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

New York prices are unchanged on all sizes. Regional prices are steady. Asking prices for next week's deliveries are trending higher. Retail demand is mixed with improvements noted in areas with planned feature activity. Distributive demand is light to mostly moderate. Offerings are light to moderate. Market activity is moderate to at times active. Breaking stock offerings are light; demand is moderate to good. Light type hen offerings are mostly sufficient for the light to moderate demand.

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 for next week are steady for extra large and large, and 2 cents higher for medium. Daily producer prices are steady for large, and 2 cents higher for medium and small. The undertone is firm. Retail demand is improving and noted as moderate to fairly good. Food service demand is moderate. Offerings are light to moderate. Market activity is moderate. Breaking stock prices are steady to higher with checks and undergrades higher. Trade sentiment is fully steady. Demand is light to moderate on light offerings. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is moderate to instances active.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	94-103	97-100
LARGE	93-102	95-98
MEDIUM	76-85	78-81
Prices delivered to store door:	RANGE	MOSTLY
Prices delivered to store door: EXTRA LARGE	<b>RANGE</b> 101-109	<b>MOSTLY</b> 102-104

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

Prices paid to producers, cents per dozen:	RANGE	MOSTLY
LARGE	75-85	79
MEDIUM	60-64	62
SMALL	45-51	

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

<u>SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL</u> Prices are steady with a fully steady to firm undertone. Next week's asking prices are 1 cent higher for extra large and large, while medium are 2 cents higher. Retail demand is moderate to fairly good with planned feature activity providing best movement. Food service demand is mostly moderate. Offerings are light to moderate. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is moderate to active. Breaking stock prices are steady to higher with checks and undergrades higher. Demand is moderate to fairly good. Offerings are light. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is moderate to instances active.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	104.5-113	106-109
LARGE	100.5-109	102-105
MEDIUM	82.5-91	84-87

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

**SOUTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices are steady. The undertone is steady. Retail and distributive demand is mostly moderate. Offerings are moderate on larger sized eggs and light to moderate on Mediums for trade needs. Market activity is moderate. Breaking stock offerings in the Eastern region are light for the moderate to fairly good demand. Light type hen offerings are sufficient; processing schedules are normal.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	100.5-120.25	102-105
LARGE	99-116.25	100-103
MEDIUM	82-90	83-87

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 higher on Extra Large and Medium, steady on Large. Offerings are light to moderate. Retail demand continues light while distributive demand is light to mostly moderate. Market activity is moderate to active. Eastern region breaking stock offerings are light; demand is moderate to instances good. Spent hen demand is light to moderate for mostly moderate offerings.

	KANGE	MOSILI
EXTRA LARGE	102-119	104-108
LARGE	96-110	101-105
MEDIUM	77-90	82-84
NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME,	,	١,
Eastern NY, Eastern PA, RI, Northern VA, and V	Т	

**NEW YORK EGGS** Prices are unchanged on all sizes. Offerings are light to mostly moderate. Demand into all channels is light to moderate. Market activity is moderate.

	RANGE	MOSILY
EXTRA LARGE	110-114	-
LARGE	108-112	-
MEDIUM	91-95	-

**WESTERN REGIONAL** Prices are steady. Asking prices for next week are unchanged on jumbo, 1 cent higher for extra large, unchanged for large and 2 cents higher for medium and small. Trade sentiment is fully steady. Offerings are light to instances moderate with demand light to mostly moderate. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is moderate to active.

<u>CALIFORNIA</u> Benchmark prices are steady. Asking prices for next week are unchanged for jumbo, 1 cent higher for extra large, unchanged on large and 2 cents higher for medium and small. Trade sentiment is fully steady. Demand is light to mostly moderate with offerings light to instances moderate. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is moderate to active. Small benchmark price 95 cents.

<u>CALIFORNIA</u>: 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.

	KANGE
JUMBO	143
EXTRA LARGE	140
LARGE	136
MEDIUM	115

**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	125-135
EXTRA LARGE	122-130
LARGE	114-125
MEDIUM	95-105

Weekly National Egg Products - F.O.B. Shipper Dock Basis; Wholesale prices; cents per pound unless otherwise noted.

