

### **EGG & POULTRY NATIONAL WEEKLY REVIEW**

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### **NATIONAL EGG REVIEW**

This week, all New York egg prices are steady. Early in the week, regional prices were lower for the heavier weight eggs and steady to lower for the lighter weights. Extra Large and Large egg prices declined in other regions, but Mediums remained unchanged. Next week's regional asking prices are trending slightly lower for the smaller sizes in the Southwestern region with the balance of regional prices steady. The undertone is steady to instances fully steady. Retail and food service demands are light to moderate in the Northeast, while the Midwest, Southeast, South Central, and Southwest are reporting moderate to good. Offerings are moderate. Supplies are moderate to light. Market activity is moderate. Breaking stock prices are steady to lower with checks and undergrades unchanged. The undertone is steady. Offerings are moderate to instances heavy for the light demand. Supplies are moderate to heavy. Market activity remains slow. National light type hen removal costs continue steady. Demand is moderate. Offerings are light to moderate. Processing schedules are full-time to over-time. Market activity is moderate.

**REGIONAL PRICES** – To retailers, sales to volume buyers, USDA Grade A & Grade A, white egg in cartons, delivered to warehouse, cents per dozen.

	LA	RGE	MED	NUM
REGIONS	RANGE	MOSTLY	RANGE	MOSTLY
Northeast	103-117	108-112	91-104	96-98
Southeast	113-134	114-117	94.5-112	95-99
Midwest	101-110	103-106	84-93	86-89
South Central	112.5-121	114-117	92.5-101	94-97

PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS – Loose eggs at farm, cases exchanged,

grade yield basis, cents per dozen.

IA-MN-WI	01/08/13	01/02/13	01/10/12
Large	83-93	87-97	80-90
Medium	64-68	66-70	56-60

#### WEEKLY COMBINED REGIONAL

01/04/13

Average prices on sales to volume buyers, USDA Grade A and Grade A, white eggs in cartons, delivered warehouse, cents per dozen.

<b>EX LARGE</b>	LARGE	MEDIUM
115.50	114.00	97.00
121.50	119.50	97.00
110.50	108.50	87.50
121.50	119.50	95.50
117.41	115.53	94.24
	115.50 121.50 110.50 121.50	115.50 114.00 121.50 119.50 110.50 108.50 121.50 119.50

Ungraded:

Total:

74.0%

54.3%

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) (Includes Conventional and Specialty)

		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
Jumbo	This Week	6.5	8.5	16.5	8.6	8.6	4.5	53.2
	% Change	11.6%	3.2%	-10.1%	0.7%	12.5%	39.8%	2.7%
Extra Large	This Week	23.5	15.1	50.2	14.7	23.9	7.6	134.9
_	% Change	3.3%	5.4%	20.7%	7.3%	-13.7%	20.8%	6.9%
Large	This Week	56.0	93.3	128.8	64.6	66.7	51.0	460.4
	% Change	3.8%	-3.0%	-1.0%	-19.3%	-8.9%	-6.5%	-5.7%
Medium	This Week	14.6	14.3	51.1	32.9	28.3	8.8	150.0
	% Change	6.5%	1.4%	-8.7%	5.3%	4.5%	-20.8%	-2.1%
Small	This Week	6.4	3.3	6.3	1.7	0.6	3.1	21.4
	% Change	116.9%	20.0%	-6.5%	49.1%	-1.7%	5.5%	25.0%
Miscellaneous	This Week	2.4	12.7	34.3	19.4	5.5	1.8	76.1
	% Change	33.5%	7.0%	-5.4%	7.7%	-0.9%	-16.4%	0.6%
Ungraded	This Week	16.4	20.7	94.7	27.7	19.1	10.7	189.2
	% Change	78.5%	28.0%	34.5%	34.3%	-0.5%	-9.2%	28.4%
Total Shell Egg	This Week	125.9	167.8	381.9	169.6	152.6	87.4	1,085.1
	% Change	14.2%	2.6%	6.3%	-2.2%	-5.2%	-4.9%	2.4%

Totals	Cases	Percent Change	
Shell Egg	1,085.1	2.4%	
Breaking Stock	302.0	4.8%	
Total Shell Egg	1.387.1	2.9%	

