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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Regional and New York prices are steady on all sizes, while Southeast prices are higher to unchanged. Retail and food service demand is light to good, mostly light to moderate. Supplies are moderate to at times heavy for current trade needs. Market activity is mostly moderate to slow. Breaking stock demand is good to very good on light offerings. Spent hen offerings are light to adequate; demand is moderate to good.

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 are unchanged on all sizes. Daily producer prices are steady on all sizes. Market undertone is steady to barely steady. Retail demand is moderate, while food service demand is light to moderate. Offerings are moderate. Supplies are moderate with instances moderate to heavy. Market activity is slow to moderate. Breaking stock prices are higher. Offerings and supplies are light. Demand is good to very good. Breakers in need of product continue to pay higher prices to secure it. Market activity is moderate to active.

	RANGE	MOSTLY	IA-MN-WI Prices paid to producers.	Range	Mostly
EXTRA LARGE	96-105	99-102	LARGE	77-87	81
LARGE	95-104	97-100	MEDIUM	68-72	70
MEDIUM	86-95	88-91	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 unchanged on all sizes when compared to the previous week. Supplies are moderate to at times heavy for current trade requirements. Demand is light to moderate. Market activity is moderate to slow. Eastern region breaking stock offerings are light; demand is good. Light type hen offerings in the Eastern region are adequate for normal processing schedules.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	103-121	107-111
LARGE	97-111	102-106
MEDIUM	88-101	93-95

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. Retail demand is moderate to good with refill orders providing best movement into areas affected by the severe winter weather last week. Food service demand is mostly light to moderate. Offerings remain moderate. Supplies are mostly moderate. Market activity continues moderate. Central states breaking stock prices, along with checks and undergrades are higher. Offerings and supplies are light to instances moderate. Demand is good to very good. Market activity is moderate to active.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	111.5-120	113-116
LARGE	104.5-113	106-109
MEDIUM	90.5-99	92-95

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

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Prices are mixed, higher to steady on all sizes. Retail demand is moderate to fairly good. Food service demand is light to moderate. Supplies are mostly moderate, however moderate to heavy on Large eggs. Market activity is moderate. Eastern region breaking stock offerings are light; demand is good. Spent hen offerings are adequate for the moderate to instances good demand.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	105.5-113	107-110
LARGE	104-111	105-108
MEDIUM	91.5-99	92-96

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 on all sizes are steady. Present supplies are mostly moderate for trading purposes. Demand is light to moderate. Market activity is moderate to slow.

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

MIDWEST REGIONAL	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	103-111	104-106
LARGE	101-109	102-104
MEDIUM	92-100	93-95

WESTERN REGIONAL Prices are steady for all sizes. The Pacific inventory is down 13% from last Monday, with California down 16% and OR-WA-UT down 8%. Demand is light to moderate as buyers are purchasing on an as needed basis. Offerings are moderate. Supplies are moderate to instances heavy. Market activity is slow to moderate. Small benchmark price \$1.08.

CALIFORNIA EGGS Benchmark prices are unchanged on all sizes. The Pacific inventory is down 13% from last Monday, with California down 16% and OR-WA-UT down 8%. Demand is light to at times moderate. Offerings are moderate. Supplies are moderate. Trade sentiment is steady to barely steady. Market activity is slow to moderate. Small benchmark price \$1.08.

CALIFORNIA 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	148
EXTRA LARGE	150
LARGE	139
MEDIUM	128

NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES REPORT Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending February 11, 2011 will increase by 1 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending February 04, 2011 were 179,687 cases which was 8 percent above the prior week and 7 percent above estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week.....	149,852	29,835	179,687

% change from the prior week..... +23 -34 +8
 Comparison figures are compiled on a matched plant basis. Purchases and estimates by 14 cooperators; 30 dozen cases or equivalent.

CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK Prices are higher. Offerings and supplies are light. Demand is good to very good. Breakers in need of product continue to pay higher prices to secure it. Market activity is moderate to active.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	48-56.5	
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	31-38	31-35
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 07-FEB-2011

SOUTH CENTRAL Trading was TFEWR. Demand was moderate for adequate offerings of spent hens. Schedules were reduced. Finished sales were fair. Trade sentiment was about steady.

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

SOUTHEAST Prices are trending steady. Offerings are sufficient for the moderate buyer interest. Processing schedules are noted as normal. Finished product supplies are sufficient. Market activity is moderate.

