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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



New York prices are unchanged on all sizes. Prices in remaining regions are steady. Demand into all channels is light to moderate. Retail demand in the South Central region is light to at times good where planned features are in place. Supplies are moderate to instances heavy on larger sizes, mixed on Medium. Market activity is slow to moderate. Breaking stock offerings are moderate to instances heavy; demand is mostly light to moderate. Spent hen offerings are adequate with normal processing schedules.

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 5 cents lower for Medium. Daily producer prices are steady for Large, and 2 cents lower for Medium and Small. The undertone is steady to weak. Demand is light to moderate. Offerings and supplies are moderate on Extra Large and Large, and moderate to heavy on other sizes. Market activity is slow to moderate. Breaking stock prices are steady. The undertone is steady. Offerings are moderate to at times heavy with demand mostly light. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	89-98	92-95
LARGE	88-97	90-93
MEDIUM	73-82	75-78

Prices delivered to store door:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	96-104	97-99
LARGE	94-102	95-97
MEDIUM	79-87	80-82

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN EGGS

Prices paid to producers, cents per dozen:	RANGE	MOSTLY
LARGE	70-80	74
MEDIUM	50-54	52
SMALL	44-50	

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. Next week's asking prices are 5 cents lower for Medium and unchanged for Extra Large and Large. The undertone is steady to barely steady. Retail demand is mixed, light to fairly good with planned or active features providing best movement. Food service demand is light to moderate. Offerings are moderate to at times heavy. Supplies are moderate on the larger sizes and varied for mediums. Market activity is slow to moderate. Breaking stock prices are steady. The undertone is steady. Offerings are moderate to instances heavy on mostly light demand. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	98.5-107	100-103
LARGE	97.5-106	99-102
MEDIUM	78.5-87	80-83

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

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Prices are steady. Asking prices for next week's deliveries are trending lower on Mediums. Retail and distributive demand is light to moderate. Offerings are mostly moderate for trading purposes. Market activity is slow to moderate. Eastern region breaking offerings are moderate for the light to instances moderate demand. Spent hen offerings are sufficient; processing schedules are normal.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	95.5-103	97-100
LARGE	94-101	95-98
MEDIUM	77.5-85	78-82

SOUTHEAST 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 lower on Medium. The undertone is steady to barely steady. Supplies are moderate to heavy. Retail demand is light to moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. Eastern region breaking stock offerings are moderate for a light to at times moderate demand. Spent hen offerings are sufficient for normal processing schedules.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	93-107	96-99
LARGE	89-103	94-98
MEDIUM	76-89	81-83

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

NEW YORK EGGS Prices are unchanged on all sizes. The undertone is steady to barely steady. Supplies are moderate to heavy for current needs. Demand is light to moderate. Market activity is slow to at times moderate.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	103-107	-
LARGE	101-105	-
MEDIUM	83-87	-

WESTERN REGIONAL Benchmark prices are steady. Asking prices for next week are 1 cent lower for Jumbo, steady for Extra Large and Large, and 5 cents lower for Medium and Small. Trade sentiment is steady to weak. Demand is light to moderate. Offerings and supplies are moderate with instances moderate to heavy for Medium and Jumbo sizes. Market activity is slow to moderate. Small benchmark price is 98 cents.

CALIFORNIA Benchmark prices are steady. Asking prices for next week are 1 cent lower for jumbo, steady for extra large and large, and 5 cents lower for medium and small. Trade sentiment is steady to weak. Demand is light to moderate. Offerings and supplies are moderate, instances moderate to heavy for medium and jumbo. Market activity is slow to moderate. Small benchmark price 98 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	138
EXTRA LARGE	137
LARGE	134
MEDIUM	118

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	120-130
EXTRA LARGE	119-127
LARGE	111-123
MEDIUM	98-108

WEEKLY NATIONAL EGG PRODUCTS - F.O.B. Shipper Dock Basis; Wholesale prices; cents per pound unless otherwise noted.