### Specialty Shell Egg Inventory 2

Stocks on Hand to be Marketed as Specialty (30-dozen cases in thousands)

		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
Large	This Week	8.3	18.8	7.7	5.2	3.8	1.6	45.4
	% Change	-5.8%	18.5%	60.8%	18.9%	17.0%	-19.4%	16.2%
Ungraded	This Week	0.0	0.0	26.2	13.8	3.8	2.0	45.8
•	% Change	0.0%	0.0%	-2.0%	-5.4%	5.6%	-9.3%	-2.8%
Total Specialty	This Week	8.3	18.8	33.9	19.0	7.6	3.6	91.2
	% Change	-5.8%	18.5%	7.6%	0.2%	11.0%	-14.0%	5.8%
	•						Large:	34.4%

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

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, and WV;

Midwest = IA, IL, IN, KY, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, and WI; South Central = AR, AZ, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX, and UT;

**Southwest** = CA and NV; **Northwest** = ID, MT, OR, WA, and WY.

(Inedible Excluded)

39.18

**Broiler Chicks Placed** 

### **EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION**

W/E 05-Ja	an-2013 (Lb	s In Thous	ands)	(Excludes Ir	ngredient	s)
Total	Cases	Liquid	Liquid	Liquid		
	Broken	Whole	White	Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CW	1,299,735	29,055	14,098	7,363	2,975	4,365
PW	1,443,475	33,225	14,857	7,801	2,880	4,107
LY	1,316,110	32,321	12,730	6,517	2,869	4,424
% PW	-10%	-13%	-5%	-6%	3%	6%
% LY	-1%	-10%	11%	13%	4%	-1%
2012*	1,299,735	29,055	14,098	7,363	2,975	4,365
2011*	1,316,110	32,321	12,730	6,517	2,869	4,424
% YTD	-1%	-10%	11%	13%	4%	-1%
Average Yield Per Case -			CW	P	W	LW
(Inedible	Included)		42.22	41.5	56 4	12.54

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

	Case	es Broken	Liq	uid Whole
	Cases	% of Total	Lbs.	% of Total
CURRENT WEEK	828,662	63.8%	19,242	66.2%
PREVIOUS WEEK	835,710	57.9%	19,630	59.1%
LAST YEAR	753,059	57.2%	19,806	61.3%

**Broiler Eggs Set** 

38.87

### **BROILER HATCHERY**

	Dionei	Dionei Cinc	Cilicks Flaceu		
19 Selected States	Dec 29	Jan 05	Dec 29	Jan 05	
STATE		Thousand			
Alabama	27,873	28,185	21,054	21,164	
Arkansas	21,742	21,748	19,236	21,225	
Delaware	3,411	3,413	3,727	4,445	
Florida	1,350	1,351	725	1,226	
Georgia	32,233	32,661	25,505	27,129	
Kentucky	7,352	7,579	5,778	6,175	
Louisiana	3,288	3,258	2,937	2,966	
Maryland	7,067	7,212	7,048	5,860	
Mississippi	16,719	16,549	15,027	15,003	
Missouri	7,932	7,995	5,589	5,484	
North Carolina	19,765	19,937	15,647	16,076	
Oklahoma	6,936	6,935	4,523	3,579	
Pennsylvania	3,677	3,760	2,907	3,165	
South Carolina	5,463	4,879	4,128	3,779	
Texas	14,043	14,415	11,640	11,997	
Virginia	6,260	6,363	4,021	4,954	
California, Tennessee	,				
and West Virginia	10,213	10,086	9,325	9,549	
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19 State total	195,324	196,326	158,817	163,776	
Previous year total	192,967	193,220	162,444	161,868	
Percent of previous ye	ear 101	102	98	101	
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 15-Feb-13 is estimated at 148.5 million head. This compares to 150.0 million head the previous week and to 153.0 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 151.6 million head and the composite weighted average price was 90.28 cents per pound.

