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## NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Regional prices are 2 to 12 cents higher on Extra Large, 2 cents higher on Large and 1 cent lower on Mediums. New York prices are steady. Retail demand is generally moderate while light to moderate in the Midwest. Food service demand is light to mostly moderate. Supplies are light on Extra Large, light to moderate on Large and moderate to instances heavy on Mediums. Market activity is moderate to active. Breaking stock offerings are light for the moderate to good demand. Light type fowl offerings are light to adequate; demand is light to moderate.

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

**MIDWEST REGIONAL** Midwest delivered prices are 2 cents higher for the larger sizes and 1 cent lower for medium. Producer prices are steady. Retail demand is light to moderate with food service movement moderate at best. Supplies are light for the larger sizes and moderate for medium and small. Market activity is currently moderate to active for jumbo and extra large and moderate on the balance of the sizes. Breaking stock prices are steady. Trade sentiment is firm. Offerings are light with demand fairly good. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is moderate to active.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>MOSTLY</b>
EXTRA LARGE	90-99	93-96
LARGE	89-98	91-94
MEDIUM	63-72	65-69
Prices delivered to store door:	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>MOSTLY</b>
EXTRA LARGE	97-105	98-100
LARGE	95-103	96-98
MEDIUM	69-77	70-72

### IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN EGGS

Prices paid to producers, cents per dozen:	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>MOSTLY</b>
LARGE	71-81	75
MEDIUM	45-49	47
SMALL	34-40	

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

**NORTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices are 2 to 10 cents higher on Extra Large, 2 cents higher on Large and 1 cent lower on Medium. Supplies are very light on Extra Large, light to moderate on Large and heavy on Medium. Demand is moderate. Market activity is moderate to active. Eastern region breaking stock offerings are light for the moderate to instances good demand. Light type hen demand is moderate: offerings are light to moderate.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>MOSTLY</b>
EXTRA LARGE	97-127	100-113
LARGE	91-105	96-100
MEDIUM	64-77	69-71

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

**SOUTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices are 2 to 8 cents higher on Extra Large, 1 to 2 cents higher on Large and 1 cent lower on Mediums. Demand into all channels is moderate to good. Offerings are light to moderate on larger sizes, mostly moderate on Mediums for trading purposes. Market activity is moderate. Eastern region breaking offerings are light; demand is moderate to good. Light type fowl offerings are light to sufficient for the moderate demand.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>MOSTLY</b>
EXTRA LARGE	94.5-113	96-99
LARGE	92-100	94-97
MEDIUM	65.5-73	66-70

SOUTHEAST AREA: AL, FL, GA, MS, NC, SC, Eastern TN, and Southern VA

**SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL** Prices are 12 cents higher for extra large, 2 cents higher for large, and 1 cent lower for medium. The undertone is steady to firm for the larger sizes and steady to barely steady for medium. Retail demand is moderate while food service demand is light to mostly moderate. Offerings of jumbo and extra large remain light, large light to moderate, and medium moderate to heavy. Market activity is moderate. Central states breaking stock prices are steady. The undertone is firm. Demand is fairly good with offerings light. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is moderate to active.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>MOSTLY</b>
EXTRA LARGE	113.5-122	115-118
LARGE	100.5-109	102-105
MEDIUM	67.5-76	69-72

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

**NEW YORK EGGS** Prices are steady on all sizes. Trade sentiment is steady to fully steady. Supplies are light on Extra Large, light to moderate on Large, readily available on Medium. Demand is usually moderate. Market activity is moderate to active.

Prices delivered store door:	<b>RANGE</b>
EXTRA LARGE	105-109
LARGE	103-107
MEDIUM	76-80

**WESTERN REGIONAL** Prices are 8 cents higher for jumbo, 10 cents higher for extra large, 2 cents higher for large and 1 cent lower for medium and small. Demand is moderate while offerings are light for jumbo and extra large and moderate to heavy on the balance of sizes. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is moderate.

**CALIFORNIA EGGS** Prices are 8 cents higher for jumbo, 10 cents higher for extra large, 2 cents higher for large and 1 cent lower for medium and small. Trade sentiment remains firm for jumbo and extra large, steady to fully steady for large and steady for medium. Demand is moderate with offerings of jumbo and extra large light and moderate to heavy on the balance of sizes. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. Small benchmark price 82 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.

