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## NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Regional prices are lower on Medium sizes, unchanged on Extra Large and Large. New York prices are steady. Retail demand is mostly moderate to good with improvements noted in the South Central region following severe weather conditions. Food service demand is light to moderate. Supplies are primarily moderate to light for immediate trade requirements. Market activity is moderate to instances slow. Breaking stock offerings are moderate for the moderate to good demand. Spent hen offerings are sufficient to heavy; demand is light 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 for extra large and large, and 2 cents lower for medium. Daily producer prices are steady for all sizes. Market undertone is steady to barely steady. Retail demand is moderate to fairly good, while food service demand is light to moderate. Offerings and supplies are moderate. Market activity is mostly moderate. Breaking stock prices are steady. Trade sentiment is fully steady to firm. Offerings are light on moderate to fairly good demand. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate.

	RANGE	MOSTLY	IA-MN-WI	Prices paid to producers.	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	96-105	99-102				
LARGE	95-104	97-100			77-87	81
MEDIUM	84-93	86-89			66-70	68
					53-59	

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

**NORTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices are 2 cents lower on Mediums, unchanged on Large and Extra Large eggs. Supplies are generally moderate for trade needs. Demand into retail and food service channels is light to moderate. Market activity is moderate. Breaking stock offerings in the Eastern region are light; demand is moderate to good. Eastern region light type fowl demand is moderate to at times good on at least adequate offerings.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	103-121	104-107
LARGE	97-111	103-106
MEDIUM	86-99	91-93

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

**SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL** Prices are 2 cents lower for medium with the balance of sizes steady. Retail demand is moderate to fairly good with best movement into areas with feature activity or were previously affected by adverse winter weather conditions. Food service demand is light to moderate. Offerings are moderate. Supplies are mostly moderate. Market activity is moderate. Central states breaking stock prices are steady. Demand is moderate to fairly good with offerings light. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	111.5-120	113-116
LARGE	104.5-113	106-109
MEDIUM	88.5-97	90-93

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

**SOUTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices are 1 cent lower on Mediums, steady on larger sizes. Demand into all channels is mostly moderate to good. Supplies are light to moderate for present trade needs. Market activity is moderate. Eastern region breaking stock offerings are light for the moderate to generally good demand. Spent fowl offerings are sufficient; demand is moderate to at times good.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	105.5-113	107-110
LARGE	104-111	105-108
MEDIUM	90.5-98	91-95

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. Supplies are mostly moderate for trade requirements. Demand is light to moderate. Market activity is moderate to instances slow.

	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	111-115
LARGE	109-113
MEDIUM	98-102

MIDWEST REGIONAL	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	103-111	104-106
LARGE	101-109	102-104
MEDIUM	90-98	91-93

**WESTERN REGIONAL** Prices are unchanged on jumbo, extra large and large and 3 cents lower for medium and small. The Pacific inventory declined 1% from last Monday, with California up 1% and OR-WA-UT down 5%. Demand is moderate on moderate offerings. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is moderate.

**CALIFORNIA EGGS** Prices are unchanged on jumbo, extra large and large and 3 cents lower for medium and small. The Pacific inventory declined 1% from last Monday, with California up 1% and OR-WA-UT down 5%. Offerings are moderate on moderate demand. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is moderate. Small benchmark price \$1.05.

**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	125

**NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES REPORT** Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending February 18, 2011 will decrease by 0 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending February 11, 2011 were 143,502 cases which was 20 percent below the prior week and 21 percent below estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week.....	125,359	18,143	143,502
% change from the prior week.....	-16	-39	-20

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 steady. Trade sentiment is fully steady to firm. Offerings are light on moderate to fairly good demand. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	52-54	
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	33-40	33-37

CENTRAL STATES AREA: AR, CO, IA, IL, IN, KS, LA, MI, MN, MO, NM, ND, NE, OH, OK, SD, TX, WI

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

FINAL PRICE,  
GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 14-FEB-2011

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

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

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

	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	8-17.75 CENTS/LB.		12.92
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

\*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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**CANADIAN EGGS**