LIQUID EGGS

All liquid prices are mostly unchanged with whites trending down slightly due limited spot trading of certified product. The undertone is steady to fully steady for whites and yolk and steady for whole egg. Demand for all liquid products is moderate to good. Whole egg offerings are moderate to heavy and clearing well, with whites tight and yolk moderate. Market activity is moderate to active.

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

Class	Current Week			Last Week			Jan Averages	
	Range	Loads	Wtd Avg	Range	Loads	Wtd Avg	Loads	Wtd Avg
Whole	35.00 - 46.50	26	40.15	36.00 - 46.50	40	40.25	83	37.64
Whites	39.00 - 44.00	13	41.69	41.00 - 56.00	6	44.00	44	41.30
Yolk	56.00 - 69.00	5	64.40	58.00 - 67.50	5	65.20	14	60.25

FROZEN EGGS

Frozen prices are mostly steady. The undertone is steady. Offerings are moderate to instances heavy with demand light to moderate. Supplies are moderate to heavy. 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		Jan Averages	
	Range	Mostly	Range	Mostly	This Month	Last Month
Whole	64.00 - 69.00	64.00 - 66.00	63.00 - 69.00	64.00 - 65.00	68.75	77.88
Whites	73.00 - 76.00	72.00 - 74.00	72.00 - 76.00	72.00 - 74.00	74.13	76.63
Sugar Yolk ^{1/}	86.00 - 93.00	86.00 - 90.00	84.00 - 91.00	86.00 - 88.00	88.75	97.38
Salt Yolk ^{1/}	80.00 - 88.00	83.00 - 85.00	81.00 - 90.00	83.00 - 85.00	86.13	94.00

LESS-THAN-TRUCKLOT	Current Week		Last Week		Jan Averages	
	Range	Mostly	Range	Mostly	This Month	Last Month
Whole	68.00 - 72.00		69.00 - 73.00		73.88	83.13
Whites	73.00 - 74.00		73.00 - 76.00		75.25	77.88
Sugar Yolk ^{1/}	90.00 - 94.00		92.00 - 96.00		95.63	100.13
Salt Yolk ^{1/}	90.00 - 94.00		92.00 - 96.00		95.38	100.00

^{1/}Minimum 43% solids.

DRIED EGGS

Prices of dried whole eggs are lower, yolk steady to lower, blends steady to higher and mixed on albumen. Trade sentiment is steady. Demand is light to moderate with improved interest in spot sales, contractual orders and exports. Offerings are moderate to instances heavy. Supplies are moderate to mostly heavy. 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		Jan Averages	
	Range	Mostly	Range	Mostly	This Month	Last Month
Whole	2.20 - 2.75	2.25 - 2.35	2.30 - 2.80	2.30 - 2.40	2.59	2.78
Yolk	1.65 - 2.00	1.75 - 1.85	1.65 - 2.05	1.75 - 1.85	1.88	2.09
Albumen ^{2/}	4.42 - 4.90	4.45 - 4.50	4.32 - 4.95	4.45 - 4.50	4.70	4.87
Blends ^{3/}	2.25 - 2.30		2.08 - 2.30	2.08	2.28	2.51

^{2/}Spray Dried; ^{3/}Whole plus sweetener.

EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

W/E 04-FEB-2012 (Lbs. In Thousands) (Excludes Ingredients)

Total Production	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CW	1,266,547	29,589	13,461	6,768	2,840	4,404
PW	1,319,465	29,818	14,161	7,427	3,522	4,578
LY	1,275,761	30,130	13,239	6,586	2,667	4,290
% PW	-4%	-1%	-5%	-9%	-19%	-4%
% LY	-1%	-2%	2%	3%	6%	3%
2012	6,607,844	155,691	67,902	35,073	15,402	22,841
2011	6,578,876	158,309	66,100	32,680	15,560	22,522
% YTD	0%	-2%	3%	7%	-1%	1%

	CW	PW	LY
Average Yield Per Case - (inedible included)	42.81	42.43	42.52
Average Yield Per Case - (inedible excluded)	39.33	38.96	39.16

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

	CASES BROKEN		LIQUID WHOLE	
	Cases	% of Total	lbs.	% of Total
CURRENT WEEK	678,344	53.6%	16,720	56.5%
PREVIOUS WEEK	692,637	52.5%	17,048	57.2%
LAST YEAR	722,649	56.6%	18,924	62.8%

BREAKING STOCK

Prices in cents per dozen, delivered to breakers, 48 lb. minimum net weight per 30 dozen case, eggs from table egg layers. Packaging may vary.

