

### EGG MARKET NEWS REPORT

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

New York and regional prices are steady. The undertone is steady. Retail and distributive demand is light to moderate. Offerings are in a full range, mostly moderate for trade requirements. Market activity is moderate. Breaking stock offerings are moderate to at times heavy for the light demand. Spent hen offerings are sufficient to heavy; demand is light.

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

<u>MIDWEST REGIONAL</u> Midwest delivered asking prices for next week are unchanged on all sizes. Daily producer prices are also unchanged. Trade sentiment is fully steady. Retail and food service demand continues moderate on moderate offerings. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is moderate. Breaking stock prices are steady. Trade sentiment is steady. Demand ranges light to fairly good, mostly light. Offerings are moderate to instances heavy and include graded loose shell eggs of varying weights. Supplies are moderate to instances heavy. Market activity is slow to moderate.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	109-118	112-115
LARGE	108-117	110-113
MEDIUM	96-105	98-101
Prices delivered to store door:	RANGE	MOSTLY
Prices delivered to store door: EXTRA LARGE	<b>RANGE</b> 116-124	<b>MOSTLY</b> 117-119

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

Prices paid to producers, cents per dozen:	RANGE	MOSTLY
LARGE	90-100	94
MEDIUM	78-82	80
SMALL	56-62	

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

**SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL** Prices were steady with a fully steady undertone. Retail demand was light to moderate. Food service demand was light. Offerings are light to moderate. Supplies were adequate for all weights. Market activity was light to moderate. Breaking stock prices were steady. demand was light and offerings were moderate to heavy. Supplies were moderate to heavy. Market activity was moderate.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	122.5-131	124-127
LARGE	120.5-129	122-125
MEDIUM	103.5-112	105-108

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

<u>SOUTHEAST REGIONAL</u> Prices are steady. Asking prices for next week's deliveries are trending unchanged. Demand into retail and food service channels is moderate. Offerings are moderate on all sizes for trading purposes. Market activity remains moderate. Eastern regions breaking stock offerings are moderate for the mostly light demand. Light type hen offerings are adequate to heavy; processing schedules are normal.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	117.5-125	119-122
LARGE	116-123	117-120
MEDIUM	102.5-110	103-107

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

**NORTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices are steady and asking prices for next week's deliveries are unchanged. Offerings are heavy on Large, moderate to heavy on Extra Large and Medium. Demand is light to moderate. Market activity is moderate. Eastern region breaking stock offerings are moderate; demand is mixed, but mostly light. Light hen demand is light for moderate to heavy offerings.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	117-134	119-120
LARGE	111-125	116-120
MEDIUM	97-110	102-104
NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME,	NH, Eastern NJ	Ι,
Eastern NY, Eastern PA, RI, Northern VA, and V	Т	

**NEW YORK EGGS** Prices are steady. Supplies range moderate to heavy for current trading purposes. Demand is light to moderate. Market activity is usually moderate.

RANGE	MOSILY
125-129	-
123-127	-
109-113	-
	125-129 123-127

<u>WESTERN REGIONAL</u> Prices are steady. Asking prices for next week are unchanged on all sizes. Trade sentiment is steady. Demand ranges light to fairly good, mostly moderate with offerings moderate to heavy. Supplies are moderate to heavy. Market activity is moderate.

<u>CALIFORNIA</u> Benchmark prices are steady. Asking prices for next week are unchanged on all sizes. Trade sentiment is steady. Demand ranges light to fairly good, mostly moderate. Offerings are moderate to instances heavy. Supplies are moderate to heavy. Market activity is moderate. Small benchmark price \$1.16.

<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.

	RANGE
JUMBO	150
EXTRA LARGE	152
LARGE	150
MEDIUM	136

<u>SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA</u>: 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	132-142
EXTRA LARGE	134-142
LARGE	127-139
MEDIUM	116-126

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

#### Liquid

Whole egg prices are lower with whites higher and yolk steady to higher. Trade sentiment continues steady with a firm undertone on all liquid products. Demand is mostly moderate with improved interest noted on liquid whites. The majority of liquid movement centers around contractual agreements as breakers are unwilling to put additional spot loads of liquid into the market place. Offerings are moderate for all liquid products. Market activity is moderate.

