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## NATIONAL EGG REVIEW

In New York, prices are 6 cents higher for Extra Large and Large, 1 cent higher for Medium. Earlier in the week, regional asking prices were mostly unchanged for both the larger and smaller sized eggs. Next week's regional asking prices are trending higher Extra Large and Large, while the lighter weights slightly higher. The undertone is steady to higher. Demand ranges light to good, mostly moderate to fairly good. Offerings and supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is moderate. All breaking stock prices are steady. The undertone is mostly steady. Demand is light to occasionally moderate. Offerings are light to moderate. Supplies are moderate to instances heavy. Processing schedules vary by plant. Market activity is slow. National light type hen removal costs are trending steady for the light to moderate demand. Offerings are moderate for current requirements. Processing schedules are reduced in observance of the Independence Holiday. 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.

REGIONS	LARGE		MEDIUM	
	RANGE	MOSTLY	RANGE	MOSTLY
MIDWEST	97-106	99-102	84-93	86-89
NORTHEAST	101-115	106-110	87-100	92-94
SOUTH CENTRAL	109.5-118	111-114	96.5-105	98-101
SOUTHEAST	94.5-112	95-99	106-122	107-110

**PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS** - loose eggs at farm, cases exchanged, grade yield basis, cents per dozen.

IA-MN-WI	7/03/14	6/26/14	7/05/13
LARGE	86-96	79-89	84-94
MEDIUM	71-75	66-70	59-63

### WEEKLY COMBINED REGIONAL

6/27/14

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

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	109.00	108.00	93.00
SOUTHEAST	109.50	107.50	97.00
MIDWEST	102.50	100.50	87.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	114.50	112.50	99.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	109.14	107.38	94.47

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)<sup>1</sup> (Includes Conventional and Specialty)

		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
<b>Jumbo</b>	This Week	7.8	10.7	15.5	8.4	22.6	2.9	67.9
	% Change	2.1%	3.8%	-1.8%	25.1%	0.2%	-14.2%	2.3%
<b>Extra Large</b>	This Week	22.1	18.8	30.6	16.2	38.7	6.3	132.7
	% Change	-11.0%	-6.8%	-16.1%	0.7%	-1.6%	7.1%	-7.1%
<b>Large</b>	This Week	47.6	101.4	78.0	82.0	66.7	45.2	420.9
	% Change	-12.4%	8.5%	-12.6%	-8.6%	1.5%	-12.2%	-5.2%
<b>Medium</b>	This Week	14.6	19.4	49.2	24.4	42.8	9.4	159.7
	% Change	0.6%	9.8%	15.5%	9.0%	8.0%	-26.0%	6.9%
<b>Small</b>	This Week	7.5	2.1	7.5	6.4	0.9	1.4	25.9
	% Change	43.2%	-15.5%	8.4%	50.5%	26.4%	-10.6%	21.7%
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	This Week	2.4	9.4	34.7	12.8	6.9	1.9	68.1
	% Change	-10.4%	-0.4%	12.3%	-13.2%	7.0%	18.6%	3.5%
<b>Ungraded</b>	This Week	16.8	8.9	87.2	13.9	14.5	17.5	158.7
	% Change	40.8%	-1.7%	13.0%	-18.8%	2.2%	7.3%	8.9%
<b>Total Shell Egg</b>	This Week	118.7	170.7	302.7	164.1	193.0	84.7	1,033.9
	% Change	-2.0%	5.0%	1.2%	-4.0%	2.4%	-9.0%	-0.1%

Totals	Cases	Percent Change
Shell Egg	1,033.9	-0.1%
Breaking Stock	299.3	-2.6%
<b>Total Shell Egg</b>	<b>1,333.2</b>	<b>-0.7%</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	9.8	30.4	6.9	3.8	8.2	1.0	60.2
	% Change	-4.9%	41.9%	-14.5%	108.2%	-3.1%	-7.8%	17.5%
<b>Ungraded</b>	This Week	0.0	2.1	27.7	7.6	4.9	3.5	45.8
	% Change	0.0%	39.1%	-5.5%	26.0%	-11.4%	6.3%	0.3%
<b>Total Specialty</b>	This Week	9.8	32.5	34.6	11.4	13.1	4.5	106.0
	% Change	-4.9%	41.7%	-7.4%	45.1%	-6.3%	3.0%	9.4%

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

<b>Large:</b>	<b>23.9%</b>
<b>Ungraded:</b>	<b>58.6%</b>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>38.9%</b>

<sup>1/</sup> 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.

<sup>2/</sup> 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.

**EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION**

W/E 28-Jun-2014	(Lbs. in Thousands)	(Excludes Ingredients)				
Total Production	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CW	1,581,010	35,075	17,545	8,550	3,749	4,665
PW	1,566,604	33,595	18,425	8,931	3,475	4,676
LY	1,426,364	32,782	15,162	7,829	2,819	4,233
% PW	1%	4%	-5%	-4%	8%	0%
% LY	11%	7%	16%	9%	33%	10%
2014	37,479,873	824,306	426,714	213,666	75,199	114,156
2013	36,287,731	841,885	379,523	193,924	73,508	114,624
% YTD	3%	-2%	12%	10%	2%	0%
				<b>CW</b>	<b>PW</b>	<b>LY</b>
Average Yield Per Case - (inedible included)				41.64	41.89	42.07
Average Yield Per Case - (inedible excluded)				38.69	38.91	39.10

**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	904,583	57.2%	22,378	63.8%
PREVIOUS WEEK	898,045	57.3%	21,313	63.4%
LAST YEAR	859,172	60.2%	20,930	63.8%

**BROILER HATCHERY**

State	Broiler-Type Eggs Set,		Broiler-Type Chicks Placed,	
	19 Selected States		19 Selected States	
	Week Ending			
	JUN 21, 2014	JUN 28, 2014	JUN 21, 2014	JUN 28, 2014
	(1,000 eggs)		(1,000 chicks)	
AL.....	28,902	28,305	22,286	20,921
AR.....	21,165	20,883	19,793	20,613
DE.....	4,633	4,534	5,513	4,474
FL.....	1,223	1,223	1,285	1,462
GA.....	34,319	33,957	26,811	28,068
KY.....	7,616	7,747	6,699	6,380
LA.....	3,802	3,772	3,398	3,412
MD.....	7,640	7,547	5,699	6,428
MS.....	17,490	17,617	14,984	15,052
MO.....	8,408	8,312	5,645	6,054
NC.....	20,525	21,120	16,458	16,026
OK.....	6,461	6,720	4,426	2,931
PA.....	4,432	4,187	3,620	3,462
SC.....	5,143	4,958	4,840	4,786
TX.....	14,774	14,753	11,974	12,302
VA.....	6,679	6,680	5,563	5,346
CA, TN, & WV.....	11,198	11,277	10,805	10,735
19 State Total.....	204,410	203,592	169,799	168,452
Percent of Prev. Year	101	101	100	100
Other States	7,936	8,020	5,948	6,040
United States	212,346	211,612	175,747	174,492
Percent of Prev. Year	101	101	100	100

Source: USDA, NASS

**WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING**

Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 09-Aug-14 is estimated at 155.7 million head. This compares to 155.6 million head the previous week and to 157.5 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 157.8 million head and the national weighted average price was 99.77 cents per pound.

**(5-DAY) WEIGHTED AVERAGE TRAILER LOAD SHELL EGG SALES**

National Trading for Jun 26, 2014- Jul 02, 2014 (Cents/Dozen)  
Courtesy of U.S.D.A. Federal/State Market News

CLASS	Current Loads		128.00 Future Loads		27.75 Total Loads		155.75
	SE		NE		MW		
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W 1	82.00	94.33	--	85.00	--	--	23.00
GNR W 2	--	--	--	--	74.00	--	1.00
GL W J	--	--	96.00	99.00	112.62	--	7.25
GL W XL	102.25	112.00	94.60	99.46	102.29	112.00	39.00
GL W LG	--	103.89	87.50	89.70	96.26	94.25	49.50
GL W MD	--	--	78.47	77.40	77.78	84.80	32.25
GL W SM	--	76.00	76.50	81.00	69.04	--	5.75
GL BR J	--	--	120.86	124.14	--	--	1.75
GL BR MD	80.50	82.00	--	--	--	--	2.00
NRBS - 50	--	--	--	--	73.00	78.00	2.00
NRBS - 45	--	--	74.00	78.50	--	--	2.00
NRBS - 36	--	--	--	--	58.00	60.00	1.00

**TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS**

Week Ending 28-Jun-2014 (Preliminary)

	-----Young turkeys-----			Old Breeders	Total turkeys	
	-Thousand Head-	Pct Chg	Avg		--Thousand head--	Avg
		Prev wk	Live wt			
North East	694	-1	26.12	(A)	694	26.12
South Atlantic	495	8	34.15	(A)	495	34.15
North Central	2,323	4	30.74	(A)	2,323	30.74
South Central	817	9	18.73	(A)	817	18.73
West	288	52	29.83	(A)	288	29.83
U.S. total	4,617 (B)	7	29.69	0	4,617	29.69
To-date						
2014*	105,906 (B)			181	106,087	
To-date						
2013*	111,180 (B)			249	111,429	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.  
(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 18,000; for the current year to date\* 523,000; for last year to date\* 628,000.

**LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION**

Week Ending 28-Jun-2014 (Preliminary)

	Young		Breeders		Total Turkeys
	Hens	Toms	Young	Old	
	-----Thousands-----				
Head	2,067	2,532	18	0	4,617
Avg Wt	16.87	40.15	29.76	0.00	29.69
Last week	1,958	2,344	25	0	4,327
Same wk yr ago	2,059	2,627	17	0	4,703
Avg Wt	17.95	39.86	24.85	0.00	30.21
To-date/2014*	44,950	60,433	523	181	106,087
To-date/2013*	45,115	65,437	628	249	111,429
% Change YTD	0%	-8%	-17%	-27%	-5%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	27,896	81,328	412	0	109,636
Last week	26,973	76,583	496	0	104,052
Same wk yr ago	29,567	83,770	325	0	113,662
To-date/2014*	615,393	1,999,450	11,701	3,793	2,630,337
To-date/2013*	621,527	2,123,375	13,027	5,420	2,763,349
% Change YTD	-1%	-6%	-10%	-30%	-5%
Dressing %	80.0%	80.0%	77.0%	77.0%	

(A) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update.

\*Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

**WEEKLY POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION**

(Preliminary) Week ending 28-Jun-2014

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
----- Thousands -----					
Head	163,077	1,599	1,696	3,295	308
Avg Wt	5.69	3.15	8.12	5.71	6.47
Last week	156,536	1,408	1,764	3,172	321
Same wk yr ago	161,497	1,156	1,686	2,842	515
Avg Wt	5.80	3.27	8.09	6.13	6.87
To-date/2014*	3,957,238	39,793	38,629	78,422	11,000
To-date/2013*	3,980,446	41,144	37,179	78,323	10,917
% Change YTD	-1%	-3%	4%	0%	1%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	705,210	2,770	9,433	12,203	1,415
Last week	684,062	2,532	9,715	12,247	1,568
Same wk yr ago	711,879	2,041	9,275	11,316	2,512
To-date/2014*	17,481,991	68,822	216,306	285,128	52,505
To-date/2013*	17,577,682	70,442	198,577	269,019	52,396
% Change YTD	-1%	-2%	9%	6%	0%

Dressing % 76.0% 55.0% 68.5% 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 157.2 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 165.1 million head, or 7.9 million more than estimated available.

(B) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update. \*Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

**ESTIMATED U.S. FRYER SLAUGHTER/  
FRYER AVAILABILITY COMPARISON**

Week Ending	Million Head Slaughtered	Million Head Available*	Pct	Avg Wt
5/24	159.9	155.9	103%	5.79
5/31	141.4	156.3	90%	5.77
6/7	157.4	153.9	102%	5.91
6/14	158.4	154.4	103%	5.71
6/21	158.4	157.0	101%	5.75
6/28	165.1	157.2	105%	5.69
Year to date	4005.6	3992.6	100%	
7/5		158.0		
7/12		156.2		

\*Based on chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier.

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

Week Ending 05-Jul-2014

Class	Current Week 7/5/2014 (1)	Previous Week 6/28/2014
----- Thousand head -----		
Broiler/fryer	143,809 (2)	161,624
Light hens	1,153	1,763
Heavy hens	1,256	1,729
Total	146,218	165,116

(1) Estimated

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 05-Jul-14 is 157.3 million head compared to 163.5 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 144.1 million head or -13.2 million less than estimated available. For the week of 12-Jul-14 the estimated available is 157.1 million head.

**WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS – Selected Centers**

(INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	Frozen Eggs LBS	Processed Turkeys LBS	Processed Other Poultry LBS
AM 06/30/14	2,690	169,070	45,987
AM 06/01/14	2,664	155,725	47,026
CHG	26	13345	-1039
PCT CHG	1%	9%	-2%

**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS** Frozen Grade A basted equivalent processor offering prices on a national basis for hens 104.00-112.00 cents fob and 16-24 lb. toms 104.00-112.00 cents fob for current deliveries.

**NATIONAL FOWL MARKETS**

27-Jun-2014

**Live Spent Heavy**

**Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading:** Price Range 11.0 – 23.0 Wtd Avg 14.22  
Prices in cents per pound.

(Southeast Region broiler breeder hens generally 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.

**NATIONAL WHOLE BROILER/FRYER**

27-Jun-2014

**National Composite Weighted Average**

	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.
<b>This Week:</b>	113.08	↓ 2.82	12,205
<b>Last Week:</b>	115.89		11,519
<b>Last Year:</b>	109.20	↑ 3.88	11,096

**Monthly Composite Weighted Average**

May	117.59	47,745
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	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
<b>NEW YORK</b>				
Whole Body:	103.00 - 121.00	115.00 - 120.00	116.56	1,438
<b>CHICAGO</b>				
Whole Body:	98.00 - 128.00	100.00 - 109.00	107.71	2,880
<b>LOS ANGELES</b>				
Whole Body:	101.00 - 140.00	107.00 - 114.00	112.60	1,649

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

