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Regional prices decreased on larger sizes and Mediums. New York prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady. Demand into all channels was light to fairly good, mostly light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to fully adequate to satisfy current trade requirements. Breaking stock offerings were generally fully sufficient for the light demand. Light type fowl offerings were fully adequate; processing schedules were normal.

Prices to retailers, sales to volume buyers, USDA grade A and grade A white eggs in cartons, cents per dozen

MIDWEST Midwest delivered prices were 9 cents lower for extra large and large and 3 cents lower for medium. Producer prices were unchanged. The trade sentiment was steady. Cartoned egg demand was moderate to fairly good. Loose egg demand was light. Supplies adequate to fully adequate. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Demand was light for the adequate to fully adequate offerings. Floor stocks fully adequate. Schedules were full-time. Trade sentiment barely steady to weak.

Delivered warehouse	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	72-81	75-78
LARGE	71-80	73-76
MEDIUM	64-73	66-69

Prices to store door

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	79-87	80-82
LARGE	77-85	78-80
MEDIUM	70-78	71-73

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN EGGS

Prices paid to producers, Cents per dozen

	RANGE	MOSTLY
LARGE	53-63	27
MEDIUM	46-50	48
SMALL	43-49	

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

NORTHEAST Prices were 10 cents lower on Large, 7 to 8 cents lower on Extra Large, and 3 cents lower on Medium eggs when compared to the previous week's prices. Trade sentiment was generally steady. Demand was light to fair. Supplies were more than sufficient for current trading purposes. Eastern region breaking stock offerings were adequate for normal to short breaking schedules. Light type hen offerings were fully adequate for regular processing schedules.

Delivered warehouse	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	81-96	82-85
LARGE	75-89	80-84
MEDIUM	68-81	72-75

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

SOUTHEAST Prices decreased on Extra Large, Large and Medium eggs from last week. Trade sentiment was steady. Retail demand was light. Distributive demand was light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to fully adequate to satisfy current trade needs. Eastern region breaking stock offerings were sufficient to fully sufficient; processing schedules were normal. Light type hen offerings were fully adequate for the mostly moderate demand.

Delivered warehouse	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	79.5-90	81-84
LARGE	78-86	79-82
MEDIUM	70.5-78	71-75

Southeast Area: AL, FL, GA, MS, NC, SC, eastern TN, & southern VA

SOUTH CENTRAL Prices were 7 cents lower for extra large, 10 cents lower for large, and 3 cents lower for medium. The trade sentiment was steady. Retail egg demand was light to moderate. Food service demand was light. Supplies were adequate to fully adequate. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Demand was light with offerings adequate to mostly fully adequate. Floor stocks were fully adequate. Processing schedules were full-time. The trade sentiment was barely steady to weak.

Delivered warehouse	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	83.5-92	85-88
LARGE	78.5-87	80-83
MEDIUM	71.5-80	73-76

South Central Area: AR, AZ, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, & TX

NEW YORK Extra Large, Large and Medium egg prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady entering the week. Demand was light to fair. Supplies were adequate to fully adequate for current trade needs.

	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	89-93
LARGE	87-91
MEDIUM	80-84

Prices to retailers, sales to volume buyers, USDA grade A and grade A white eggs in cartons, delivered store door, cents per dozen.

WESTERN Prices were 3 cents lower for jumbo, 7 cents lower for extra large, 9 cents lower for large, and 3 cents lower for medium and small. Trade sentiment was steady to cautiously steady. The Pacific inventory increased 9% from last Monday, with California up 8% and OR-WA-UT increasing 9%. Offerings were at least adequate with demand light to mostly moderate. Many retail suppliers were reporting upcoming ads for the next few weeks. Floor stocks were adequate.

CALIFORNIA Benchmark prices were 3 cents lower for jumbo, 7 cents lower for extra large, 9 cents lower for large, and 3 cents lower for medium and small. Trade sentiment was steady to cautiously steady. The Pacific inventory increased 9% from last Monday, with California up 8% and OR-WA-UT increasing 9%. Demand was light to mostly moderate while offerings were easily adequate. Many retail suppliers reported upcoming ads for this week and next. Floor stocks were adequate.

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	126
EXTRA LARGE	120
LARGE	113
MEDIUM	106

NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES REPORT Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending April 23, 2010 will increase by 1 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending April 16, 2010 were 167,551 cases which was 2 percent above the prior week and 1 percent below estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week.....	141,100	26,451	167,551

% change from the prior week..... +12 -31 +2
 Comparison figures are compiled on a matched plant basis. Purchases and estimates by 14 cooperators; 30 dozen cases or equivalent.

CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK All prices were unchanged. Demand was light while offerings were adequate to mostly fully adequate. Floor stocks fully adequate. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment barely steady to weak.

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	47-50	
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	30-35	32-35
CENTRAL STATES AREA: AR, CO, IA, IL, IN, KS, LA, MI, MN, MO, NM, ND, NE, OH, OK, SD, TX, WI		

LIVE HEAVY-TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)*

FINAL PRICE,

GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 19-APR-2010

SOUTH CENTRAL Trading levels were TFEWR. Demand was moderate for fully adequate offerings of heavy hens. Schedules were reduced. Finished sales were slow. Trade sentiment was about steady.

	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

SOUTHEAST Prices were generally unchanged when compared to the previous week. Demand was fair to moderate for the generally adequate offerings of heavy fowl. Processing schedules were mostly normal. Finished product supplies were sufficient for current trade needs. The undertone was at least steady.

