9%	7.2%

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

Large:	35.6%
Ungraded:	30.9%
Total:	33.2%

^{1/} 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.

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.

EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

W/E 27-Aug-2011		(Lbs In Thousands)		(Excludes Ingredients)		
Total	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CW	1,387,048	34,175	12,956	6,286	2,607	4,575
PW	1,347,188	33,516	12,520	6,144	2,767	4,347
LY	1,313,490	33,546	11,763	5,455	2,284	4,389
% PW	3%	2%	3%	2%	-6%	5%
% LY	6%	2%	10%	15%	14%	4%
2011*	45,754,596	1,072,448	469,065	237,004	101,563	152,519
2010*	44,589,672	1,080,374	440,748	215,121	96,085	148,889
% YTD	3%	-1%	6%	10%	6%	2%
Average Yield Per Case -		Current Week	Previous Week	Last Year		
(Inedible Included)		41.81	41.96	41.99		
(Inedible Excluded)		38.51	38.73	38.65		

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	770,160	55.5%	20,481	59.9%
PREVIOUS WEEK	742,741	55.1%	19,698	58.8%
LAST YEAR	684,241	52.1%	19,595	58.4%

BROILER HATCHERY

19 Selected States STATE	Broiler Eggs Set		Broiler Chicks Placed	
	AUG 20	AUG 27	AUG 20	AUG 27
	Thousand			
Alabama	26,581	26,936	19,619	18,571
Arkansas	20,651	20,994	19,180	18,514
Delaware	3,015	2,886	4,741	4,890
Florida	1,352	1,364	1,150	1,147
Georgia	31,793	31,649	26,255	27,358
Kentucky	7,864	7,878	6,081	6,816
Louisiana	3,243	3,167	2,967	2,993
Maryland	7,451	7,645	4,876	5,294
Mississippi	18,312	17,602	16,160	16,186
North Carolina	19,518	19,364	15,596	15,708
Oklahoma	6,713	6,702	4,160	4,711
Pennsylvania	3,510	3,809	3,078	3,228
South Carolina	5,353	5,413	4,008	4,595
Texas	13,462	13,466	12,571	12,522
Virginia	5,826	5,291	5,564	4,911
California, Missouri, Tennessee, and West Virginia	18,598	18,273	15,661	16,174
19 State total	193,242	192,439	161,667	163,618
Previous year total	207,381	206,575	171,749	170,866
Percent of previous year	93	93	94	96

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 08-Oct-11 is estimated at 149.7 million head. This compares to 149.5 million head the previous week and to 161.6 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 169.7 million head and the composite weighted average price was 81.65 cents per pound.

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES - Weekly wtd/avg prices (cents/dozen)

National trading for 08/25/11 - 08/31/11		CURRENT LDS 94.25		FUTURE LDS 34.00		TOTAL LDS 128.25	
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	105.20	111.86	105.60	108.45	--	--	30.00
GNR W 2	--	--	--	--	--	100.00	1.00
GNR BR 1	--	--	--	155.00	--	--	2.50
GL W XL	--	131.50	114.67	118.86	94.22	86.50	22.00
GL W LG	--	--	113.50	112.00	87.06	89.13	30.50
GL W MD	--	--	66.00	67.83	65.69	72.57	13.25
GL W SM	54.00	--	48.00	50.50	51.00	--	6.00
GL BR LG	--	--	--	142.75	130.00	--	1.00
NRBS - 48	--	--	73.57	75.57	66.50	75.50	16.00
NRBS - 42	--	--	--	--	57.50	61.00	1.00
NRBS - 39	--	--	--	--	57.25	60.80	5.00

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS W/E 27-Aug-11

Selected Consuming Centers	CW Cases, in thousands		% CHANGE	
	LW	LY	LW	LY
Atlanta	24.0	18.7	28	65
Boston	3.1	3.0	3	-21
Chicago	57.3	53.8	7	3
Los Angeles	48.6	60.1	-19	-5
New Orleans	5.7	6.4	-11	8
New York	33.7	36.7	-8	10
St. Louis	84.9	77.9	9	11
San Francisco	15.7	16.8	-7	-37
Total	273.0	273.4	0	4
4 Week Moving Avg.	275.5			

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED W/E 27-Aug-11 (Preliminary)

	YOUNG		YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD	TOTAL TURKEYS
	HENS	TOMS			
Head	1,959	2,458	29	10	4,456
Avg Wt	16.69	37.07	26.03	26.62	28.02
Last week	1,833	2,747	18	9	4,607
Same wk yr ago	1,877	2,853	13	5	4,748
Avg Wt	16.07	36.56	24.55	36.44	28.20
To-date/2011*	61,291	87,624	710	246	149,871
To-date/2010*	61,191	86,521	696	230	148,638
% Change YTD	0%	1%	2%	7%	1%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	26,162	72,899	581	205	99,847
Last week	24,666	82,429	348	247	107,690
Same wk yr ago	24,131	83,445	246	140	107,962
To-date/2011*	833,756	2,721,804	14,191	5,869	3,575,620
To-date/2010*	828,688	2,657,845	13,684	5,816	3,506,033
% Change YTD	1%	2%	4%	1%	2%
Dressing %	80.0%	80.0%	77.0%	77.0%	

