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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Regional prices are 15 to 18 cents lower on Extra Large, 15 to 16 cents lower on Large and 3 to 7 cents lower on Medium. New York prices are 3 cents lower on larger sizes, unchanged on Mediums. Demand into retail and food service channels is light to at times moderate. Current offerings are moderate to heavy for trade needs. Market activity is slow. Breaking stock offerings range light to instance heavy; demand is light. Spent hen offerings are moderate for the light to moderate demand.

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 15 cents lower for extra large and large, and 7 cents lower for medium. Daily producer prices are 3 cents lower for large, 1 cents lower for medium, and 2 cents higher for small. Demand for both retail and food service is light to moderate on moderate to heavy offerings. Supplies are moderate to heavy. Market activity is slow. Breaking stock prices are steady with a weak undertone noted. Offerings are light to moderate on light demand. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	111-120	114-117
LARGE	110-119	112-115
MEDIUM	77-86	79-82

Prices delivered to store door:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	118-126	119-121
LARGE	116-124	117-119
MEDIUM	83-91	84-86

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN EGGS

Prices paid to producers, cents per dozen:	RANGE	MOSTLY
LARGE	89-99	93
MEDIUM	58-62	60
SMALL	38-44	

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

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices are 16 to 17 cents lower on Extra Large, 15 cents lower on Large and 7 cents less on Medium. Offerings are heavy on larger sizes, moderate to heavy on Medium. Demand is at times moderate, but mostly light. Market activity is slow. Eastern region breaking stock offerings are moderate to heavy for a mostly light demand. Light type hen demand is light to moderate for moderate offerings.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	120-139	123-125
LARGE	114-128	119-123
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 lower on Extra Large, Large and Mediums. Retail and food service demand is light to moderate. Offerings are mostly heavy on all sizes for current trading purposes. Market activity is slow. Eastern region breaking stock offerings are moderate to heavy for the light to moderate demand. Light type hen offerings are adequate; processing schedules are normal.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	119.5-143.25	121-124
LARGE	116-135.25	119-122
MEDIUM	83.5-91.25	84-88

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

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL Prices are 18 cents lower for extra large, 16 cents lower for large, and 5 cents lower for medium. The undertone is weak. Retail demand is light to moderate, while food service demand is moderate. Offerings are moderate to heavy with supplies moderate to instances heavy. Market activity is slow. Breaking stock prices are steady with a weak undertone noted. Demand is light. Offerings are light to moderate. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	123.5-132	125-128
LARGE	120.5-129	122-125
MEDIUM	83.5-92	85-88

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

NEW YORK EGGS Prices are 3 cents lower on Extra Large and Large, unchanged on Medium. Supplies are moderate to heavy for present trading purposes. Demand is moderate to mostly light. Market activity is slow.

Prices delivered store door:	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	122-126
LARGE	120-124
MEDIUM	89-93

WESTERN REGIONAL Prices are 17 cents lower for jumbo and extra large, 15 cents lower for large and 7 cents lower for medium and small. Trade sentiment is weak. Demand is light to moderate on moderate to heavy offerings. Supplies are moderate to instances heavy. Market activity is slow to moderate.

CALIFORNIA EGGS Benchmark prices are 17 cents lower for jumbo and extra large, 15 cents lower for large and 7 cents lower for medium and small. Trade sentiment is weak. Offerings are moderate to heavy with demand light to moderate. Supplies are moderate to instances heavy. Market activity is slow to moderate. 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	162
EXTRA LARGE	161
LARGE	155
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	5.9	11.3	15.6	8.6	9.0	3.0	53.4
	% Change	-10.1%	3.4%	-0.1%	-1.0%	-22.3%	0.7%	-5.2%
Extra Large	This Week	34.3	26.2	44.6	14.5	31.9	4.8	156.4
	% Change	12.2%	8.8%	38.9%	3.1%	-27.4%	0.0%	4.5%
Large	This Week	60.8	102.9	126.9	89.4	85.8	52.1	517.9
	% Change	5.3%	14.1%	6.9%	13.8%	1.5%	-0.2%	7.5%
Medium	This Week	19.7	30.6	45.3	24.0	22.1	13.0	154.7
	% Change	-12.4%	7.3%	-8.0%	-6.4%	-20.2%	4.0%	-6.8%
Small	This Week	3.1	6.7	7.5	2.5	1.3	3.9	24.9
	% Change	-6.1%	-17.1%	26.6%	1.2%	-34.2%	3.2%	-2.1%
Miscellaneous	This Week	2.1	9.7	33.0	12.5	3.5	1.5	62.3
	% Change	-24.1%	0.6%	17.6%	-6.6%	-8.6%	3.4%	5.4%
Ungraded	This Week	14.1	6.7	59.2	18.8	8.7	11.3	118.8
	% Change	304.0%	-10.3%	0.8%	-9.9%	2.3%	-7.2%	6.9%
Total Shell Egg	This Week	140.0	194.2	332.1	170.1	162.4	89.5	1,088.3
	% Change	10.4%	8.5%	7.7%	4.1%	-10.9%	-0.3%	3.7%