	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	8-16 CENTS/LB.		12.17
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

CANADIAN EGGS

QUEBEC/MONTREAL: WHOLESALE PRICES-GRADED IN CARTONS (CANADIAN DOLLARS) AS REPORTED BY AGRICULTURE AND AGRI-FOOD CANADA, AISD, AID, POULTRY SECTION FOR THE WEEKS OF APR 05, 2009

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	2.20	2.18	1.96	1.36

MINIMUM PRICES FOR PRODUCERS FOB FARM FOR THE WEEKS OF APR 05, 2009 AS SET BY ONTARIO EGG PRODUCERS

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	1.67	1.67	1.51	1.03

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT

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

APRIL 19, 2010		Northeast	No Cent	So Cent	So Atl	Pacific	5-Area
Jumbo	Curr Wk	8.6	16.4	7.5	9.5	15.6	57.6
	Change	-2.0	-2.7	1.4	-0.2	0.0	-6%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	21.7	44.0	11.9	22.5	41.4	141.5
	Change	0.7	-7.4	-6.3	0.2	9.5	-2%
Large	Curr Wk	55.2	111.9	87.4	116.4	116.1	487.0
	Change	-14.4	-25.4	-7.3	5.8	13.0	-5%
Medium	Curr Wk	11.6	43.7	17.5	14.3	29.4	116.5
	Change	-5.3	-4.1	-5.0	-5.3	-5.7	-18%
Small	Curr Wk	2.2	7.1	3.5	1.6	4.3	18.7
	Change	-1.8	3.2	0.4	0.6	1.5	26%
Misc	Curr Wk	1.7	16.9	8.2	8.5	6.1	41.4
	Change	0.1	-3.6	-0.3	0.4	-0.4	-8%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	12.2	68.3	7.4	10.6	27.3	125.8
	Change	0.5	0.8	0.8	4.4	1.1	6%
Total	Curr Wk	113.2	308.3	143.4	183.4	240.2	988.5
Percent	Change	-16%	-11%	-10%	3%	9%	-5%

TOTAL	No. of Cases	% Change	No. of Coops
Shell Egg	988.5	-5%	158
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	243.6	0%	29
Total Shell Egg	1232.1	-4%	187

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

		Northeast	No Cent	So Cent	So Atl	Pacific	5-Area
Large	Curr Wk	3.9	6.9	3.8	4.0	6.8	25.4
	Change	-0.1	-0.9	0.7	0.0	1.7	6%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	0.0	14.3	2.9	0.0	0.0	17.2
	Change	0.0	2.9	0.9	0.0	0.0	28%
Total	Curr Wk	3.9	21.2	6.7	4.0	6.8	42.6
Percent	Change	-3%	10%	31%	0%	33%	14%
TOTAL	No. of Cases	% Change	No. of Coops				
Specialty Shell Egg	42.6	14%	41				

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. 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.

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

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES - DAILY WTD AVG PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR APR 16, 2010

CURRENT LOADS								27.50	FUTURE LOADS								15.00	TOTAL LOADS				42.50
SE			NE			MW		LOADS	SC			NW		SW								
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	CLASS		ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS							
GNR W 1	49.50	--	51.00	52.00	--	--	2.00	GL W J	76.14	--	--	--	81.00	84.17	5.75							
GL W J	--	--	--	--	71.33	--	3.00	GL W XL	--	--	--	--	--	71.00	.25							
GL W XL	--	--	64.25	66.00	60.00	--	5.25	GL W LG	53.50	--	--	--	--	65.29	12.00							
GL W LG	--	65.00	--	--	54.23	--	15.00	GL W MD	--	60.50	--	--	--	62.00	2.50							
GL W MD	--	--	--	56.00	51.29	--	3.50															
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	50.00	44.00	--	10.00															

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR APR 12, 2010 – APR 16, 2010

CURRENT LOADS								107.50	FUTURE LOADS								47.00	TOTAL LOADS				154.50
SE			NE			MW		LOADS	SC			NW		SW								
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	CLASS		ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS							
GNR W 1	52.25	--	53.75	55.00	--	--	8.00	GL W J	75.11	--	--	--	81.00	84.11	10.00							
GNR W 2	--	--	--	--	52.50	55.00	1.00	GL W XL	60.75	68.69	67.50	--	--	72.40	10.25							
GNR BR 1	--	--	91.00	--	--	--	1.00	GL W LG	54.97	62.37	62.50	--	--	65.77	36.50							
GL W J	74.00	--	75.50	77.00	71.17	--	7.75	GL W MD	54.00	59.25	--	--	--	63.08	12.00							
GL W XL	--	--	65.69	67.30	60.34	62.00	36.50	GL BR J	--	--	--	--	--	84.00	.25							
GL W LG	55.00	59.67	58.75	53.83	54.25	58.00	41.00	NRBS - 48	--	53.00	--	--	--	--	1.00							
GL W MD	68.00	--	56.65	57.75	54.31	--	16.00															
GL W SM	--	52.00	54.00	57.00	45.00	48.00	3.00															
GL BR J	--	--	--	104.00	71.00	--	.50															
GL BR XL	--	--	86.00	87.60	--	--	1.25															
GL BR LG	--	--	--	84.80	--	--	1.25															
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	50.00	46.29	51.15	46.00															

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.

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT – FROZEN EGGS (in thousands)

ON HAND	04/12/10	04/05/10	04/13/09
PACIFIC COAST	36	61	0
LOS ANGELES	0	0	0

CERTIFIED ORGANIC EGGS IN CARTONS

(price per carton delivered to first receivers)

Brown Eggs	CENTS/CARTON	MOSTLY
Extra Large doz.	255 – 316	275 - 310
1/2 doz.	173 – 198	173 - 188
Large doz.	230 – 310	265 - 300
1/2 doz.	160 – 189	160 - 178

NORTH CAROLINA EGGS The market is steady on small, lower on the balance. Supplies are heavy. Retail demand is light.

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	106.06
LARGE	102.18
MEDIUM	88.86
SMALL	81.00

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