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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Regional prices are 2 to 4 cents higher on Medium, unchanged on larger sizes. Supplies vary by region and are moderate to instances heavy on Large, light to moderate on Jumbo, Extra Large and Medium. Retail demand is light to mostly moderate and food service demand is moderate. Demand on the West Coast is moderate to fairly good while export interests increase for shipment of shell eggs into Mexico. Market activity is slow to moderate. Breaking stock offerings are light to moderate for the light to moderate demand. Spent fowl offerings are at least sufficient; demand is light.

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 steady for Extra Large and Large, and 2 cents higher for Medium. Daily producer prices are steady. The undertone is steady. Retail demand is light to moderate, while food service demand is moderate. Offerings are light to moderate. Supplies are moderate to heavy for Large and light to moderate for Medium. Market activity is slow to moderate. Breaking stock prices are higher. Trade sentiment is mostly steady. Offerings are moderate with demand usually moderate. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	101-110	104-107
LARGE	100-109	102-105
MEDIUM	77-86	79-82

DELIVERED TO STORE DOOR:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	108-116	109-111
LARGE	106-114	107-109
MEDIUM	83-91	84-86

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN

PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
LARGE	82-92	86
MEDIUM	59-63	61
SMALL	44-50	

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

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices are 2 cents higher on Medium, unchanged on Extra Large and Large. The undertone is steady. Supplies vary by location, but are overall moderate to heavy on Large, moderate on Extra Large, light to moderate on Medium. Demand is light to mostly moderate. Market activity is moderate. Eastern region breaking stock offerings are light to moderate for less than normal to normal breaking schedules. Light type hen offerings are at least adequate for a light to fair demand.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	108-126	109-112
LARGE	102-116	107-111
MEDIUM	79-92	84-86

NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, eastern NJ, eastern NY, PA, RI, northern VA, & VT

NEW YORK Prices are steady on all sizes. The undertone is steady. Current supplies are moderate to heavy on Large, moderate on Extra Large, light to moderate on Medium. Demand is light to moderate. Market activity is usually moderate.

DELIVERED TO STORE DOOR:	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	116-120
LARGE	114-118
MEDIUM	91-95

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL Prices are 2 cents higher for Medium, while Extra Large and Large remain unchanged. The undertone is steady. Retail demand continues light to moderate with food service demand moderate. Offerings are light to moderate. Supplies are mostly moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. Breaking stock prices are higher. The undertone is mostly steady. Demand is usually moderate for the moderate offerings. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	113.5-122	115-118
LARGE	110.5-119	112-115
MEDIUM	82.5-91	84-87

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

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Prices are steady to lower on Extra Large and Large, while higher on Mediums. The undertone is steady. Retail demand is light to mostly moderate where holiday features are in place. Food service demand is moderate. Offerings are moderate to instances heavy for immediate trade requirements. Market activity is slow to moderate. Breaking stock offerings in the Eastern region are light to moderate; demand is usually light to moderate. Spent fowl offerings are at least sufficient for normal processing schedules.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	111.5-119	113-116
LARGE	110-117	111-114
MEDIUM	80-88	81-85

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

WESTERN Prices are 2 cents higher for Medium and Small and unchanged on the balance of sizes. Demand is moderate to fairly good as interest increases for export into Mexico. Offerings are light for Jumbo and Medium, light to moderate for Extra Large and moderate for Large. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is moderate to instances active.

CALIFORNIA Benchmark prices are steady for Jumbo, Extra Large and Large and 2 cents higher for Medium and Small. Trade sentiment is steady. Offerings are light for Jumbo and Medium, light to moderate for Extra Large and moderate for Large. Demand is moderate to fairly good. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is moderate to active and has increased slightly due to export interest into Mexico. Small benchmark price \$1.02.

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	153
LARGE	141
MEDIUM	122

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	8.4	10.4	17.2	7.8	9.4	2.9	56.0
	% Change	-12.3%	5.3%	-20.5%	12.6%	0.0%	-0.3%	-7.0%
Extra Large	This Week	27.2	20.7	36.3	19.4	29.1	5.3	138.1
	% Change	-10.0%	-0.7%	-21.5%	5.5%	-9.2%	25.2%	-9.2%
Large	This Week	63.1	114.1	134.1	102.3	72.4	66.9	552.9
	% Change	-2.8%	5.3%	-12.2%	1.3%	-12.0%	-10.7%	-5.4%
Medium	This Week	18.4	17.9	55.7	33.9	30.3	11.0	167.2
	% Change	17.0%	-8.7%	20.7%	28.6%	-9.2%	4.5%	10.2%
Small	This Week	3.7	3.5	7.4	3.0	2.3	2.5	22.5
	% Change	-29.6%	-28.6%	26.9%	44.1%	129.0%	-6.7%	2.8%
Miscellaneous	This Week	2.6	11.7	27.5	13.3	5.9	0.7	61.7
	% Change	55.7%	18.6%	-1.3%	21.0%	4.4%	68.3%	9.3%
Ungraded	This Week	12.7	8.6	84.7	30.3	28.9	15.7	180.8
	% Change	-0.2%	-27.3%	6.4%	26.4%	14.8%	6.1%	7.6%
Total Shell Egg	This Week	136.1	186.9	362.9	210.0	178.3	105.0	1,179.2
	% Change	-2.8%	0.9%	-4.5%	10.7%	-5.6%	-5.0%	-1.3%

