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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Regional prices are 17 to 19 cents higher on Extra Large and Large eggs, 12 cents higher on Medium. Prices in New York are steady on all sizes. Demand is generally moderate to good. Offerings on larger sizes are light to moderate and mostly moderate to heavy on Medium. Market activity is moderate to active. Breaking stock offerings are light; demand is moderate to good. Light type hen offerings are light to mostly adequate with demand 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 asking prices are 17 cents higher for extra large and large, and 12 cents higher for medium. Daily producer prices are 2 cents higher for large and medium, and steady for small. The undertone is fully steady. Retail and food service demand is moderate to fairly good. Offerings of jumbo and extra large are light. Large and medium offerings are moderate. Market activity is moderate to mostly active. Breaking stock prices are higher. The undertone is firm. Offerings are light with demand moderate to good. Supplies are light. Market activity is moderate to active.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	117-126	120-123
LARGE	116-125	118-121
MEDIUM	77-86	79-82

Prices delivered to store door:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	124-132	125-127
LARGE	122-130	123-125
MEDIUM	83-91	84-86

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN EGGS

Prices paid to producers, cents per dozen:	RANGE	MOSTLY
LARGE	100-110	104
MEDIUM	61-65	63
SMALL	36-42	

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

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices are 18 to 19 cents higher on Extra Large, 18 cents higher on Large and 12 cents higher on Medium. Offerings are light to moderate on heavier weight eggs, moderate to instances heavy on Medium. Demand is moderate. Market activity is moderate to active. Eastern region breaking stock offerings are light for the moderate to good demand. Light type hen offerings are light to mostly moderate for normal processing schedules.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	126-156	128-140
LARGE	120-134	125-129
MEDIUM	78-91	83-85

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

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Prices are 19 cents higher on Extra Large and Large, 12 cents higher on Medium. Demand into all channels is mostly moderate. Offerings for larger sizes are light to moderate and moderate to instances heavy on Mediums. Market activity is moderate to at times active. Eastern region breaking stock offerings are light; demand is moderate to good. Spent fowl offerings are light to mostly moderate with generally normal processing schedules.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	112.5-145	125-128
LARGE	108.5-129	123-126
MEDIUM	72.5-87	80-84

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

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL Prices are 18 cents higher for extra large, 17 cents higher for large, and 12 cents higher for medium. The undertone is fully steady to firm. Retail and food service demand is moderate to fairly good. Offerings of jumbo and extra large are light, large moderate, and medium are mostly moderate. Market activity is moderate to mostly active. Central states breaking stock prices, along with checks and undergrades, are higher. Demand is moderate to good with offerings light. Supplies are light. Market activity is moderate to active.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	141.5-150	143-146
LARGE	127.5-136	129-132
MEDIUM	81.5-90	83-86

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

NEW YORK EGGS Prices are steady on Extra Large, Large and Medium. Offerings are light to moderate on larger sizes, mostly moderate on Medium. Demand is usually moderate. Market activity is moderate to active.

Prices delivered store door:	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	136-140
LARGE	134-138
MEDIUM	92-96

WESTERN REGIONAL Prices are 15 cents higher for jumbo, 17 cents higher for extra large and large and 12 cents higher for medium and small. Trade sentiment is steady to fully steady. Offerings are light to instances moderate as tight supplies of desirable egg sizes, resulting from excess heat and pullet replacements are amplifying the impact of current demand levels on shell egg prices. Demand is moderate to fairly good. Floor stocks range light to heavy, mostly moderate. Market activity is moderate to active.

CALIFORNIA EGGS Benchmark prices are 15 cents higher for jumbo, 17 cents higher for extra large and large and 12 cents higher for medium and small. Trade sentiment is steady to fully steady. Demand is moderate to fairly good. Offerings are light to instances moderate as tight supplies of desirable egg sizes, resulting from excess heat and pullet replacements are amplifying the impact of current demand levels on shell egg prices. Floor stocks range light to heavy, mostly moderate. Market activity is moderate to active. Small benchmark price 96 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	179
EXTRA LARGE	178
LARGE	161
MEDIUM	116

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

		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
Jumbo	This Week	6.2	9.0	13.1	11.4	10.1	3.2	52.9
	% Change	20.1%	11.9%	41.6%	80.8%	-12.2%	-9.8%	21.0%
Extra Large	This Week	21.8	14.7	33.0	10.3	40.9	6.4	127.0
	% Change	27.1%	3.2%	13.2%	-9.7%	15.2%	17.8%	12.6%
Large	This Week	52.6	76.5	77.6	58.0	72.5	35.4	372.6
	% Change	0.3%	-5.3%	-18.3%	-13.4%	14.1%	-4.2%	-5.8%
Medium	This Week	24.6	24.9	34.5	29.3	26.5	8.7	148.4
	% Change	-10.3%	-9.4%	-17.3%	4.0%	-15.0%	-23.3%	-11.2%
Small	This Week	5.3	4.8	5.9	2.3	2.1	4.6	24.9
	% Change	-10.8%	3.5%	-38.2%	-12.1%	38.2%	-26.8%	-18.1%
Miscellaneous	This Week	1.9	10.6	29.0	11.7	4.0	1.7	58.9
	% Change	-39.0%	28.7%	-10.7%	13.4%	-6.7%	19.2%	-1.5%
Ungraded	This Week	6.9	7.9	60.5	12.0	7.8	12.4	107.4
	% Change	62.5%	0.0%	8.7%	-33.8%	92.6%	64.1%	10.2%
Total Shell Egg	This Week	119.3	148.4	253.5	134.9	163.8	72.3	892.1
	% Change	3.3%	-1.9%	-7.0%	-6.2%	8.2%	-0.2%	-1.6%

