



## NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Regional prices are lower on Extra Large, Large and Medium sizes. New York prices are steady. Demand is light to moderate while ranging light to instances good in the Northeast. Supplies are moderate to heavy for present trade needs. Market activity is slow to moderate. Breaking stock offerings are light to moderate for the light demand. Spent hen offerings are at least sufficient to heavy; demand is mostly moderate to good.

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 are 4 cents lower for extra-large and large, and 5 cents lower for medium. Daily producer prices are steady for all reported sizes. Retail demand is light, while food service demand is light to moderate. Offerings and supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow. Breaking stock prices are steady. Trade sentiment is steady to barely steady. Demand is light with offerings light to instances moderate. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is slow.

Delivered to warehouse:	Range	Mostly
Extra Large	95-104	98-101
Large	94-103	96-99
Medium	77-86	79-82

Delivered to store door:	Range	Mostly
Extra Large	102-110	103-105
Large	100-108	101-103
Medium	83-91	84-86

### IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN

Prices paid to producers, cents per dozen.

	Range	Mostly
Large	76-86	80
Medium	59-63	61
Small	51-57	

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

**NORTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices are 6 to 7 cents lower on extra-large, 3 cents lower on large and 5 cents lower on mediums. Supplies are mixed, mostly moderate to heavy. Demand into all channels ranges light to occasionally good. Market activity is moderate. Eastern region breaking stock offerings are light to moderate for a mostly light demand. Spent hen offerings are at least sufficient for the moderate demand.

Delivered to warehouse:	Range	Mostly
Extra Large	104-119	108-112
Large	101-115	106-110
Medium	81-94	85-88

Northeast Area: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, eastern NJ, eastern NY, PA, RI, northern VA, & VT

**SOUTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices are lower on extra-large, large and medium eggs. Retail demand is light. Distributive demand is light to moderate. Supplies are moderate to instances heavy for trade needs. Market activity is slow. Eastern region breaking stock offerings are light to moderate for the mostly light demand. Spent hen offerings are at least adequate; processing schedules are normal.

Delivered to warehouse:	Range	Mostly
Extra Large	106.5-114.25	108-111
Large	105-112.25	106-109
Medium	81.5-90.25	82-86

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

**SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL** Prices are 8 cents lower for extra-large, 4 cents lower for large, and 5 cents lower for medium. Retail and food service demand continues light to moderate. Offerings are moderate while supplies are moderate to heavy. Market activity remains slow. Central states breaking stock prices are steady. Trade sentiment is steady to barely steady. Demand is light with offerings light to instances moderate. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is slow.

Delivered to warehouse:	Range	Mostly
Extra Large	105.5-114	107-110
Large	104.5-113	106-109
Medium	84.5-93	86-89

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

**NEW YORK** Prices are steady on all sizes. Offerings are mostly moderate for trade needs. Demand ranges light to instances good. Market activity is moderate.

Delivered to store door:	Range
Extra Large	115-119
Large	113-117
Medium	93-97

**WESTERN** Prices are 5 cents lower for jumbo, 8 cents lower for extra-large, 4 cents lower for large and 5 cents lower for medium and small. Trade sentiment is barely steady. Demand is light to mostly moderate on moderate offerings. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is moderate.

**CALIFORNIA** Benchmark prices are 5 cents lower for jumbo, 8 cents lower for extra-large, 4 cents lower for large and 5 cents lower for medium and small. Trade sentiment is barely steady. Offerings are moderate with demand mostly moderate. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is moderate. Small benchmark price \$1.04.

