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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Prices in all regions are steady. Asking prices for next week's deliveries are trending unchanged. Offerings are mostly moderate to heavy for trade needs. Retail and food service demand are at times light to moderate and noted as improving in the Midwest region. Market activity is slow to moderate. Breaking stock supplies are moderate to instances heavy; demand is moderate. Spent hen offerings are at least sufficient 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 for next week are steady. Daily producer prices are steady. The undertone remains steady. Retail and food service demand is improving and noted as moderate. Offerings are moderate. Supplies are moderate to heavy. Market activity is moderate. Breaking stock prices are steady. Trade sentiment is steady. Demand is moderate on light to moderate offerings. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
Extra Large	103-112	106-109
Large	102-111	104-107
Medium	79-88	81-84
Prices delivered to store door:	RANGE	MOSTLY
Extra Large	110-118	111-113
Large	108-116	109-111
Medium	85-93	86-88

Iowa-Minnesota-Wisconsin Eggs

Prices paid to producers, cents per dozen:	RANGE	MOSTLY
Large	84-94	88
Medium	61-65	63
Small	51-57	

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 with a steady undertone. Next week's asking prices are unchanged. Retail demand is reported as moderate. Food service demand is moderate to instances light. Offerings are moderate. Supplies are mostly moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. Breaking stock prices are steady. The undertone is steady. Offerings are moderate for the light to moderate demand. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
Extra Large	114.5-123	116-119
Large	114.5-123	116-119
Medium	86.5-95	88-91

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

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Prices are steady with a steady undertone. Offerings are generally moderate to heavy for trade needs. Demand into retail and food service channels is moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. Breaking stock supplies in the Eastern region are moderate to instances heavy; demand is moderate. Spent hen offerings are at least sufficient with normal processing schedules.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
Extra Large	110-137	112-115
Large	109-137	110-113
Medium	84.5-109	85-89

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

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices are steady with a steady undertone. Asking prices for next week's deliveries are trending unchanged. Offerings are moderate. Supplies of larger sizes are moderate to heavy, but Mediums are less available than early week. Retail demand is fair. Market activity is slow to moderate. Eastern region breaking stock supplies are moderate to heavy; breaking schedules are full-time. Light hen offerings are at least sufficient with a light to fair demand.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
Extra Large	108-122	111-114
Large	103-117	108-112
Medium	82-95	87-89

NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, Eastern NJ, Eastern

NEW YORK EGGS Prices are steady on all sizes with a steady undertone. Offerings and supplies are mostly moderate for trade needs. Demand into retail channels is fair. Distributive demand is light to moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate.

	RANGE
Extra Large	117-121
Large	115-119
Medium	94-98

WESTERN REGIONAL Prices are steady. Asking prices for next week are unchanged on all sizes. Trade sentiment is steady. Offerings are moderate and held with increased confidence. Demand is light to moderate. Supplies are light to mostly 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. Offerings are usually moderate and held with slightly increased confidence. Demand is light to moderate. Supplies are light to mostly moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. Small benchmark price \$1.04.

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.

	RANGE
Jumbo	153
Extra Large	153
Large	147
Medium	124

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.

	RANGE
Jumbo	135-147
Extra Large	135-153
Large	124-136
Medium	104-114

WEEKLY NATIONAL EGG PRODUCTS

F.O.B. Shipper Dock Basis; Wholesale prices; cents per pound unless otherwise noted.

LIQUID EGGS

Whole egg and whites prices are steady with yolk steady to higher. Trade sentiment is steady to fully steady for whole egg and steady for whites and yolk. Demand is good for whole egg as buyers take advantage of current lower prices and short term availability. White and yolk demand is moderate. Offerings are moderate for whole egg and light to moderate for whites and yolk. Market activity is moderate to active.