	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	8-18 CENTS/LB.		12.94
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 WEEK OF JANUARY 24, 2011

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	2.24	2.22	2.00	1.40

MINIMUM PRICES FOR PRODUCERS FOB FARM FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 24, 2011 AS SET BY ONTARIO EGG PRODUCERS

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	1.70	1.70	1.54	1.06

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT

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

		Northeast	No Cent	So Cent	So Atl	Pacific	5-Area
Jumbo	Curr Wk	11.6	12.5	8.0	9.8	16.9	58.8
	Change	-0.7	-2.8	1.6	0.0	1.8	0%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	34.9	30.2	15.5	27.0	36.3	143.9
	Change	1.6	-2.3	3.0	8.3	-20.1	-6%
Large	Curr Wk	59.4	70.1	59.3	113.7	123.0	425.5
	Change	7.0	-21.6	-7.8	14.1	-13.3	-5%
Medium	Curr Wk	15.0	46.6	24.3	15.6	30.5	132
	Change	1.6	5.6	4.0	-2.7	-6.5	2%
Small	Curr Wk	3.7	3.3	1.8	1.1	6.5	16.4
	Change	-0.3	0.7	0.4	-0.2	3.0	28%
Misc	Curr Wk	1.3	20.7	9.6	9.7	4.8	46.1
	Change	-2.6	2.0	3.1	0.8	0.2	8%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	9.9	46.1	12.7	5.3	19.9	93.9
	Change	5.4	0.1	4.5	-0.9	-0.1	11%
Total	Curr Wk	135.8	229.5	131.2	182.2	237.9	916.6
Percent	Change	10%	-7%	7%	12%	-13%	-1%

TOTAL	No. of Cases	% Change	No. of Coops
Shell Egg	916.6	-1%	157
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	253.0	-6%	29

Total Shell Egg	1169.6	-2%	186

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	4.0	9.6	1.8	6.6	4.6	26.6
	Change	-0.7	2.6	-0.4	0.1	-1.5	0%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	0.0	10.1	2.5	0.0	0.0	12.6
	Change	0.0	-3.3	0.7	0.0	0.0	-17%
Total	Curr Wk	4.0	19.7	4.3	6.6	4.6	39.2
Percent	Change	-15%	-3%	8%	2%	-25%	-6%

TOTAL	No. of Cases	% Change	No. of Coops
Specialty Shell Egg	39.2	-6%	42

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.

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES - DAILY WTD AVG PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR FEB 04, 2011

CURRENT LOADS								21.25	FUTURE LOADS								10.00	TOTAL LOADS				31.25
SE		NE		MW		SC		NW		SW		SC		NW		SW						
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS					
GNR W 1	--	--	72.50	74.00	--	--	6.00	GNR W 1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	2.00					
GL W J	--	--	--	--	70.07	--	1.75	GL W J	--	--	--	87.50	76.50	82.00	76.50	82.00	2.50					
GL W XL	--	--	87.00	86.00	68.38	--	5.00	GL W XL	--	80.50	--	--	--	81.50	--	--	3.00					
GL W LG	--	--	--	--	65.68	--	8.50	GL W LG	--	78.29	--	--	--	76.50	79.80	--	4.25					
GL W MD	--	--	67.50	69.00	61.50	--	6.50	GL W MD	--	--	--	72.50	--	74.60	--	--	5.50					
GL W SM	--	--	62.00	65.00	--	--	2.00	GL W SM	--	--	--	--	63.00	--	--	--	1.00					

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR JAN 31, 2011 – FEB 04, 2011

CURRENT LOADS								72.25	FUTURE LOADS								38.75	TOTAL LOADS				111.00
SE		NE		MW		SC		NW		SW		SC		NW		SW						
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS					
GNR W 1	71.50	--	72.38	76.17	74.00	--	46.00	GNR W 1	--	83.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	19.00					
GNR W 2	--	--	--	--	55.25	58.25	4.00	GNR BR 1	--	169.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00					
GNR BR 1	--	--	--	167.00	--	--	2.00	GL W J	72.00	--	--	89.25	79.83	85.75	79.83	85.75	8.00					
GL W J	--	--	97.00	98.50	71.90	73.00	8.00	GL W XL	--	84.14	--	--	--	83.36	--	--	8.50					
GL W XL	--	101.11	88.60	89.50	70.00	--	16.75	GL W LG	--	85.33	--	--	76.50	80.37	--	--	12.25					
GL W LG	--	98.67	--	89.86	72.22	70.25	34.00	GL W MD	69.00	--	--	74.11	--	75.80	--	--	13.50					
GL W MD	89.00	--	67.75	71.50	63.75	--	17.50	GL W SM	--	--	--	--	63.00	56.50	--	--	2.25					
GL W SM	--	--	62.50	65.50	45.00	--	6.25	GL BR J	--	--	--	--	--	87.00	--	--	.25					
GL BR J	--	--	--	--	72.00	--	.25															
GL BR SM	--	--	72.00	74.00	--	--	.25															
NRBS - 48	--	--	48.75	--	--	48.00	11.00															
NRBS - 45	--	40.00	--	--	38.00	--	.50															
NRBS - 42	--	--	--	--	39.00	40.00	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.

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT – FROZEN EGGS

ON HAND	(In Thousands)		
	01/31/11	01/24/11	02/01/10
PACIFIC COAST	20	43	51
LOS ANGELES	0	0	0

CERTIFIED ORGANIC EGGS IN CARTONS

Brown Eggs	(price per carton delivered to first receivers)	
	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 all sizes. Supplies are moderate. Retail demand is good.

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	128.44
LARGE	123.02
MEDIUM	109.86
SMALL	92.00

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