CENTRAL REGION Prices are steady. The undertone is steady. Offerings are moderate to at times heavy with demand mostly light. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	47-49	
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	31-40	31-35
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. Demand continues light to at times moderate. Offerings are moderate for trade needs. Market activity is slow to moderate. Cases broken under federal inspection in the Eastern region for week ending 04-Feb-2012 are 6 percent lower than the previous week and 9 percent higher than the same week a year ago.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	45-50	49
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	30-40	30-34
EASTERN STATES 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 February 03, 2012 – February 09, 2012

CURRENT LOADS 106.75							FUTURE LOADS 41.00			TOTAL LOADS 147.75					
CLASS	SE		NE		MW		LOADS	CLASS	SC		NW		SW		LOADS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST			ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W 1	67.00	71.50	69.13	70.67	64.00	--	19.00	GNR W 1	--	74.00	--	--	--	--	7.00
GNR W 3	--	--	51.00	52.50	47.50	--	4.00	GNR W 3	--	58.00	--	--	--	--	2.00
GNR BR 1	--	--	--	85.00	--	--	.75	GL W J	--	79.38	--	85.25	76.50	78.50	6.00
GL W J	--	--	79.00	81.00	64.85	--	6.00	GL W XL	--	89.50	--	--	--	70.00	6.50
GL W XL	--	85.18	70.93	73.46	62.22	69.90	28.00	GL W LG	--	88.14	--	86.88	--	--	22.00
GL W LG	--	79.33	49.00	57.00	62.65	65.21	43.75	GL W MD	--	62.00	--	--	--	60.04	8.50
GL W MD	--	--	54.50	56.86	50.14	56.11	44.00	NRBS - 50	70.00	--	--	--	--	77.00	5.00
GL W SM	48.00	48.00	42.00	45.00	40.00	--	6.00								
GL BR J	--	--	--	155.00	150.00	--	.25								
GL BR XL	--	--	--	85.00	--	--	.50								
GL BR LG	--	--	--	83.00	--	79.00	2.25								
GL BR MD	--	--	--	--	62.00	67.00	.25								
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	--	49.00	16.00								

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 LIGHT FOWL**

Prices are trending steady for the light to mostly moderate demand. Offerings of light type hens are sufficient. Processing schedules are noted as normal. Market activity is slow to moderate. The majority price for removal costs remains 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	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	97.50	96.00	82.00
SOUTHEAST	98.50	96.50	80.00
MIDWEST	93.50	91.50	76.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	101.50	100.50	81.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	97.91	96.33	80.05

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.

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

Week ending 04-Feb-12 (PRELIMINARY)

U.S. fowl slaughtered domestically

Thousands	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
Head	1,221	1,530	2,751
Last Week	1,640	1,630	3,270
Same week yr ago	1,325	1,355	2,680
To-date/2012*	7,851	7,698	15,549
To-date/2011*	7,144	7,032	14,176

U.S. fowl slaughtered in Canada

Thousands	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
Head	295	24	319
Last Week	361	0	361
Same week yr ago	381	24	405
To-date/2012*	1,880	36	1,916
To-date/2011*	1,925	46	1,971

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	1,516	1,554	3,070
Last Week	2,001	1,630	3,631
Same week yr ago	1,706	1,379	3,085
To-date/2012*	9,731	7,734	17,465
To-date/2011*	9,069	7,078	16,147

*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)