	<b>RANGE</b>
JUMBO	156
EXTRA LARGE	150
LARGE	134
MEDIUM	102

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

		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
<b>Jumbo</b>	This Week	5.7	8.7	7.6	6.6	10.2	3.6	42.3
	% Change	-1.9%	-6.4%	15.0%	0.8%	0.1%	4.9%	1.2%
<b>Extra Large</b>	This Week	17.0	18.1	26.3	12.9	32.8	5.3	112.3
	% Change	-0.2%	-18.2%	17.5%	-5.2%	7.7%	3.7%	1.5%
<b>Large</b>	This Week	49.9	90.3	100.6	81.5	63.5	44.2	430.0
	% Change	1.2%	0.0%	28.5%	5.4%	-5.6%	2.0%	6.0%
<b>Medium</b>	This Week	20.0	27.2	51.6	34.1	28.3	11.4	172.6
	% Change	-5.4%	23.9%	-9.1%	-0.6%	-7.7%	-6.5%	-2.5%
<b>Small</b>	This Week	4.7	5.3	7.5	1.8	1.0	5.9	26.1
	% Change	-12.4%	-24.1%	12.3%	24.6%	-11.6%	-4.8%	-5.7%
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	This Week	1.7	8.7	32.4	10.9	3.9	1.6	59.1
	% Change	-30.4%	-7.1%	1.1%	3.2%	-24.7%	-5.5%	-3.4%
<b>Ungraded</b>	This Week	9.0	7.4	57.8	18.5	9.4	11.7	113.7
	% Change	48.5%	7.1%	3.6%	5.4%	-29.4%	51.3%	6.0%
<b>Total Shell Egg</b>	This Week	108.0	165.6	283.9	166.1	148.9	83.6	956.1
	% Change	0.8%	-0.7%	9.8%	3.1%	-5.8%	5.0%	2.7%

Totals	Cases	Percent Change
<b>Shell Egg</b>	956.1	2.7%
<b>Breaking Stock</b>	245.4	-5.0%
<b>Total Shell Egg</b>	1,201.5	1.0%

**Specialty Shell Egg Inventory** <sup>1/2</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	5.2	7.9	3.1	2.3	3.6	2.4	24.5
	% Change	-1.9%	4.6%	82.8%	-12.2%	2.3%	-27.6%	2.0%
<b>Ungraded</b>	This Week	0.0	0.0	8.9	5.5	0.0	1.6	16.0
	% Change	0.0%	0.0%	-27.7%	-0.5%	0.0%	0.0%	-10.5%
<b>Total Specialty</b>	This Week	5.2	7.9	12.0	7.8	3.6	4.0	40.5
	% Change	-1.9%	4.6%	-14.4%	-4.3%	2.3%	19.3%	-3.3%

**Percentage of Specialty Shell Egg Inventory Comprised of USDA Certified Organic:**

<b>Large:</b>	31.2%
<b>Ungraded:</b>	51.6%
<b>Total:</b>	39.2%

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, and WV; **Midwest** = IA, IL, IN, KY, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, and WI; **South Central** = AR, AZ, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX, and UT; **Southwest** = CA and NV; **Northwest** = ID, MT, OR, WA, and WY.

**NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES**

Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending August 05, 2011 will decrease by 0 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending July 29, 2011 were 139,503 cases which was 11 percent below the prior week and 11 percent below estimates.

CASES PURCHASED PRESENT WEEK:	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
	114,107	25,396	139,503

% change from the prior week:  
-15      +15      -11

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 firm. Offerings are light with demand fairly good. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is moderate to active.

Prices in cents per dozen, delivered to breakers, 48 lb. minimum net weight per 30 dozen case, eggs from table egg layers. Packaging may vary.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
Breaking Stock	63-65	
Checks & Undergrades	44-53	44-48

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: WHOLESAL E PRICES- GRADED IN CARTONS (CANADIAN DOLLARS) AS REPORTED BY AGRICULTURE AND AGRI-FOOD CANADA, AISD, AID, POULTRY SECTION FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 18, 2011

Grade A	Ex Lrg	Lrg	Med	Small
	2.34	2.32	2.10	1.53

Minimum prices for producers' f.o.b. farm for the week of May 16, 2011 as set by Ontario Egg Producers.