#### Liquid

Whole egg prices are steady to lower with whites steady to higher and yolk irregular. Trade sentiment is fully steady to firm for whole egg, mostly steady for whites and steady to barely steady for yolk. Offerings are light for whole egg and possibly short of next week's needs, while yolk and white offerings are moderate. Demand is fairly good to good for whole egg and whites and light to moderate for yolk and price sensitive. Market activity moderate to active.

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

Class	Curre	nt Week		Last Week			Aug Averages	
Class	Range	Loads	Wtd Avg	Range	Loads	Wtd Avg	Loads	Wtd Avg
Whole	56.00 - 60.00	10	57.70	56.00 61.00	6	59.17	54	63.35
Whites	48.00 <sup>-</sup> 52.50	9	50.56	48.00 52.00	16	50.56	51	47.19
Yolk	77.00 <sup>-</sup> 79.50	8	78.13	75.00 <sup>-</sup> 83.00	9	79.06	40	80.94

#### Frozen

Frozen whole egg and white prices are steady to higher with sugared and salted yolk higher. Trade sentiment is fully steady for all frozen products. Offerings are light to moderate and held in confident hands. Demand is light to mostly moderate. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is moderate to instances active.

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

Trucklot	Current Week		Last	Week	Aug Av	Aug Averages	
HUCKIOL	Range	Mostly	Range	Mostly	This Month	Last Month	
Whole	82.00 <sup>-</sup> 88.00	82.00 <sup>-</sup> 83.00	82.00 <sup>-</sup> 85.00	84.00 85.00	82.35	74.13	
Whites	71.00 <sup>-</sup> 79.00	73.00 <sup>-</sup> 76.00	71.00 <sup>-</sup> 75.00	73.00 - 75.00	73.60	72.63	
Sugar Yolk 1/	104.00 <sup>-</sup> 107.00	105.00 <sup>-</sup> 106.00	103.00 <sup>-</sup> 106.00	105.00 - 106.00	102.80	92.75	
Salt Yolk 1/	100.00 <sup>-</sup> 104.00	101.00 <sup>-</sup> 103.00	99.00 - 103.00	99.00 <sup>-</sup> 101.00	99.50	89.25	

Less-than-	Current Week Last V		Last W	/eek	Aug Av	erages
Trucklot	Range	Mostly	Range	Mostly	This Month	Last Month
Whole	86.00 <sup>-</sup> 88.00		85.00 <sup>-</sup> 88.00		84.60	76.40
Whites	75.00 <sup>-</sup> 76.00		75.00 <sup>-</sup> 76.00		75.70	76.25
Sugar Yolk 1/	105.00 <sup>-</sup> 106.00		105.00 <sup>-</sup> 106.00		103.40	95.00
Salt Yolk 1/	105.00 <sup>-</sup> 106.00		105.00 <sup>-</sup> 106.00		103.75	95.00

<sup>1/</sup>Minimum 43% solids.

## Dried

Prices of dried whole, yolk and albumen are higher, steady on blends. The undertone is mostly steady. Demand is light to moderate on light to at times moderate offerings. Trading is based on spot orders and contractual commitments with first quarter inquiries noted. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate.

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

Class	Current Week		Last Week		Aug Av	erages
Class	Range	Mostly	Range	Mostly	This Month	Last Month
Whole	2.70 <sup>-</sup> 3.15	2.95 - 3.00	2.63 <sup>-</sup> 3.05	2.95 - 3.00	2.92	2.76
Yolk	2.15 <sup>-</sup> 2.38	2.20 <sup>-</sup> 2.25	1.99 <sup>-</sup> 2.35	2.20 - 2.25	2.15	2.02
Albumen 2/	4.70 <sup>-</sup> 5.05	4.80 - 4.90	4.65 <sup>-</sup> 5.00	4.80 - 4.90	4.84	4.77
Blends 3/	2.40 <sup>-</sup> 2,45		2.40 <sup>-</sup> 2.45		2.27	2.12

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2/</sup> Spray Dried; <sup>3/</sup> Whole plus sweetener.