Totals	Cases	Percent Change
Shell Egg	892.1	-1.6%
Breaking Stock	239.7	2.7%
Total Shell Egg	1,131.8	-0.8%

Specialty Shell Egg Inventory² Stocks on Hand to be Marketed (30-dozen cases in thousands)

		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
Large	This Week	5.3	5.9	2.3	3.1	3.7	2.9	23.1
	% Change	3.8%	-19.4%	18.2%	-4.9%	5.2%	47.4%	0.4%
Ungraded	This Week	0.0	0.0	8.2	4.4	0.0	0.0	12.5
	% Change	0.0%	0.0%	142.0%	-13.0%	0.0%	-100.0%	41.9%
Total Specialty	This Week	5.3	5.9	10.5	7.5	3.7	2.9	35.7
	% Change	3.8%	-19.4%	96.3%	-9.8%	5.2%	19.9%	11.9%

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

Large:	32.2%
Ungraded:	39.9%
Total:	34.9%

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, & WY.

National Retail Egg Purchases

Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending August 19, 2011 will increase by 0 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending August 12, 2011 were 163,131 cases which was 5 percent below the prior week and 5 percent below estimates.

	Cartoned	Loose	Total
Cases purchased present week:	140,748	22,383	163,131
% change from the prior week:	-6	+4	-5

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 higher. Trade sentiment continues firm. Offerings are light with demand moderate to good as breakers assess this week's processing needs. Supplies are light. Market activity is moderate to active.

	Range	Mostly
Breaking Stock	79-81	
Checks & Undergrades	60-69	60-64
Central States Area:	AR, CO, IA, IL, IN, KS, LA, MI, MN, MO, NM, ND, NE, OH, OK, SD, TX, & WI	

Canadian Eggs Week of August 1, 2011

Quebec/Montreal: Wholesale prices-graded in cartons (Canadian dollars) as reported by agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID, Poultry Section.

	Extra	Large	Med	Small
Grade A	2.34	2.32	2.10	1.53

Minimum prices for producers' f.o.b. farm, as set by Ontario egg producers

	Extra	Large	Med	Small
Grade A	1.85	1.85	1.69	1.21

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES – Daily weighted average prices (cents/dozen) National Trading for August 12, 2011

CURRENT LOADS 20.50									FUTURE LOADS 9.50				TOTAL LOADS 30.00			
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	--	--	104.50	106.00	--	--	1.00	GL W J	--	--	--	--	112.00	118.00	.75	
GNR W 2	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00	GL W XL	--	124.00	115.25	--	--	121.48	8.00	
GNR BR 1	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00	GL W LG	--	117.00	--	--	--	117.00	2.50	
GL W XL	--	132.00	126.00	127.54	110.86	--	10.75	GL W MD	79.00	--	--	--	--	--	2.00	
GL W LG	--	119.00	118.00	120.42	105.00	--	7.00									
GL W MD	--	68.00	64.00	67.00	--	--	5.50									

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES Weekly weighted average prices (cents/dozen) National Trading for August 08, 2011 – August 12, 2011

CURRENT LOADS 83.50									FUTURE LOADS 57.50				TOTAL LOADS 141.00			
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	97.00	--	99.00	101.15	--	--	20.50	GNR W 1	--	111.00	--	--	--	--	13.00	
GNR W 2	--	--	--	105.40	--	--	4.75	GL W J	117.00	--	--	130.00	115.50	121.67	6.25	
GNR BR 1	--	--	--	143.67	--	--	4.00	GL W XL	--	123.00	111.25	--	--	120.06	12.50	
GL W J	--	--	--	--	107.97	--	3.75	GL W LG	--	114.30	--	--	--	109.31	16.00	
GL W XL	--	130.50	123.75	125.04	110.28	117.29	29.75	GL W MD	68.00	73.00	61.00	--	--	83.09	9.50	
GL W LG	--	117.81	112.50	113.15	99.40	115.47	51.50	GL BR J	--	--	--	--	--	118.00	.25	
GL W MD	--	68.00	61.73	63.82	60.56	69.00	15.75	GL BR LG	--	141.00	129.00	--	130.75	135.00	2.50	
GL W SM	--	--	45.73	48.93	--	--	3.75									
GL BR J	--	--	--	--	104.50	--	.25									
GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	129.00	--	1.00									
NRBS - 45	--	--	--	--	--	82.67	4.00									
NRBS - 39	--	--	--	--	56.33	59.42	3.00									
NRBS - 36	--	--	--	--	40.00	43.50	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

ON HAND	(In Thousands)		
	08/08/11	08/01/11	08/09/10
PACIFIC COAST	16	20	39
LOS ANGELES	0	0	0

NORTH CAROLINA EGGS

The market is steady on small, higher on the balance. Supplies are light. 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	153.35
LARGE	138.62
MEDIUM	100.86
SMALL	80.00

NATIONAL FOWL MARKETS**LIVE SPENT HEAVY FOWL**

Prices are trending steady to firm when compared to the previous week. Offerings are light to moderate for the mostly moderate to good demand. Processing schedules are noted as normal. Finished product supplies are sufficient for current needs. Market activity is moderate to active with feature activity noted as fairly good.

Final prices at Farm Buyer Loading: Price Range 8.5 – 19.0 Wtd Avg 13.20
Prices in cents per pound.

(Southeast Region broiler breeder hens generally for processing, 7 lbs. and up; under 7 lbs. subject to discount.)

CERTIFIED ORGANIC EGGS IN CARTONS

(Wholesale) (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