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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Regional prices are 11 cents higher on Jumbo, 6 to 10 cents higher on Extra Large, 3.5 to 10 cents higher on Large and 10.5 to 13 cents higher on Medium and Smalls. Retail and food service demand are moderate to good while light to moderate in the Midwest and West Coast regions. Heavy rain from hurricane Sandy is causing flooding in some areas, resulting in delayed or cancelled deliveries in the Northeast. Supplies and offerings are light to usually moderate. Market activity is moderate to instances active while on the West Coast slow to moderate. Breaking stock offerings are light for the moderate to fairly good demand. spent hen offerings are moderate to heavy; demand is light to fair.

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 9 cents higher for Extra Large and Large, and 12 cents higher for Medium. Daily producer prices are steady. The undertone is fully steady to firm. Retail and food service demand is light to moderate. Offerings are light and held with confidence. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is moderate. Breaking stock prices are higher. Trade sentiment continues fully steady to firm. Offerings are light on moderate to fairly good demand. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
Extra Large	113-122	116-119
Large	112-121	114-117
Medium	99-108	101-104

Prices Delivered To Store Door:	Range	Mostly
Extra Large	120-128	121-123
Large	118-126	119-121
Medium	105-113	106-108

Iowa-Minnesota-Wisconsin Eggs

Prices Paid To Producers, Cents Per Dozen:	Range	Mostly
Large	94-104	98
Medium	81-85	83
Small	62-68	

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

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices are 9 to 10 cents higher on Extra Large, 9 cents higher on Large and 13 cents higher on Medium. The undertone is full steady. Supplies vary by locations, but are usually moderate for needs. Demand is moderate to good. Heavy rain from the hurricane is causing flooding in some areas, resulting in delayed or cancelled deliveries. Market activity is moderate to active. Eastern region breaking stock supplies are light to moderate for normal to less than normal breaking schedules. Light type hen offerings are moderate to heavy for a light to fair demand.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
Extra Large	119-134	120-124
Large	113-127	118-122
Medium	103-116	107-110

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

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Prices are 6 to 7 cents higher on Extra Large, 3.5 to 6 cents higher on Large, Mediums up 10.5 to 13 cents. The undertone is steady to firm. Demand into retail and distributive channels is moderate to at times good. Offerings are light to moderate. Market activity is moderate. Eastern region breaking stock floor stocks are light to instances moderate for regular to reduced breaking schedules. Light type hen demand is light to fair; offerings are moderate to heavy.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
Extra Large	117.5-133	123-126
Large	113.5-132	121-124
Medium	97.5-117	106-110

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

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL Prices are 10 cents higher for Extra Large and Large and 13 cents higher for Medium. Trade sentiment is firm. Demand is moderate to instances good with offerings mostly moderate. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is moderate. Breaking stock prices are higher. Trade sentiment is fully steady to firm. Offerings are light on moderate to fairly good demand. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
Extra Large	126.5-135	128-131
Large	125.5-134	127-130
Medium	107.5-116	109-112

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

NEW YORK EGGS Prices are steady. The undertone is full steady. Supplies are mixed, but usually moderate. Retail and distributive demand is moderate to good as businesses and consumers prepare for the incoming stormy weather. Market activity is moderate to active.

Prices delivered store door:	RANGE
Extra Large	127-131
Large	125-129
Medium	115-119

WESTERN REGIONAL Prices are 11 cents higher for Jumbo, 10 cents higher for Extra Large, 9 cents higher for Large and 12 cents higher for Medium and Small. Trade sentiment is firm. Offerings are moderate with demand light to mostly moderate. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow to mostly moderate.

CALIFORNIA EGGS Benchmark prices are 11 cents higher for Jumbo, 10 cents higher for Extra Large, 9 cents higher for Large and 12 cents higher for Medium and Small. Trade sentiment is firm. Demand is light to mostly moderate on moderate offerings. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow to mostly moderate. Small benchmark price \$1.24.

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	165
Extra Large	165
Large	157
Medium	144

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	10.6	9.6	17.4	6.9	11.4	3.9	59.8
	% Change	9.0%	-1.9%	-14.3%	-3.9%	23.0%	19.5%	0.5%
Extra Large	This Week	38.3	21.2	44.1	21.7	39.1	4.4	168.8
	% Change	8.2%	5.6%	18.2%	26.2%	28.7%	-12.3%	16.1%
Large	This Week	62.3	121.4	131.0	99.0	69.7	58.5	541.9
	% Change	-0.5%	9.1%	21.3%	11.1%	19.6%	-4.8%	10.4%
Medium	This Week	21.2	15.2	48.5	24.2	27.3	11.9	148.2
	% Change	-19.6%	-9.3%	17.5%	27.0%	19.1%	-3.8%	6.9%
Small	This Week	1.6	3.6	5.6	3.7	1.4	2.1	17.9
	% Change	-34.6%	46.7%	44.6%	-33.0%	-36.2%	-30.9%	-7.9%
Miscellaneous	This Week	1.5	11.8	24.0	8.4	4.9	0.9	51.4
	% Change	-19.3%	25.9%	6.0%	-39.3%	-1.4%	-37.9%	-4.8%
Ungraded	This Week	10.1	13.9	91.7	32.3	24.1	7.8	179.9
	% Change	-12.9%	14.1%	14.5%	-11.0%	-0.5%	-0.8%	4.5%
Total Shell Egg	This Week	145.6	196.6	362.1	196.1	177.9	89.4	1,167.8
	% Change	-3.0%	8.1%	15.6%	4.3%	16.8%	-5.2%	8.1%

