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## NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Prices are steady in all regions. Asking prices for next week's deliveries are trending unchanged. Retail demand is mixed, mostly light to moderate. Food service demand is light to moderate. Offerings are moderate to instances heavy for trade requirements. Market activity is slow to moderate. Breaking stock offerings are sufficient for the light to moderate demand. Spent fowl offerings are moderate; 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** Midwest delivered asking prices for next week are unchanged. Daily producer prices are also unchanged. The undertone is mostly steady. Demand is light to moderate. Offerings and supplies are mostly moderate with instances moderate to heavy. Market activity is slow to moderate. Breaking stock prices are steady. Trade sentiment is steady to cautiously steady. Offerings are moderate to heavy with demand light. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>MOSTLY</b>
EXTRA LARGE	89-98	92-95
LARGE	88-97	90-93
MEDIUM	73-82	75-78

Prices delivered to store door:	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>MOSTLY</b>
EXTRA LARGE	96-104	97-99
LARGE	94-102	95-97
MEDIUM	79-87	80-82

### IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN EGGS

Prices paid to producers, cents per dozen:	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>MOSTLY</b>
LARGE	70-80	74
MEDIUM	55-59	57
SMALL	50-56	

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. Next week's asking prices are unchanged. The undertone is steady to cautiously steady. Retail demand is mostly moderate. Food service demand is light to instances moderate. Offerings are moderate to at times heavy. Supplies vary but mostly moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. Breaking stock prices are steady. The undertone is steady to cautiously steady. Offerings range moderate to heavy for the light demand. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>MOSTLY</b>
EXTRA LARGE	98.5-107	100-103
LARGE	97.5-106	99-102
MEDIUM	78.5-87	80-83

**SOUTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices are steady. Demand is light to moderate. Offerings are mixed, mostly moderate for immediate trade needs. Market activity is moderate. Eastern region breaking stock offerings are sufficient; demand is light to moderate. Light type fowl offerings are adequate for the mostly moderate demand.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>MOSTLY</b>
EXTRA LARGE	95.5-103	97-100
LARGE	94-101	95-98
MEDIUM	77.5-85	78-82

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

**NORTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices are steady. Asking prices for next week's deliveries are trending unchanged. Supplies are moderate to occasionally heavy on all sizes, however mostly moderate on Medium. Retail demand is very light to light. Distributive demand is light to moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. Eastern region breaking stock offerings are moderate for the light to moderate demand. Light type hen offerings are sufficient for normal processing schedules.

EXTRA LARGE	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>MOSTLY</b>
	93-107	96-99
LARGE	89-103	94-98
MEDIUM	76-89	81-83

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

**NEW YORK EGGS** Prices are steady. Supplies are moderate to heavy for trade needs. Current demand continues light to moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate.

EXTRA LARGE	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>MOSTLY</b>
	103-107	-
LARGE	101-105	-
MEDIUM	88-92	-

**WESTERN REGIONAL** Prices are steady. Asking prices for next week are unchanged for all sizes. Trade sentiment is steady to instances cautiously steady. Offerings are moderate to heavy with demand ranging light to fairly good, mostly light to moderate. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate.

**CALIFORNIA** Benchmark prices are steady. Asking prices for next week are unchanged for all sizes. Trade sentiment is steady to cautiously steady. Offerings are moderate to heavy with demand ranging light to fairly good, mostly light to moderate. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. Small benchmark price 98 cents.

**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.

	<b>RANGE</b>
JUMBO	138
EXTRA LARGE	137
LARGE	134
MEDIUM	118

**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.

	<b>RANGE</b>
JUMBO	120-130
EXTRA LARGE	119-127
LARGE	111-123
MEDIUM	98-108

**WEEKLY NATIONAL EGG PRODUCTS - F.O.B. Shipper Dock Basis; Wholesale prices; cents per pound unless otherwise noted.****LIQUID EGGS**

All liquid prices are steady to higher. Trade sentiment is steady to fully steady for whole egg and steady for whites and yolk. Whole egg demand is fairly good to good with white demand light and demand for yolk seasonally quiet. Whole egg offerings are moderate to heavy and clearing well, with white and yolk demand light. Market activity is moderate to active.

