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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Regional prices are 2.5 to 13 cents higher on larger sizes, steady to 7 cents higher on Medium. New York prices are higher on all sizes. The undertone is fully steady to firm. Offerings are light to moderate on larger sizes, mixed on Medium. Retail demand is fairly good to good and food service demand is moderate to good. Market activity is moderate to active. Breaking stock offerings are light to mostly moderate; demand is at times light to moderate. Light type hen offerings are 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 are 10 cents higher for Extra Large and Large, and 7 cents higher for Medium. Daily producer prices are 3 cents higher for Large and 2 cents higher for Medium. The undertone is higher. Demand is fairly good while offerings are light. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is moderate to active. Breaking stock prices are higher. The undertone is steady. Offerings are light to mostly moderate on moderate demand. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
Extra Large	112-121	115-118
Large	111-110	113-116
Medium	89-91	91-94
Prices Delivered To Store Door:	Range	Mostly
Extra Large	119-127	120-122
Large	117-125	118-120
Medium	95-103	96-98

Iowa-Minnesota-Wisconsin Eggs

Prices Paid To Producers, Cents Per Dozen:	Range	Mostly
Large	96-106	100
Medium	73-77	75
Small	63-69	

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

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices are 9 cents higher on Extra Large and Large, 3 to 4 cents higher on Medium. The undertone is fully steady to firm. Supplies are light on larger sizes, light to moderate on Medium. Demand is moderate to fairly good. Market activity is moderate to active. Eastern region breaking stock supplies are moderate for an occasionally light to moderate demand. Offerings of light hens are sufficient for normal processing schedules.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
Extra Large	117-131	120-123
Large	112-126	117-121
Medium	94-107	99-101

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

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Prices are up 3 to 5 cents on Extra Large, 2.5 to 3 cents higher on Large, steady to 1.5 cents higher on Mediums. The undertone is firm. Retail demand is good. Food service demand is moderate. Offerings of larger sized eggs are light to at times moderate, mixed on Mediums for current needs. Market activity is moderate to active. Eastern region breaking supplies are mostly moderate for the light to moderate demand. Light type hen offerings are sufficient; demand is light to moderate.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
Extra Large	119.5-134	126-129
Large	115.5-133	124-127
Medium	94-110	96-100

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

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL Prices are 10 cents higher for Extra Large, 11 cents higher for Large, and 3 cents higher for Medium. Retail demand is fairly good. Food service demand is moderate to fairly good. Offerings are light. Supplies are light for the larger sizes and mixed for Mediums. Market activity is moderate to active. All breaking stock prices are higher. The undertone is steady. Demand is moderate for the light to mostly moderate offerings. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
Extra Large	124.5-133	126-129
Large	123.5-132	125-128
Medium	95.5-104	94-100

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

NEW YORK EGGS Prices are higher on Extra Large, Large and Medium. The undertone is firm. Supplies are light on larger sizes, mixed on Medium. Demand is moderate to fairly good. Market activity is moderate to active.

Prices delivered store door:	RANGE
Extra Large	134-138
Large	132-136
Medium	111-115

WESTERN REGIONAL Prices are 13 cents higher for Jumbo, Extra Large and Large and 7 cents higher for Medium and Small. The undertone is higher. Offerings are light to moderate. Demand is moderate to fairly good. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is moderate to instances active.

CALIFORNIA EGGS Benchmark prices are 13 cents higher for Jumbo, Extra Large and Large and 7 cents higher for Medium and Small. Trade sentiment is higher. Offerings are light to moderate, lightest for Jumbo. Demand is moderate to fairly good. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is moderate to instances active.

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	161
Extra Large	159
Large	155
Medium	129

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	8.6	6.8	16.6	6.0	6.5	3.3	47.8
	% Change	20.2%	-14.9%	-11.0%	-14.7%	-8.8%	-36.0%	-10.0%
Extra Large	This Week	25.1	11.8	32.2	13.0	30.7	8.3	121.2
	% Change	15.4%	-17.5%	-1.9%	-7.7%	0.0%	36.8%	1.2%
Large	This Week	44.9	76.1	98.9	51.3	62.9	40.3	374.5
	% Change	-16.2%	-5.3%	-2.6%	-10.1%	8.8%	-3.2%	-4.5%
Medium	This Week	19.8	13.6	35.1	21.7	19.2	9.7	119.1
	% Change	7.3%	-5.9%	-7.3%	-22.2%	-16.8%	7.5%	-8.9%
Small	This Week	8.2	3.7	8.9	2.6	0.8	2.3	26.3
	% Change	30.8%	-13.9%	7.4%	-4.8%	23.0%	2.2%	8.2%
Miscellaneous	This Week	2.2	15.4	24.6	17.6	2.5	2.6	64.8
	% Change	2.4%	21.1%	-16.8%	-11.0%	-63.8%	-7.7%	-12.1%
Ungraded	This Week	6.8	17.4	83.8	23.9	19.6	10.7	162.1
	% Change	58.3%	-12.2%	-2.3%	1.0%	1.2%	23.8%	0.4%
Total Shell Egg	This Week	115.6	144.9	299.9	136.1	142.1	77.3	915.8
	% Change	1.7%	-6.0%	-4.6%	-10.6%	-2.3%	2.2%	-4.1%