Totals	Cases	Percent Change
Shell Egg	1,167.8	8.1%
Breaking Stock	246.3	8.1%
Total Shell Egg	1,414.1	8.1%

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	6.2	10.1	6.3	1.0	2.5	2.0	27.9
	% Change	11.3%	5.8%	78.6%	-67.1%	-5.4%	3.7%	7.3%
Ungraded	This Week	0.0	0.0	30.0	13.2	12.2	2.0	57.4
	% Change	0.0%	0.0%	4.6%	5.5%	0.0%	-7.8%	3.3%
Total Specialty	This Week	6.2	10.1	36.3	14.1	14.6	4.0	85.3
	% Change	11.3%	5.8%	12.6%	-8.2%	-0.9%	-2.5%	4.6%

Percentage of Specialty Shell Egg Inventory Comprised of USDA Certified Organic:	Large:	27.1%
	Ungraded:	72.0%
	Total:	57.3%

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 November 02, 2012 will increase by 0 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending October 26, 2012 were 155,075 cases which was 5 percent below the prior week and 6 percent below estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week:	129,872	25,203	155,075

% change from the prior week:
-7 +9 -5

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 All prices are higher. Trade sentiment continues fully steady to firm. Offerings are light on moderate to fairly good demand. Supplies are light to 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	85-88	
CHECKS	68-76	68-72
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 OCT 15, 2012
QUEBEC/MONTREAL: WHOLESALE PRICES- GRADED IN CARTONS (CANADIAN DOLLARS) AS REPORTED BY AGRICULTURE AND AGRI-FOOD CANADA, AISD, AID, POULTRY SECTION.

GRADE A	EX			
	LRG	LRG	MED	SMALL
	2.45	2.43	2.21	1.74

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

GRADE A	EX			
	LRG	LRG	MED	SMALL
	1.96	1.96	1.80	1.32

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES – Daily weighted average prices (cents/dozen)

National Trading for Oct 26, 2012

Courtesy of U.S.D.A. Federal/State Market News

CURRENT LOADS 22.50						FUTURE LOADS 19.25				TOTAL LOADS 41.75					
CLASS	SE		NE		MW		LDS	CLASS	SC		NW		SW		LDS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST			ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W 1	--	--	--	--	--	--	17.00	GNR W 1	--	--	--	--	--	--	4.00
GL W XL	--	--	--	118.00	105.00	--	4.00	GL W XL	--	--	--	--	--	119.20	2.50
GL W LG	--	123.33	--	--	109.67	--	15.50	GL W LG	--	125.50	--	--	--	124.26	9.75
GL W MD	--	--	93.82	100.71	96.00	--	3.75	GL W MD	101.00	106.00	--	110.50	--	106.00	2.50
GL BR LG	103.00	111.50	--	--	--	--	1.00								

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES Weekly weighted average prices (cents/dozen)

National Trading for Oct 22, 2012 – Oct 26, 2012

Courtesy of U.S.D.A. Federal/State Market News

CURRENT LOADS 118.25						FUTURE LOADS 70.75				TOTAL LOADS 189.00					
CLASS	SE		NE		MW		LDS	CLASS	SC		NW		SW		LDS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST			ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W 1	90.33	96.50	92.67	94.17	--	--	53.00	GNR W 1	--	104.67	--	--	--	--	17.00
GNR BR 1	--	--	95.50	--	--	--	3.00	GL W J	117.00	120.50	--	129.00	126.50	128.36	7.50
GL W J	--	--	103.50	105.00	112.58	--	4.25	GL W XL	112.00	118.00	--	--	--	121.56	24.50
GL W XL	--	--	106.00	110.09	106.57	116.50	44.25	GL W LG	--	122.08	--	--	--	117.80	60.00
GL W LG	--	122.17	102.00	101.80	104.24	103.00	77.75	GL W MD	101.00	98.67	100.00	110.50	--	106.50	7.00
GL W MD	--	--	93.22	97.11	98.80	--	9.25	GL W SM	63.00	--	--	--	--	73.00	.75
GL W SM	--	--	69.00	72.00	--	--	2.00	GL BR J	--	--	--	--	--	130.00	.25
GL BR J	--	--	--	--	113.00	--	.25	GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00
GL BR LG	103.00	111.50	--	--	114.00	106.50	5.00								
GL BR MD	--	--	--	--	73.00	--	1.00								
NRBS - 48	--	--	93.50	--	85.50	88.00	7.00								
NRBS - 45	--	--	--	--	83.50	--	1.00								
NRBS - 42	--	--	--	82.00	75.00	--	1.00								
NRBS - 39	--	--	--	--	--	71.00	1.00								
NRBS - 36	--	--	--	--	--	73.00	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.

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT – FROZEN EGGS

Selected Centers (In Thousands)

ON HAND	10/22/12	10/15/12	10/24/11
PACIFIC COAST	136	137	104
LOS ANGELES	0	0	0

NORTH CAROLINA EGGS

The market is steady on small, higher on the balance. Supplies are moderate. Retail demand is good.

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	139.12
LARGE	139.12
MEDIUM	123.86
SMALL	101.00

ORGANIC BROWN SHELL EGGS IN CARTONS

(Wholesale) (price 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

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