



USDA EGG MARKET NEWS REPORT

ISSN 1520-6122

FRIDAY
OCTOBER 09, 2009
VOL. 56 NO. 81

U.S. Department of Agriculture Agricultural Marketing Service Poultry Programs Market News and Analysis Branch

NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



New York and regional prices were unchanged. The market tone was steady. Demand into all channels was light to at times good, usually light to moderate. Current supplies were adequate to fully adequate for trade needs. Breaking stock offerings were close balanced to sufficient for the light to moderate demand. Light type hen offerings were adequate to fully adequate; processing schedules were normal.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

MIDWEST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged. The trade sentiment was steady. Cartoned shell egg demand was light to usually moderate. Loose shell egg demand was light. Supplies were adequate to fully adequate. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Demand was moderate for the closely balanced to adequate offerings. Processing schedules were full-time. The trade sentiment was generally steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	79-88	82-85
LARGE	78-87	80-83
MEDIUM	66-75	68-71

IA-MN-WI Prices paid to producers.		
	Range	Mostly
LARGE	60-70	64
MEDIUM	48-52	50
SMALL	29-35	

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

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged. The market tone was steady. Retail demand was fair to fairly good. Supplies were adequate for current buyer and seller requirements. Eastern region breaking stock offerings were about adequate to adequate for the light to fair demand. Light type hen offerings were sufficient for normal processing schedules.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	89-103	89-96
LARGE	85-99	90-94
MEDIUM	64-77	69-73

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

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL Prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady. Retail demand was moderate to instances good. Food service movement was light. Supplies were tightly balanced to adequate for current trade requirements. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Demand was light to moderate with offerings closely balanced to adequate. Schedules were mostly full-time. Trade sentiment was generally steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	87.5-96	89-92
LARGE	85.5-94	87-90
MEDIUM	71.5-80	73-76

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

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged. The market tone continued steady. Demand into all channels was light to mostly moderate. Supplies were adequate for immediate trade requirements. Eastern region breaking stock offerings were about sufficient to sufficient; processing schedules were normal to instances over-time. Light type hen offerings were adequate for the at least moderate demand.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	85.5-93	87-90
LARGE	84-91	85-88
MEDIUM	66.5-74	67-71

SOUTHEAST AREA: AL. FL. GA. MS. NC. SC. Eastern TN. and Southern VA

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

NEW YORK EGGS Prices ended the week unchanged on all sizes. The market tone was steady. Demand light to fairly good, mostly light to moderate. Supplies were sufficient for current trading purposes.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	99-103	-
LARGE	97-101	-
MEDIUM	76-80	-

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	86-94	87-89
LARGE	84-92	85-87
MEDIUM	72-80	73-75

WESTERN REGIONAL Prices were unchanged. Asking prices for next week were unchanged on all sizes. The trade sentiment was steady. Offerings were adequate to fully adequate with demand light to moderate. Floor stocks were adequate.

CALIFORNIA Prices were unchanged. Asking prices for next week were unchanged for all sizes. The trade sentiment was steady. Demand was light to moderate while offerings were adequate to fully adequate. Floor stocks adequate. Small benchmark price 84 cents.

CALIFORNIA Shell egg marketers 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	130
EXTRA LARGE	128
LARGE	123
MEDIUM	104

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
JUMBO	114-118
EXTRA LARGE	108-114
LARGE	108-111
MEDIUM	88-91

BREAKING STOCK

Prices in cents per dozen, delivered to breakers, 48 lb. minimum net wt. per 30 dozen case, eggs from table egg layers. Packaging may vary.

CENTRAL REGION

All prices unchanged. Trading and demand was light to moderate for the closely balanced to adequate offers. Most breakers have needs secured for next week and watching for further market developments. Finished product demand moderate to instances fairly good. Schedules mostly full-time. Trade sentiment generally steady.

EASTERN REGION

Prices were higher on breaking stock, unchanged on checks and undergrades when compared to early week prices. Trade sentiment was steady. Offerings were about adequate to adequate for the light to fair demand. Breaking schedules were mostly full-time to instances over-time. Cases broken under federal inspection in the Eastern region were 4 percent higher than last week, although 5 percent less than the same week a year ago.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	53-58.5	55-57
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	34-39	37-39
CENTRAL STATES AREA: AR, CO, IA, IL, IN, KS, LA, MI, MN, MO, NM, ND, NE, OH, OK, SD, TX, WI		