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

Class	Curre	nt Week		Last Week		Oct Averages		
Class	Range	Loads	Wtd Avg	Range	Loads	Wtd Avg	Loads	Wtd Avg
Whole	64.50 66.00	16	65.28	65.50 <sup>-</sup> 70.00	11	66.68	55	65.82
Whites	56.50 <sup>-</sup> 62.00	8	59.69	54.00 <sup>-</sup> 60.00	7	58.00	34	57.02
Yolk	82.00 <sup>-</sup> 85.00	7	83.14	82.00 · 83.00	3	82.33	26	81.58

#### Frozen

Frozen whole egg and salted yolk prices are steady with whites steady to higher and sugared yolk higher. Trade sentiment continues steady with a firm undertone. Demand is light to mostly moderate on light to instances moderate offerings. Most sellers continue to ask higher prices on future frozen sales with limited success. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate.

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

Trucklot	Current Week		Last Week		Last Week		Oct Averages	
Truckiot	Range	Mostly	Range	Mostly	This Month	Last Month		
Whole	80.50 <sup>-</sup> 89.00	85.00 87.00	80.50 - 89.00	86.00 89.00	84.91	84.50		
Whites	75.00 <sup>-</sup> 79.00	76.00 <sup>-</sup> 77.00	72.00 <sup>-</sup> 79.00	74.00 <sup>-</sup> 77.00	75.88	74.25		
Sugar Yolk 1/	105.00 <sup>-</sup> 108.00		104.00 <sup>-</sup> 107.00	105.00 <sup>-</sup> 106.00	105.88	105.38		
Salt Yolk 1/	101.00 <sup>-</sup> 104.00	102.00 <sup>-</sup> 103.00	101.00 <sup>-</sup> 104.00	102.00 <sup>-</sup> 103.00	102.75	102.88		

Less-than-	Current V	Veek	Last Week		Oct Averages	
Trucklot	Range	Mostly	Range	Mostly	This Month	Last Month
Whole	89.00		89.00		88.75	87.25
Whites	76.00 <sup>-</sup> 78.00		76.00		76.00	75.50
Sugar Yolk 1/	108.00		108.00 <sup>-</sup> 109.00		108.00	106.38
Salt Yolk 1/	108.00		108.00 <sup>-</sup> 109.00		108.00	106.38

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1/</sup>Minimum 43% solids.

#### Dried

Prices of dried egg products are higher on whole, steady to higher on yolk, steady on albumen and lower on blends. The undertone is steady to firm. Demand is light to moderate. New sales are limited as first quarter inquires increased. Offerings are light to moderate. Supplies are mostly 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		Veek Oct Averages	
Class	Range	Mostly	Range	Mostly	This Month	Last Month
Whole	2.81 <sup>-</sup> 3.45	2.95 - 3.00	2.70 - 3.10	2.95 3.00	3.03	2.80
Yolk	2.10 <sup>-</sup> 2.38	2.25 - 2.30	2.10 · 2.35	2.20 - 2.30	2.23	2.23
Albumen 2/	4.80 <sup>-</sup> 5.30	5.10 <sup>-</sup> 5.15	4.80 - 5.30	5.00 - 5.05	5.02	4.89
Blends 3/	2.38 - 2.90		2.40 <sup>-</sup> 2.95	2.40 - 2.45	2.58	2.43

