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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Southeast prices are steady to 12 cents lower on Extra Large, steady to 10 cents lower on Large and unchanged on Medium. Prices in New York and remaining regions are steady. Current supplies and offerings range light to fairly good, mostly moderate to heavy for trade needs. Retail and food service demand are light to moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. Offerings for breaking stock are moderate to instances heavy; demand is light. Spent fowl offerings are adequate; demand is light to moderate.

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 are steady. Daily producer prices are steady. The undertone is steady. Retail and food service demand is light to moderate. Supplies are moderate to heavy. Offerings are moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. Breaking stock prices are steady to higher. The undertone is steady. Demand is light. Offerings are moderate to instances heavy. Supplies are moderate to heavy. Market activity is slow.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
Extra Large	78-87	81-84
Large	77-86	79-82
Medium	74-83	76-79

Prices Delivered To Store Door:	RANGE	MOSTLY
Extra Large	85-93	86-88
Large	83-91	84-86
Medium	80-88	81-83

Iowa-Minnesota-Wisconsin Eggs

Prices Paid To Producers, Cents Per Dozen:	RANGE	MOSTLY
Large	59-69	63
Medium	56-60	58
Small	39-45	

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

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices are unchanged. The undertone is steady. Supplies are mostly moderate to heavy for immediate trade needs. Demand into retail and food service channels ranges light to moderate. Market activity is moderate. Eastern region breaking stock supplies are more than adequate; demand is light to moderate. Spent hen offerings are sufficient with normal processing schedules.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
Extra Large	88-106	92-95
Large	82-96	87-91
Medium	80-93	85-87

N0RTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, Eastern NJ, Eastern NY, PA, RI, Northern VA, and VT

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Prices are steady to 12 cents lower on Extra Large, steady to 10 cents lower on Large, unchanged on Mediums. The undertone is steady. Retail and food service demand is mixed, mostly moderate. Offerings are moderate to instances heavy for present trading purposes. Market activity is moderate to slow. Eastern region breaking stock supplies are more than sufficient; breaking schedules are normal. Light type fowl offerings are moderate for the light to moderate demand.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
Extra Large	87.5-111	89-92
Large	86-103	87-90
Medium	82.5-100	83-87

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

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL Prices are steady with a steady undertone. Demand is light to mostly moderate. Offerings are moderate, while supplies are moderate to heavy. Market activity is slow to moderate. Breaking stock prices are steady to higher. The undertone is steady. Offerings are moderate to instances heavy on light demand. Supplies are moderate to heavy. Market activity is slow.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
Extra Large	95.5-104	97-100
Large	86.5-95	88-91
Medium	83.5-92	85-88

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

NEW YORK EGGS Prices are steady with a steady undertone. Current supplies are mixed, mostly moderate for trade requirements. Demand is light to moderate. Market activity is moderate to instances slow.

Prices delivered store door:	RANGE
Extra Large	96-100
Large	94-98
Medium	92-96

WESTERN REGIONAL Prices are unchanged on all sizes. Trade sentiment is steady. Demand is light to moderate. Offerings are moderate for Medium and Jumbo and heavy on the balance of sizes. Supplies are moderate to instances heavy. Market activity is slow to moderate.

CALIFORNIA EGGS Benchmark prices are unchanged on all sizes. Trade sentiment is steady. Offerings are moderate for Medium and Jumbo and heavy on the balance of sizes. Demand is light to moderate. Supplies are moderate to instances heavy. Market activity is slow to moderate. Small benchmark price 94 cents.

