



NATIONAL EGG REVIEW

In New York, prices were higher on all sizes. Regional prices were slightly lower for extra large and large, unchanged for medium. All regional prices were trending higher for next week. The trade sentiment was steady to fully steady with the Western region fully steady to firm.



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

MIDWEST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged. The trade sentiment was steady to fully steady. Cartoned shell egg demand was moderate to fairly good better into planned promotions.

Table with 3 columns: RANGE, MOSTLY, and values for EXTRA LARGE, LARGE, MEDIUM. Includes Midwest Area list.

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady. Demand was light to mostly moderate. Present supplies were about adequate to adequate for trading purposes.

Table with 3 columns: RANGE, MOSTLY, and values for EXTRA LARGE, LARGE, MEDIUM. Includes Northeast Area list.

COMBINED REGIONAL

FEB 19, 2009

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

Table with 4 columns: REGIONS, EX LARGE, LARGE, MEDIUM. Rows for Northeast, Southeast, Midwest, South Central, Combined Regional.

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN Prices paid to producers for loose eggs at farm, cases exchanged, grade yield basis, cents per dozen

Table with 4 columns: Size, 02-23-10, 02-16-10, 02-24-09. Rows for Large, Medium.

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT

Stocks on hand available for marketing 1/
(Includes Conventional and Specialty - 30 dozen cases-in thousands)

Main inventory table with columns: FEBRUARY 22, 2010, Northeast, No Cent, So Cent, Atl Pacific, 5-Area. Rows for Jumbo, Ex Lge, Large, Medium, Small, Misc, Ungraded, Total, Percent, and Specialty Shell Egg.

Specialty Shell Egg Inventory 2/
Shell Egg stocks on hand to be marketed as specialty 1/

Specialty inventory table with columns: Northeast, No Cent, So Cent, Atl Pacific, 5-Area. Rows for Large, Ungraded, Total, Percent, and Specialty Shell Egg.

1/ Information supplied by a universe of size indicated by the number of cooperators. Cooperators normally have stocks on hand each Monday A.M. and must report in both the current and previous week.

2/ Specialty eggs include certified organic, nutritionally enhanced, cage-free, and vegetarian-fed types.

3/ Changes in the cooperator universe did not have an impact on last week's inventory.

No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous months' figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

- Northeast - CT, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT
North Central - IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI
South Central - AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX
South Atlantic - AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, WV
Pacific - AZ, CA, ID, MT, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY

EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

W/E 20-Feb-2010	(lbs. in Thousands)	(Excludes Ingredients)				
Total Production	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid Whites	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Ined
CW	1,258,497	30,694	12,656	6,020	2,567	4,475
PW	1,259,935	30,193	12,848	6,264	2,834	4,331
LY	1,260,572	31,571	11,737	5,712	2,819	4,250
% PW	0%	2%	-1%	-4%	-9%	3%
% LY	0%	-3%	8%	5%	-9%	5%
2010	8,685,312	208,205	87,729	43,056	18,774	29,796
2009	8,733,328	212,424	83,448	42,568	19,646	30,156
% YTD	-1%	-2%	5%	1%	-4%	-1%
		CW	PW	LY		
Average Yield Per Case - (Inedible Included)		42.79	42.57	42.26		
Average Yield Per Case - (Inedible Excluded)		39.23	39.13	38.89		

IN LINE PRODUCTION (of total production; lbs. in thousands; may include a limited amount of off-line source material.)

	Cases Broken	% of Total	Lbs.	% of Total
CURRENT WEEK	701,587	55.7%	17,804	58.0%
PREVIOUS WEEK	700,931	55.6%	17,961	59.5%
LAST YEAR	641,335	50.9%	17,145	54.3%

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

 BROILER HATCHERY

State	Broiler Eggs Set, 19 Selected States		Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States	
	Week Ending			
	Feb 13 2010	Feb 20 2010	Feb 13 2010	Feb 20 2010
	<i>Thousands</i>			
AL	29,791	30,066	*20,296	20,812
AR	*24,504	24,334	*20,798	21,258
DE	3,269	3,266	4,512	3,911
FL	1,352	1,376	1,029	1,104
GA	*31,630	31,902	*26,329	25,852
KY	*7,682	7,660	6,289	6,235
LA	3,392	3,470	2,929	3,014
MD	8,904	9,069	5,800	5,808
MS	19,335	19,016	16,259	16,617
NC	18,632	18,864	14,868	15,011
OK	*7,095	7,015	4,557	4,863
PA	*3,663	3,601	*2,889	2,694
SC	5,515	5,675	4,952	4,982
TX	*15,662	16,141	*12,239	12,960
VA	6,490	6,435	4,731	4,948
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*18,871	19,011	*16,067	15,804
19 State Total	*205,787	206,901	*164,544	165,873
Prev. Year Total	202,817	204,603	167,039	163,431
Pct. of Prev. Year	101	101	99	101