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	50-57.5	52-54
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	33-39	34-36
EASTERN STATES AREA: AL, CT, DE, FL, GA, KY, ME, MD, MA, MS, NH, NJ, NY, NC, PA, RI, SC, TN, VT, VA, WV		

EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

W/E 03-OCT-2009	(lbs. in thousands)		(Excludes Ingredients)			
Total Production	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid Whites	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Ined
CW	1,298,456	32,226	12,607	6,194	2,282	4,299
PW	1,280,924	30,915	12,541	6,040	2,572	4,249
LY	1,376,781	34,805	11,836	6,096	3,205	4,474
% PW	1%	4%	1%	3%	-11%	1%
% LY	-6%	-7%	7%	2%	-29%	-4%
2009	50,304,734	1,224,433	487,812	245,526	110,556	168,613
2008	51,385,037	1,261,980	483,206	253,078	114,709	171,713
% YTD	-2%	-3%	1%	-3%	-4%	-2%
				CW	PW	LY
Average Yield Per Case - (Inedible Included)				42.61	41.96	41.55
Average Yield Per Case - (Inedible Excluded)				39.30	38.64	38.30

NATIONAL DRIED

Prices were higher on whole, unchanged to higher on yolk, and irregular on albumen when compared to the previous week's prices. Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady. Demand was light to fair with buyers and sellers watching further market developments. Supplies were about adequate to adequate for current needs. Dried eggs processed under federal inspection for the week ending 03-OCT-2009 was 11% less than last week and 29% less than the same week last year. The total year to date production of dried eggs produced was 4% less than a year earlier.

Wholesale selling prices, dollars per lb., in cont., Trucklot and LTL volumes.

WHOLE	2.00-2.50	MOSTLY	2.10-2.30
YOLKS	1.45-1.75	MOSTLY	1.45-1.50
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	3.20-3.60	MOSTLY	3.40-3.50
BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER)	1.95-2.10	MOSTLY	1.95-2.05

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	693,084	53.4%	18,281	56.7%
PREVIOUS WEEK	690,112	53.9%	17,795	57.6%
LAST YEAR	672,438	48.8%	18,410	52.9%

*Note: Year-to-date total reflects comparable time period.

NATIONAL LIQUID

Trade sentiment was generally steady for whole egg, barely steady for whites, and fully steady for yolk. Offerings were adequate for whole egg yolk, adequate to fully adequate for whites and closely balanced for yolk. Demand was light to moderate for whole egg and whites and very good for yolk. Breaking stock prices were mostly unchanged when compared to the previous week's reported prices.

Trade Prices paid cents per lb., FOB Plant to 10:00 AM non-pasteurized trucklot. For delivery within 14 days.

CLASS	LOADS	RANGE	WTD. AVG.	% FROM LW
WHOLE	23	47.5-51.5	48.72	-1.64
WHITES	13	34.5-37	35.81	-.91
YOLKS	19	59.5-62	60.63	.66

NATIONAL FROZEN

Trucklot prices on frozen whole egg, whites and salted yolk ranged 1 cent to 4 cents higher with sugared yolk unchanged to 4 cents higher. Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady for whole egg, mostly steady on the balance of frozen products. Offerings were adequate. Demand was light to moderate with most sales as less than trucklot quantities.

Wholesale selling prices (cents per lb., in 30 lb. containers) Sugared and salted yolks are minimum 43% solids.

	TRUCKLOTS		LTL (MIN. 25 CONT.)	
	RANGE	MOSTLY	RANGE	MOSTLY
WHOLE	56-65	59-61	65-70	65-67
WHITES	54-58	54-55	56-61	56-58
SUGARED YOLKS	76-84	76-80	83-87	83-85
SALTED YOLKS	72-77	73-75	75-80	75

USDA, AMS, POULTRY PROGRAMS, MARKET NEWS & ANALYSIS BRANCH OFFICES

Washington, DC	Voice (202)720-6911	Michael Sheats,	Des Moines, IA	Voice (515)284-4471	Mary L. Adkins
	Fax (202)720-2403	Chief		Fax (515)284-4468	Officer-in-Charge
				Recorded (515)284-4545	
Atlanta, GA	Voice (404)562-5850	Annie Terry,	Jackson, MS	Voice (601)965-4662	Gary Brown,
	Fax (404)562-5875	Officer-in-Charge		Fax (601)359-1175	Southern States Area Supervisor

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR OCT 02, 2009 – OCT 08, 2009