Eggs Processed Under Federal Inspection W/E 10-Sep-2011 (lbs. in thousands) (excludes ingredients)							
Total Production	Cases on Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible	
CW	1,328,136	32,007	12,854	6,278	3,056	4,271	
PW	1,382,897	33,435	13,528	6,637	3,412	4,567	
LY	1,422,278	34,193	13,962	6,622	3,233	4,633	
% PW	-4%	-4%	-5%	-5%	-10%	-6%	
% LY	-7%	-6%	-8%	-5%	-5%	-8%	
2011	48,465,629	1,137,890	495,448	249,919	108,031	161,356	
2010	47,414,267	1,148,244	468,082	228,059	102,088	158,305	
% YTD	2%	-1%	6%	10%	6%	2%	
				CW	PW	LY	
Average Yield Per Case - (inedible included) 41.72 42.06 41.77							
Average \	Yield Per Case	e - (inedible	excluded)	38.50	38.76	38.51	

**In Line Production** (of total production; lbs. in thousands; may include a limited amount of off-line source material.)

	Case	s Broken	Liqu	Liquid Whole		
	Cases	% of Total	lbs.	% of Total		
Current Week	756,662	57.0%	19,786	61.8%		
Previous Week	781,352	56.5%	20,271	60.6%		
Last Year	765,171	53.8%	19,576	57.3%		

Breaking Stock - Prices in cents/doz., dlvrd. to breakers, 48 lb. min. net wt. per 30 doz. case, eggs from table egg layers. Pkg. may vary.

Central Region Breaking stock prices are steady to higher with checks and undergrades higher. Trade sentiment is fully steady. Offerings are light on moderate to fairly good demand. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is moderate to instances active.

	Range	Mostly
Breaking Stock	73-80	73-75
Checks & Undergrades	54-63	54-58
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 steady to higher on breaking stock, steady on checks and undergrades. Offerings are light. Demand is moderate to fairly good. Market activity is moderate to active. Cases broken under federal inspection for week ending 10-Sep-2011 are 2 percent less than the previous week and 9 percent less than the same week last year.

	Range	Mostly
Breaking Stock	68-76	72-75
Checks & Undergrades	52-63	52-56
Eastern States Area: AL, CT, DE	, FL, GA, KY, I	ME, MD, MA, MS,
NH, NJ, NY, NC, PA, RI, SC, TN,	VT, VA, & WV	1

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES Weekly Weighted Average Prices (cents/dozen) National Trading for September 09, 2011 – September 15, 2011

	(	CURREN	T LOADS	125.50		FU	JTURE LO	ADS 32.25			TOTAI	LOADS	3 157.75	5	
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CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	75.80	78.00	77.50	78.50	76.00	77.00	18.00	GNR W 1		78.00					1.00
GNR BR 1							1.00	GL W J	78.00	89.00		95.00	85.00	88.29	5.50
GL W J					75.62		3.25	GL W XL	88.31	92.92				100.94	18.75
GL W XL	86.00	89.00	95.92	94.88	86.15	90.83	38.25	GL W LG	71.75	86.75				79.94	40.00
GL W LG	76.00	86.56	86.25	80.69	78.15	81.10	51.00	GL W MD	69.00					76.90	12.25
GL W MD	56.00		66.00	67.00	66.17		16.25	GL W SM	53.00						3.00
GL W SM	59.33	61.75	53.00	56.00	54.00		8.00	NRBS - 50	66.00					73.00	4.00
GL BR J				88.00	83.00		.25								
GL BR SM			55.00	57.00			.25								
NRBS - 48			70.64	71.45	72.50	77.75	20.00								
NRBS - 36					52.00	55.00	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.

## NATIONAL FOWL MARKETS LIVE SPENT HEAVY FOWL

Prices are trending steady to firm when compared to the previous week. Offerings are sufficient for the mostly moderate demand. Processing schedules are back to normal following the Labor Day holiday. Feature activity was noted as moderate. Finished product supplies are moderate to heavy for current needs. Market activity is moderate to active.

Final prices at Farm Buyer Loading:	Price Range	Wtd Avg
Prices in cents per pound.	8.5 - 19.5	13.30

(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 mostly moderate offerings of light type hens. Processing schedules are normal following the Labor Day holiday. Market activity is slow to moderate. The majority of removal costs was unchanged ranging 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.

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REGIONS	<b>EX LARGE</b>	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	106.00	103.00	83.00
SOUTHEAST	103.50	101.50	85.00
MIDWEST	98.50	96.50	79.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	107.50	103.50	85.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	104.03	101.20	83.33

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.