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	141
Extra Large	148
Large	142
Medium	124

**Weekly Shell Egg Inventory:** Stocks on Hand Available for Marketing (30-dozen cases in thousands) <sup>1</sup> (Includes Conventional and Specialty)

		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
<b>Jumbo</b>	This Week	7.7	9.4	14.0	8.9	11.2	4.7	55.9
	% Change	-0.3%	-3.3%	1.3%	14.7%	-15.6%	10.7%	-1.1%
<b>Extra Large</b>	This Week	25.8	19.6	43.9	12.6	24.6	5.5	132.1
	% Change	27.3%	26.5%	39.1%	33.1%	-3.6%	1.5%	22.6%
<b>Large</b>	This Week	48.8	91.5	125.3	71.0	66.4	48.1	451.1
	% Change	35.2%	-3.5%	35.8%	33.2%	2.0%	13.1%	17.4%
<b>Medium</b>	This Week	14.4	17.1	41.8	25.4	25.4	10.5	134.6
	% Change	61.2%	0.9%	3.2%	14.6%	5.9%	-8.9%	8.5%
<b>Small</b>	This Week	2.0	2.5	3.3	2.2	2.2	2.4	14.6
	% Change	-17.6%	-4.7%	-17.2%	-41.6%	10.1%	-12.1%	-16.6%
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	This Week	3.1	9.3	25.9	12.8	3.3	3.3	57.8
	% Change	57.6%	11.8%	12.7%	-6.4%	-40.6%	1.0%	3.5%
<b>Ungraded</b>	This Week	9.6	11.4	49.3	8.2	15.3	17.3	111.1
	% Change	59.7%	61.9%	-11.2%	-11.4%	13.9%	36.1%	6.9%
<b>Total Shell Egg</b>	This Week	111.4	161.0	303.5	141.1	148.3	91.8	957.1
	% Change	33.5%	3.8%	16.5%	18.2%	-0.3%	11.3%	12.6%

Totals	Cases	Percent Change
Shell Egg	957.1	12.6%
Breaking Stock	251.0	-4.4%
<b>Total Shell Egg</b>	<b>1,208.1</b>	<b>8.6%</b>

**Specialty Shell Egg Inventory** <sup>2</sup>

Stocks on Hand to be Marketed as Specialty (30-dozen cases in thousands)

		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
<b>Large</b>	This Week	5.4	6.3	5.6	3.1	10.0	6.3	36.7
	% Change	32.4%	-19.4%	-37.3%	3.8%	364.0%	121.5%	27.7%
<b>Ungraded</b>	This Week	0.0	0.0	14.1	5.0	0.0	0.0	19.1
	% Change	0.0%	-100.0%	-18.1%	23.5%	0.0%	0.0%	-10.4%
<b>Total Specialty</b>	This Week	5.4	6.3	19.6	8.1	10.0	6.3	55.8
	% Change	32.4%	-19.8%	-24.6%	15.1%	364.0%	121.5%	11.5%

<b>Percentage of Specialty Shell Egg Inventory Comprised of USDA Certified Organic:</b>	<b>Large:</b>	<b>47.1%</b>
	<b>Ungraded:</b>	<b>35.4%</b>
	<b>Total:</b>	<b>43.1%</b>

1/ 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.

Regional Definitions: **Northeast** = CT, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, AND VT; **Southeast** = AL, FL, GA, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, & WV; **Midwest** = IA, IL, IN, KY, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, & WI; **South Central** = AR, AZ, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX, & UT; **Southwest** = CA & NV, **Northwest** = ID, MT, OR, WA, AND WY.

**NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES**

Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending May 06, 2011 will increase by 1 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending April 29, 2011 were 139,520 cases which was 42 percent below the prior week and 41 percent below estimates.

Cartoned	Loose	Total
Cases purchased present week:		
111,659	27,861	139,520

% change from the prior week:  
-48      +10      -42

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 are steady. Trade sentiment is steady to barely steady. Demand is light with offerings light to instances moderate. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is slow.