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

NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY

INSPECTED PLANTS

	-----Young turkeys-----			Old Breeders	Total	Turkeys
	Thousand	Pct chg	Avg			
	Head	PW	Live wt			
North East	616	0	26.17	(A)	618	26.17
South Atlantic	643	-15	32.82	(A)	645	32.82
North Central	2,171	-1	30.66	(A)	2,173	30.66
South Central	780	-3	17.74	(A)	782	17.74
West	236	2	29.47	(A)	238	29.47
U.S. total	4,446	(B) -3	28.02	10	4,456	28.02
To-date						
2011*	149,625	(B)		246	149,871	
To-date						
2010*	148,408	(B)		230	148,638	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turkeys included: this week 29,000; for the current year to date* 710,000; for last year to date* 696,000.

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

Live Poultry Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection

(Preliminary) W/E 27-Aug-2011	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
-----Thousands-----					
Head	157,223	1,231	1,438	2,669	412
Avg Wt	5.63	3.31	7.98	5.83	6.81
Last week	158,750	1,230	1,490	2,720	438
Same wk yr ago	165,740	1,436	1,558	2,994	437
Avg Wt	5.49	3.19	8.11	5.75	7.01
To-date/2011*	5,418,103	46,418	52,478	98,896	14,728
To-date/2010*	5,470,938	48,181	47,908	96,089	14,181
% Change YTD	-1%	-4%	10%	3%	4%

Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage

Current week	659,448	2,160	7,344	9,504	2,020
Last week	670,584	2,086	7,696	9,782	2,157
Same wk yr ago	677,885	2,428	8,403	10,831	2,206
To-date/2011*	23,087,983	79,386	272,989	352,375	71,925
To-date/2010*	22,649,287	82,761	251,133	333,894	70,096
% Change YTD	2%	-4%	9%	6%	3%

Dressing % 74.5% 53.0% 64.0% 72.0%

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 156.0 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 159.1 million head, or 3.1 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
July 23	162.4	161.4	101%	5.66
July 30	161.0	160.2	100%	5.72
Aug 6	160.6	159.5	101%	5.62
Aug 13	157.9	159.5	99%	5.63
Aug 20	160.7	158.1	102%	5.67
Aug 27	159.1	156.0	102%	5.63
Year to date	5483.8	5438.8	101%	
Sep 3		154.6		
Sep 10		153.8		

*Based on chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier.

Estimated Slaughter of U.S. Broiler/Fryers and Fowl

Class	Current Week 09/03/11 (1)	Previous Week 08/27/11
Broiler/fryer	161,693 (2)	159,436
Light hens	1,505	1,356
Heavy hens	1,597	1,868
Total	164,795	162,660

(1) Estimated

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 03-Sep-11 is 154.6 million head compared to 174.2 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 162.0 million head or 7.4 million more than estimated available. For the week of 10-Sep-11 the estimated available is 153.8 million head.

Weekly Cold Storage Holdings – Selected Centers

(Incl. Gov't Stocks) (in thousands)	Frozen Eggs lbs.	Proc. Turkeys lbs.	Proc. other Poultry lbs.
AM 08/29/11	3,207	173,279	49,932
AM 08/01/11	3,130	173,497	51,134
CHG	77	-218	-1202
PCT CHG	2%	0%	-2%

Whole Young Turkeys

Frozen basted equivalent offering prices on a national basis for hens 104.00-110.00 cents shipping point and 16-24 lb. toms 104.00-111.00 cents shipping point for current deliveries.

National Fowl Markets

26-Aug-11

Live Spent Heavy

Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading: Price Range 8.5-19.3 Wtd Avg 13.25
Prices in cents per pound.

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

Live Spent Light

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.

Commercial Egg Movement (Receipts from Producers)

W/E 27-Aug -2011	Cases (in thousands)	% Change From LW	LY
North Atlantic	210.1	2	8
East North Central	664.3	-2	2
West North Central	290.4	2	35
South Atlantic	138.4	-3	-1
South Central	51.6	-6	0
West	53.9	0	1
Total	1408.7	-1	8

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)

Final Broiler/Fryer Report

Prices negotiated for truck-lot sales of ready-to-cook broiler/fryers delivered to first receivers and FOB dock at major market areas (cents per lb) Week of 29-Aug-2011

Delivered to First Receivers 1/:	Grade A		Lds	Composite	
	Maj	Wtd Avg		Wtd Avg	Lds
Los Angeles	98.00	95.95	22	82.90	77
New York	72.00-75.00	73.62	21	76.19	43

Delivered to First Receivers 1/:

Delivered to First Receivers 1/:	Whole Body 2/:		Lds	Composite	
	Maj	Wtd Avg		Wtd Avg	Lds
Chicago	69.00-75.00			71.85	48

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	08/29/11	Change Last Wk	08/22/11	08/30/10
353	78.74	-2.48	81.22	85.62

