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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



New York and regional prices are steady on all sizes. Demand into retail channels is mixed, light to mostly moderate. Food service demand is light to moderate. Current supplies are moderate to at times heavy for trading purposes. Market activity is slow to moderate. Breaking stock offerings are moderate to heavy; demand is light. Spent fowl offerings are moderate with normal processing schedules.

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 unchanged. Daily producer prices are also unchanged. The undertone is steady to barely 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. The undertone is steady to cautiously steady. Offerings are moderate to heavy with demand light. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	89-98	92-95
LARGE	88-97	90-93
MEDIUM	73-82	75-78

DELIVERED TO STORE DOOR:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	96-104	97-99
LARGE	94-102	95-97
MEDIUM	79-87	80-82

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN

PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
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, & western PA

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices are unchanged on Medium and larger sizes. Offerings vary and are moderate to at times heavy. Retail demand is light. Distributive demand is light to moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. Breaking stock offerings in the East are moderate for the light to moderate demand. Light type hen offerings are sufficient for normal processing schedules.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	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, PA, RI, northern VA, & VT

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Prices are unchanged on all sized eggs. The undertone is steady. Retail and food service demand is light to moderate. Offerings are moderate to instances heavy for trading purposes. Market activity is slow to moderate. Breaking stock offerings in the Eastern region are moderate for the light to moderate demand. Spent hen offerings are sufficient; processing schedules are normal.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	95.5-103	97-100
LARGE	94-101	95-98
MEDIUM	77.5-85	78-82

SOUTHEAST AREA: AL, GA, MS, NC, SC, eastern TN, & southern VA

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL Prices are steady. The undertone is steady to steady with caution. Retail demand is mixed, but mostly moderate. Food service demand is light to at times moderate. Offerings are moderate to instances heavy. Supplies are mostly moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. Breaking stock prices are steady. The undertone is steady to cautiously steady. Demand is light. Offerings are moderate to heavy. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	98.5-107	100-103
LARGE	97.5-106	99-102
MEDIUM	78.5-87	80-83

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

NEW YORK Prices are steady on all sizes. Offerings are moderate to occasionally heavy for trading purposes. Demand is light to moderate. Market activity continues slow to moderate.

DELIVERED TO STORE DOOR:	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	103-107
LARGE	101-105
MEDIUM	88-92

WESTERN Benchmark prices are unchanged. Trade sentiment is mostly steady to instances cautiously steady. Demand is mostly light to moderate. Offerings and supplies are moderate with instances moderate to heavy. Market activity is slow to moderate.

CALIFORNIA prices are unchanged. Trade sentiment is mostly steady to instances cautiously steady. Demand is mostly light to moderate. Offerings and supplies are moderate with instances moderate to heavy. Market activity is slow to moderate. Small benchmark price is 98 cents.

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	138
EXTRA LARGE	137
LARGE	134
MEDIUM	118

Weekly Shell Egg Inventory: Stocks on Hand Available for Marketing (30-dozen cases in thousand) ^{1/}(Includes Conventional and Specialty)

		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
Jumbo	This Week	13.2	10.7	20.1	7.0	18.2	3.8	72.9
	% Change	-1.9%	-10.9%	-0.3%	-24.2%	35.1%	50.8%	3.0%
Extra Large	This Week	30.4	22.6	34.2	16.9	29.9	3.7	137.6
	% Change	-1.0%	4.7%	4.6%	-0.2%	-2.6%	24.9%	1.5%
Large	This Week	59.9	101.6	122.6	72.5	70.6	38.9	466.0
	% Change	2.8%	-1.2%	-8.3%	-0.9%	-0.9%	-8.7%	-3.2%
Medium	This Week	12.3	14.1	56.0	22.0	28.2	10.3	142.9
	% Change	-9.8%	6.9%	9.8%	-4.2%	13.8%	-5.4%	4.7%
Small	This Week	1.0	6.3	6.8	1.9	2.0	2.2	20.2
	% Change	-9.6%	-2.2%	2.1%	35.0%	-6.2%	12.5%	2.5%
Miscellaneous	This Week	2.7	12.1	29.0	11.4	5.5	0.8	61.5
	% Change	11.1%	13.0%	4.8%	-16.7%	-2.7%	-20.2%	0.6%
Ungraded	This Week	3.3	13.1	73.9	16.8	7.4	7.1	121.5
	% Change	-4.3%	56.2%	37.9%	-4.3%	-42.6%	5.3%	18.5%
Total Shell Egg	This Week	122.9	180.5	342.7	148.4	161.7	66.7	1,022.8
	% Change	-0.2%	3.1%	5.3%	-4.2%	0.6%	-2.7%	1.5%

Totals	Cases	Percent Change
Shell Egg	1,022.8	1.5%
Breaking Stock	275.7	-3.1%
Total Shell Egg	1,298.5	0.5%

Specialty Shell Egg Inventory^{1/2}

Stocks on Hand to be Marketed as Specialty (30-dozen cases in thousands)

		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
Large	This Week	7.3	8.7	3.1	3.4	3.8	5.3	31.6
	% Change	-6.9%	-5.7%	17.7%	9.7%	0.8%	4.1%	-0.2%
Ungraded	This Week	0.0	0.0	18.4	8.8	0.0	0.0	27.2
	% Change	0.0%	0.0%	-0.9%	26.1%	0.0%	0.0%	6.5%
Total Specialty	This Week	7.3	8.7	21.4	12.2	3.8	5.3	58.8
	% Change	-6.9%	-5.7%	1.4%	21.1%	0.8%	4.1%	2.8%

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

Large:	33.9%
Ungraded:	32.3%
Total:	33.2%

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 February 10, 2012 will decrease by 0 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending February 03, 2012 were 139,319 cases which was 12 percent below the prior week and 11 percent below estimates.