Grade A	Ex Lrg	Lrg	Med	Small
	1.85	1.85	1.69	1.21

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES** – Daily weighted average prices (cents/dozen) National Trading for July 29, 2011

CURRENT LOADS 25.00								FUTURE LOADS 13.75								TOTAL LOADS 38.75			
SE		NE		MW				SC		NW		SW							
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS				
GNR W 1	72.00	--	73.00	75.00	--	--	7.00	GNR W 1	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00				
GNR W 2	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00	GL W J	98.75	--	--	123.00	116.00	114.67	2.50				
GL W J	--	--	--	--	103.46	--	1.75	GL W XL	--	--	--	--	106.50	111.88	4.00				
GL W XL	--	--	93.00	95.00	100.00	--	4.00	GL W LG	85.00	90.75	--	--	--	93.00	2.50				
GL W LG	--	--	84.00	87.00	81.00	--	10.75	GL W MD	52.00	--	53.00	--	--	58.69	4.00				
GL W MD	48.00	51.00	48.00	--	50.50	53.00	4.50	GL BR J	--	--	--	--	--	114.00	.25				
GL BR J	--	--	--	--	98.75	--	.25	NRBS - 50	56.00	--	--	--	--	67.00	3.00				
GL BR SM	--	--	53.00	55.00	--	--	.25												
NRBS - 39	--	--	--	--	49.50	53.00	1.00												

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES** Weekly weighted average prices (cents/dozen) National Trading for July 25, 2011 – July 29, 2011

CURRENT LOADS 112.25								FUTURE LOADS 32.00								TOTAL LOADS 144.25			
SE		NE		MW				SC		NW		SW							
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS				
GNR W 1	71.40	69.67	71.50	73.83	--	--	27.00	GNR W 1	--	82.50	--	--	--	--	8.00				
GNR W 2	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00	GL W J	98.75	--	--	123.00	115.63	116.41	5.25				
GNR BR 1	--	--	--	120.00	121.25	--	2.00	GL W XL	--	106.00	102.00	111.00	107.20	109.09	18.50				
GL W J	--	--	--	--	102.93	--	2.75	GL W LG	85.00	88.46	--	--	--	91.84	17.25				
GL W XL	--	--	95.00	100.27	95.33	--	21.00	GL W MD	50.62	59.83	53.00	60.22	--	59.33	19.50				
GL W LG	--	86.44	78.80	80.02	79.48	87.25	48.50	GL BR J	--	--	--	--	--	114.00	.25				
GL W MD	59.50	54.40	52.33	57.56	49.60	52.87	25.25	NRBS - 50	56.00	--	--	--	--	67.00	3.00				
GL W SM	--	--	46.33	49.33	41.50	--	5.00												
GL BR J	--	--	--	--	98.75	--	.25												
GL BR LG	--	119.00	--	120.00	--	--	2.00												
GL BR SM	--	--	53.00	55.00	--	--	.25												
NRBS - 48	--	52.00	--	--	50.00	--	1.00												
NRBS - 39	--	--	--	--	49.50	53.00	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**

	(In Thousands)		
ON HAND	07/25/11	07/18/11	07/26/10
PACIFIC COAST	20	20	52
LOS ANGELES	0	0	0

**NORTH CAROLINA EGGS**

The market is higher on extra large and large, lower on medium, steady on the small. 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	127.64
LARGE	112.91
MEDIUM	83.86
SMALL	78.00

**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**

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<http://www.ams.usda.gov/AMSv1.0/PYMarketNewsReportsChickenFowl>\*\*\*

(7 pounds and up) \*

Final Price, Cents per pound.

Generally for slaughter the week of 01-Aug-11

**SOUTH CENTRAL LIVE HEAVY-TYPE HENS**

Trading was TFEWR. Demand for spent hens was moderate. Offerings were at least adequate. Schedules were reduced. Finished sales were slow. Trade sentiment was about steady.

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

**SOUTHEAST LIVE HEAVY-TYPE HENS**

Prices are trending generally steady when compared to the previous week. Offerings are light to moderate for the moderate to good demand as the hot and humid weather conditions that hampered much of the area last week returns. Processing schedules are noted as normal. Finished product supplies are at least sufficient for current needs. Market activity is moderate to active.

	WTD
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	RANGE MAJORITY AVG
	8.5-19 13.17
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT

\*Weights under 7 pounds subject to discount.