* Revised

Source: NASS, USDA

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS W/E 20-FEB-2010

Selected Consuming Centers	CW		LW		% Change	
	(Cases in Thousands)		LW	LY		
Atlanta	19.0	21.5	-12	-15		
Boston	3.1	2.9	7	19		
Chicago	61.6	60.1	3	-3		
Los Angeles	60.5	69.4	-13	-1		
New Orleans	5.4	5.5	-2	-5		
New York	31.4	28.9	9	-3		
St. Louis	74.0	76.8	-4	-10		
San Francisco	19.8	20.4	-3	-7		
Total	274.8	285.5	-4	-6		
4 Week Moving Avg.	276.2					

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES - Daily (5-Day) wtd. avg. prices (cents/dozen)

National Trading for February 18 - February 24, 2010								
Courtesy of U.S.D.A. Federal/State Market News								
Current Loads		86.00	Future Loads		59.00	Total Loads		145.00
SE			NE			MW		
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	
GNR W 1	73.50	--	74.25	75.81	--	--	36.00	
GNR BR 1	--	--	125.00	--	--	126.00	3.25	
GL W J	--	--	93.50	95.00	86.00	--	5.75	
GL W XL	--	84.42	85.83	86.48	81.61	--	26.50	
GL W LG	--	82.00	83.50	85.36	79.47	--	33.00	
GL W MD	--	--	71.50	75.71	71.12	81.50	18.75	
GL W SM	--	--	57.00	60.25	--	--	5.00	
GL BR J	--	--	149.00	--	87.00	--	.50	
GL BR XL	--	--	121.50	125.75	--	--	.50	
GL BR LG	--	--	118.50	120.75	118.50	130.00	8.25	
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	64.00	60.18	20.00	

WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 03-Apr-10 is estimated at 152.2 million head. This compares to 150.9 million head the previous week and to 155.5 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 155.8 million head and the composite weighted average price was 75.80 cents per pound.

TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS

(Preliminary) Week Ending 20-Feb-2010

	-----Young turkeys-----			Old Breeders	Total turkeys	
	-Thousand Head-	Pct Chg Prev wk	Avg Live wt		--Thousand head--	Avg Live wt
North East	612	7	25.85	(A)	615	25.85
South Atlantic	715	28	37.29	(A)	718	37.29
North Central	2,042	0	34.57	(A)	2,044	34.57
South Central	791	0	18.05	(A)	793	18.05
West	357	-3	21.96	(A)	359	21.96
U.S. total	4,517 (B)	4	29.92	12	4,529	29.92
To-date						
2010*	30,296 (B)			53	30,349	
To-date						
2009*	31,644 (B)			66	31,710	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turkeys included: this week 30,000; for the current year to date* 203,000; for last year to date* 197,000.

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

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

(Preliminary) Week Ending 20-Feb-2010

	Young Hens	Young Toms	Young Breeders	Old	Total Turkeys
	-----Thousands-----				
Head	1,862	2,625	30	12	4,529
Avg Wt	16.75	39.33	25.47	26.32	29.92
Last week	1,869	2,424	35	12	4,340
Same wk yr ago	2,020	2,454	7	1	4,482
Avg Wt	17.60	39.61	26.63	60.77	29.67
To-date/2010*	12,543	17,550	203	53	30,349
To-date/2009*	13,015	18,432	197	66	31,710
% Change YTD	-4%	-5%	3%	-20%	-4%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	24,944	82,599	588	243	108,374
Last week	25,608	77,448	673	296	104,025
Same wk yr ago	28,442	77,762	143	46	106,393
To-date/2010*	170,946	559,567	4,121	1,389	736,023
To-date/2009*	173,930	583,829	4,058	1,532	763,349
% Change YTD	-2%	-4%	2%	-9%	-4%
Dressing %	80.0%	80.0%	77.0%	77.0%	

(A) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update.

