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## NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Prices in the Southeast are steady to lower on Extra Large and Large, steady to higher on Medium. Regional prices are unchanged to 1 cent higher on larger sizes, 3 to 7 cents higher on Medium and Small. New York prices are steady. Offerings are light to mostly moderate for trade needs. In the Southeast, offerings are moderate on larger sizes, moderate to heavy on Medium. Retail and food service demand are moderate to fairly good. Market activity is moderate. Breaking stock offerings are light for the good demand. Light type hen offerings are sufficient; demand is mostly 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 1 cent higher for Extra Large and Large, and 5 cents higher for Medium. Daily producer prices are 1 cent higher for Large and steady for Medium. The undertone is firm. Retail and food service demand is moderate to good. Offerings are light. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is moderate. Breaking stock prices are higher. The undertone is higher. Offerings are light on good demand. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is moderate.

| DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE: | RANGE   | MOSTLY  |
|-------------------------|---------|---------|
| EXTRA-LARGE             | 101-110 | 104-107 |
| LARGE                   | 100-109 | 102-105 |
| MEDIUM                  | 91-100  | 93-96   |

| DELIVERED TO STORE DOOR: | RANGE   | MOSTLY  |
|--------------------------|---------|---------|
| EXTRA LARGE              | 108-116 | 109-111 |
| LARGE                    | 106-114 | 107-109 |
| MEDIUM                   | 97-105  | 98-100  |

### IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN

PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

|        | RANGE | MOSTLY |
|--------|-------|--------|
| LARGE  | 83-93 | 87     |
| MEDIUM | 73-77 | 75     |
| SMALL  | 53-59 |        |

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

**SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL** Prices are steady for Extra Large, 1 cent higher for Large, and 5 cents higher for Medium. The undertone is steady to higher. Demand is moderate to fairly good. Offerings are light to moderate. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is moderate. Breaking stock prices are higher. The undertone is higher. Demand is good for the light offerings. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is moderate.

| DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE: | RANGE     | MOSTLY  |
|-------------------------|-----------|---------|
| EXTRA LARGE             | 115.5-124 | 117-120 |
| LARGE                   | 112.5-121 | 114-117 |
| MEDIUM                  | 96.5-105  | 98-101  |

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

**SOUTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices are steady to lower on larger sizes, steady to higher on Mediums. The undertone is steady. Demand into retail and distributive channels is moderate to fairly good. Current offerings are moderate on Large and Extra Large, moderate to heavy on Mediums for needs. Market activity is moderate. Eastern region breaking stock offerings are generally moderate; demand is moderate. Spent hen offerings are adequate for normal processing schedules.

| DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE: | RANGE     | MOSTLY  |
|-------------------------|-----------|---------|
| EXTRA LARGE             | 112.5-131 | 114-117 |
| LARGE                   | 111-128   | 112-115 |
| MEDIUM                  | 92-108    | 95-99   |

SOUTHEAST AREA: AL, GL, GA, MS, NC, SC, eastern TN, & southern VA

**NORTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices are 3 cents higher on Medium, unchanged on Extra Large and Large. Supplies vary, but are usually light to moderate for needs. Demand into all channels is moderate. Market activity is moderate. Eastern region breaking stock offerings are generally adequate for a moderate demand. Light type hen offerings are sufficient for the mostly light to moderate demand.

| DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE: | RANGE   | MOSTLY  |
|-------------------------|---------|---------|
| EXTRA LARGE             | 111-128 | 111-114 |
| LARGE                   | 105-119 | 110-114 |
| MEDIUM                  | 94-107  | 99-101  |

NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, eastern NJ, eastern NY, PA, RI, northern VA, & VT

**NEW YORK** Prices are steady on Medium and larger sizes. The undertone is steady. Supplies are light to mostly moderate for current needs. Retail and distributive demand is moderate. Market activity is moderate.

| DELIVERED TO STORE DOOR: | RANGE   |
|--------------------------|---------|
| EXTRA LARGE              | 119-123 |
| LARGE                    | 117-121 |
| MEDIUM                   | 106-110 |

**WESTERN** Prices are unchanged for Jumbo and Extra Large, 1 cent higher for Large and 7 cents higher for Medium and Small. Trade sentiment is higher. Offerings are light to moderate for the larger sizes and light for Medium. Demand is moderate with increased ad activity reported. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is moderate.

**CALIFORNIA** Benchmark prices are unchanged for Jumbo and Extra Large, 1 cent higher for Large and 7 cents higher for Medium and Small. Trade sentiment is higher for all sizes. Demand is moderate to fairly good with increased ad activity noted for later this week. Offerings are light to mostly moderate for the larger sizes and light for Medium. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is moderate. Small benchmark price \$1.11.

