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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



New York prices are down 2 cents on Extra Large, Large and Mediums. Regional prices are steady. The undertone continues weak. Retail and food service demand is mostly light to moderate. Supplies are moderate to heavy for immediate trade requirements. Market activity is generally slow to moderate. Breaking stock offerings are light; demand is moderate to instances good. Light type hen offerings are adequate for the moderate to good demand.

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

MIDWEST REGIONAL Midwest delivered asking prices for next week are 8 cents lower for all reported sizes. Daily producer prices are 5 cents lower for large, 2 cents lower for medium, and steady for small. The undertone continues weak. Retail and food service demand is mostly light to moderate with some spotty increased demand noted due to winter weather conditions in parts of the reporting area. Offerings and supplies are moderate to heavy. Market activity is slow to moderate. Breaking stock prices are steady with checks and undergrades higher. Offerings are light on moderate to fairly good demand. Supplies are moderate with market activity moderate.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	96-105	99-102
LARGE	95-104	97-100
MEDIUM	84-93	86-89
Prices delivered to store door:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	103-111	104-106
LARGE	101-109	102-104
MEDIUM	90-98	91-93

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN EGGS

Prices paid to producers, cents per dozen:	RANGE	MOSTLY
LARGE	69-79	73
MEDIUM	58-62	60
SMALL	51-57	

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

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL Prices are steady. Next week's asking prices are 11 cents lower for extra large, 8 cents lower for large and medium. The undertone continues weak. Retail and food service demand is light to moderate. Offerings are moderate to heavy. Supplies range moderate to instances heavy. Market activity is slow to moderate. Central states breaking stock prices are steady with checks and undergrades higher. Demand is moderate to fairly good with offerings light. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is moderate.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	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 steady. Asking prices for next week's deliveries are trending lower. Retail and distributive demand is mostly light to moderate. Current supplies are moderate to instances heavy for trading purposes. Market activity is slow to moderate. Eastern region breaking stock offerings are light; demand is mostly moderate to good. Spent hen offerings are generally adequate for the moderate to at times good demand.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	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

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices are unchanged. Asking prices for next week's deliveries are trending lower on all sizes. Supplies are moderate to heavy for trading purposes. Retail demand is light. Distributive demand is light to moderate. Market activity is slow. Eastern region breaking stock offerings are light for the mostly moderate to good demand. Light type hen offerings in the East are generally sufficient for normal processing schedules.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	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

NEW YORK EGGS Prices are 2 cents lower on Extra Large, Large and Medium eggs. Supplies remain moderate to heavy for current buyer and seller needs. Demand ranges very light to moderate. Market activity is slow.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	101-105	-
LARGE	99-103	-
MEDIUM	88-92	-

WESTERN REGIONAL Prices are steady. Trade sentiment is weak. Asking prices for next week are 11 cents lower for jumbo and extra large, and 8 cents lower for large, medium and small. Demand is light to fairly good, mostly light. Offerings are moderate to mostly heavy. Most buyers are working from existing inventories and previous commitments and awaiting further market adjustments. Market activity is slow.

CALIFORNIA Prices are steady. Trade sentiment is weak. Asking prices for next week are 11 cents lower for jumbo and extra large and 8 cents lower for large, medium and small. Offerings are moderate to heavy with demand light to fairly good, mostly light. Supplies are moderate and most retail suppliers are working from current inventories and awaiting further market adjustments. Market activity is slow. Small benchmark price \$1.05.

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	149
LARGE	139
MEDIUM	125

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	131-139
LARGE	119-129
MEDIUM	105-115

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 Breaking stock prices are steady with checks and undergrades higher. Offerings are light on moderate to fairly good demand. Supplies are moderate with market activity moderate. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is moderate.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	53-55	
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	35-42	35-39
CENTRAL STATES AREA: AR, CO, IA, IL, IN, KS, LA, MI, MN, MO, NM, ND, NE, OH, OK, SD, TX, WI		

EASTERN REGION Prices are steady to lower on breaking stock. Current offerings are light. Demand is mostly moderate to instances good. Market activity is mostly moderate. Cases broken under federal inspection in the Eastern region for week ending 19-Feb-2011 is 6 percent higher than the previous week and 3 percent more than the same week last year.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	45-54	47-52
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	33-38	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 19-FEB-2011	(lbs. in thousands)		(Excludes Ingredients)			
Total Production	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid Whites	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Ined
CW	1,301,719	30,139	13,942	7,246	2,825	4,415
PW	1,247,225	28,893	13,295	6,924	3,204	4,322
LY	1,258,497	30,694	12,656	6,020	2,567	4,475
% PW	4%	4%	5%	5%	-12%	2%
% LY	3%	-2%	10%	20%	10%	-1%
2011	9,127,820	217,341	93,337	46,850	21,588	31,259
2010	8,685,312	208,205	87,729	43,056	18,774	29,796
% YTD	5%	4%	6%	9%	15%	5%
				CW	PW	LY
Average Yield Per Case - (Inedible Included)				42.82	42.84	42.79
Average Yield Per Case - (Inedible Excluded)				39.43	39.38	39.23

