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## National Egg Market at-a-Glance

New York and regional prices are steady. Asking prices for next week's trade are trending higher on larger sizes. Retail demand is moderate to good and food service demand is light to moderate. Offerings are light to mostly moderate on larger sizes, moderate to heavy on Mediums. Market activity is moderate. Offerings for breaking stock are generally moderate; demand is light to moderate. Spent hen offerings are light to fully adequate with processing schedules normal to reduced.

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 3 cents higher for extra-large and large, and steady for medium. Daily producer prices are 1 cent higher for large, and steady for medium and small. Food service demand is light to moderate, while retail demand is moderate to fairly good. Offerings are light for jumbo and extra-large, balanced for large, and moderate for medium. Market activity is moderate. Breaking stock prices are steady. Trade sentiment continues steady. Offerings are light to moderate on light demand. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate.

Prices delivered to warehouse:

	Range	Mostly
Extra Large	82-91	85-88
Large	81-90	83-86
Medium	65-74	67-70

Prices delivered to store door:

	Range	Mostly
Extra Large	89-97	90-92
Large	87-95	88-90
Medium	71-79	72-74

### Iowa-Minnesota-Wisconsin

Prices paid to producers, cents per dozen.

	Range	Mostly
Large	66-76	70
Medium	47-51	49
Small	44-50	

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

**South Central Regional** Prices are steady. The undertone ranges steady to firm. Next week's asking prices are 3 cents higher for extra-large, 4 cents higher for large, and steady for medium. Retail demand remains moderate to good, while food service demand is light to moderate. Offerings continue light to moderate for the larger sizes and moderate to instances heavy for medium. Market activity is moderate. Central states breaking stock prices are steady. Trade sentiment is steady. Demand is light with offerings light to moderate. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate.

Prices delivered to warehouse:

	Range	Mostly
Extra Large	97.5-106	99-102
Large	91.5-100	93-96
Medium	71.5-80	73-76

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

**Southeast Regional** Prices are steady. The undertone is steady to firm. Retail demand is moderate to good. Food service demand is light to moderate. Offerings range light to heavy, mostly moderate with Mediums in the heaviest position. Market activity is moderate. Breaking stock offerings in the Eastern region are generally moderate; demand is light to moderate. Light type hen offerings are about adequate to adequate for the mostly moderate demand.

Prices delivered to warehouse:

	Range	Mostly
Extra Large	88.5-100.25	90-93
Large	87-94	88-91
Medium	69.5-78.25	70-74

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

**Northeast Regional** Prices are steady. Asking prices for next week's deliveries are trending higher on larger sizes. Offerings range light to instances heavy, heavier on Medium sizes. Retail demand is moderate to instances good while food service demand is light to mostly moderate. Market activity is moderate. Offerings for eastern region breaking stock are moderate with demand is light to moderate. Spent hen offerings are about adequate; demand is generally moderate.

Prices delivered to warehouse:

	Range	Mostly
Extra Large	90-112	91-94
Large	84-98	89-93
Medium	69-82	73-76

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

**New York** Prices are steady. Offerings continue light to moderate on Extra Large and Large sizes, moderate to at times heavy on Mediums. Demand is light to moderate. Market activity is moderate.

Prices delivered to store door:

	Range
Extra Large	100-104
Large	98-102
Medium	81-85

**Western** Prices are steady. Asking prices for next week are 4 cents higher for jumbo, 3 cents higher for extra-large and large and unchanged for medium and small. Trade sentiment is firm for jumbo and extra-large, steady to fully steady for large and steady for medium. Demand is good for jumbo and extra-large and moderate for large and medium. Offerings are light for jumbo and extra-large, moderate for large and moderate to instances heavy for medium. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is moderate.

**California** Prices are steady. Asking prices for next week are 4 cents higher for jumbo, 3 cents higher for extra-large and large and unchanged for medium and small. Trade sentiment is firm for jumbo and extra-large, fully steady for large and steady for medium. Offerings are light for jumbo and extra-large, moderate for large and moderate to instances heavy for medium. Demand is good for jumbo and extra-large and moderate for large and medium. Market activity is moderate. Small benchmark price 88 cents.