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

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

(Preliminary) W/E 20-FEB-2010	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
	-----Thousands-----				
Head	159,096	1,307	1,265	2,572	435
Avg Wt	5.52	3.15	7.73	5.40	6.83
Last week	156,281	1,339	1,201	2,540	406
Same wk yr ago	154,812	1,172	1,323	2,495	408
Avg Wt	5.48	3.25	7.94	5.74	6.60
To-date/2010*	1,110,021	10,401	9,274	19,675	2,894
To-date/2009*	1,088,377	8,964	10,749	19,713	2,902
% Change YTD	2%	16%	-14%	0%	0%

Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage

Current week	654,266	2,203	6,503	8,706	2,139
Last week	638,033	2,292	6,222	8,514	2,023
Same wk yr ago	632,035	1,924	6,986	8,910	1,939

To-date/2010*	4,590,853	17,737	47,852	65,589	14,211
To-date/2009*	4,459,590	15,024	55,933	70,957	13,816
% Change YTD	3%	18%	-14%	-8%	3%

Dressing %	74.5%	53.5%	66.5%	72.0%
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(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 157.1 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 161.0 million head, or 3.9 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
Jan 16	165.9	152.8	109%	5.66
23	156.7	156.8	100%	5.56
30	153.2	157.8	97%	5.48
Feb 6	161.8	158.0	102%	5.53
13	158.2	158.5	100%	5.48
20	161.0	157.1	102%	5.52
Year to date	1123.4	1086.7	103%	
Feb 27		156.2		
Mar 6		156.9		

*Based on chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier.

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER of U.S. BROILER/FRYERS and FOWL

Under Federal Inspection for Week Ending 27-Feb-10		
Class	Current Week 02/27/10 (1)	Previous Week 02/20/10
Broiler/fryer	159,868 (2)	152,849
Light hens	1,531	1,415
Heavy hens	1,269	1,231
Total	162,668	155,495

(1) Estimated

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 27-Feb-10 is 156.2 million head compared to 156.9 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 160.2 million head or 4.0 million more than estimated available. For the week of 06-Mar-10 the estimated available is 156.9 million head.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS – Selected Centers

(Inc. Gov't Stocks)	(In Thousands)	Proc. other	
Frozen Eggs Lbs	Proc. Turkeys Lbs	Poultry Lbs	
AM 02/22/10	3,086	114,787	55,370
AM 02/01/10	3,103	103,658	60,250
CHG	-17	11129	-4880
PCT CHG	-1%	11%	-8%

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS

Frozen offering prices on a national basis ranged for hens 75-82 cents and toms ranged 75-82 cents shipping point for current deliveries.

LIVE HEN MARKETS**HEAVY TYPE (7 pounds and up)***

Final price, Cents per lb., Generally for slaughter the week of 22-Feb-10

REGIONS	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
Southeast (1)	8-15.75 CENTS/LB.		12.10
Southeast (2)	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
South Central (1)	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

(1) At Farm Buyer Loading (2) At Farm Producer Loading

*Weights under 7 lbs. subject to discount.

LIGHT TYPE

Cents per head, generally for removal within the next 10 days (Includes handling, freight and any other charges, weights average about 3.50 pounds) 19-FEB-10

REGIONS:	Eastern	South Central	North Central
RANGE:	2-11	TFEWR	0-10.5
MAJORITY:	3-7		0-5

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT (Receipts From Producers)

W/E 20-FEB-2010	Cases	% Change From	
REGIONS	(In thousands)	LW	LY
North Atlantic	185.1	0	0
East North Central	661.0	0	6
West North Central	308.4	2	-1
South Atlantic	159.5	-2	-11
South Central	51.3	7	3
West	162.7	-1	13
Total	1528.0	0	2

Matched plants reporting

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)

FINAL BROILER/FRYER REPORT

Prices negotiated for truck-lot sales of RTC ice-packed broiler/fryers (includes branded product) to be delivered to first receivers at major market centers week of: 22-FEB-2010 (cents per lb)

	Grade A		Lds	Composite	
	Maj	Wtd Avg		Wtd Avg	Lds
Delivered to First Receivers 1/:					
Los Angeles	92.00	92.55	40	85.67	124
New York	81.00-84.00	82.57	21	82.35	43

Delivered to First Receivers 1/:

	Whole Body 2/:		Lds	Composite	
	Maj	Wtd Avg		Wtd Avg	Lds
Chicago	76.00-81.00			79.27	46

1/: Includes branded product.

2/: Whole Body category includes whole body birds with or without giblets, all grades, brands, and packaging.

COMPOSITE WEIGHTED AVERAGE

Loads	02/22/10	Change Last Wk	02/15/10	02/23/09
430	82.11	-28	82.39	80.10