Totals	Cases	Percent Change
Shell Egg	915.8	-4.1%
Breaking Stock	279.9	-2.9%
Total Shell Egg	1,195.7	-3.8%

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	8.5	19.2	5.9	4.7	6.8	0.9	45.9
	% Change	22.2%	0.3%	-20.7%	-2.7%	10.8%	-39.3%	0.0%
Ungraded	This Week	0.0	0.0	26.0	7.7	4.3	0.0	37.9
	% Change	0.0%	0.0%	14.4%	-31.6%	30.8%	-100.0%	-4.4%
Total Specialty	This Week	8.5	19.2	32.0	12.3	11.0	0.9	83.8
	% Change	22.2%	0.3%	5.7%	-23.0%	17.7%	-77.6%	-2.0%

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

Large:	27.2%
Ungraded:	77.2%
Total:	49.8%

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 January 25, 2013 will decrease by 0 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending January 18, 2013 were 174,741 cases which was 6 percent below the prior week and 6 percent below estimates.

CARTONED LOOSE TOTAL

Cases purchased present week:
150,570 24,171 174,741

% change from the prior week:
-8 +4 -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 steady. Offerings are light to mostly moderate on moderate demand. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow.

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 60-63
CHECKS 44-50 44-48
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 07, 2013
QUEBEC/MONTREAL: WHOLESALE PRICES- GRADED IN CARTONS (CANADIAN DOLLARS) AS REPORTED BY AGRICULTURE AND AGRIFOOD CANADA, AISD, AID, POULTRY SECTION.

EX
GRADE A LRG LRG MED SMALL
Data Unavailable

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

EX
GRADE A LRG LRG MED SMALL
Data Unavailable

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

National Trading for Jan 18, 2013

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

CURRENT LOADS 25.50								FUTURE LOADS 24.00				TOTAL LOADS 49.50				
CLASS	SE		NE		MW		LDS	CLASS	ORG	DST	NW		SW		LDS	
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST					ORG	DST	ORG	DST		
GNR W 1	--	--	--	--	--	81.50	17.00	GNR W 1	--	--	--	--	--	--	7.00	
GL W J	--	--	--	--	--	126.13	2.00	GL W J	130.00	--	--	--	--	143.00	3.00	
GL W XL	--	--	--	128.00	115.20	122.00	6.50	GL W XL	--	--	--	--	--	129.40	1.25	
GL W LG	--	129.00	--	--	111.32	--	11.50	GL W LG	--	--	--	--	--	124.14	5.25	
GL W MD	--	--	80.00	--	79.00	--	2.00	GL W MD	81.00	--	--	--	--	92.83	3.00	
GL BR J	--	--	--	--	125.50	--	.50	GL BR J	--	--	--	--	--	145.00	.50	
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	57.13	--	8.00									

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

National Trading for Jan 14, 2012 – Jan 18, 2013

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

CURRENT LOADS 110.75								FUTURE LOADS 103.25				TOTAL LOADS 214.00				
CLASS	SE		NE		MW		LDS	CLASS	ORG	DST	NW		SW		LDS	
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST					ORG	DST	ORG	DST		
GNR W XL	--	96.00	88.00	90.00	--	--	11.00	GNR W XL	--	111.50	--	--	--	--	2.00	
GNR W 1	87.00	99.10	87.00	89.33	96.50	89.14	96.00	GNR W 1	--	95.70	--	--	--	107.50	54.00	
GNR W 4	--	--	--	67.33	52.00	55.00	5.00	GL W J	130.00	--	--	128.00	--	134.20	6.00	
GL W J	--	--	102.50	104.50	113.85	--	7.00	GL W XL	--	117.15	--	--	123.00	121.76	21.75	
GL W XL	--	111.50	98.25	109.73	107.42	122.00	43.50	GL W LG	--	113.36	--	115.00	--	114.56	38.00	
GL W LG	--	112.47	95.00	94.00	101.66	--	61.75	GL W MD	83.50	--	--	88.00	--	89.46	17.50	
GL W MD	79.00	83.00	75.14	80.25	77.43	109.00	21.50	GL W SM	--	--	--	--	65.50	1.00		
GL W SM	--	--	69.00	71.50	--	--	3.00	GL BR J	--	--	--	--	--	145.00	.50	
GL BR J	--	--	--	--	125.50	--	.50									
GL BR LG	--	--	104.50	106.00	--	--	3.00									
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	59.00	57.13	--	10.00									
NRBS - 45	--	53.00	--	--	45.00	--	5.00									
NRBS - 39	--	--	--	--	37.50	42.00	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	01/14/13	01/07/12	01/16/12
PACIFIC COAST	91	91	61
LOS ANGELES	0	0	0

NORTH CAROLINA EGGS

The market is unavailable. 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	147.25
LARGE	146.48
MEDIUM	115.47
SMALL	102.00

ORGANIC BROWN SHELL EGGS IN CARTONS

(Wholesale) (price per carton delivered to first receivers)

	PRICE RANGE	MOSTLY
Extra Large doz.	261 – 320	275 - 310
1/2 doz.	180 – 198	181 - 189
Large doz.	230 – 310	265 - 300
1/2 doz.	171 – 189	171 - 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