**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	144
Extra Large	138
Large	127
Medium	108

**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	126-136
Extra Large	120-128
Large	105-116
Medium	88-98

**Weekly National Egg Products**

F.O.B. Shipper Dock Basis; Wholesale prices; cents per pound unless otherwise noted.

**Liquid**

Liquid whole egg prices are mixed with whites steady to lower and yolk prices higher. Trade sentiment is firm for whole egg and whites and fully steady for yolk. Demand is good for all liquid products while yolk demand improves from last week's slow movement. Offerings are light for whole egg and moderate for whites and yolk. Market activity is moderate to active. All whites reported are non-certified.

Non-pasteurized in trucklots; current trading for delivery within 14 days.

Class	Current Week			Last Week			May Averages	
	Range	Loads	Wtd Avg	Range	Loads	Wtd Avg	Loads	Wtd Avg
Whole	46.50 - 47.50	16	47.38	45.50 - 48.50	17	46.68	86	46.98
Whites	43.50 - 47.00	16	44.56	43.50 - 47.50	22	44.80	62	47.44
Yolk	63.00 - 68.50	8	66.88	61.00	5	61.00	18	64.72

**Frozen**

Frozen sugared yolk prices are higher with the balance of trucklot prices steady. Trade sentiment is fully steady for whole egg, steady to fully steady for whites and steady for frozen yolk products. Demand ranges light to fairly good for whole egg, mostly moderate to fairly good, with demand for the remainder of frozen products light to moderate at best. Offerings are light to moderate, continuing lightest for whole egg. Freezer inventories are reported as light. Market activity is slow to moderate.

Packed in 30-pound containers; less-than-trucklot reflects a minimum volume of 25 containers.

Trucklot	Current Week		Last Week		May Averages	
	Range	Mostly	Range	Mostly	This Month	Last Month
Whole	66.00 - 75.00	69.00 - 72.00	66.00 - 75.00	71.00 - 72.00	72.38	72.20
Whites	67.00 - 72.00	67.00 - 71.00	67.00 - 72.00	67.00 - 70.00	68.75	68.00
Sugar Yolk <sup>1/</sup>	86.00 - 92.00	88.00 - 90.00	86.00 - 92.00	88.00 - 90.00	89.38	89.80
Salt Yolk <sup>1/</sup>	85.00 - 89.00	87.00 - 89.00	84.00 - 88.00		86.75	86.80

Less-than-Trucklot	Current Week		Last Week		May Averages	
	Range	Mostly	Range	Mostly	This Month	Last Month
Whole	75.00 - 77.00	75.00 - 77.00	75.00 - 82.00	75.00	76.13	76.30
Whites	75.00 - 77.00	75.00 - 77.00	73.00		73.50	71.90
Sugar Yolk <sup>1/</sup>	94.00 - 96.00	94.00 - 96.00	95.00		94.00	93.00
Salt Yolk <sup>1/</sup>	89.00 - 91.00	89.00 - 91.00	95.00		90.75	90.00

<sup>1/</sup>Minimum

**Dried**

Mostly prices are higher on albumen and blends, while unchanged on whole and yolk. Trade sentiment on albumen is steady to fully steady with asking prices trending higher due to production cost and steady on the balance of dried products. Demand is light to moderate on light to moderate offerings. Market activity is slow to moderate.

Prices in dollars per pound; in containers; includes trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes.

Class	Current Week		Last Week		May Averages	
	Range	Mostly	Range	Mostly	This Month	Last Month
Whole	2.47 - 3.00	2.50 - 2.60	2.47 - 3.00	2.50 - 2.60	2.68	2.66
Yolk	1.80 - 2.10	1.93 - 1.98	1.80 - 2.10	1.93 - 1.98	1.96	1.99
Albumen <sup>2/</sup>	4.35 - 5.00	4.37 - 4.65	4.35 - 5.00	4.35 - 4.55	4.56	4.34
Blends <sup>3/</sup>	2.15 - 2.30	2.20	2.15 - 2.20	2.15	2.11	2.13

<sup>2/</sup> Spray Dried; <sup>3/</sup> Whole plus sweetener.