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES - Weekly wtd/avg prices (cents/dozen) National trading for 01/03/13 - 01/09/13

Current L	ds 136.	.25	Future Lo	ds 121.75	Т	otal Lds	258.00
	S	E		NE	N	/IW	
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W XL		91.00					8.00
GNR W 1	81.33	91.43	83.50	84.25			75.00
GNR W 4				66.00			3.00
GL W J			99.33	101.67	80.49		9.50
GL W XL		99.63	87.25	92.03	80.92		49.50
GL W LG		98.13	84.67	82.94	75.23	96.33	104.00
GL W MD	60.00	64.00	71.93	76.29	60.78		20.50
GL W SM	74.00		68.00	70.50			3.00
GL BR XL			106.00	108.00	87.69		3.00
GL BR LG					72.75		2.25
NRBS - 48		56.50	56.50	61.00	48.50		4.00
NRBS - 45		53.00			45.00		1.00

### MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS W/E 05-Jan-12

Selected	CW	PW	% CF	IANGE
Consuming Centers	Cases, ir	n thousands	LW	LY
Atlanta	23.3	17.6	32	22
Boston	2.4	2.9	-17	4
Chicago	57.7	55.3	4	-2
Los Angeles	62.2	55.8	11	-2
New Orleans	6.1	5.9	3	3
New York	32.2	39.9	-19	-16
St. Louis	113.4	92.5	23	65
San Francisco	18.3	22.5	-19	36
Total	315.6	294.0	7	17
4 Week Moving Avg.	322.0			

### <u>LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED</u> W/E 05-Jan-13 (Preliminary)

	You	ung	Young	Old	Total
	Hens	Toms	Bree	eders	Turkeys
Head	1,288	2,076	29	10	3,403
Avg Wt	18.25	41.57	23.16	30.27	32.56
Last week	930	1,444	7	0	2,381
Same wk yr ago	1,544	2,121	11	7	3,683
Avg Wt	17.07	42.34	26.36	26.73	31.67
To-date/2012*	1,288	2,076	29	10	3,403
To-date/2011*	1,544	2,121	11	7	3,683
% Change YTD	-17%	-2%	164%	43%	-8%
Ready-to-Cook W	eight and E	Dressing Perc	entage		
Current week	18,805	69,039	517	233	88,594
Last week	12,016	49,235	138	0	61,389
Same wk yr ago	21,084	71,842	222	143	93,291
To-date/2012*	18,805	69,039	517	233	88,594
To-date/2011*	21,084	71,842	222	143	93,291
% Change YTD	-11%	-4%	133%	63%	-5%
Dressing %	80.0%	80.0%	77.0%	77.0%	

### TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS

W/E 05-Jan-1	3 (Prelir	minary)				
	Youn	g turkey	/S	Old	Total	Turkeys
	Thousand P	ct chg	Avg	Breeders	i	Avg
	Head	PW	Live wt	-Thousand	head-	Live wt
North East	470	29	26.59	(A)	470	26.59
South Atlantic	510	139	38.36	(A)	510	38.36
North Central	1,708	44	33.98	(A)	1,716	33.98
South Central	494	10	22.99	(A)	497	22.99
West	182	15	34.48	(A)	182	34.48
U.S. total	3,364 (B)	42	32.56	10	3,374	32.56
To-date						
2012*	3,364 (B)			10	3,374	
To-date						
2011*	3,676 (B)			7	3,683	
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(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\* 29,000; for last year to date\* 11,000. \*Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION					
(Preliminary)	Young	Light	Heavy	Total	
W/E 05-Jan-2013	Chickens	Hens	Hens	Hens	Ducks
-		Th	ousands		
Head	130,573	1,368	1,130	2,498	349
Avg Wt	5.84	3.07	6.74	4.73	7.82
Last week	115,385	940	780	1,720	239
Same wk yr ago	135,215	1,375	1,365	2,740	404
Avg Wt	5.71	3.15	7.75	5.44	6.47
To-date/2012*	130,573	1,368	1,130	2,498	349
To-date/2011*	135,215	1,375	1,365	2,740	404
% Change YTD	-3%	-1%	-17%	-9%	-14%
Ready-to-Cook We	ight and Dress	sing Percer	ntage		
Current week	579,535	2,226	5,103	7,329	1,938
Last week	491,332	1,543	4,246	5,789	1,053
Same wk yr ago	579,058	2,252	7,141	9,393	1,822
To-date/2012*	579,535	2,226	5,103	7,329	1,938
To-date/2011*	579,058	2,252	7,141	9,393	1,822
% Change YTD	0%	-1%	-29%	-22%	6%
Dressing %	76.0%	53.0%	67.0%		71.0%

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 139.0 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 132.2 million head, or 6.8 million less than estimated available.