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

Eggs Processed Under Federal Inspection						
W/E 22-O	ct-2011 (II	bs. in thous	ands)	(excludes	ingredient	ts)
Total	Cases		Liquid			
Production	on Broken	Whole	White	Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CW	1,344,396	33,504	12,481	6,333	2,414	4,672
PW	1,345,862	34,803	12,191	5,990	2,460	4,644
LY	1,322,963	33,710	11,733	5,848	2,519	4,195
% PW	0%	-4%	2%	6%	-2%	1%
% LY	2%	-1%	6%	8%	-4%	11%
2011	56,616,195	1,340,408	571,446	289,043	122,799	189,113
2010	56,028,863	1,360,785	549,671	268,359	120,648	185,972
% YTD	1%	-1%	4%	8%	2%	2%
CW PW LY						LY
Average Yield Per Case - (inedible included) 42.39 42.82 41.94					41.94	
,					38.77	

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

	Case	Cases Broken		Liquid Whole	
	Cases	% of Total	lbs.	% of Total	
Current Week	756,307	56.3%	20,301	60.6%	
Previous Week	747,430	55.5%	20,670	59.4%	
Last Year	679,893	51.4%	19,522	57.9%	

<u>Breaking Stock</u> - 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** Prices are steady. Trade sentiment is steady. Demand ranges light to fairly good, mostly light. Offerings are moderate to instances heavy and include graded loose shell eggs of varying weights. Supplies are moderate to instances heavy. Market activity is slow to moderate.

	Range	Mostly
Breaking Stock	82-84	
Checks & Undergrades	64-73	64-68
Central States Area: AR, CO, IA	, IL, IN, KS, I	LA, MI, MN, MO, NM,
ND. NE. OH. OK. SD. TX. & WI		

**Eastern** Prices are steady. Offerings are moderate. Demand is mixed, but mostly light. Market activity is moderate to slow. Cases broken under federal inspection in the Eastern region for week ending 22-Oct-2011 are 2 percent higher than the previous week, however 13 percent less than the same week a year ago.

	Range	Mostly
Breaking Stock	77-84	79-82
Checks & Undergrades	55-66	55-59
Eastern States Area: AL, C	CT, DE, FL, GA,	KY, ME, MD, MA, MS,
NH, NJ, NY, NC, PA, RI, SC	, TN, VT, VA, & \	NV

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES Weekly Weighted Average Prices (cents/dozen) National Trading for October 21, 2011 – October 27, 2011

#### **CURRENT LOADS 74.50 FUTURE LOADS 29.50 TOTAL LOADS 104.00** MW SF NE SC NW SW **DST CLASS** ORG DST ORG DST ORG DST LOADS **CLASS ORG** ORG **DST** ORG **DST LOADS** 91.88 GNR W 1 91.00 91.00 31.00 GNR W 1 103.00 14.00 94.36 114.50 104.00 110.00 6.50 GNR W 2 90.50 1.00 GL W J --GL W XL 3.25 GNR BR 1 149.00 2.00 99.00 116 00 106.64 GL W LG -- 110.00 GL W J 94.64 5.75 99.25 107.75 109.09 12.00 GL W XL -- 113.57 103.64 106.68 102.47 106.00 19.50 GL W MD 88.00 88.00 93.86 95.97 9.75 99.75 GL W LG -- 109.38 105.05 96.18 22.50 GL BR J 130.00 .25 GL W MD 84.25 86.00 83.79 89.00 11.00 GL W SM --67.00 70.00 3.00 114.00 GL BR J .25 GL BR MD 90.83 80.67 3.00 **NRBS - 48** 82.00 84.00 84.00 19.00 NRBS - 39 75.50 2.00

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 when compared to a week earlier. Offerings are sufficient for the light to moderate demand. Processing schedules are noted as normal. Retail feature activity is moderate. Finished product supplies are moderate to heavy for current needs. Market activity is moderate.

Final prices at Farm Buyer Loading:	Price Range	Wtd Avg
	8.5 - 19.3	13.28

(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 for the moderate to heavy offerings of light type hens. Processing schedules are normal. Market activity is slow to moderate. The majority for removal costs remained unchanged at 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	<b>EX LARGE</b>	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	119.50	118.00	103.00
SOUTHEAST	120.50	118.50	105.00
MIDWEST	113.50	111.50	99.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	125.50	123.50	106.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	120.02	118.14	103.62

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.