**Eggs Processed Under Federal Inspection**

W/E 11-Jun-2011 (lbs. in thousands) (excludes ingredients)

Total Production	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CW	1,404,996	32,138	14,784	7,516	3,439	4,663
PW	1,331,597	30,060	14,818	7,179	3,312	4,263
LY	1,413,228	31,901	15,116	7,130	3,438	4,456
% PW	6%	7%	0%	5%	4%	9%
% LY	-1%	1%	-2%	5%	0%	5%
2011	30,530,826	720,963	314,513	159,780	67,779	102,010
2010	29,490,613	717,173	291,716	143,734	61,045	99,887
% YTD	4%	1%	8%	11%	11%	2%

	CW	PW	LY
Average Yield Per Case - (inedible included)	42.07	42.29	41.47
Average Yield Per Case - (inedible excluded)	38.75	39.09	38.31

**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	778,607	55.4%	18,858	58.7%
Previous Week	777,658	58.4%	18,748	62.4%
Last Year	725,668	51.3%	17,836	55.9%

**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 continues steady. Offerings are light to moderate on light demand. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate.

	Range	Mostly
Breaking Stock	55-61	56-58
Checks & Undergrades	37-46	37-41
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 usually moderate. Demand is light to moderate. Market activity is slow. Cases broken under federal inspection in the Eastern region for week ending 11-Jun-2011 are 3 percent higher than the previous week, however 5 percent lower than the same week last year.

	Range	Mostly
Breaking Stock	52-58	53-55
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		

**Trailer Load Egg Sales** – Weekly 5-day weighted average prices (cents/doz.) national trading for June 10, 2011-June 16, 2011

Current Loads 134.00 Future Loads 39.50 Total Loads 173.50

Courtesy of U.S.D.A. Federal/State Market News

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	65.00	68.25	65.50	68.88	--	--	41.00	GNR W 1	--	80.80	--	--	--	--	23.00
GL W J	--	--	--	97.00	96.43	--	7.00	GL W J	104.13	--	--	114.50	106.00	112.45	11.75
GL W XL	79.00	81.00	82.40	86.02	81.51	--	33.50	GL W XL	78.40	87.47	--	--	103.25	99.52	16.50
GL W LG	--	--	72.00	77.17	72.16	--	38.50	GL W LG	75.67	82.78	--	90.00	--	83.84	34.50
GL W MD	57.17	55.00	49.00	51.00	55.74	--	27.50	GL W MD	55.48	--	--	65.50	62.00	64.47	23.50
GL W SM	56.40	54.00	55.50	57.80	43.50	--	11.00	GL W SM	--	--	--	--	--	51.00	1.00
GL BR J	--	--	--	--	100.00	--	.25	GL BR J	--	--	--	--	--	114.00	.25
GL BR MD	--	--	--	63.00	58.00	--	.25								
NRBS - 48	--	52.00	--	53.00	56.40	91.00	4.25								
NRBS - 45	--	--	--	--	56.13	61.00	2.00								
NRBS - 42	--	45.00	--	--	43.00	52.00	7.50								
NRBS - 39	--	--	33.00	35.00	--	--	.50								

\*Weighted average prices are listed for various classed 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 Region** Prices are trending steady. Demand is mostly moderate for the about adequate to adequate offerings of light type hens. Processing schedules are noted as normal. Market activity is moderate.

	Range	Majority
Removal Cost	2-11	3-7

**South Central**

Trading was TFEWR. Demand was slow for fully adequate offerings of light hens. Schedules were reduced. Finished sales were slow. Trade sentiment was about steady.

	Range	Majority
Removal Cost	Too Few To Report	

**North Central**

Prices are unchanged. Demand is moderate to fairly good on light offers. Schedules are normal to part time. Market activity is moderate.

	Range	Majority
Removal Cost	0-10.5	0-5

**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	92.50	91.00	74.50
Southeast	91.50	89.50	72.00
Midwest	86.50	84.50	68.50
South Central	100.50	94.50	74.50
Combined Regional	93.15	90.09	72.45

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.