QUEBEC/MONTREAL: WHOLESALE PRICES-GRADED IN CARTONS (CANADIAN DOLLARS) AS REPORTED BY AGRICULTURE AND AGRIFOOD CANADA, AISD, AID, POULTRY SECTION FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 31, 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 31, 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	10.0	13.6	6.1	10.3	15.1	55.1
	Change	-1.6	1.1	-1.9	0.5	-1.8	-6%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	32.0	32.7	11.2	25.4	38.8	140.1
	Change	-2.9	2.5	-4.3	-1.6	2.5	-3%
Large	Curr Wk	50.8	77.5	48.8	108.7	124.3	410.1
	Change	-8.6	7.4	-10.5	-5.0	1.3	-4%
Medium	Curr Wk	13.2	41.5	18.6	13.3	30.5	117.1
	Change	-1.8	-5.1	-5.7	-2.3	0.0	-11%
Small	Curr Wk	3.4	4.7	0.9	1.5	3.2	13.7
	Change	-0.3	1.4	-0.9	0.4	-3.3	-16%
Misc	Curr Wk	1.4	22.4	12.1	11.3	5.1	52.3
	Change	0.1	1.7	2.5	1.6	0.3	13%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	10.3	44.1	15.7	6.0	18.3	94.4
	Change	0.4	-2.0	3.0	0.7	-1.6	1%
Total	Curr Wk	121.1	236.5	113.4	176.5	235.3	882.8
Percent	Change	-11%	3%	-14%	-3%	-1%	-4%

TOTAL	No. of Cases	% Change	No. of Coops
Shell Egg	882.8	-4%	157
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	264.9	5%	29
Total Shell Egg	1147.7	-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	5.1	8.6	1.6	5.5	5.4	26.2
	Change	1.1	-1.0	-0.2	-1.1	0.8	-2%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	0.0	9.4	2.3	0.0	0.0	11.7
	Change	0.0	-0.7	-0.2	0.0	0.0	-7%
Total	Curr Wk	5.1	18.0	3.9	5.5	5.4	37.9
Percent	Change	28%	-9%	-9%	-17%	17%	-3%

TOTAL	No. of Cases	% Change	No. of Coops
Specialty Shell Egg	37.9	-3%	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 11, 2011

CURRENT LOADS								27.50	FUTURE LOADS								17.00	TOTAL LOADS				44.50
SE			NE			MW		LOADS	SC			NW		SW			LOADS					
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	CLASS		ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST						
GNR W 1	72.50	--	72.50	74.50	--	--	15.00	GNR W 1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	8.00						
GL W J	--	--	94.50	96.00	78.22	--	10.00	GL W J	--	--	--	91.50	93.00	93.89	10.00							
GL W XL	--	--	88.00	91.00	84.50	--	2.00	GL W XL	--	94.25	--	--	--	--	1.00							
GL W LG	--	--	78.00	82.00	77.50	--	9.00	GL W LG	--	--	--	--	--	90.25	4.00							
GL W MD	--	--	68.00	71.00	65.00	--	3.75	GL W MD	--	--	--	--	--	77.36	2.75							
GL W SM	--	67.00	--	--	59.00	62.00	2.00	GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	--	178.00	.75							
GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	164.00	--	.75															
NRBS - 45	--	42.00	--	--	40.00	--	1.00															

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES** WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR FEB 07, 2011 – FEB 11, 2011

CURRENT LOADS								92.00	FUTURE LOADS								90.50	TOTAL LOADS				182.50
SE			NE			MW		LOADS	SC			NW		SW			LOADS					
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	CLASS		ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST						
GNR W XL	--	--	--	--	--	--	3.00	GNR W XL	--	82.00	--	--	--	--	--	3.00						
GNR W 1	72.30	81.80	73.13	77.32	--	--	53.00	GNR W 1	--	82.50	--	--	--	--	18.00							
GNR W 2	--	--	--	--	--	--	4.00	GNR W 2	--	--	--	--	--	--	4.00							
GNR BR 1	--	167.00	--	171.00	--	--	3.00	GL W J	79.00	--	--	89.50	85.93	91.02	15.75							
GL W J	--	--	95.50	97.00	77.09	--	13.00	GL W XL	90.00	90.86	--	--	--	90.86	16.75							
GL W XL	--	98.00	88.90	91.40	81.08	85.56	25.75	GL W LG	--	91.30	83.00	--	--	89.43	22.50							
GL W LG	--	99.00	78.00	85.33	80.27	--	48.50	GL W MD	67.36	--	--	78.00	--	76.14	16.50							
GL W MD	74.00	72.00	68.80	72.25	69.00	--	20.00	GL W SM	59.00	--	--	--	--	65.50	3.00							
GL W SM	--	67.00	62.00	65.00	58.25	61.57	7.75	GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	--	178.00	.75							
GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	164.00	--	.75															
NRBS - 48	--	--	51.50	--	--	52.60	15.00															
NRBS - 45	--	42.00	--	--	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)		
	02/07/11	01/31/11	02/08/10
PACIFIC COAST	20	20	48
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 lower on medium, steady on the balance. 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	108.86
SMALL	93.00

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