CURRENT LOADS 102.75 FUTURE LOADS 35.75 TOTAL LOADS 138.50

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	65.10	--	64.50	69.58	--	63.71	20.00	GNR W 2	--	64.00	--	--	--	--	4.00
GNR W 2	--	--	--	--	55.00	--	4.00	GNR BR 1	--	70.00	--	--	--	--	1.00
GNR BR 1	--	--	69.50	71.00	68.00	72.00	2.00	GL W J	--	82.00	--	--	81.25	83.88	5.75
GL W J	--	--	87.50	89.00	72.62	75.25	8.25	GL W XL	--	71.50	--	--	--	70.44	4.25
GL W XL	69.00	76.85	75.75	76.40	63.51	66.26	28.75	GL W LG	--	70.00	--	--	--	62.95	18.25
GL W LG	--	74.00	70.50	73.95	60.43	61.89	38.50	GL W MD	57.50	63.54	--	--	--	64.68	12.00
GL W MD	64.00	--	52.97	52.20	54.15	--	19.25	GL W SM	--	--	--	--	40.00	46.50	3.00
GL W SM	41.00	43.50	39.50	42.00	38.67	--	8.00	GL BR J	--	--	--	--	85.00	89.00	.25
GL BR XL	--	--	--	83.00	--	--	1.50	GL BR XL	--	--	--	--	78.20	82.20	1.25
GL BR LG	--	--	--	82.00	70.00	--	2.75	GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	77.55	81.23	3.25
GL BR MD	54.00	--	--	--	--	--	1.00								
NRBS - 48	--	--	58.40	--	56.35	60.82	18.50								
NRBS - 42	--	--	--	51.50	46.00	--	1.00								

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.

LIVE LIGHT TYPE HENS

CENTS PER HEAD, GENERALLY FOR REMOVAL WITHIN THE NEXT 10 DAYS

(INCLUDES HANDLING, FREIGHT AND ANY OTHER CHARGES, WEIGHTS AVERAGE ABOUT 3.50 POUNDS)

EASTERN Prices were unchanged when compared to the previous week. Demand was at least moderate for the sufficient offerings of light type hens. Processing schedules were normal. Trade sentiment was steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	2-11	3-7

SOUTH CENTRAL Salvage costs were TFEWR. Demand was light for fully adequate offerings to secondary users. Schedules were in line with finished sales. Demand for processed hens was fair. Trade sentiment was steady at best.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	TOO FEW TO REPORT	

NORTH CENTRAL Prices unchanged. Demand was fairly good while offerings were adequate for current processing schedules. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	0-10.5	0-5

SHELL EGGS-COMBINED REGIONAL

AVERAGE PRICES ON SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A LARGE OR BETTER, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	92.50	92.00	71.00
SOUTHEAST	88.50	86.50	69.00
MIDWEST	83.50	81.50	69.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	90.50	88.50	74.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	88.80	87.15	71.18

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.

NATIONAL CANNER FOWL MARKET

Sales were too few to report prices. Offerings were mostly moderate for current trade needs. Demand was light to moderate with trading limited due to the majority of supplies being used internally. Processing schedules were normal. The undertone was steady.

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, WITHOUT FREIGHT COST

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS) **HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)**

TOO FEW SALES TO REPORT TOO FEW SALES TO REPORT
CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, FREIGHT COST INCLUDED

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS) **HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)**

TOO FEW SALES TO REPORT TOO FEW SALES TO REPORT

**WEEKLY U.S./CANADIAN LIVE POULTRY
SLAUGHTERED UNDER INSPECTION**

Week ending 03-Oct-09

	U.S. fowl slaughtered domestically		
	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	-----Thousands-----		
Head	1,230	1,550	2,780
Last Week	1,451	1,599	3,050
Same week yr ago	1,204	1,801	3,005
To-date/2009*	50,374	58,784	109,158
To-date/2008*	53,847	64,055	117,902

	U.S.fowl slaughtered in Canada		
	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	-----Thousands-----		
Head	300	9	309
Last Week	306	7	313
Same week yr ago	242	0	242
To-date/2009*	12,332	35	12,367
To-date/2008*	12,930	50	12,980

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

Total U.S. fowlslaughtered in the U.S. and Canada

	Total U.S. fowlslaughtered in the U.S. and Canada		
	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	-----Thousands-----		
Head	1,530	1,559	3,089
Last Week	1,757	1,606	3,363
Same week yr ago	1,446	1,801	3,247
To-date/2009*	62,706	58,819	121,525
To-date/2008*	66,777	64,105	130,882

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

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

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

Type	Year-To-Date			
	2009	2008 /1	2009 /2	2008
Liquid	297	48	8,310	783
Frozen	0	0	95	39
Dried	40	0	587	444
Total	337	48	8,992	1,266