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

Class	Current Week			Last Week			Jan Averages	
	Range	Loads	Wtd Avg	Range	Loads	Wtd Avg	Loads	Wtd Avg
Whole	36.00 - 46.50	40	40.25	35.00 - 46.50	35	38.37	83	37.64
Whites	41.00 - 56.00	6	44.00	41.00 - 43.00	7	41.43	44	41.30
Yolk	58.00 - 67.50	5	65.20	TFEWR			14	60.25

**FROZEN EGGS**

Whole egg and sugared yolk prices are steady to lower with white and salted yolk prices steady. Trade sentiment is steady for all frozen products. Offerings are moderate to instances heavy with demand light to moderate. Buyers continue to seek lower values for frozen whole egg with very little success. Supplies are moderate to heavy. 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		Jan Averages	
	Range	Mostly	Range	Mostly	This Month	Last Month
Whole	63.00 - 69.00	64.00 - 65.00	63.00 - 70.00	65.00 - 67.00	68.75	77.88
Whites	72.00 - 76.00	72.00 - 74.00	72.00 - 76.00		74.13	76.63
Sugar Yolk <sup>1/</sup>	84.00 - 91.00	86.00 - 88.00	84.00 - 93.00	86.00 - 87.00	88.75	97.38
Salt Yolk <sup>1/</sup>	81.00 - 90.00	83.00 - 85.00	81.00 - 90.00	83.00 - 84.00	86.13	94.00

  

LESS-THAN-TRUCKLOT	Current Week		Last Week		Jan Averages	
	Range	Mostly	Range	Mostly	This Month	Last Month
Whole	69.00 - 73.00		72.00 - 74.00		73.88	83.13
Whites	73.00 - 76.00		73.00 - 75.00		75.25	77.88
Sugar Yolk <sup>1/</sup>	92.00 - 96.00		93.00 - 95.00		95.63	100.13
Salt Yolk <sup>1/</sup>	92.00 - 96.00		93.00 - 95.00		95.38	100.00

<sup>1/</sup>Minimum 43% solids.

**DRIED EGGS**

Dried prices are steady to higher on albumen, steady on whole and yolk, and lower on blends. Trade sentiment is steady. Demand is currently light to at times moderate. Trades are limited, however inquires in future trading increased. Supplies are moderate to heavy. 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		Jan Averages	
	Range	Mostly	Range	Mostly	This Month	Last Month
Whole	2.30 - 2.80	2.30 - 2.40	2.30 - 2.80	2.35 - 2.40	2.59	2.78
Yolk	1.65 - 2.05	1.75 - 1.85	1.65 - 2.05	1.70 - 1.75	1.88	2.09
Albumen <sup>2/</sup>	4.32 - 4.95	4.45 - 4.50	4.32 - 4.90	4.45 - 4.50	4.70	4.87
Blends <sup>3/</sup>	2.08 - 2.30	2.08 -	2.25 - 2.35		2.28	2.51

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

**BREAKING STOCK**

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.

**CENTRAL REGION** Prices are steady. Trade sentiment is steady to cautiously steady. Offerings are moderate to heavy with demand light. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	47-49	
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	31-40	31-35
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 for the light to moderate demand. Market activity is slow to moderate. Cases broken under federal inspection in the Eastern region for the week ending 28-Jan-2012 are 5 percent higher than the previous week and 6 percent higher than the same week last year.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	45-50	-
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	30-40	30-34
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 28-JAN-2012 (Lbs. In Thousands) (Excludes Ingredients)

Total Production	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CW	1,319,465	29,818	14,161	7,427	3,522	4,578
PW	1,331,049	31,137	13,952	7,135	3,147	4,633
LY	1,263,563	30,183	12,992	6,669	2,968	4,321
% PW	-1%	-4%	2%	4%	12%	-1%
% LY	4%	-1%	9%	11%	19%	6%
2012	5,341,297	126,102	54,441	28,305	12,562	18,438
2011	5,303,115	128,179	52,861	26,095	12,893	18,233
% YTD	1%	-2%	3%	8%	-3%	1%