CALIFORNIA

Shell egg marketer's 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	148
Extra Large	132
Large	120
Medium	114

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY:

Stocks on Hand Available for Marketing (30-dozen cases in thousands) 1/
(Includes Conventional and Specialty)

		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
Jumbo	This Week	**6.1**	**9.9**	**16.6**	**6.6**	**9.1**	**4.1**	**52.4**
	% Change	-33.8%	7.3%	14.8%	-23.7%	5.9%	10.0%	-2.7%
Extra Large	This Week	**17.9**	**20.8**	**48.2**	**19.3**	**35.3**	**6.5**	**148.1**
	% Change	-32.4%	9.5%	4.0%	-12.2%	13.6%	48.6%	-0.8%
Large	This Week	**40.0**	**113.9**	**139.0**	**90.9**	**69.4**	**56.3**	**509.5**
	% Change	-24.2%	-2.4%	-9.5%	-15.9%	-6.9%	-5.2%	-9.9%
Medium	This Week	**11.9**	**15.5**	**34.2**	**34.9**	**22.6**	**13.4**	**132.6**
	% Change	-7.7%	9.9%	-3.1%	37.8%	-8.4%	25.9%	7.8%
Small	This Week	**1.3**	**3.1**	**3.1**	**2.6**	**0.9**	**3.2**	**14.1**
	% Change	-8.9%	8.8%	8.8%	-24.6%	-4.4%	18.4%	-0.2%
Miscellaneous	This Week	**2.0**	**10.5**	**25.1**	**12.0**	**5.4**	**1.6**	**56.6**
	% Change	-27.0%	-12.2%	-0.4%	-4.3%	5.0%	7.9%	-4.2%
Ungraded	This Week	**7.0**	**17.1**	**77.4**	**18.8**	**22.9**	**17.4**	**160.5**
	% Change	-45.7%	-9.2%	2.9%	15.0%	-0.8%	48.6%	1.6%
Total Shell Egg	This Week	**86.2**	**190.9**	**343.6**	**185.0**	**165.5**	**102.5**	**1,073.7**
	% Change	-27.2%	-1.0%	-2.7%	-5.8%	-1.5%	9.0%	**-4.4%**

Totals	Cases	Percent Change
Shell Egg	1,073.7	-4.4%
Breaking Stock	268.2	2.6%
Total Shell Egg	**1,341.9**	**-3.0%**

SPECIALTY SHELL EGG INVENTORY 2/

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

		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
Large	This Week	8.5	28.1	5.9	5.0	4.7	5.7	**57.8**
	% Change	-2.1%	2.9%	-9.4%	5.7%	5.0%	136.1%	7.0%
Ungraded	This Week	0.0	0.0	35.8	8.4	9.6	2.7	**56.6**
	% Change	0.0%	0.0%	5.2%	14.1%	5.5%	16.2%	7.0%
Total Specialty	This Week	**8.5**	**28.1**	**41.7**	**13.4**	**14.3**	**8.4**	**114.4**
	% Change	**-2.1%**	**2.9%**	**2.8%**	**10.8%**	**5.3%**	**76.9%**	**7.0%**

	Large:	**23.7%**
Percentage of Specialty Shell Egg Inventory Comprised of USDA Certified Organic:	**Ungraded:**	**74.8%**
	Total:	**49.0%**

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.

NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES

Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending April 26, 2013 will increase by 0 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending April 19, 2013 were 171,774 cases which was 4 percent above the prior week and 4 percent above estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week	143,637	28,137	171,774
% change from the prior week	+14	-29	+4

Comparison figures are compiled on a matched plant basis. Purchases and estimates by 14 cooperators; 30 dozen cases or equivalent.

CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK

Breaking stock prices are steady to higher. Trade sentiment is steady. Demand is light as the majority of breakers' needs are satisfied with regular commitments and company owned production. Offerings are moderate to instances heavy. Supplies are moderate to heavy. Market activity is slow.

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.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
Breaking Stock	55-59	56-58
Checks	40-49	40-44

Central States Area: AR, CO, IA, IL, IN, KS, LA, MI, MN, MO, NM, ND, NE, OH, OK, SD, TX, & WI

CANADIAN EGGS

Week of Apr 8, 2013

Quebec/Montreal: wholesale prices-graded in cartons (Canadian dollars) as reported by Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID, Poultry Section.

GRADE A	EX LRG	LRG	MED	SMALL
	Unavailable			

Minimum prices for producers' f.o.b. farm as set by Ontario egg producers.