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

Type	Year-To-Date			
	2009	2008 /1	2009 /2	2008
Liquid	382	452	12,866	14,418
Frozen	4	54	244	468
Dried	0	37	0	590
Total	386	543	13,110	15,476

Inspected Shell Eggs

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

Type	Year-To-Date			
	2009	2008 /1	2009 /2	2008
Jumbo	0	0	0	0
Extra Large	2,780	2,855	57,553	50,963
Large	3,350	4,700	118,601	62,725
Medium	840	1,530	40,567	36,596
Ungraded	11,622	18,680	277,243	307,999
Misc	0	0	7,154	5,974
Total	18,592	27,765	501,118	464,257

/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

MONTHLY INVENTORY U.S. DRIED EGGS SEPTEMBER 30, 2009

Comparisons on the Basis of Matched Plants

CLASS	NUMBER OF POUNDS	% CHANGE LAST MONTH	% CHANGE LAST YEAR
WHOLE			
PLAIN	2,701,962	-13%	19%
FREE FLOWING	2,846,648	-20%	-32%
SUBTOTAL:	5,548,610	-17%	-14%
WHITE (ALBUMEN)	9,423,458	4%	32%
SUBTOTAL:	9,423,458	4%	32%
YOLK			
PLAIN	3,898,954	-9%	61%
FREE FLOWING (W/SODIUM SILICO ALUMINATE)	4,192,748	-12%	19%
SUBTOTAL:	8,091,702	-10%	36%
BLENDS 1/			
WHOLE	2,089,370	1%	44%
WHITE	10,700	10%	34%
YOLK	378,988	79%	108%
SUBTOTAL:	2,479,058	8%	51%
TOTAL:	25,542,828	-5%	20%

**DRIED EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION:
AUG 30, 2009 – OCT 03, 2009 TOTAL 13,203,000 POUNDS.**

Calculations were adjusted to represent matched plants from current month compared to previous month, and current month compared to previous year. Subsequently, the percent change calculations may be based on different cooperators if directly compared with data on previous reports.

1/: Blended with a percentage of additives including, but not limited to sugar, salt, soy, and corn syrup

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT (Receipts From Producers)

W/E 03-OCT-2009	Cases (in thousands)	% Change From	
REGIONS		LW	LY
North Atlantic	184.6	1	3
East North Central	597.6	-4	-8
West North Central	296.8	-2	-8
South Atlantic	176.5	6	5
South Central	45.9	-12	-6
West	152.0	-1	-24
Total	1453.4	-2	-7
Matched plants reporting		81	81
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)			

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS W/E 03-OCT-2009

Selected Consuming Centers	CW (Cases, in thousands)	LW	% CHANGE	
			LW	LY
Atlanta	24.1	22.3	8	-5
Boston	2.8	2.7	4	0
Chicago	49.0	49.6	-1	-30
Los Angeles	59.3	61.0	-3	-36
New Orleans	4.4	4.9	-10	-27
New York	31.7	31.6	0	16
St. Louis	57.9	57.9	0	37
San Francisco	21.1	17.4	21	48
Total	250.3	247.4	1	-11
4 Week Moving Avg.	250.1			

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS – Selected Centers (Inc. Gov't Stocks) (In Thousands)

	Frozen Eggs Lbs	Proc. Turkeys Lbs	Proc. other Poultry Lbs
AM 10/05/09	3,345	184,414	61,540
AM 09/01/09	3,329	196,907	70,275
CHG	16	-12493	-8735
PCT CHG	0%	-6%	-12%

Based on the historical relationship of the preliminary U.S. Cold Storage holdings report of August 31, 2009 and the selected centers storage report, the expected U.S. holdings on October 1, 2009 are:

Frozen Eggs	23	MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5%
Processed Turkeys	612	MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5%
Processed Other Poultry	576	MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5%

NEW ENGLAND WEEKLY SHELL EGG REPORT OCT 06, 2009

Prices paid per doz. Grade A Brown eggs in cartons dlvr'd store door.

	Ex Large	Large	Med	Small
MAINE	130	128	87	69
MOSTLY	-	-	-	-
NEW HAMPSHIRE	123-127	121-125	80-84	62-66
MOSTLY	125-126	123-124	82-83	64-65
RHODE ISLAND	130-134	128-132	86-90	68-72
MOSTLY	130	128	86	68
VERMONT	128-130	126-128	85-86	-
MOSTLY	-	-	-	-