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

Class	Current Week			Last Week			Sep Averages	
	Range	Loads	Wtd Avg	Range	Loads	Wtd Avg	Loads	Wtd Avg
Whole	75.00 - 79.00	25	76.20	75.00 - 79.00	9	76.11	37	84.11
Whites	48.00 - 61.00	7	51.00	48.00 - 61.00	25	49.60	46	51.10
Yolk	130.00 - 132.00	4	131.00	127.50 - 130.00	19	128.42	36	125.94

FROZEN EGGS

Frozen salted yolk prices are steady to lower with the balance of frozen product prices steady. Trade sentiment is steady. Offerings are light to mostly moderate on moderate demand. Inquiries for 1st quarter needs are increasing. Supplies are usually light. Market activity is moderate.

Packed in 30-pound containers; less-than-trucklot reflects a minimum volume of 25 containers.

Trucklot	Current Week		Last Week		Sep Averages	
	Range	Mostly	Range	Mostly	This Month	Last Month
Whole	100.00 - 113.00	101.00 - 104.00	100.00 - 113.00	104.00 - 107.00	100.75	90.50
Whites	67.00 - 79.00	72.00 - 74.00	67.00 - 79.00	72.00 - 74.00	73.13	74.40
Sugar Yolk ^{1/}	143.00 - 152.00	149.00 - 150.00	143.00 - 152.00	149.00 - 152.00	138.88	119.30
Salt Yolk ^{1/}	140.00 - 148.00	142.00 - 146.00	142.00 - 148.00	142.00 - 146.00	136.25	115.70

Less-than-Trucklot	Current Week		Last Week		Sep Averages	
	Range	Mostly	Range	Mostly	This Month	Last Month
Whole	108.00 - 112.00		108.00 - 112.00	109.00 - 110.00	100.75	90.70
Whites	74.00 - 75.00		74.00 - 75.00		74.50	73.60
Sugar Yolk ^{1/}	148.00 - 152.00		148.00 - 152.00		139.13	115.70
Salt Yolk ^{1/}	148.00 - 152.00		148.00 - 152.00		137.50	115.70

^{1/}Minimum 43% solids.

DRIED EGGS

Dried egg prices are steady to lower on albumen, mixed on whole, yolk and blends. The undertone is mostly steady. Demand is light to moderate with noted inquiries to complete 4th and 1st quarter requirements. Offerings are light to mostly moderate. Trading is limited and based on contractual sales. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is moderate.

Prices in dollars per pound; in containers; includes trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes.

Class	Current Week		Last Week		Sep Averages	
	Range	Mostly	Range	Mostly	This Month	Last Month
Whole	3.60 - 3.75	3.65 - 3.70	3.55 - 3.97	3.65 - 3.75	3.60	3.37
Yolk	3.20 - 3.45	3.30 - 3.35	3.05 - 3.47	3.20 - 3.30	3.12	2.61
Albumen ^{2/}	5.05 - 5.45	5.20 - 5.25	5.05 - 6.05	5.20 - 5.25	5.43	5.42
Blends ^{3/}	2.75 - 3.35	2.85 - 2.95	2.80 - 2.97	2.85 - 2.95	2.69	2.49

^{2/}Spray Dried; ^{3/}Whole plus sweetener.

EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

W/E 06-OCT-2012 (Lbs. In Thousands) (Excludes Ingredients)

Total Production	Cases	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CW	1,448,650	34,652	14,354	7,449	2,999	4,956
PW	1,403,752	33,017	14,322	7,466	2,597	4,517
LY	1,406,034	34,612	13,232	6,628	2,185	4,643
% PW	3%	5%	0%	0%	15%	10%
% LY	3%	0%	8%	12%	37%	7%
2012	54,693,946	1,282,312	559,601	283,916	119,494	182,596
2011	53,925,937	1,272,101	546,774	276,720	117,925	179,797
% YTD	1%	1%	2%	3%	1%	2%

	CW	PW	LY
Average Yield Per Case - (inedible included)	42.39	42.26	42.04
Average Yield Per Case - (inedible excluded)	38.97	39.04	38.74

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	829,478	57.3%	21,781	62.9%
PREVIOUS WEEK	822,914	58.6%	21,270	64.4%
LAST YEAR	791,846	56.3%	20,414	59.0%