GRADE A	EX LRG	LRG	MED	SMALL
	2.00	2.00	1.84	1.36

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES – Daily weighted average prices (cents/dozen)
National Trading for Apr 19, 2013
Courtesy of U.S.D.A. Federal/State Market News

CURRENT LOADS 45.00 FUTURE LOADS 1.00 TOTAL LOADS 46.00

	SE		NE		MW		
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LDS
GNR W 1	--	--	65.00	67.00	--	--	1.00
GNR W 2	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00
GL W J	--	--	--	--	80.67	--	1.50
GL W XL	--	80.00	--	77.83	69.79	73.75	7.25
GL W LG	--	--	--	68.75	72.53	--	19.75
GL W MD	--	--	61.81	72.00	--	--	2.25
GL W SM	--	--	--	52.00	44.00	--	1.00
GL BR XL	--	--	--	--	82.00	--	1.00
GL BR LG	--	--	83.00	85.00	--	--	1.00
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	57.00	59.00	4.00
NRBS - 42	--	--	--	--	49.00	51.00	2.00

	SC		NW		SW		
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LDS
GL W J	91.00	--	--	99.00	--	98.83	2.50
GL W XL	76.00	--	--	--	--	83.13	3.00
GL W LG	66.67	82.00	--	--	--	73.44	20.25
GL W MD	59.00	--	--	--	--	69.00	2.25
GL BR XL	--	--	--	--	--	97.00	1.00

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES Weekly weighted average prices (cents/dozen)
National Trading for Apr 15, 2013 – Apr 19, 2013
Courtesy of U.S.D.A. Federal/State Market News

CURRENT LOADS 183.50 FUTURE LOADS 23.00 TOTAL LOADS 206.50

	SE		NE		MW		
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LDS
GNR W 1	63.50	--	64.00	65.50	--	--	6.00
GNR W 2	--	--	--	61.50	--	--	9.00
GL W J	--	--	77.25	79.50	89.88	--	7.00
GL W XL	76.50	81.00	73.92	76.82	70.66	74.50	61.00
GL W LG	--	69.33	66.50	65.31	71.21	70.38	87.75
GL W MD	--	--	67.85	73.00	61.50	60.25	8.25
GL W SM	--	50.00	--	52.00	44.00	--	4.00
GL BR XL	--	--	87.00	87.50	80.00	--	3.00
GL BR LG	--	--	81.50	83.50	98.00	--	2.25
NRBS - 50	--	--	--	--	61.00	--	1.00
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	56.20	58.20	5.00
NRBS - 45	--	--	--	60.33	50.00	--	3.00
NRBS - 42	--	--	--	--	49.00	51.00	2.00

	SC		NW		SW		
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LDS
GL W J	96.67	106.00	--	99.00	107.00	108.29	9.00
GL W XL	77.73	80.63	--	--	91.00	86.42	27.25
GL W LG	76.87	86.83	--	--	--	78.12	75.25
GL W MD	59.60	--	--	--	--	69.13	3.75
GL W SM	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00
GL BR XL	--	--	--	--	--	97.00	1.00
GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	--	113.50	.25

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.

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT – FROZEN EGGS
Selected Centers (In Thousands)

ON HAND	04/15/13	04/08/13	04/09/12
PACIFIC COAST	84	86	95
LOS ANGELES	0	0	0

NORTH CAROLINA EGGS
The market is steady on all sizes. Supplies are moderate. Retail demand is moderate.

Prices weighted average, in small lots, USDA Grade A and Grade A, white eggs in cartons, nearby retail outlet, cents per dozen.

	MOSTLY
Extra large	115.94
Large	109.73
Medium	100.86
Small	78.00

ORGANIC BROWN SHELL EGGS IN CARTONS

(Wholesale) (price per carton delivered to first receivers)

	PRICE RANGE	MOSTLY
Extra Large doz.	261 – 320	275 - 310
1/2 doz.	180 – 198	181 - 189
Large doz.	230 – 310	265 - 300
1/2 doz.	171 – 189	171 - 178

Certified Organic are products grown and processed according to USDA's national organic standards and certified by USDA accredited State and private certification organizations. For more information, visit the National Organic Program at www.ams.usda.gov/NOPNationalOrganicProgramHome