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China

China is the world's largest grower of egg laying hens and has been the largest producer of eggs for the last 28 years. In 2012 the United States (U.S.) was a distant second behind China. China commanded 39% of the world's egg laying hens in 2012 compared to 5% for the U.S. Meanwhile, China's egg laying hens grew 3% in 2012 from 2011 while the U.S. stayed unchanged and the total number of laying hens in the world grew 2%.

Top 5 World Egg Laying Hen Countries
2008-2012 Comparisons (1,000,000 Head)

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	%*
China*	2,487	2,537	2,563	2,581	2,657	+03
U.S.	340	340	340	338	340	0
India	258	278	304	314	310	-01
Brazil	260	276	285	290	300	+03
Indonesia	216	223	208	208	209	0
ROW**	2,693	2,717	2,813	2,890	2,970	+03
Total***	**6,253**	**6,371**	**6,513**	**6,622**	**6,785**	**+02**

*Includes Hong Kong, Macao, and Taiwan; **Rest of World;
***May not total due to rounding

Source: FAOSTAT, FAO Statistics Division 2014, 03 July 2014

Even as the number of China's laying hens rose 24% from 2004-2012, total egg and egg product imports also increased. From 2007-2011 China's total egg and egg product imports increased 17% while total egg and egg product exports decreased 15%.

Shell eggs were China' biggest egg and egg product category by volume for both imports and exports from 2007-2011. Shell egg imports into China continued a long term trend for 2011 and increased 9% from 2010 and up 17% since 2007. China's shell egg exports are unchanged for 2011 from 2010, but 15% lower than 2007. In 2011 China's dried egg imports increased 20% and liquid egg imports declined 1% while dried egg exports dropped 26% and liquid egg exports increased 14% from 2010.

In 2011 the U.S. was China's number one source of shell eggs and liquid egg imports and the number 2 source for dried egg imports. The U.S. in 2011 was the number 2 export destination for China's shell egg exports after Singapore and the number 2 export destination for China' liquid egg exports after Iran. The U.S. ranked 9th in China's export destinations of dried eggs.

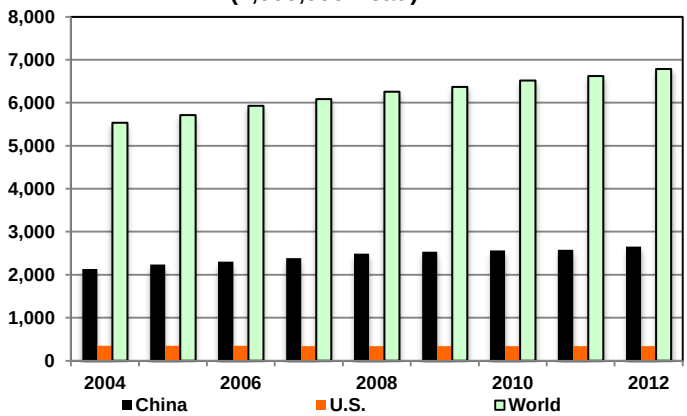
Over the last 10 years January-May total U.S. egg product imports and exports have been erratic to and from China. For 2014 the U.S. January-May cumulative total egg product imports from China are up 146% while total cumulative U.S. egg product exports for January-May are down 82% from the same comparable time frames in 2013.

In an effort to stabilize egg prices by increasing liquidity and promote stable development in the egg industry, the China Securities Regulatory Commission endorsed the Dalian Commodity Exchange to initiate egg futures trading. The first egg futures traded in November 2013.

China has passed national standards for liquid and powdered eggs and are awaiting approval by the Standard Administration of China. The final reading for the standards occurred in October 2013. The International Egg Commission standard of egg products was used as reference for the Chinese National Standards draft. China did not previously have a National Standard for liquid eggs.

Sources: FAOSTAT, FAO Statistics Division 2014, 03 and 05 July 2014; Department of Commerce, U.S. Census Bureau, Foreign Trade Statistics/USDA, Foreign Agricultural Service; The Poultry Site

China*, U.S. & World
Laying Hen Comparisons
(1,000,000 Head)



*Includes Hong Kong, Macao, and Taiwan

Source: FAOSTAT, FAO Statistics Division 2014, 03 July 2014

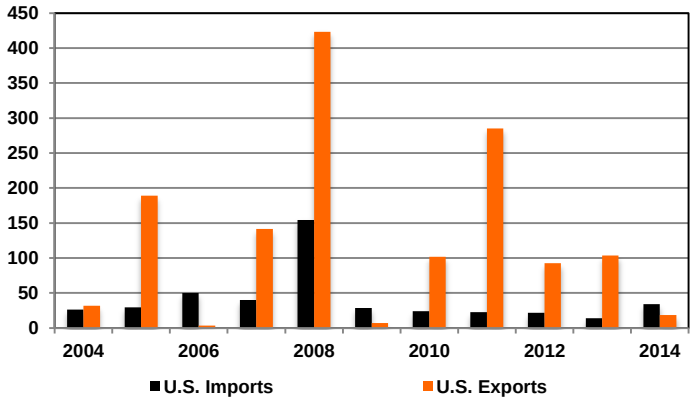
China Egg Import & Export Comparisons**
(Metric Tons)

