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## NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



New York prices are 1 cent higher on all sizes. Regional prices are steady with asking prices for next week's deliveries trending higher. Retail demand remains mostly moderate to good but with buyers in the Western region purchasing cautiously. Food service demand is light to moderate. Supplies are light to moderate for present trade needs. Market activity remains moderate to slow. Winter snowstorms continue to hamper the Northeast leading to major transportation issues and delivery delays. Breaking stock offerings are light; demand is mostly good. Light type fowl offerings are fully adequate for the mixed demand.

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

**MIDWEST REGIONAL** Midwest delivered asking prices for next week are 4 cents higher for extra large and large, and 5 cents higher for medium. Daily producer prices are 1 cent higher for all sizes. Retail demand is moderate to fairly good. Food service demand is light to moderate. Offerings and supplies are light to moderate, with the larger sizes in the moderate position. Market activity is moderate. Breaking stock prices are higher. Trade sentiment is firm. Offerings are light with demand good. Breakers continue to seek additional breaking stock with bids trending higher. Supplies are light to instances moderate. Market activity is slow to mostly moderate.

	RANGE	MOSTLY	IA-MN-WI	Prices paid to producers.	Range	Mostly
EXTRA LARGE	92-101	95-98	LARGE		77-87	81
LARGE	91-100	93-96	MEDIUM		68-72	70
MEDIUM	81-90	83-86	SMALL		52-58	

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

**NORTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices are steady. Asking prices for next week's deliveries are trending higher. Offerings are light to moderate. Demand is at light to mostly moderate. Market activity is moderate to slow. Eastern region breaking stock offerings are limited for a mostly good demand. Light type hen offerings in the Eastern region are sufficient for a moderate to instances good demand.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	99-117	100-107
LARGE	93-107	98-102
MEDIUM	83-96	88-90

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

**SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL** Prices are steady. Next week's asking prices are 4 cents higher for extra large and large, 5 cents higher for medium. Retail demand is mostly moderate to good. Food service demand remains light to instances moderate. Offerings are light to moderate. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is moderate. All Central states breaking stock prices are higher. Offerings are light for the good demand. Supplies are light to at times moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	107.5-116	109-112
LARGE	100.5-109	102-105
MEDIUM	85.5-94	87-90

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

**SOUTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices are steady. Asking prices for next week's deliveries are trending higher on all sizes. Retail demand is at times moderate to good. Food service demand is light. Supplies are light to instances heavy, mostly light for trading purposes. Market activity is moderate. Eastern region breaking stock offerings are light; demand is good. Light type fowl offerings are adequate for the moderate to at times good demand.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	99-108	102-105
LARGE	95-106	100-103
MEDIUM	83-94	87-91

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 are steady. Offerings are light to moderate. Demand is mostly moderate to light. Market activity is slow.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	111-115	-
LARGE	109-113	-
MEDIUM	100-104	-

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	99-107	100-102
LARGE	97-105	98-100
MEDIUM	87-95	88-90

**WESTERN REGIONAL** Prices are steady. Asking prices for next week are 1 cent higher for jumbo, 4 cents higher for extra large and large and 5 cents higher for medium and small. Offerings are moderate with demand ranging light to good, mostly moderate as buyers purchase cautiously. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is moderate.

**CALIFORNIA** Prices are steady. Asking prices for next week are 1 cent higher on jumbo, 4 cents higher for extra large and large and 5 cents higher for medium and small. Demand ranges light to good, mostly moderate as many buyers are purchasing on an as needed basis. Offerings are moderate. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is moderate. Small benchmark price \$1.03.

### 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	147
EXTRA LARGE	146
LARGE	135
MEDIUM	123

### 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	129-139
EXTRA LARGE	128-136
LARGE	115-125
MEDIUM	103-113

**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 are higher. Trade sentiment is firm. Offerings are light with demand good. Breakers continue to seek additional breaking stock with bids trending higher. Supplies are light to instances moderate. Market activity is slow to mostly moderate.