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	718,304	55.2%	18,546	61.5%
PREVIOUS WEEK	696,674	55.9%	18,188	62.9%
LAST YEAR	701,587	55.7%	17,804	58.0%

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

NATIONAL LIQUID Whole egg and white prices are higher with yolk prices irregular when compared to last week's prices. Trading centers around previous orders and contractual agreements with the spot liquid market very lightly tested. Trade sentiment is steady for all products. Offerings are light on light demand. Non-certified white prices range 40 to 42 cents fob with certified whites ranging 61 to 63 cents fob. Market activity is slow.

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	5	42.5	42.50	1.02
WHITES	9	40-63	45.56	3.12
YOLKS	6	55-68	59.33	-9.00

NATIONAL DRIED Mostly prices are steady to higher on dried yolk, steady on whole and highly irregular on albumen. Supplies are light to moderate on yolk, moderate on the balance of dried products. Demand is light to good. Market activity is moderate. Dried eggs processed under federal inspection for the week ending 19-Feb-2011 are 12% less than last week, although 10% higher than the same week a year ago. The total year to date production of dried eggs produced is 15% more than a year ago.

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

WHOLE	2.30-3.00	MOSTLY	2.45-2.65
YOLKS	1.75-2.15	MOSTLY	1.95-2.00
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	3.88-5.25	MOSTLY	3.90-4.25
BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER)	2.05-2.30	MOSTLY	2.10-2.20

NATIONAL FROZEN Trucklot prices on frozen whole egg are higher, whites are steady to higher, sugared and salted yolks are unchanged to lower. Supplies are very light to light on whole egg and light to moderate on the remaining frozen products. Demand ranges moderate to good, best for less than trucklot volumes and contractual movement. Market activity is 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	60-68	61-63	67-73	69
WHITES	57-62	TFEWR	63-68	63-66
SUGARED YOLKS	83-87	85-86	88-92	88-90
SALTED YOLKS	81-83	83	84-90	84-88

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TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR FEB 18, 2011 – FEB 24, 2011

CURRENT LOADS 106.00

FUTURE LOADS 40.00

TOTAL LOADS 146.00

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	70.17	--	68.00	71.94	--	--	18.00	GNR W 1	--	83.00	--	--	--	--	9.00
GNR W 2	--	--	--	--	--	--	2.00	GNR W 2	--	77.00	--	--	--	--	2.00
GNR BR 1	--	--	--	--	167.50	--	2.00	GL W J	--	--	--	96.75	81.67	90.08	10.25
GNR BR 2	--	--	--	158.00	--	--	1.00	GL W XL	--	88.00	--	--	--	89.92	13.25
GL W J	--	--	--	--	76.28	106.00	8.25	GL W LG	--	87.91	--	--	--	81.68	41.25
GL W XL	--	99.00	82.70	86.29	77.32	96.00	30.25	GL W MD	65.00	--	--	--	--	70.65	13.00
GL W LG	101.00	--	66.50	82.75	67.73	69.80	46.75	NRBS - 48	--	64.00	--	--	--	--	6.00
GL W MD	88.00	95.00	63.83	67.16	61.78	--	18.00								
GL W SM	--	64.00	61.32	64.36	56.00	--	5.75								
GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00								
GL BR MD	--	--	74.00	77.25	--	--	1.00								
GL BR SM	--	--	72.00	74.00	--	--	.25								
NRBS - 48	44.58	47.00	--	61.45	52.73	54.23	35.00								
NRBS - 45	--	42.00	--	--	40.00	--	1.75								
NRBS - 42	--	--	--	--	--	47.00	5.00								

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 continue to trend 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 is TFEWR. Demand for light fowl is slow at processing operations. Schedules are as desired. Finished sales are light. Trade sentiment was about steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	TOO FEW TO REPORT	

NORTH CENTRAL Prices are unchanged. Offerings are moderate for the moderate to good demand. Schedules full time. Market activity is moderate.