	CW	PW	LY
Average Yield Per Case - (inedible included)	42.43	42.72	42.87
Average Yield Per Case - (inedible excluded)	38.96	39.23	39.45

**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	692,637	52.50%	17,048	57.20%
PREVIOUS WEEK	724,408	54.40%	17,681	56.80%
LAST YEAR	688,337	54.50%	18,076	59.90%



**INSPECTED EGG PRODUCTS-****U.S. & CANADA IMPORT/EXPORT TRADE****U.S. Exports to Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)**

Type	Year-To-Date*			
	2012	2011 /1	2012 /2	2011
Liquid	0	50	100	191
Frozen	0	0	0	0
Dried	0	0	0	0
Total	0	50	100	191

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

Type	Year-To-Date*			
	2012	2011 /1	2012 /2	2011
Liquid	255	429	629	957
Frozen	8	11	62	19
Dried	0	0	0	0
Total	263	440	691	976

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

	Year-To-Date*			
	2012	2011 /1	2012 /2	2011
Jumbo	0	0	0	0
Extra Large	0	0	3,000	699
Large	450	0	1,146	300
Medium	0	0	0	0
Ungraded	1,668	192	3,444	5,525
Misc	0	0	0	0
Total	2,118	192	7,590	6,524

/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	(INCL. GOV'T STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)			
	Frozen Eggs LBS	Processed Turkeys LBS	Processed Other Poultry LBS	
AM 01/30/12	3,156	98,495	53,622	
AM 01/01/12	3,175	56,420	51,180	
CHG	-19	42075	2442	
PCT CHG	-1%	75%	5%	

**COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT**

Week ending 28-Jan-2012 (Receipts From Producers)

Regions	Cases (In Thousands)	Percent Change From	
		Last Week	Last Year
North Atlantic	199.2	-1	1
East North Central	719.2	-1	15
West North Central	284.4	-1	10
South Atlantic	146.9	0	2
South Central	45.3	0	-6
West	55.2	-6	-11
Total	1450.2	-1	9

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)

**MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS**

Week ending 28-Jan-2012

Selected Consuming Centers	Current Week (Cases, in thousands)	Last Week	Percent Change	
			Last Week	Last Year
Atlanta	18.4	19.5	-6	-8
Boston	3.2	3.5	-9	3
Chicago	57.9	56.0	3	-1
Los Angeles	49.6	60.4	-18	-15
New Orleans	6.7	6.3	6	-9
New York	37.3	40.2	-7	14
St. Louis	84.1	79.6	6	1
San Francisco	13.9	13.7	1	-31
Total	271.1	279.2	-3	-4
4 Week Moving Avg.	278.0			

**WEEKLY NEW ENGLAND SHELL EGGS** Jan 31, 2012

PRICES PAID PER DOZEN GRADE A BROWN EGGS IN CARTONS DELIVERED STORE DOOR

	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
MAINE	150	146	117	102
MOSTLY	-	-	-	-
NEW HAMPSHIRE	143-147	139-143	110-114	95-99
MOSTLY	145-146	141-142	112-113	97-98
RHODE ISLAND	149-153	145-149	116-120	101-105
MOSTLY	149	145	116	101
VERMONT	150-153	146-150	117-118	-
MOSTLY	-	-	-	-

**EGG PRODUCTS****Shell Eggs Broken Down 5 Percent from Last Year**

Shell eggs broken totaled 168 million dozen during December 2011, down 5 percent from December a year ago, and 3 percent below the 174 million broken last month.

During calendar year 2011 through December, shell eggs broken totaled 2,083 million dozen, up 1 percent from the comparable period in 2010. To date, cumulative total edible product from eggs broken in 2011 was 2,699 million pounds, up 1 percent from 2010.

December 2010 contained 23 weekdays (including 2 holidays) and 4 Saturdays. December 2011 contained 22 weekdays (including 1 holiday) and 5 Saturdays.

Source: NASS, USDA