**EASTERN REGION** Prices are higher on breaking stock and checks and undergrades. Offerings are light. Demand is mostly good. Market activity is slow to moderate. Cases broken under federal inspection for week ending 22-Jan-2011 in the Eastern region are 3 percent less than the previous week and about unchanged when compared to the same week last year.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	44-50	
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	27-34	27-31
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	41-49	43-47
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	25-28	TFEWR
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 22-JAN-2011	(lbs. in thousands)	(Excludes Ingredients)				
Total Production	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid Whites	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Ined
CW	1,279,063	31,105	12,774	6,332	3,253	4,334
PW	1,356,557	32,593	13,408	6,713	3,217	4,682
LY	1,195,571	27,950	12,228	6,176	2,309	4,247
% PW	-6%	-5%	-5%	-6%	1%	-7%
% LY	7%	11%	4%	3%	41%	2%
2011	4,039,552	97,996	39,869	19,426	9,925	13,912
2010	3,729,773	89,140	37,574	18,425	8,413	12,683
% YTD	8%	10%	6%	5%	18%	10%

	CW	PW	LY
Average Yield Per Case - (Inedible Included)	42.64	42.31	42.32
Average Yield Per Case - (Inedible Excluded)	39.26	38.86	38.77

**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	690,918	54.0%	18,288	58.8%
PREVIOUS WEEK	712,731	52.5%	18,857	57.9%
LAST YEAR	618,113	51.7%	16,092	57.6%

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

**NATIONAL LIQUID** Whole egg and yolk prices are steady to higher with whites steady. Demand is good for whole egg and light for whites and yolk. Offerings are moderate to instances heavy for whole egg and light for whites and yolk. Market activity is moderate to active and centered on whole egg.

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	26	35-44	37.88	4.63
WHITES	6	36-51	39.38	
YOLKS	8	57-70	64.13	.07

**NATIONAL DRIED** Prices are higher on yolk, unchanged to higher on whole, steady on albumen and blends. Supplies are light to moderate. Demand is mostly moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. Dried eggs processed under federal inspection for the week ending 22-Jan-2011 are 1% higher than last week and 41% more than the same week a year ago. The total year to date production of dried eggs produced is 18% higher than a year ago.

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

WHOLE	2.25-2.45	MOSTLY	2.30-2.40
YOLKS	1.85-2.00	MOSTLY	1.90-1.95
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	3.75-4.20	MOSTLY	3.75-4.05
BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER)	2.00-2.10	MOSTLY	2.05-2.08

**NATIONAL FROZEN** Frozen whole egg and salted yolk prices are higher with whites steady and sugared yolk steady to higher. Trade sentiment is firm for whole egg, steady for whites and steady to fully steady for frozen yolk products. Demand is moderate to good for whole egg and light to moderate on the balance of products. Floor stocks are light to moderate, tightest for whole egg. Market activity is slow to moderate.

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	53-59	56-59	61-65	61
WHITES	53-60	56-58	60-65	60-63
SUGARED YOLKS	84-87	84	87-92	88-90
SALTED YOLKS	80-83	81	84-89	84-87

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**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES** WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR JAN 21, 2011 – JAN 27, 2011

CURRENT LOADS 96.50

FUTURE LOADS 76.25

TOTAL LOADS 172.75

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	69.50	79.71	70.25	74.88	--	74.50	80.00	GNR W 1	--	80.10	--	--	--	--	41.00
GNR W 2	--	70.00	--	--	63.13	65.00	4.00	GL W J	82.67	--	--	104.63	99.50	96.63	9.50
GL W J	--	--	--	94.00	82.91	--	8.00	GL W XL	83.00	100.55	--	--	--	102.57	10.75
GL W XL	--	--	90.21	93.34	90.46	--	24.25	GL W LG	77.50	96.36	--	--	--	91.21	26.25
GL W LG	--	94.00	87.00	87.88	82.52	93.00	47.00	GL W MD	--	--	--	--	--	83.48	7.25
GL W MD	--	--	77.88	80.00	74.48	--	12.25	GL BR MD	--	--	--	--	95.00	95.50	.50
GL W SM	--	--	64.00	65.50	--	--	1.00								
GL BR MD	--	--	76.00	82.00	--	--	.25								
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	--	49.88	17.00								
NRBS - 36	--	25.00	--	--	23.00	--	3.00								

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 are holding steady. Demand is moderate to instances good for the generally sufficient offerings of light type hens. Processing schedules are normal. Market activity is moderate.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	2-11	3-7

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

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	TOO FEW TO REPORT	

**NORTH CENTRAL** Prices unchanged. Demand is moderate to good on light to moderate offerings. Schedules are normal to over time this week. Market activity is moderate to good.

