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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



New York and regional prices are steady. Demand ranges light to good, mostly light to moderate. Supplies are generally moderate to heavy for current trade needs. Market activity remains slow to moderate. Breaking stock offerings are moderate to heavy for the light demand. Spent hen offerings are light to adequate; processing schedules are normal.

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

MIDWEST REGIONAL Prices are steady. Trade sentiment was steady. Demand is light to moderate and better into planned features. Offerings are moderate. Market activity is light to moderate. Breaking stock prices are steady. Trade sentiment is barely steady. Offerings are moderate to mostly heavy. Demand is light. Supplies are moderate to heavy. Market activity is slow.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	78-87	81-84
LARGE	77-86	79-82
MEDIUM	75-84	77-80

Prices delivered to store door:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	85-93	86-88
LARGE	83-91	84-86
MEDIUM	81-89	82-84

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN EGGS

Prices paid to producers, cents per dozen:	RANGE	MOSTLY
LARGE	59-69	63
MEDIUM	57-61	59
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 with a steady undertone. Next week's asking prices are unchanged. Retail demand is light to moderate while food service demand is light to mostly moderate. Offerings are moderate. Supplies are moderate to heavy. Market activity is slow to moderate. Central states breaking stock prices are steady. Trade sentiment is barely steady. Demand is light with offering moderate to mostly heavy. Supplies are moderate to heavy. Market activity is slow.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	87.5-96	89-92
LARGE	84.5-93	86-89
MEDIUM	82.5-91	84-87
SOUTH CENTRAL AREA: AR, AZ, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, and TX		

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Prices are steady. Demand is generally moderate. Supplies range light to instances heavy, mostly moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. Eastern region breaking stock offerings are moderate to heavy; demand is light. Spent hen offerings are adequate with normal processing schedules.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	85.5-97.25	87-90
LARGE	84-93.25	85-88
MEDIUM	80.5-88	81-85
SOUTHEAST AREA: AL, FL, GA, MS, NC, SC, Eastern TN, and Southern VA		

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices are unchanged. Offerings are mixed, but generally moderate to heavy on Large, moderate on Medium and light to moderate on Extra Large. Demand into all channels ranges light to good, mostly moderate. Market activity is moderate. Breaking stock offerings in the East are moderate to heavy for the light demand. Light hen offerings are about adequate to adequate for a moderate to good demand.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	88-102	88-91
LARGE	81-95	86-90
MEDIUM	78-91	83-85
NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, Eastern NJ, Eastern NY, PA, RI, Northern VA, and VT		

NEW YORK EGGS Prices ended the week unchanged on all sizes. Trade sentiment is steady. Supplies are moderate to occasionally heavy. Demand is light to mostly moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	95-99	-
LARGE	93-97	-
MEDIUM	90-94	-

WESTERN REGIONAL Prices are steady. Asking prices for next week are 2 cents lower for medium and small and unchanged on the balance of sizes. Trade sentiment is mostly steady. Demand is light to moderate and better into planned features. Large offerings are heavy with offerings on the remainder of sizes mostly moderate. Supplies are moderate to heavy. Market activity is slow to moderate.

CALIFORNIA Prices are steady. Asking prices for next week are 2 cents lower for medium and small and unchanged on the balance of sizes. Trade sentiment is mostly steady. Offerings are moderate with large offerings moderate to heavy. Demand is light to moderate and better into planned ads. Supplies are moderate to heavy. Market activity is slow to moderate. Small benchmark price \$1.02.

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	135
EXTRA LARGE	130
LARGE	123
MEDIUM	122

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	117-127
EXTRA LARGE	112-120
LARGE	103-112
MEDIUM	102-112

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

	Range	Mostly
Breaking Stock	57-59	
Checks & Undergrades	38-45	38-42
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. Offerings are moderate to heavy for the light demand. Market activity remains slow. Cases broken under federal inspection in the Eastern region for week ending 14-May-2011 are 1 percent higher than the previous week and the same as a year ago.