	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	105.50	104.50	92.00
SOUTHEAST	108.50	106.50	93.00
MIDWEST	100.50	98.50	87.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	114.50	107.50	91.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	107.61	104.37	90.98

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.

NATIONAL CANNER FOWL MARKET

Sales are too few to report prices. Offerings are moderate to heavy for current trade needs. Demand is light with limited trading due to the majority 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 19-Feb-11 (PRELIMINARY)

Thousands	U.S. fowl slaughtered domestically		
	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
Head	1,440	1,633	3,073
Last Week	1,418	1,557	2,975
Same week yr ago	1,307	1,265	2,572
To-date/2011*	10,002	10,222	20,224
To-date/2010*	10,401	9,274	19,675

Thousands	U.S. fowl slaughtered in Canada		
	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
Head	252	0	252
Last Week	439	0	439
Same week yr ago	252	0	252
To-date/2011*	2,616	46	2,662
To-date/2010*	2,523	0	2,523

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

Thousands	Total U.S. fowl slaughtered in the U.S. and Canada		
	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
Head	1,692	1,633	3,325
Last Week	1,857	1,557	3,414
Same week yr ago	1,559	1,265	2,824
To-date/2011*	12,618	10,268	22,886
To-date/2010*	12,924	9,274	22,198

*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 Feb 12, 2011		Year-To-Date*		
Type	2011	2010 /1	2011 /2	2010
Liquid	0	290	240	1,014
Frozen	0	0	0	0
Dried	0	37	0	77
Total	0	327	240	1,091

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

Week Ending Feb 12, 2011		Year-To-Date*		
Type	2011	2010 /1	2011 /2	2010
Liquid	377	607	2,103	2,579
Frozen	42	4	76	37
Dried	0	0	0	0
Total	419	611	2,179	2,616

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

Week Ending Feb 12, 2011		Year-To-Date*		
Type	2011	2010 /1	2011 /2	2010
Jumbo	0	0	0	0
Extra Large	600	0	1,299	1,500
Large	540	0	1,115	800
Medium	60	750	955	1,500
Ungraded	1,116	2,496	8,039	22,212
Misc		0	0	0
Total	2,316	3,246	11,408	26,012

/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

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT (Receipts from Producers)

W/E 19-Feb-2011 REGIONS	Cases (in thousands)	% Change From LW LY	
North Atlantic	197.3	-2	8
East North Central	677.6	1	7
West North Central	248.0	-2	-23
South Atlantic	137.8	-2	-14
South Central	51.0	-7	-1
West	45.7	-20	-12
Total	1357.4	-1	-3

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 19-Feb-2011

Selected Consuming Centers	CW (Cases, in thousands)	LW	% Change LW LY	
Atlanta	18.1	18.3	-1	-5
Boston	3.1	3.8	-18	0
Chicago	56.9	61.6	-8	-8
Los Angeles	50.8	66.0	-23	-16
New Orleans	8.1	7.4	9	50
New York	31.4	32.7	-4	0
St. Louis	100.4	119.5	-16	36
San Francisco	18.9	19.1	-1	-12
Total	287.7	328.4	-12	4
4 Week Moving Avg.	293.8			

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

	Frozen Eggs lbs.	Processed Turkeys lbs.	Processed other Poultry lbs.
AM 02/21/11	3,506	94,321	60,146
AM 02/01/11	3,476	91,134	67,614
CHG	30	3187	-7468
PCT CHG	1%	3%	-11%

NEW ENGLAND WEEKLY SHELL EGG REPORT Feb 22, 2011

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

	Ex Large	Large	Med	Small
MAINE MOSTLY	195 -	185 -	133 -	94 -
NEW HAMPSHIRE MOSTLY	186-190 188-189	178-182 180-181	126-130 128-129	87-91 89-90
MOSTLY	194	184	132	93
VERMONT MOSTLY	195 -	185 -	133 -	- -

MONTHLY COLD STORAGE REPORT

FROZEN EGGS:	(In Units of 1,000 lbs.)				Jan 31, 2011 as a Percent of	
	Dec-31 2009	Dec-31 2010	Jan-31 2010	Jan-31 2011	Jan-31 2010	Dec-31 2010
Whites	2,505	2,082	3,435	3,795	110%	182%
Yolks	1,017	1,057	871	1,162	133%	110%
Whole & Mixed	6,971	6,483	7,402	7,832	106%	121%
Unclassified	13,151	15,735	12,632	13,998	111%	89%
Total Frozen Eggs	23,644	25,357	24,340	26,787	110%	106%

Source: USDA/NASS