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

Week ending 22-Oct-11 (PRELIMINARY)

U.S. fowl slaughtered domestically					
Thousands	Light	Heavy	Total		
	Hens	Hens	Hens		
Head	1,231	1,677	2,908		
Last Week	1,249	1,710	2,959		
Same week yr ago	1,208	1,391	2,599		
To-date/2011*	57,179	65,456	122,635		
To-date/2010*	59,044	59,338	118,382		

#### U.S. fowl slaughtered in Canada

Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
75	15	90
244	13	257
113	12	125
14,717	436	15,153
14,118	410	14,528
	Hens 75 244 113 14,717	Hens         Hens           75         15           244         13           113         12           14,717         436

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 1,306 1,692 2,998 Last Week 1,493 1,723 3,216 Same week yr ago 1,321 1,403 2,724 65,892 To-date/2011\* 71,896 137,788 73,162 To-date/2010\* 59.748 132,910

\*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 Oct 15, 2011			Year-To	-Date*
Type	2011	2010 /1	2011 /2	2010
Liquid	97	49	1,790	3,057
Frozen	0	0	0	88
Dried	0	79	139	424
Total	97	128	1,929	3,569

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

Week Ending Oct 15, 2011			Year-To-	-Date*
Type	2011	2010 /1	2011 /2	2010
Liquid	114	226	12,327	15,711
Frozen	48	41	808	521
Dried	0	0	48	151
Total	162	267	13,183	16,383

#### **Inspected Shell Eggs**

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

Week Ending	Oct 15, 2	Year-To-Date*		
_	2011	2010 /1	2011 /2	2010
Jumbo	0	0	0	0
Extra Large	2,910	1,530	70,309	66,031
Large	6,790	3,850	136,554	114,415
Medium	1,590	750	33,721	34,972
Ungraded	14,148	7,866	149,624	211,033
Misc	0	0	1,440	900
Total	25,438	13,996	391,648	427,351
4.0	14/ 1 /			

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

PCT CHG

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

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

-2%

		Frozen Eggs	Processed Turkeys	Processed other Poultry
AM	10/24/2011	3,120	119,594	43,465
AM	10/01/2011	3,197	163,766	43,391
CHG		-77	-44172	74

-27%

Weekly Commercial Egg Movement (Receipts from Producers)							
W/E 22-Oct-2011	Cases	% Change From					
REGIONS	(in thousands)	LW	LY				
North Atlantic	211.6	2	7				
East North Central	689.0	3	3				
West North Central	289.8	-2	30				
South Atlantic	138.0	-4	-4				
South Central	52.0	1	-4				
West	53.5	-8	12				
Total	1433.9	1	7				
Matched plants report	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 22-Oct-2011									
Selected Consuming	CW	LW	% Ch	ange					
Centers	(Cases, in t	housands)	LW	LY					
A d L	47.0	40.0	40						
Atlanta	17.0	19.3	-12	1					
Boston	2.9	2.8	4	-3					
Chicago	52.6	54.8	-4	13					
Los Angeles	62.0	55.3	12	2					
New Orleans	6.0	6.5	-8	2					
New York	36.0	37.3	-3	14					
St. Louis	80.5	69.4	16	-9					
San Francisco	16.0	18.5	-14	-15					
Total	273.0	263.9	3	0					
4 Week Moving Avg.	274.2								

<u>Weekly New England Shell Egg Report</u> October 25, 2011 Prices paid/doz. Grade A Brown eggs in cartons delivered store door.

Maine Mostly	Ex Large 195 -	<b>Large</b> 192 -	<b>Med</b> 133	<b>Small</b> 97 -
New Hampshire	188-192	185-189	126-130	90-94
Mostly	190-191	187-188	128-129	92-93
Rhode Island	194-198	191-195	132-136	96-100
Mostly	194	191	132	96
Vermont Mostly	195 -	192 -	133	-

0%

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

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