	Range	Mostly
Breaking Stock	53-60	55-57
Checks & Undergrades	36-45	38-42
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 14-May-2011	(lbs. in thousands)	(excludes ingredients)				
Total Production	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CW	1,387,182	32,730	14,270	7,244	2,852	4,487
PW	1,376,724	32,795	13,991	7,126	3,187	4,507
LY	1,388,579	34,220	13,243	6,575	3,296	4,437
% PW	1%	0%	2%	2%	-11%	0%
% LY	0%	-4%	8%	10%	-13%	1%
2011*	24,988,792	593,847	255,196	129,892	54,164	84,000
2010*	24,194,966	591,324	237,062	117,654	49,467	82,404
% YTD	3%	0%	8%	10%	9%	2%

	Current Week	Previous Week	Last Year
Average Yield Per Case - (inedible included)	42.34	42.43	42.11
Average Yield Per Case - (inedible excluded)	39.10	39.16	38.92

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	783,665	56.5%	20,309	62.1%
Previous Week	780,096	56.7%	20,155	61.5%
Last Year	727,906	52.4%	20,249	59.2%

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Notice: Effective June 3, 2011, the following reports will be discontinued in their current formats and will be replaced by the National Egg Products report which will include market coverage of liquid, frozen, and dried egg products in a single report.

National Dried Mostly prices are unchanged on all dried products. Supplies are light to moderate and sufficiently cover regular commitments. Demand is light to moderate. Trade inquiry increased, but most buyers are purchasing on an as needed basis. Market activity is generally slow. Dried eggs processed under federal inspection for the week ending 14-May-2011 are 11% less than a week ago and 13% less than the same week last year. The total year to date production of dried eggs produced is 9% higher than last year.

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

Whole	2.45-2.95	Mostly	2.50-2.60
Yolks	1.85-2.10	Mostly	1.90-2.00
Albumen, Spray, Dried	4.25-5.00	Mostly	4.35-4.55
Blends (whole plus sweetener)	2.05-2.15		

National Frozen Frozen whole egg prices are steady with whites steady to higher and sugared and salted yolk steady to lower. Trade sentiment is steady for all frozen products. Spot demand is reported as seasonally light to instances moderate, mostly light as contractual requirements continue to gather the most attention. Offerings are light to moderate. Market activity is slow.

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	69-76	70-72	74-80	75
Whites	66-72	68-70	71-78	71-73
Sugared Yolks	86-92	90-92	92-98	92-94
Salted Yolks	84-89	84-86	88-95	88-90

National Liquid Liquid whole egg and white prices are lower with yolk prices higher. Trade sentiment is steady for all liquid products at current trading levels. Demand is moderate to fairly good for whole egg and whites and moderate for yolk. Market activity is moderate to active. All whites reported are non-certified.

Prices paid cents per lb., FOB Plant to 10:00 AM non-pasteurized trucklot. For delivery within 14 days.

Class	Loads	Range	Wtd. Avg.	Last Week
Whole	29	45.5-47	46.21	-1.14
Whites	19	44-48	45.87	-2.33
Yolks	6	66-69	63.25	-2.05

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR MAY 13, 2011 – MAY 19, 2011

CURRENT LOADS 120.25								FUTURE LOADS 37.50				TOTAL LOADS 157.75					
CLASS	SE		NE		MW		LOADS	CLASS	SC		NW		SW		LOADS		
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST			ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST			
GNR W XL	58.00	--	--	61.00	--	--	1.00	GNR W 2	--	64.50	--	--	--	--	2.00		
GNR W 1	59.00	--	60.33	61.75	--	--	9.00	GL W J	72.30	90.10	--	94.63	86.00	84.00	16.00		
GNR W 2	--	--	--	--	54.88	--	2.00	GL W XL	72.68	77.64	77.38	86.00	--	83.35	27.50		
GNR BR 1	--	--	--	--	63.00	70.50	1.00	GL W LG	67.84	71.90	--	77.10	--	75.11	27.75		
GL W J	--	--	82.25	84.00	75.17	--	8.00	GL W MD	60.38	68.00	60.00	69.75	62.00	69.87	15.50		
GL W XL	72.00	76.00	75.50	77.50	69.34	76.00	36.50	GL BR LG	--	--	60.00	--	--	68.00	1.00		
GL W LG	61.00	64.50	63.50	68.58	62.23	71.86	37.75	NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	--	--	.50		
GL W MD	81.00	--	64.33	66.33	62.19	--	12.50										
GL W SM	--	--	57.50	60.63	--	--	4.00										
GL BR XL	74.00	--	--	--	--	--	1.00										
GL BR LG	71.00	--	--	--	--	--	1.00										
NRBS - 48	53.00	55.50	53.00	55.00	54.80	59.47	23.75										

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 trending steady. Demand is moderate to good for the about adequate to adequate 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 fair for fully adequate offerings of spent light hens. Schedules were as desired. Finished sales were slow. Trade sentiment was about steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	TOO FEW TO REPORT	

NORTH CENTRAL Prices are unchanged. Offerings are light to moderate for the moderate to good demand. Schedules are 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	89.50	88.00	84.00
SOUTHEAST	88.50	86.50	83.00
MIDWEST	82.50	80.50	78.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	90.50	87.50	85.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	87.85	85.67	82.86

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.