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	%*
Imports						
Dried Eggs	486	578	353	398	477	+20
Liquid Eggs	1,962	2,063	1,859	2,552	2,536	-01
Shell Eggs	95,781	98,649	99,726	103,263	112,194	+09
Total	**98,229**	**101,290**	**101,938**	**106,213**	**115,207**	**+09**
Exports						
Dried Eggs	2,609	3,460	2,075	1,525	1,126	-26
Liquid Eggs	3,519	3,720	3,378	3,578	4,065	+14
Shell Eggs	119,932	145,551	135,262	101,962	102,238	0
Total	**126,060**	**152,731**	**140,715**	**107,065**	**107,429**	**0**

*2011 percent of 2010; **Includes Hong Kong, Macao, and Taiwan

Source: FAOSTAT, FAO Statistics Division 2014, 05 July 2014

U.S. Egg Product Imports & Exports to and from China
January-May Comparisons
(Metric Tons)



Source: Department of Commerce, U.S. Census Bureau, Foreign Trade Statistics/USDA, Foreign Agricultural Service

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INSPECTED EGG PRODUCTS-U.S. & CANADA IMPORT/EXPORT TRADE

U.S. Exports to Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)

Week Ending Jun 28, 2014 Year-To-Date*

Type	2014	2013 /1	2014 /2	2013
Liquid	0	144	3,754	856
Frozen	0	0	39	40
Dried	83	40	279	109
Total	83	184	4,072	1,005

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

Week Ending Jun 28, 2014 Year-To-Date*

Type	2014	2013 /1	2014 /2	2013
Liquid	10	52	2,900	4,475
Frozen	6	0	711	741
Dried	0	0	108	0
Total	16	52	3,719	5,216

INSPECTED SHELL EGGS

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

Week Ending Jun 28, 2014 Year-To-Date*

	2014	2013 /1	2014 /2	2013
Jumbo	0	0	0	0
Extra Large	2,880	2,641	86,147	51,486
Large	330	5,230	169,071	110,800
Medium	600	717	10,002	16,635
Ungraded	10,302	9,450	471,989	135,314
Misc	2,310	0	21,770	0
Total	16,422	18,038	758,979	314,235

/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

U.S./CANADIAN LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER INSPECTION

Week Ending Jun 28, 2014 (Preliminary)

U.S. Fowl Slaughtered Domestically

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	----------Thousands----------		
Head	1,599	1,696	3,295
Last Week	1,408	1,764	3,172
Same week yr ago	1,156	1,686	2,842
To-date/2014*	39,793	38,629	78,422
To-date/2013*	41,506	37,645	79,151

U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	----------Thousands----------		
Head	471	0	471
Last Week	261	0	261
Same week yr ago	91	0	91
To-date/2014*	9,931	0	9,931
To-date/2013*	9,553	0	9,553

Data Source: Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID, Poultry Section

Total U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in the U.S. and Canada

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	----------Thousands----------		
Head	2,070	1,696	3,766
Last Week	1,669	1,764	3,433
Same week yr ago	1,247	1,686	2,933
To-date/2014*	49,724	38,629	88,353
To-date/2013*	51,059	37,645	88,704

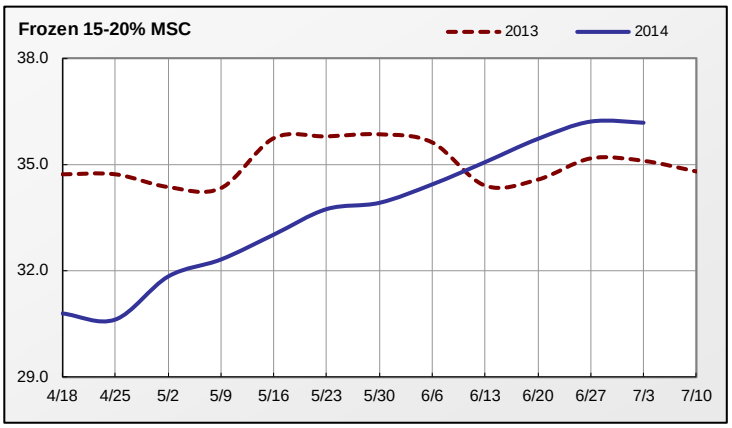
*Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

NATIONAL MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN (F.O.B. Shipper Dock or equivalent; negotiated prices in trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes reported in thousand pound quantities, cents/pound; delivery within 2 weeks.)