Totals	Cases	Percent Change
Shell Egg	1,179.2	-1.3%
Breaking Stock	263.1	-9.1%
Total Shell Egg	1,442.3	-2.8%

SPECIALTY SHELL EGG INVENTORY ^{2/}

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

		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
Large	This Week	6.5	7.9	4.9	3.5	3.0	2.9	28.6
	% Change	-16.7%	3.4%	271.0%	-2.5%	-26.5%	-6.7%	4.2%
Ungraded	This Week	0.0	0.0	24.6	15.1	12.3	2.5	54.4
	% Change	0.0%	0.0%	-1.4%	-14.7%	29.5%	47.1%	1.2%
Total Specialty	This Week	6.5	7.9	29.4	18.6	15.3	5.4	83.0
	% Change	-16.7%	3.4%	12.2%	-12.6%	12.7%	12.2%	2.2%

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

Large:	28.0%
Ungraded:	74.2%
Total:	58.3%

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 07, 2012 will decrease by 1 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending August 31, 2012 were 167,543 cases which was 6 percent above the prior week and 5 percent above estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week:	146,161	21,382	167,543

% change from the prior week:
+8 -5 +6

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 is mostly steady. Offerings are moderate with demand usually moderate. 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	76-78	
CHECKS	59-68	59-63
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 AUG 20, 2012
QUEBEC/MONTREAL: WHOLESALE PRICES-GRADED IN CARTONS (CANADIAN DOLLARS) AS REPORTED BY AGRICULTURE AND AGRIFOOD CANADA, AISD, AID, POULTRY SECTION.

	EX	LRG	LRG	MED	SMALL
GRADE A		2.45	2.43	2.21	1.74

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

	EX	LRG	LRG	MED	SMALL
GRADE A		1.96	1.96	1.80	1.32

DAILY WEIGHTED AVERAGE TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES

(CENTS/DOZ.)

NATIONAL TRADING FOR AUGUST 31, 2012

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

CURRENT LOADS 21.00 FUTURE LOADS 7.00 TOTAL LOADS 28.00

CLASS	SE		NE		MW		LDS	SC		NW		SW		DST	LDS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST		ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST		
GL W J	--	--	--	--	97.08	100.00	4.25	115.00	--	--	--	--	--	120.00	1.00
GL W XL	--	--	--	--	85.89	--	14.50	--	109.00	--	--	--	--	112.00	2.25
GL W LG	--	--	103.00	--	68.00	--	.25	113.00	115.71	--	--	--	--	108.00	15.50
GL W MD	--	--	--	--	51.00	--	1.00	70.00	78.00	--	--	--	--	77.00	1.25
GL W SM	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	73.00	--	--	--	--	--	80.00	1.00
NRBS - 48	72.00	74.00	--	--	--	--	1.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
NRBS - 45	70.00	72.00	--	--	--	--	1.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

DAILY 5-DAY WEIGHTED AVERAGE TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES

(CENTS/DOZ.)

NATIONAL TRADING FOR AUGUST 28, 2012-SEPTEMBER 3, 2012

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

CURRENT LOADS 130.00 FUTURE LOADS 19.25 TOTAL LOADS 149.25

CLASS	SE		NE		MW		LDS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LDS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST											
GNR W 1	82.00	--	83.50	85.33	--	--	3.00	GL W J	115.00	--	--	123.50	118.00	117.45	6.50		
GNR BR 1	--	--	91.60	93.50	--	--	2.50	GL W XL	--	107.48	--	--	--	108.93	15.75		
GL W J	--	--	98.00	99.00	101.75	--	6.00	GL W LG	115.53	110.99	--	--	--	104.38	68.00		
GL W XL	--	--	91.50	95.73	93.59	100.00	36.00	GL W MD	70.00	76.40	--	--	76.00	78.38	6.50		
GL W LG	--	--	98.33	86.20	92.74	89.75	62.00	GL W SM	54.00	--	--	--	51.00	--	2.00		
GL W MD	62.00	74.00	67.00	67.80	67.82	--	8.75	GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00		
GL W SM	55.00	--	51.50	54.50	51.00	--	7.00	NRBS - 50	73.00	--	--	--	--	80.00	1.00		
GL BR XL	--	--	98.50	100.50	--	--	2.00										
GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00										
GL BR MD	62.00	--	--	--	--	--	1.00										
NRBS - 48	72.00	74.00	--	--	70.50	75.00	4.00										
NRBS - 45	70.00	72.00	--	--	--	--	1.00										
NRBS - 39	--	63.50	60.50	--	--	--	1.00										
NRBS - 36	--	45.50	42.50	--	--	--	.25										

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)

	08/27/12	08/20/12	08/29/11
PACIFIC COAST	105	109	31
LOS ANGELES	0	0	0

NORTH CAROLINA EGGS The market is steady on small, higher on medium, lower on balance. Supplies are heavy. 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	132.91
LARGE	130.59
MEDIUM	98.86
SMALL	83.00

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.	155 - 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