#### **EST. U.S. FRYER SLAUGHTER - AVAILABLE COMPARISON**

Million Head					
Week Ending	Slaughtered	Available*	Pct	Avg Wt	
11/30	155.3	144.8	107%	5.94	
12/07	155.1	146.8	106%	5.94	
12/14	154.2	145.2	106%	5.83	
12/21	157.4	145.2	108%	5.64	
12/28	116.8	143.1	82%	5.64	
1/04	132.2	139.0	95%	5.84	
Year to date	132.2	139.0	95%		
1/11		146.7			
1/18		142.8			

<sup>\*</sup>Based on chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier.

### ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF U.S. BROILER/FRYERS AND FOWL

Under Federal Inspection for Week Ending 12-Jan-13

	<b>CURRENT WEEK</b>	<b>PREVIOUS WEEK</b>
	01/12/13 (1)	01/05/13
Class	Thousand head	
Broiler/fryer	152,066 (2)	123,502
Light hens	1,667	1,518
Heavy hens	1,600	1,182
Total	155,333	126,202

#### (1)ESTIMATED

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 12-Jan-13 is 142.9 million head compared to 155.8 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 152.4 million head or 9.5 million more than estimated available. For the week of 19-Jan-13 the estimated available is 144.8 million head.

## WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS

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Selected Centers (I		(Including g	government stocks)	(In thousands)		
		Frozen Eggs	Proc. Turkeys	Proc. other		
		Lbs	Lbs	Poultry lbs		
AM	01/07/13	2,935	97,266	75,660		
AM	12/01/12	3,002	76,727	69,836		
CHG		-67	20,539	5,824		
PCT (	CHG	-2%	27%	8%		

Based on the historical relationship of the preliminary U.S. Cold Storage holdings report of November 30, 2012 and the selected centers storage report, the expected U.S. holdings on January 1, 2013 are:

Frozen Eggs	27	MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5%
Processed Turkeys	322	MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5%
Processed Other Poultry	737	MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5%

#### WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS

Frozen Grade A basted equivalent offering prices on a national basis for hens 93.00-99.00 cents fob and 16-24 lb. toms 93.00-99.00 cents fob for current shipments.

#### NATIONAL FOWL MARKETS 04-Jan-13

#### **Live Spent Heavy**

Prices are trending steady to instances firm. Supplies are sufficient for the seasonally moderate demand. Processing schedules are less than normal due to the New Year's Day holiday. Retail feature activity is very light entering the weekend. Finished product supplies are light to moderate and moving well. Market activity is moderate.

Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading	Price Range	Wtd Avg
Prices in cents per pound	10.0 - 22.0	13.89

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

#### **Live Spent Light**

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.

## COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT (Receipts from producers)

W/E 05-Jan-13

	Cases	% Chang	je From
REGIONS	(In Thousands)	LW	LY
North Atlantic	219.6	5	9
East North Central	694.8	-3	-3
West North Central	319.5	-6	9
South Atlantic	126.4	-4	-18
South Central	50.5	-1	6
West	33.8	0	-17
Total	1,444.6	-2	-1

Matched Plants reporting previous week 69 Last Year 69

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)

#### WEEKLY NATIONAL WHOLE BROILER/FRYER REPORT

Negotiated prices in trucklot and less-than-trucklot quantities of ready-tocook whole body broiler/fryers delivered to first receivers; prices in cents per pound; volume in thousands of pounds.

National Composite Weighted Average

	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	
This Week:	104.98	2.92	11,248	
Last Week:	102.06		10,712	
Last Year:	81.61	23.37	13,600	
Monthly Composite Weighted Average				

# Monthly Composite Weighted Average

47,943

	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
New York	92.50-109.00	103.00-107.00	105.34	1,403
Chicago	96.00-112.00	102.00-105.00	103.14	1,860
Los Angeles	98.00-120.00	112.00-116.00	113.00	1,560

<sup>(</sup>B) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update.

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