**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       | 154   |
| EXTRA LARGE | 148   |
| LARGE       | 144   |
| MEDIUM      | 131   |

**WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY:**Stocks on Hand Available for Marketing (30-dozen cases in thousands) <sup>1/</sup>

(Includes Conventional and Specialty) \*Comparisons are made to the last reported inventory numbers on September 30, 2013.

|                        |           | Northeast    | Southeast    | Midwest      | South Central | Southwest    | Northwest   | 6-Area Total   |
|------------------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|----------------|
| <b>Jumbo</b>           | This Week | <b>9.2</b>   | <b>11.1</b>  | <b>16.7</b>  | <b>11.8</b>   | <b>8.3</b>   | <b>3.1</b>  | <b>60.1</b>    |
|                        | % Change  | 4.6%         | 3.9%         | -0.6%        | -8.4%         | -3.9%        | 3.0%        | -1.0%          |
| <b>Extra Large</b>     | This Week | <b>25.3</b>  | <b>22.1</b>  | <b>33.5</b>  | <b>13.9</b>   | <b>35.2</b>  | <b>8.4</b>  | <b>138.3</b>   |
|                        | % Change  | 13.9%        | 31.2%        | -15.9%       | -29.5%        | -4.5%        | 79.4%       | -1.3%          |
| <b>Large</b>           | This Week | <b>45.2</b>  | <b>119.9</b> | <b>124.3</b> | <b>83.5</b>   | <b>65.3</b>  | <b>51.4</b> | <b>489.5</b>   |
|                        | % Change  | -7.5%        | 6.9%         | -5.2%        | -28.1%        | -11.2%       | 7.0%        | -7.6%          |
| <b>Medium</b>          | This Week | <b>14.2</b>  | <b>18.8</b>  | <b>37.2</b>  | <b>26.9</b>   | <b>23.5</b>  | <b>5.6</b>  | <b>126.2</b>   |
|                        | % Change  | 9.4%         | -6.7%        | 6.5%         | -3.9%         | -21.7%       | -49.1%      | -7.9%          |
| <b>Small</b>           | This Week | <b>3.6</b>   | <b>2.1</b>   | <b>6.5</b>   | <b>1.8</b>    | <b>1.7</b>   | <b>0.5</b>  | <b>16.0</b>    |
|                        | % Change  | 6.0%         | -36.4%       | 76.4%        | -70.8%        | 57.1%        | -88.8%      | -25.5%         |
| <b>Miscellaneous</b>   | This Week | <b>2.6</b>   | <b>10.5</b>  | <b>24.2</b>  | <b>17.3</b>   | <b>4.7</b>   | <b>2.6</b>  | <b>61.9</b>    |
|                        | % Change  | -19.3%       | 19.3%        | -1.4%        | -12.8%        | 8.0%         | 50.0%       | -1.0%          |
| <b>Ungraded</b>        | This Week | <b>10.6</b>  | <b>16.2</b>  | <b>67.2</b>  | <b>18.1</b>   | <b>7.5</b>   | <b>13.6</b> | <b>133.0</b>   |
|                        | % Change  | 3.9%         | 2.0%         | -18.8%       | 21.1%         | -16.6%       | 26.7%       | -7.2%          |
| <b>Total Shell Egg</b> | This Week | <b>110.6</b> | <b>200.6</b> | <b>309.5</b> | <b>173.2</b>  | <b>146.0</b> | <b>85.0</b> | <b>1,025.0</b> |
|                        | % Change  | 0.9%         | 6.8%         | -7.2%        | -20.4%        | -10.6%       | 2.2%        | -6.4%          |

| Totals                 | Cases          | Percent Change |
|------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Shell Egg              | 1,025.0        | -6.4%          |
| Breaking Stock         | 261.1          | 5.9%           |
| <b>Total Shell Egg</b> | <b>1,286.1</b> | <b>-4.1%</b>   |