Type	Year-To-Date*			
	2012	2011 /1	2012 /2	2011
Liquid	49	0	149	191
Frozen	0	0	0	0
Dried	0	0	0	0
Total	49	0	149	191

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

Type	Year-To-Date*			
	2012	2011 /1	2012 /2	2011
Liquid	264	335	893	1,292
Frozen	4	3	66	22
Dried	0	0	0	0
Total	268	338	959	1,314

INSPECTED SHELL EGGS

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

Type	Year-To-Date*			
	2012	2011 /1	2012 /2	2011
Jumbo	0	0	0	0
Extra Large	0	0	3,000	699
Large	0	275	1,146	575
Medium	0	145	0	145
Ungraded	840	462	4,284	5,987
Misc	0	0	0	0
Total	840	882	8,430	7,406

/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 Eggs

As of January 31, 2012

Comparisons on the Basis of Matched Plants

Class	Number Of Pounds	% Change Last Month	% Change Last Year
Whole			
Plain	3,004,739	20%	15%
Free Flowing	4,037,100	4%	-20%
Subtotal:	7,041,839	10%	-8%
White (Albumen)	8,083,777	-4%	22%
Subtotal:	8,083,777	-4%	22%
Yolk			
Plain	4,233,085	10%	37%
Free Flowing (W/Sodium Silico Aluminate)	4,155,092	5%	172%
Subtotal:	8,388,177	7%	82%
Blends 1/			
Whole	1,748,058	-2%	-22%
White	3,450	-28%	-94%
Yolk	555,061	9%	-7%
Subtotal:	2,306,569	0%	-20%
Total:	25,820,362	3%	19%

Dried Eggs Processed Under Federal Inspection: January 01, 2012 – January 28, 2012 Total 12,562,000 Pounds.

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

Week ending 04-Feb-2012 (Receipts From Producers)

Regions	Cases (In Thousands)	Percent Change From	
		Last Week	Last Year
North Atlantic	199.7	0	-1
East North Central	717.2	0	10
West North Central	284.8	0	16
South Atlantic	147.1	0	3
South Central	46.1	2	-7
West	54.8	-1	-5
Total	1449.7	0	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)

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS

Week ending 04-Feb-2012

Selected

Consuming Centers	Current Week (Cases, in thousands)	Last Week	Percent Change	
			Last Week	Last Year
Atlanta	17.0	18.4	-8	-14
Boston	2.7	3.2	-16	-16
Chicago	59.5	57.9	3	6
Los Angeles	56.7	49.6	14	5
New Orleans	6.5	6.7	-3	-12
New York	34.2	37.3	-8	1
St. Louis	84.6	84.1	1	3
San Francisco	14.0	13.9	1	-30
Total	275.2	271.1	2	0
4 Week Moving Avg.	279.3			

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS

Selected Centers (INCL. GOV'T STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

		Frozen Eggs	Processed Turkeys	Processed Other Poultry
		LBS	LBS	LBS
AM	02/06/12	3,140	103,435	51,908
AM	01/01/12	3,175	56,420	51,180
CHG		-35	47015	728
PCT CHG		-1%	83%	1%

Based on the historical relationship of the preliminary U.S. Cold storage holdings report of December 31, 2011 and the selected centers storage report, the expected U.S. holdings on February 1, 2012 are:

Frozen Eggs	36 MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS 5%
Processed Turkeys	370 MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS 5%
Processed Other Poultry	646 MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS 5%

WEEKLY NEW ENGLAND SHELL EGGS Feb 07, 2012

PRICES PAID PER DOZEN GRADE A BROWN EGGS IN CARTONS DELIVERED STORE DOOR

	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
MAINE MOSTLY	150	146	117	102
NEW HAMPSHIRE MOSTLY	143-147	139-143	110-114	95-99
RHODE ISLAND MOSTLY	145-146	141-142	112-113	97-98
VERMONT MOSTLY	149-153	145-149	116-120	101-105
	149	145	116	101
	150-153	146-150	117-118	-
	-	-	-	-