Totals	Cases	Percent Change
Shell Egg	1,088.3	3.7%
Breaking Stock	275.7	11.3%
Total Shell Egg	1,364.0	5.1%

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	5.0	5.6	3.5	3.9	2.0	0.4	20.3
	% Change	49.8%	3.9%	94.4%	13.9%	-17.8%	-18.5%	20.7%
Ungraded	This Week	0.0	0.0	9.4	2.7	0.0	2.8	15.0
	% Change	0.0%	0.0%	-24.1%	-20.7%	0.0%	7.2%	-19.0%
Total Specialty	This Week	5.0	5.6	12.9	6.5	2.0	3.3	35.3
	% Change	49.8%	3.9%	-9.2%	-3.4%	-17.8%	2.8%	0.0%

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

Large:	27.6%
Ungraded:	41.5%
Total:	33.5%

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 September 09, 2011 will decrease by 0 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending September 02, 2011 were 153,761 cases which was 2 percent above the prior week and 1 percent above estimates.

	Cartoned	Loose	Total
Cases purchased present week:	129,032	24,729	153,761
% change from the prior week:	+1	+11	+2

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 weak. Demand is light on light to moderate offerings as breakers assess needs for this week. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow.

	Range	Mostly
Breaking Stock	74-76	
Checks & Undergrades	55-64	55-59
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 22, 2011

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

Grade	Extra	Large	Large	Med	Small
Grade A	2.34	2.32	2.10	1.53	

Week of Aug 15, 2011, should have read:

Grade	Extra	Large	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

Grade	Extra	Large	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 September 02, 2011

CURRENT LOADS 21.75									FUTURE LOADS 1.00			TOTAL LOADS 22.75			
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	--	--	92.00	93.00	--	--	1.00	GL W J	--	--	--	--	74.00	76.00	1.00
GNR W 1	--	--	89.50	91.00	--	--	1.00	GL W XL	--	--	--	--	--	88.00	2.00
GNR W 2	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00								
GL W XL	--	85.00	99.00	101.00	75.17	81.92	7.00								
GL W LG	--	--	--	--	72.00	76.50	3.75								
GL W MD	--	--	59.00	61.00	--	--	1.00								
GL W SM	54.00	--	--	--	52.00	--	7.00								

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES Weekly weighted average prices (cents/dozen) National Trading for August 29, 2011 - September 02, 2011

CURRENT LOADS 101.75									FUTURE LOADS 17.25			TOTAL LOADS 119.00			
CLASS	SE		NE		MW		LOADS	CLASS	SC		NW		SW		LOADS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST			ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W XL	--	--	92.00	93.00	--	--	1.00	GNR W 1	--	110.33	--	--	--	--	3.00
GNR W 1	100.00	103.71	100.38	101.33	95.00	98.00	23.00	GL W J	--	--	--	--	74.00	76.00	1.00
GNR W 2	--	--	--	--	--	100.00	2.00	GL W XL	85.67	110.43	--	--	81.67	90.28	13.25
GNR BR 1	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00	GL W LG	80.00	107.86	--	--	73.00	85.53	9.50
GL W XL	--	85.00	103.00	105.84	82.78	83.25	28.50	GL W MD	63.00	--	--	71.50	58.00	60.00	1.25
GL W LG	--	--	112.20	101.83	78.86	81.38	24.75	NRBS - 50	71.00	--	--	--	71.00	78.00	6.00
GL W MD	--	--	61.00	62.88	60.56	71.20	9.50								
GL W SM	54.00	--	47.33	50.00	52.00	--	10.00								
NRBS - 48	--	--	73.47	75.77	66.50	69.00	16.00								
NRBS - 42	--	--	--	--	57.50	61.00	1.00								
NRBS - 39	--	--	--	--	57.21	60.50	8.00								

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)		
	08/29/11	08/22/11	08/30/10
PACIFIC COAST	31	31	36
LOS ANGELES	0	0	0

NORTH CAROLINA EGGS

The market is steady on small, lower on the balance. Supplies are heavy. 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	139.00
LARGE	135.30
MEDIUM	100.86
SMALL	82.00

NATIONAL FOWL MARKETS**LIVE SPENT HEAVY FOWL**

Prices are trending steady to firm when compared to the previous week. Offerings are sufficient for the moderate to instances good demand. Processing schedules are normal. Feature activity was moderate to good. Finished product supplies are moderate to heavy for current needs. Market activity is moderate to active.

Final prices at Farm Buyer Loading: Price Range 8.5 – 19.3 Wtd Avg 13.23
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