Prices are trending firm on all fat contents of MSC. Domestic and export demand is light to good for the holiday week. Supplies are light to moderate. Schedules are normal to reduced. The traditional peak of the season, the Fourth of July, has arrived with many in industry left wondering what the rest of the summer will bring in terms of demand, prices, and finished product movement. As for this week it has been a typical holiday week filled with some disruptions and lots of trucking challenges. There was a flurry of activity ahead of the holiday; however now most players are watching to see how the holiday plays out in regards to consumption. Market activity is mixed ranging slow to active. Raw material supplies are moderate. Frame prices are steady with trading levels between 13-16 cents FOB, mostly 14-15 cents FOB.

Weekly MSC Weighted Average Prices (cents/pound) and Volumes (1,000 pounds)

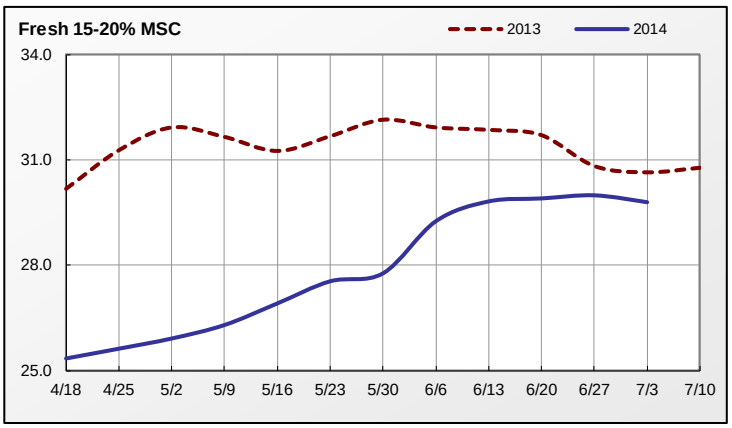
	Frozen			Fresh		
Fat Content	3-Jul-14	Last Week	Last Year	3-Jul-14	Last Week	Last Year
15% or Less						
Price Range	32.00	32.00	-	31.00	33.00	32.00-33.00
Wtd Avg Price	32.00	32.00	-	31.00	33.00	32.67
Volume Traded	40	40	-	61	102	122
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-20%						
Price Range	34.00 - 39.00	34.00 - 38.50	32.50-37.00	27.00 - 34.00	27.00 - 34.00	28.00-34.00
Wtd Avg Price	36.19	36.22	34.58	29.80	29.99	31.71
Volume Traded	1,465	1,675	2,295	2,326	4,049	3,040
Volume Exported	1,425	1,675	1,895	367	898	326
20% or More						
Price Range	-	-	-	25.00	25.00	-
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	25.00	25.00	-
Volume Traded	-	-	-	41	82	-
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-



Monthly MSC Weighted Average Prices (cents/pound) and Volumes (1,000 pounds)

	Frozen			Fresh		
Fat Content	Jun 2014	May 2014	Jun 2013	Jun 2014	May 2014	Jun 2013
15% or Less						
Wtd Avg Price	32.00	31.33	34.00	30.16	28.15	32.66
Volume Traded	120	120	40	653	836	775
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-20%						
Wtd Avg Price	35.41	33.05	34.82	29.73	26.94	31.54
Volume Traded	7,573	7,553	7,151	15,422	16,880	12,775
Volume Exported	7,453	6,937	6,588	3,672	2,815	1,265
20% or More						
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	25.00	22.73	22.30
Volume Traded	-	-	-	245	449	204
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-

Note: Volume exported refers to that portion of the total volume that is destined for export markets.



Source: USDA AMS Livestock, Poultry & Grain Market News (www.ams.usda.gov/lpsmarketnewspage)

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS

INCLUDING BULK MEAT and FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 03 JULY 2014.

The market on bulk parts was steady. Demand and offerings was light to moderate. White meat and white trims market was steady to firm. Demand moderate to good. Offerings light to moderate. The thigh meat market was fully steady. Demand and offerings was light to moderate. Trading was slow to moderate. For domestic: frozen drumettes 72 cents, fresh mechanically separated turkey 39 cents pet food, fresh scapula 197-210.5 cents, fresh wing meat 132 cents, frozen grade A breast non basted 12-16 lbs. 200 cents, fresh whole tenders 320 cents, fresh full cut wings 72 cents and fresh tails 67 cents delivered. For export: fresh tom drums 90 cents and fresh thigh meat 171 cents delivered to Border.

EXPORT TRADING

No trading reported on Friday, July 4, 2014 - due to Independence Day Holiday.

THURSDAY, JULY 03, 2014	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)	WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICE	WEEKLY VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		M	112.00	108	107.26	228
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	73.50		73.50	108	73.14	390
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM						
TAILS						
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/						
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	178.00		178.00	80	178.00	80

WEDNESDAY, JULY 02, 2014	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		M	112.00	108
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	73.00		73.00	162
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/				
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN				

TUESDAY, JULY 01, 2014	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		M	112.00	108
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		F	73.00	120
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/				
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN				

MONDAY, JUNE 30, 2014	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	112.00		112.00	108
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		F	73.00	120
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/				
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN				

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.):
M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R-THURSDAY F=FRIDAY
2/ 15-20% fat with skin added.