	Range	Mostly
Breaking Stock	59-61	
Checks & Undergrades	40-47	40-44
Central States Area:	AR, CO, IA, IL, IN, KS, LA, MI, MN, MO, NM, ND, NE, OH, OK, SD, TX, & WI	

**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 April 18, 2011

Grade A	Ex Lrg	Lrg	Med	Small
2.31	2.29	2.07	1.50	
Minimum prices for producers' f.o.b. farm for the week of April 18, 2011 as set by Ontario egg producers				
Grade A	Ex Lrg	Lrg	Med	Small
1.80	1.80	1.64	1.16	

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES**

Daily weighted average prices (cents/doz.) national trading for April 29, 2011

Current Loads 18.50 Future Loads 4.00 Total Loads 22.50

CLASS	SE		NE		MW		LDS	CLASS	SC		NW		SW		LDS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST			ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W 1	77.00	--	79.00	80.50	--	--	2.00	GL W J	--	--	--	--	--	89.00	2.00
GL W J	--	--	--	--	71.00	--	2.00	GL W XL	--	--	--	--	--	95.11	4.75
GL W XL	--	--	91.00	89.50	79.87	--	8.75	GL W LG	--	--	--	--	--	87.33	3.75
GL W LG	--	--	85.25	87.50	72.33	--	6.75	GL W MD	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00
GL W SM	58.00	--	--	--	--	--	1.00	GL W SM	52.00	55.00	--	--	--	--	1.00

Weekly 5-day weighted average prices (cents/doz.) national trading for April 25, 2011-April 29, 2011

Current Loads 92.00 Future Loads 25.00 Total Loads 117.00

CLASS	SE		NE		MW		LDS	CLASS	SC		NW		SW		LDS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST			ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W 1	78.75	85.20	80.25	81.88	65.00	--	16.00	GL W J	75.43	77.00	--	--	78.00	84.97	14.25
GL W J	--	--	--	--	67.14	--	9.25	GL W XL	75.00	85.91	--	--	--	94.17	10.50
GL W XL	--	95.08	92.67	91.38	79.88	--	27.25	GL W LG	--	97.54	75.50	--	--	84.37	18.25
GL W LG	--	94.50	84.88	85.00	70.36	74.97	32.25	GL W MD	--	--	--	--	68.50	67.17	8.25
GL W MD	--	--	65.50	71.33	60.24	--	10.25	GL W SM	50.00	55.00	--	--	--	--	2.00
GL W SM	58.00	--	58.00	61.00	56.00	--	4.00	GL BR J	--	--	--	--	--	85.25	.25
GL BR J	--	--	--	--	68.00	--	.25	GL BR XL	--	--	--	--	--	80.25	.25
GL BR XL	--	--	--	--	63.00	--	.25	GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	--	80.25	.25
GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	66.00	74.00	.50	NRBS - 48	64.00	--	--	--	--	72.00	3.00
NRBS - 48	--	--	55.00	57.36	--	59.33	13.00	NRBS - 45	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
NRBS - 45	--	--	--	--	--	--	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.

**COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT-FROZEN EGGS** (in thousands)

On Hand	04/25/11	04/18/11	00/12/10
Pacific Coast	48	32	31
Los Angeles	0	0	0

**NORTH CAROLINA EGGS** The market is steady on small, lower on the balance. Supplies are moderate. 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	126.14
Large	125.36
Medium	99.86
Small	93.00

**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

**LIVE HEAVY-TYPE HENS** (7 pounds and up)\*

Final Price, Generally for Slaughter the Week of 02-May-2011

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

	Range	Maj	Wtd Avg
At Farm Buyer Loading			Too Few to Report

**SOUTHEAST** Prices continue to trend steady. Offerings are sufficient for the mostly moderate demand. Processing schedules are noted as normal. Finished product supplies are moderate to heavy. Market activity is moderate.

	Range	Maj	Wtd Avg
At Farm Buyer Loading	8-17.75 cents/lb.		12.95
At Farm Producer Loading	Too Few to Report		
FOB Plant	Too Few to Report		

\*Weights under 7 lbs. Subject to discount.