	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	103.50	100.00	89.00
SOUTHEAST	103.50	101.50	89.00
MIDWEST	96.50	94.50	84.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	110.50	103.50	88.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	103.84	100.02	87.74

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.

**NATIONAL CANNER FOWL MARKET**

Sales are too few to report prices. Offerings are moderate for current trade needs. Demand is light to moderate with limited trading due to the bulk of supplies being used internally. Processing schedules are normal. Market activity is slow to moderate.

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 22-Jan-11 (PRELIMINARY)

**U.S. fowl slaughtered domestically**

Thousands	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
Head	1,338	1,455	2,793
Last Week	1,610	1,369	2,979
Same week yr ago	1,536	1,342	2,878
To-date/2011*	4,334	4,162	8,496
To-date/2010*	4,724	4,033	8,757

**U.S. fowl slaughtered in Canada**

Thousands	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
Head	474	0	474
Last Week	356	0	356
Same week yr ago	473	0	473
To-date/2011*	1,122	12	1,134
To-date/2010*	1,211	0	1,211

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

**Total U.S. fowl slaughtered in the U.S. and Canada**

Thousands	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
Head	1,812	1,455	3,267
Last Week	1,966	1,369	3,335
Same week yr ago	2,009	1,342	3,351
To-date/2011*	5,456	4,174	9,630
To-date/2010*	5,935	4,033	9,968

\*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)**

Week Ending Jan 15, 2011		Year-To-Date*		
Type	2011	2010 /1	2011 /2	2010
Liquid	45	146	141	342
Frozen	0	0	0	0
Dried	0	0	0	0
Total	45	146	141	342

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

Week Ending Jan 15, 2011		Year-To-Date*		
Type	2011	2010 /1	2011 /2	2010
Liquid	246	346	528	668
Frozen	8	7	8	10
Dried	0	0	0	0
Total	254	353	536	678

**Inspected Shell Eggs**

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

Week Ending Jan 15, 2011		Year-To-Date*		
Type	2011	2010 /1	2011 /2	2010
Jumbo	0	0	0	0
Extra Large	0	0	699	1,500
Large	300	0	300	800
Medium	0	0	0	0
Ungraded	2,638	3,660	5,333	9,096
Misc	0	0	0	0
Total	2,938	3,660	6,332	11,396

/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

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

	Frozen Eggs	Processed Turkeys	Processed other Poultry
	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.
AM 01/24/11	3,111	78,881	72,245
AM 01/01/11	2,971	53,954	83,560
CHG	140	24927	-11315
PCT CHG	5%	46%	-14%

**COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT** (Receipts from Producers)

W/E 29-Jan-2011	Cases	% Change From	
REGIONS	(in thousands)	LW	LY
North Atlantic	200.8	-4	7
East North Central	616.6	-2	-5
West North Central	253.3	-2	-20
South Atlantic	142.9	-1	-11
South Central	48.3	-12	-2
West	54.9	-1	10
Total	1316.8	-3	-7

Matched plants reporting

71 71

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 29-Jan-2011

Selected Consuming Centers	CW	LW	% Change	
	(Cases, in thousands)		LW	LY
Atlanta	24.0	22.0	9	25
Boston	3.1	3.2	-3	11
Chicago	57.6	55.3	4	-6
Los Angeles	61.9	55.8	11	11
New Orleans	7.7	6.3	22	35
New York	35.4	39.5	-10	13
St. Louis	98.6	100.0	-1	33
San Francisco	19.1	19.6	-3	-2
Total	307.4	301.7	2	14
4 Week Moving Avg.	297.2			

**NEW ENGLAND WEEKLY SHELL EGG REPORT** Jan 18, 2011

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

	Ex Large	Large	Med	Small
MAINE	171	158	122	86
MOSTLY	-	-	-	-
NEW HAMPSHIRE	164-168	151-155	115-119	79-83
MOSTLY	166-167	153-154	117-118	81-82
RHODE ISLAND	165-169	151-155	116-120	82-86
MOSTLY	165	151	116	82
VERMONT	171-173	158-159	122-125	-
MOSTLY	-	-	-	-