**National Canner Fowl Market**

Sales are noted as too few to report prices. Offerings are at least sufficient for the light to moderate demand. Trading was limited due to the bulk of supplies being used internally. Processing schedules are noted as normal. Market activity is slow to mostly 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

**U.S./Canadian Live Poultry Slaughtered Under Inspection**

W/E 11-Jun-11 (Preliminary)

	U.S. fowl slaughtered domestically		
	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	-----Thousands-----		
Head	1,266	1,788	3,054
Last Week	1,113	1,325	2,438
Same week yr ago	1,532	1,491	3,023
To-date/2011*	33,176	33,881	67,057
To-date/2010*	33,571	31,115	64,686

	U.S. fowl slaughtered in Canada		
	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	-----Thousands-----		
Head	404	0	404
Last Week	239	0	239
Same week yr ago	412	0	412
To-date/2011*	8,935	203	9,138
To-date/2010*	8,443	178	8,621

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

	Total U.S. fowl slaughtered in the U.S. and Canada		
	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	-----Thousands-----		
Head	1,670	1,788	3,458
Last Week	1,352	1,325	2,677
Same week yr ago	1,944	1,491	3,435
To-date/2011*	42,111	34,084	76,195
To-date/2010*	42,014	31,293	73,307

\*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 Jun 4, 2011		Year-To-Date*		
Type	2011	2010 /1	2011 /2	2010
Liquid	49	0	577	1,933
Frozen	0	0	0	0
Dried	0	0	64	204
Total	49	0	641	2,137

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

Week Ending Jun 4, 2011		Year-To-Date*		
Type	2011	2010 /1	2011 /2	2010
Liquid	292	283	7,170	8,821
Frozen	40	2	443	188
Dried	0	0	0	0
Total	332	285	7,613	9,009

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

Week Ending Jun 4, 2011		Year-To-Date*		
Type	2011	2010 /1	2011 /2	2010
Jumbo	0	0	0	0
Extra Large	1,680	3,620	36,049	29,366
Large	3,280	3,140	64,316	50,195
Medium	780	390	18,415	21,252
Ungraded	4,020	1,038	77,774	87,901
Misc	0	0	0	0
Total	9,760	8,188	196,554	188,714

/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 of pounds)

		Frozen Eggs	Processed Turkeys	Processed other Poultry
AM	06/13/11	3,405	162,148	57,402
AM	06/01/11	3,337	149,911	57,478
CHG		68	12237	-76
PCT CHG		2%	8%	0%

**Weekly Commercial Egg Movement** (Receipts from Producers)

W/E 11-Jun-2011	Cases (in thousands)	% Change From	
REGIONS		LW	LY
North Atlantic	189.0	-2	0
East North Central	663.6	3	4
West North Central	241.3	5	-22
South Atlantic	117.8	-6	-17
South Central	51.4	-7	0
West	56.0	-1	20
Total	1319.1	1	-4

Matched plants reporting 71 71  
 Areas Covered: N. 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)  
 Western (CA, CO, WA, OR, UT)

**Weekly Movement of Eggs Into Retail Channels** W/E 11-Jun-2011

Selected Consuming Centers	CW (Cases, in thousands)	LW	% Change	
			LW	LY
Atlanta	17.5	16.0	9	17
Boston	2.8	2.4	17	-13
Chicago	60.0	60.9	-1	-8
Los Angeles	53.6	57.1	-6	-9
New Orleans	6.6	6.1	8	32
New York	35.8	32.4	10	30
St. Louis	75.5	74.8	1	-2
San Francisco	17.7	20.0	-12	-13
Total	269.5	269.7	0	-1
4 Week Moving Avg.	273.9			

**Weekly New England Shell Egg Report** June 14, 2011

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

	Ex Large	Large	Med	Small
Maine	149	136	118	93
Mostly	-	-	-	-
New Hampshire	142-146	130-134	111-115	87-91
Mostly	144-145	132-133	113-114	89-90
Rhode Island	148-152	135-139	117-121	92-96
Mostly	148	135	117	92
Vermont	149-150	136-137	118-120	-
Mostly	-	-	-	-