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. Demand is moderate on light to moderate offerings. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	75-80	78-80
CHECKS	61-69	61-65
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 unchanged. Supplies are moderate to instances heavy for the moderate demand. Breaking schedules are full-time. Market activity is moderate. Cases broken under federal inspection in the Eastern region for week ending 06-Oct-2012 are 2 percent higher than the previous week and 19 percent lower than the same week a year ago.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	75-87	75-81
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	64-74	66
EASTERN STATES AREA: AL, CT, DE, FL, GA, KY, ME, MD, MA, MS, NH, NJ, NY, NC, PA, RI, SC, TN, VT, VA, & WV		

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES Weekly Weighted Average Prices (cents/dozen) National Trading for Oct 05, 2012 – Oct 11, 2012**CURRENT LOADS 157.50****FUTURE LOADS 31.50****TOTAL LOADS 189.00**

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	85.33	88.00	82.75	85.71	--	--	14.00	GNR W 1	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00
GNR BR 1	--	--	92.00	--	--	--	1.00	GL W J	105.00	--	--	109.00	105.00	109.13	9.00
GL W J	--	--	--	--	92.50	--	6.25	GL W XL	94.67	107.38	--	--	--	105.32	17.00
GL W XL	96.58	99.06	95.30	98.15	93.73	101.50	40.75	GL W LG	78.00	100.53	--	--	--	93.56	47.00
GL W LG	--	93.00	89.68	88.00	86.00	88.00	82.00	GL W MD	74.57	79.33	--	--	--	82.59	12.75
GL W MD	--	--	69.77	72.64	70.36	74.25	14.50	GL W SM	59.50	--	--	--	--	--	2.00
GL W SM	--	--	57.00	60.00	--	--	4.00	GL BR J	--	--	--	--	--	109.00	.75
GL BR J	--	--	--	--	92.50	--	.75	GL BR XL	--	--	--	--	--	108.00	114.00
GL BR SM	--	--	65.00	67.00	--	--	.25	GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	--	109.29	114.14
NRBS - 48	--	--	84.50	87.00	73.00	--	11.00								
NRBS - 45	--	--	--	--	72.00	76.00	1.00								
NRBS - 42	--	--	--	--	62.88	67.00	2.00								
NRBS - 39	--	--	--	--	67.50	71.50	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.

NATIONAL FOWL MARKET**LIVE SPENT LIGHT FOWL**

Prices continue to trend steady for the light to fair demand. Offerings of light type hens are at least sufficient for current needs. Processing schedules are normal. Movement of finished product was moderate. Market activity is light to moderate. The majority price for removal costs remains unchanged at 0-7 cents per head.

(live hens are predominately egg-layers averaging about 3.5 lbs. live weight per bird.)

Eastern region = AL, CT, DE, GA, KY, MA, MD, ME, MS, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, TN, VA, VT, and WV; North Central = IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI; South Central = AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX.

SHELL EGGS-COMBINED REGIONAL

Average prices on sales to volume buyers, Grade A Large or better, white eggs in cartons, delivered warehouse, cents per dozen.

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	112.50	110.00	88.00
SOUTHEAST	113.50	111.50	87.00
MIDWEST	107.50	105.50	82.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	117.50	117.50	89.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	112.97	111.45	86.86

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.

**WEEKLY U.S./CANADIAN LIVE POULTRY
SLAUGHTERED UNDER INSPECTION**

Week ending 06-Oct-12

U.S. fowl slaughtered domestically

Thousands	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
Head	1,384	1,602	2,986
Last Week	1,576	1,828	3,404
Same week yr ago	1,452	1,789	3,241
To-date/2012*	61,245	65,247	126,492
To-date/2011*	54,699	62,069	116,768

U.S. fowl slaughtered in Canada

Thousands	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
Head	195	0	195
Last Week	203	0	203
Same week yr ago	183	0	183
To-date/2012*	10,730	36	10,766
To-date/2011*	14,101	385	14,486

Data Source: Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID, Poultry Section

Total U.S. fowl slaughtered in the U.S. and Canada

Thousands	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
Head	1,579	1,602	3,181
Last Week	1,779	1,828	3,607
Same week yr ago	1,635	1,789	3,424
To-date/2012*	71,975	65,283	137,258
To-date/2011*	68,800	62,454	131,254

*Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

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	49	1,067	1,643
Frozen	0	0	0	0
Dried	40	0	179	139
Total	40	49	1,246	1,782

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

Type	Year-To-Date*			
	2012	2011 /1	2012 /2	2011
Liquid	108	341	10,312	12,015
Frozen	22	8	997	757
Dried	0	0	0	48
Total	130	349	11,309	12,820

INSPECTED SHELL EGGS

U.S Exports to Canada, in 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary)

Type	Year-To-Date*			
	2012	2011 /1	2012 /2	2011
Jumbo	0	0	0	0
Extra Large	2,190	3,540	75,181	63,829
Large	14,070	6,208	154,226	122,584
Medium	840	810	25,320	32,041
Ungraded	14,250	3,948	128,954	129,164
Misc	0	0	1,620	1,440
Total	31,350	14,506	385,301	349,058

/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

MONTHLY INVENTORY U.S. DRIED EGGS

AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2012

COMPARISONS ON THE BASIS OF MATCHED PLANTS

CLASS	NUMBER OF POUNDS	% CHANGE LAST MONTH	% CHANGE LAST YEAR
WHOLE			
PLAIN	2,032,621	-5%	-8%
FREE FLOWING	2,854,912	-4%	-51%
SUBTOTAL:	4,887,533	-4%	-39%
WHITE			
(ALBUMEN)	7,247,422	1%	-7%
SUBTOTAL:	7,247,422	1%	-7%
YOLK			
PLAIN	2,830,517	-29%	-7%
FREE FLOWING (W/SODIUM SILICO ALUMINATE)	3,068,980	-11%	-21%
SUBTOTAL:	5,899,497	-20%	-15%
BLENDS 1/			
WHOLE	1,264,285	-13%	-33%
WHITE	10,600	54%	40%
YOLK	335,196	-17%	-21%
SUBTOTAL:	1,610,081	-14%	-31%
TOTAL:	19,644,533	-9%	-22%

DRIED EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION:

SEP 02, 2012 – SEP 29, 2012 TOTAL 11,263,000 POUNDS.

Calculations were adjusted to represent matched plants from current month compared to previous month, and current month compared to previous year. Subsequently, the percent change calculations may be based on different cooperators if directly compared with data on previous reports.

1/: Blended with a percentage of additives including, but not limited to sugar, salt, soy, and corn syrup

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT

Week ending 06-Oct-2012 (Receipts From Producers)

Regions	Cases (In Thousands)	Percent Change From	
		Last Week	Last Year
North Atlantic	215.7	-1	4
East North Central	697.7	1	4
West North Central	326.7	0	13
South Atlantic	125.8	-1	-11
South Central	52.4	-1	3
West	33.5	-1	-15
Total	1451.8	0	4

Matched plants reporting

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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 06-Oct-2012

Selected Consuming Centers	Current Week (Thousands)	Last Week (Thousands)	Percent Change	
			Last Week	Last Year
Atlanta	17.9	18.1	-1	-32
Boston	2.7	2.8	-4	8
Chicago	59.7	52.5	14	7
Los Angeles	54.0	50.4	7	-10
New Orleans	6.5	6.6	-2	-2
New York	37.2	34.8	7	0
St. Louis	101.4	95.1	7	25
San Francisco	16.9	18.2	-7	-2
Total	296.3	278.5	6	3
4 Week Moving Avg.	290.8			

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS

Selected Centers (INCL. GOV'T STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

		Frozen Eggs LBS	Processed Turkeys LBS	Processed Other Poultry LBS
AM	10/01/12	3,165	169,682	51,943
CHG		-3	-6865	-1494
PCT CHG		0%	-4%	-3%

WEEKLY NEW ENGLAND SHELL EGGS Oct 09, 2012

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

	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
MAINE	165	150	116	100
MOSTLY	-	-	-	-
NEW HAMPSHIRE	159-163	143-147	109-113	93-97
MOSTLY	161-162	145-146	111-112	95-96
RHODE ISLAND	164-168	149-153	115-119	99-103
MOSTLY	164	149	115	99
VERMONT	165-170	150-159	116-120	-
MOSTLY	-	-	-	-