**SPECIALTY SHELL EGG INVENTORY <sup>2/</sup>**

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

|                        |           | Northeast     | Southeast   | Midwest      | South Central | Southwest     | Northwest     | 6-Area Total |
|------------------------|-----------|---------------|-------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|
| <b>Large</b>           | This Week | 7.2           | 26.5        | 5.6          | 3.1           | 3.6           | 1.4           | <b>47.3</b>  |
|                        | % Change  | -19.7%        | 8.4%        | -1.6%        | 1.0%          | 33.8%         | -44.3%        | 0.1%         |
| <b>Ungraded</b>        | This Week | 0.0           | 7.9         | 24.5         | 9.9           | 1.6           | 3.2           | <b>47.1</b>  |
|                        | % Change  | 0.0%          | 4.5%        | -0.5%        | 85.3%         | -56.4%        | 18.5%         | 7.2%         |
| <b>Total Specialty</b> | This Week | <b>7.2</b>    | <b>34.4</b> | <b>30.0</b>  | <b>13.0</b>   | <b>5.2</b>    | <b>4.6</b>    | <b>94.4</b>  |
|                        | % Change  | <b>-19.7%</b> | <b>7.5%</b> | <b>-0.7%</b> | <b>54.8%</b>  | <b>-18.8%</b> | <b>-11.3%</b> | <b>3.5%</b>  |

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

|           |       |
|-----------|-------|
| Large:    | 23.3% |
| Ungraded: | 64.3% |
| Total:    | 43.8% |

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 October 25, 2013 will increase by 0 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending October 18, 2013 were 157,487 cases which was 11 percent below the prior week and 11 percent below estimates.

**CARTONED LOOSE TOTAL**

Cases purchased  
present week ..... 138,004 19,483 157,487

% change from the  
prior week ..... -10 -17 -11  
Comparison figures are compiled on a matched plant basis. Purchases and estimates by 14 cooperators; 30 dozen cases or equivalent.

**CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK**

Prices are higher. Trade sentiment is higher. Offerings are light on good demand. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is moderate.

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       | 81-83 |  |
| Checks               | 64-73 | 64-70  |
| 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 Oct 7, 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 |
|---------|----|------|------|------|-------|
|         |    | 1.96 | 1.96 | 1.80 | 1.32  |

**DAILY WEIGHTED AVERAGE TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES**

(Cents/Doz.)

National Trading for October 18, 2013

Courtesy of U.S.D.A. Federal/State Market News

**Current Loads 31.50 Future Loads 15.00 Total Loads 46.50**

| 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  | --    | --  | 85.00  | 87.00  | --    | --    | 10.00 | GNR W 1  | --    | --     | --  | --     | --    | --     | 4.00  |
| GNR W 3  | --    | --  | 80.00  | 82.00  | --    | --    | 1.00  | GL W XL  | --    | 109.18 | --  | --     | --    | 114.25 | 8.25  |
| GL W XL  | --    | --  | 97.00  | 100.00 | 97.18 | --    | 9.25  | GL W LG  | --    | --     | --  | 112.50 | --    | 108.70 | 10.00 |
| GL W LG  | --    | --  | 95.25  | 100.00 | 94.50 | --    | 12.00 | GL W MD  | 84.50 | --     | --  | --     | 94.50 | 95.25  | 6.00  |
| GL W MD  | --    | --  | 82.39  | 86.00  | 81.80 | 97.00 | 9.25  | GL BR LG | --    | --     | --  | --     | --    | --     | 1.00  |
| GL W SM  | 66.00 | --  | 66.00  | 69.00  | --    | --    | 2.00  |          |       |        |     |        |       |        |       |
| GL BR XL | --    | --  | 130.50 | 133.00 | --    | --    | 1.00  |          |       |        |     |        |       |        |       |
| GL BR LG | --    | --  | --     | --     | --    | --    | 1.00  |          |       |        |     |        |       |        |       |

**DAILY 5-DAY WEIGHTED AVERAGE TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES UNAVAILABLE DUE TO GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN**

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 HOLDINGS-FROZEN EGGS**

| Selected Centers     | (In Thousands of Pounds) |           |             |
|----------------------|--------------------------|-----------|-------------|
|                      | 010/14/13                | 010/07/13 | 010/15/2012 |
| Pacific w/out Denver | Unavailable*             |           | 137         |
| Los Angeles          | Unavailable*             |           | 0           |

\*Due to Government Shutdown

**NORTH CAROLINA EGGS** The market is higher on large and medium, steady on the balance. Supplies are moderate. Retail demand is good.

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 | 133.69 |
| Large       | 131.67 |
| Medium      | 112.86 |
| Small       | 94.00  |

**USDA CERTIFIED ORGANIC EGGS****WHOLESALE****Organic Brown Shell Eggs in Cartons**

(price cents per carton delivered to first receivers)

|                    |          | Price Range | Mostly    |
|--------------------|----------|-------------|-----------|
| <b>Extra Large</b> | doz.     | 261 - 320   | 275 - 310 |
|                    | 1/2 doz. | 180 - 198   | 181 - 189 |
| <b>Large</b>       | 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](http://www.ams.usda.gov/NOPNationalOrganicProgramHome)