NATIONAL CANNER FOWL MARKET

Sales are few to report prices. Offerings are sufficient for the mostly light to moderate demand. Trading was limited due to the majority of supplies being used internally. Processing schedules are normal. Market activity is 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 14-May-11 (PRELIMINARY)

Thousands	U.S. fowl slaughtered domestically		
	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
Head	1,622	1,361	2,983
Last Week	1,545	1,563	3,108
Same week yr ago	1,403	1,468	2,871
To-date/2011*	27,726	27,915	55,641
To-date/2010*	27,942	25,533	53,475

Thousands	U.S. fowl slaughtered in Canada		
	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
Head	542	0	542
Last Week	499	0	499
Same week yr ago	426	12	438
To-date/2011*	7,627	153	7,780
To-date/2010*	6,869	138	7,007

Thousands	Total U.S. fowl slaughtered in the U.S. and Canada		
	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
Head	2,164	1,361	3,525
Last Week	2,044	1,563	3,607
Same week yr ago	1,829	1,480	3,309
To-date/2011*	35,353	28,068	63,421
To-date/2010*	34,811	25,671	60,482

*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 May 07, 2011	Year-To-Date*			
	2011	2010 /1	2011 /2	2010
Type				
Liquid	49	96	435	1,841
Frozen	0	0	0	0
Dried	0	0	64	156
Total	49	96	499	1,997

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

Week Ending May 07, 2011	Year-To-Date*			
	2011	2010 /1	2011 /2	2010
Type				
Liquid	242	410	6,057	7,408
Frozen	8	2	269	141
Dried	0	0	0	0
Total	250	412	6,326	7,549

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

Week Ending May 07, 2011	Year-To-Date*			
	2011	2010 /1	2011 /2	2010
Jumbo	0	0	0	0
Extra Large	2,430	2,646	28,039	16,206
Large	3,496	2,345	48,366	37,915
Medium	990	1,965	12,775	16,035
Ungraded	12,582	2,412	53,828	73,662
Misc	0	0	0	0
Total	19,498	9,368	143,008	143,818

/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 05/16/11	3,313	139,600	54,280
AM 05/01/11	3,426	127,285	54,517
CHG	-113	12315	-237
PCT CHG	-3%	10%	0%

Commercial Egg Movement (Receipts from Producers)

W/E 14-Apr-2011	Cases (in thousands)	% Change From	
		LW	LY
North Atlantic	201.6	1	6
East North Central	640.9	-1	-3
West North Central	254.3	-7	-19
South Atlantic	127.5	0	-14
South Central	51.7	10	-6
West	46.6	1	-10
Total	1322.6	-1	-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 14-Apr-2011

Selected Consuming Centers	CW (Cases, in thousands)	LW	% Change	
			LW	LY
Atlanta	17.2	18.1	-5	14
Boston	2.9	2.6	12	-3
Chicago	53.9	61.1	-12	-18
Los Angeles	63.9	52.9	21	-9
New Orleans	5.9	5.1	16	4
New York	30.4	31.3	-3	-8
St. Louis	79.6	75.0	6	-7
San Francisco	15.5	14.4	8	-32
Total	269.3	260.5	3	-11
4 Week Moving Avg.	281.1			

New England Weekly Shell Egg Report May 17, 2011

Prices paid/doz. Grade A Brown eggs in cartons delivered store door.

	Ex Large	Large	Med	Small
Maine	144	133	125	94
Mostly	-	-	-	-
New Hampshire	137-141	126-130	118-122	87-91
Mostly	139-140	128-129	120-121	89-90
Rhode Island	143-147	132-136	124-128	93-97
Mostly	143	132	124	93
Vermont	144-149	133-139	125	-
Mostly	-	-	-	-

MONTHLY COLD STORAGE REPORT

Commodity					April 30, 2011 as a Percent of	
	Mar-31 2010	Mar-31 2011	Apr-30 2010	Apr-30 2011	Apr-30 2010	Mar-31 2011
FROZEN EGG						
			(1,000 pounds)		(percent)	
Whites	4,100	3,676	3,571	3,725	104%	101%
Yolks	591	2,007	524	1,674	319%	83%
Whole and mixed	5,535	6,565	5,846	6,028	103%	92%
Unclassified	11,397	15,039	12,447	16,299	131%	108%
Total frozen eggs	21,623	27,287	22,388	27,726	124%	102%

Source: USDA/NASS