CARTONED LOOSE TOTAL

Cases purchased present week:
116,848 22,471 139,319

% change from the prior week:
-13 -3 -12

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. The undertone is steady to cautiously steady. Offerings are moderate to heavy with demand light. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate.

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 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

CANADIAN EGGS

WEEK OF JAN. 16 & 23, 2012
QUEBEC/MONTREAL: WHOLESALE PRICES-
GRADED IN CARTONS (CANADIAN DOLLARS)
AS REPORTED BY AGRICULTURE AND AGRI-
FOOD CANADA, AISD, AID, POULTRY SECTION

EX	LRG	LRG	MED	SMALL
GRADE A	2.39	2.37	2.15	1.58

MINIMUM PRICES FOR PRODUCERS' F.O.B. FARM AS SET BY ONTARIO EGG PRODUCERS.

EX	LRG	LRG	MED	SMALL
GRADE A	1.90	1.90	1.74	1.26

DAILY WEIGHTED AVERAGE TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES

(CENTS/DOZ.)

NATIONAL TRADING FOR FEBRUARY 03, 2012

COURTESY OF U.S.D.A. FEDERAL/STATE MARKET NEWS

CURRENT LOADS 44.75 **FUTURE LOADS** 9.75 **TOTAL LOADS** 54.50

CLASS	SE		NE		MW			SC			NW		SW		
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LDS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LDS
GNR W 1	67.00	--	69.50	70.50	--	--	2.00	GL W J	--	78.75	--	--	78.00	80.00	1.50
GNR BR 1	--	--	--	--	--	--	.75	GL W XL	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.25
GL W J	--	--	--	--	69.00	--	1.00	GL W LG	--	--	--	86.88	--	--	3.00
GL W XL	--	--	74.00	78.00	66.46	70.75	5.50	NRBS - 50	70.00	--	--	--	--	77.00	2.00
GL W LG	--	69.45	--	--	63.40	65.00	10.00								
GL W MD	--	--	--	59.00	49.11	--	27.00								
GL W SM	48.00	--	--	--	--	--	2.00								
GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	--	--	.75								
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	--	--	3.00								

DAILY 5-DAY WEIGHTED AVERAGE TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES

(CENTS/DOZ.)

NATIONAL TRADING FOR JANUARY 30, 2012- FEBRUARY 03, 2012

COURTESY OF U.S.D.A. FEDERAL/STATE MARKET NEWS

CURRENT LOADS 98.50 **FUTURE LOADS** 48.75 **TOTAL LOADS** 147.25

CLASS	SE		NE		MW			SC			NW		SW		
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LDS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LDS
GNR W 1	66.50	72.73	68.88	70.33	--	--	24.00	GNR W 1	--	74.00	--	--	--	--	7.00
GNR BR 1	--	75.00	--	85.00	--	--	2.50	GL W J	--	78.75	--	88.25	78.00	79.56	6.50
GL W J	--	--	81.00	83.00	66.00	--	7.00	GL W XL	--	86.94	--	--	--	77.00	6.50
GL W XL	--	82.80	70.00	73.28	65.33	70.61	29.00	GL W LG	--	88.27	--	86.88	--	72.46	28.00
GL W LG	--	80.78	73.00	72.00	63.31	65.00	53.00	GL W MD	59.56	62.70	--	--	--	64.00	6.25
GL W MD	--	--	61.40	63.17	51.05	60.00	38.00	GL BR XL	--	--	--	--	--	95.00	.50
GL W SM	48.00	--	42.00	45.00	--	--	3.00	GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	--	93.00	1.00
GL BR XL	--	--	--	--	80.50	--	.50	NRBS - 50	70.00	--	--	--	--	77.00	2.00
GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	79.25	87.50	2.75								
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	--	49.00	19.00								

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 HOLDINGS-FROZEN EGGS

Selected Centers	(In Thousands of Pounds)		
	01/30/12	01/23/12	01/31/11
PACIFIC COAST	79	104	20
LOS ANGELES	0	0	0

NORTH CAROLINA EGGS The market is steady on all sizes. Supplies are moderate. Retail demand is moderate.

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	115.36
LARGE	114.59
MEDIUM	95.86
SMALL	92.00

USDA CERTIFIED ORGANIC EGGS**WHOLESALE****Organic Brown Shell Eggs In Cartons**

(price cents per carton delivered to first receivers)

	Price Range	Mostly
Extra Large doz.	261 - 316	275 - 310
1/2 doz.	173 - 198	173 - 188
Large doz.	230 - 310	265 - 300
1/2 doz.	160 - 189	160 - 178

Certified Organic are products grown and processed according to USDA's national organic standards and certified by USDA accredited State and private certification organizations. For more information, visit the National Organic Program at www.ams.usda.gov/NOPNationalOrganicProgramHome