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

Week ending 10-Sep-11 (PRELIMINARY) U.S. fowl slaughtered domestically Thousands Light Heavy **Total** Hens Hens Hens Head 1,293 1,579 2,872 Last Week 1,387 1,379 2,766 Same week yr ago 964 1,301 2,265 To-date/2011\* 49.098 55,436 104,534 To-date/2010\* 50,474 50,641 101,115

U.S. fowl slaughtered in Canada Thousands Light Heavy Total Hens Hens Hens Head 270 13 283 Last Week 281 n 281 Same week yr ago 270 24 294 To-date/2011\* 13,437 384 13,821 To-date/2010\* 12.199 346 12.545

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

Total U.S. fowl slaughtered in the U.S. and Canada						
Thousands	Light	Heavy	Total			
	Hens	Hens	Hens			
Head	1,563	1,592	3,155			
Last Week	1,668	1,379	3,047			
Same week yr ago	1,234	1,325	2,559			
To-date/2011*	62,535	55,820	118,355			
To-date/2010*	62,673	50,987	113,660			

\*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 End	ing Sep 03, 201	1	Year-To-I	Date*
Type	2011	2010 /1	2011 /2	2010
Liquid	146	50	1,305	2,664
Frozen	0	0	0	88
Dried	0	0	139	294
Total	146	50	1,444	3,046

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

Week End	ing Sep 03, 20	Year-To-Date*		
Type	2011	2010 /1	2011 /2	2010
Liquid	231	322	11,030	13,718
Frozen	39	10	693	354
Dried	0	0	48	151
Total	270	332	11,771	14,223

## **Inspected Shell Eggs**

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

Week Ending	Sep 03, 2	2011	Year-	To-Date*
_	2011	2010 /1	2011 /2	2010
Jumbo	0	0	0	0
Extra Large	2,670	570	53,119	55,021
Large	4,614	5,050	105,591	93,785
Medium	60	30	27,735	29,912
Ungraded	12,270	17,343	117,392	142,630
Misc	0	0	600	900
Total	19,614	22,993	304,437	322,248

<sup>/1</sup> Comparable Week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.

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

## <u>Weekly Cold Storage Holdings</u> – Selected Centers (Inc. Gov't Stocks) (in thousands of pounds)

Frozen	Processed	Processed
Eggs	Turkeys	other Poultry
3,327	176,220	44,955
3,236	174,551	48,843
91	1669	-3888
3%	1%	-8%
	<b>Eggs</b> 3,327 3,236 91	Eggs         Turkeys           3,327         176,220           3,236         174,551           91         1669

## Weekly Commercial Egg Movement (Receipts from Producers)

W/E 10-Sep-2011	Cases	% Change From	
REGIONS	(in thousands)	LW	LY
North Atlantic	202.2	-1	5
East North Central	657.7	0	2
West North Central	283.1	-4	41
South Atlantic	140.2	1	5
South Central	50.7	-1	-4
West	53.5	-3	2
Total	1387.4	-1	8

Matched plants reporting 71 71 Areas Covered: N. 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)

Western (CA, CO, WA, OR, UT)

## Weekly Movement of Eggs Into Retail Channels W/E 10-Sep-2011

Selected Consuming	CW	LW	% Ch	ange
Centers	(Cases, in t	housands)	LW	ĽY
Atlanta	21.8	18.5	18	64
Boston	3.1	2.4	29	-6
Chicago	61.9	59.2	5	28
Los Angeles	59.4	57.8	3	12
New Orleans	5.8	6.7	-13	12
New York	32.5	39.5	-18	1
St. Louis	77.0	64.7	19	11
San Francisco	17.2	17.6	-2	-14
Total	278.7	266.4	5	14
4 Week Moving Avg.	272.9			

## Weekly New England Shell Egg Report September 13, 2011

Prices paid/doz. Grade A Brown eggs in cartons delivered store door.							
	Ex Large	Large	Med	Small			
Maine	181	180	121	86			
Mostly	-	-	-	-			
New Hampshire	174-178	173-177	114-118	79-83			
Mostly	176-177	175-176	116-117	81-82			
Rhode Island	180-184	179-183	120-124	85-89			
Mostly	180	179	120	85			
Vermont	181-185	180-183	121-125	-			
Mostly	-	-	-	-			

<sup>/2</sup> Includes revisions to previous week(s)

<sup>\*</sup>Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.