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## NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

New York prices are 2 cents higher on all sizes. Regional prices are steady with a firm undertone. Asking prices for next week's deliveries are trending higher. Current supplies are light to moderate for trade needs. Demand into retail channels is moderate to fairly good. Food service demand is mostly moderate while moderate to instances light in the South Central region. Market activity is moderate to active. Offerings for breaking stock are light to moderate; demand is at a full range, light to at times good. Spent fowl offerings are sufficient for the light to moderate demand.



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 16 cents higher for Extra Large and Large, and 10 cents higher for Medium. Daily producer prices are 5 cents higher for Large and Medium, and 3 cents lower for Small. The undertone is fully steady. Demand is fairly good to good while offerings are light. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is moderate to active. Breaking stock prices are higher. The undertone is fully steady. Demand is moderate to instances fairly good on light to moderate offerings. Supplies are light to mostly moderate. Market activity is moderate to instances active.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
Extra Large	112-121	115-118
Large	111-120	113-116
Medium	89-98	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	109-119	113
Medium	81-85	83
Small	60-66	

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. The undertone is reported as more steady than earlier in the week. Next week's asking prices are 17 cents higher for Extra Large and Large, 10 cents higher for Medium. Retail demand ranges moderate to good, with food service demand moderate to instances light. Offerings are light with some availability noted for next week. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is moderate to active. Breaking stock prices, along with checks and undergrades, are higher. The undertone is fully steady. Offerings are light to moderate on moderate to at times fairly good demand. Supplies are light to mostly moderate. Market activity is moderate to instances active.

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

**SOUTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices are steady with a firm undertone. Asking prices for next week's deliveries are trending higher on all sizes. Retail demand is good, with distributive demand moderate. Offerings are light to moderate for immediate trading purposes. Market activity is moderate to active. Eastern region breaking stock offerings are light; demand is light to moderate. Spent hen offerings are adequate for the light to moderate demand.

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

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

**NORTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices are steady. Asking prices for next week's deliveries are trending higher on all sizes. The undertone is fully steady. Supplies are light to moderate for current trading purposes, lighter on larger sizes. Retail and distributive demand is mostly moderate. Market activity is moderate. Eastern region breaking stock offerings are light; demand is light to moderate. Offerings of light hens are sufficient for mostly 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, Eastern PA, RI, Northern VA, and VT

**NEW YORK EGGS** Prices are 2 cents higher on all sizes. Current supplies are light to moderate on larger sizes, moderate on Medium. Demand is mostly moderate. Market activity is moderate.

	RANGE
Extra Large	144-148
Large	142-146
Medium	118-122

**WESTERN REGIONAL** Prices are steady. Asking prices for next week are 17 cents higher for Jumbo, 16 cents higher for Extra Large and Large and 10 cents higher for Medium and Small. Trade sentiment is steady to fully steady. Demand is moderate to fairly good and rated as slightly slower than this time last week. Offerings are light. Supplies are light to instances moderate. Market activity is moderate to active.

**CALIFORNIA** Benchmark prices are steady. Asking prices for next week are 17 cents higher for Jumbo, 16 cents higher for Extra Large and Large and 10 cents higher for Medium and Small. The undertone is steady to fully steady. Demand is moderate to fairly good, although slightly slower than this time last week. Offerings are usually light. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is moderate to instances active. Small benchmark price \$1.09.

**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	161
Extra Large	159
Large	155
Medium	129

**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	143-155
Extra Large	141-149
Large	132-144
Medium	109-117

**WEEKLY NATIONAL EGG PRODUCTS**

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

**LIQUID EGGS**

Liquid whole egg prices are steady with whites steady to higher and yolk steady to lower. Trade sentiment is steady to fully steady for whole egg, firm for whites and weak for yolk. Offerings are light to moderate for whole egg, light for whites and moderate for yolk. Demand is fairly good to good for whole egg, good for whites and light for yolk. Buyers were encountering difficulty covering spot needs for whole egg for next week. Market activity is active.

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

Class	Current Week			Last Week			Dec Averages	
	Range	Loads	Wtd Avg	Range	Loads	Wtd Avg	Loads	Wtd Avg
Whole	51.50 - 52.50	27	51.78	51.00 - 53.00	29	51.93	20	58.20
Whites	42.00 - 57.00	16	47.56	42.00 - 52.00	13	44.77	64	48.02
Yolk	80.00 - 94.00	5	88.50	87.00 - 94.00	4	92.00	12	100.75

**FROZEN EGGS**

Frozen sugared yolk prices are steady to higher with the balance of frozen product prices higher. Trade sentiment is steady to fully steady for all frozen products. Offerings are moderate to occasionally heavy. Demand is light to moderate with increased contractual buyer interest noted for the remainder of 1st quarter and all of 2nd quarter. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate.

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

Trucklot	Current Week		Last Week		Dec Averages	
	Range	Mostly	Range	Mostly	This Month	Last Month
Whole	69.00 - 77.00	72.00 - 74.00	68.00 - 74.00	71.00 - 74.00	90.13	102.75
Whites	65.00 - 76.00	67.00 - 74.00	63.00 - 72.00	66.00 - 72.00	72.25	74.38
Sugar Yolk <sup>1/</sup>	111.00 - 120.00	113.00 - 118.00	111.00 - 119.00	113.00 - 119.00	131.75	148.25
Salt Yolk <sup>1/</sup>	109.00 - 120.00	111.00 - 115.00	105.00 - 116.00	109.00 - 111.00	129.25	146.00

  

Less-than-Trucklot	Current Week		Last Week		Dec Averages	
	Range	Mostly	Range	Mostly	This Month	Last Month
Whole	75.00 - 77.00		75.00 - 77.00		92.88	104.50
Whites	70.00 - 72.00		70.00 - 72.00		74.75	75.00
Sugar Yolk <sup>1/</sup>	118.00 - 120.00		115.00 - 120.00		135.75	150.63
Salt Yolk <sup>1/</sup>	118.00 - 120.00		115.00 - 120.00		135.75	150.63

<sup>1/</sup>Minimum 43% solids.

**DRIED EGGS**

Prices for dried egg products are lower on whole, steady to higher on the balance. Trade sentiment is steady on whole and blends, lower on yolk and albumen. Demand is light to moderate on mostly moderate offerings. Supplies are moderate to at times heavy. Trading is based on spot orders and contractual commitments with second quarter inquiries noted. Market activity is slow to moderate.

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

Class	Current Week		Last Week		Dec Averages	
	Range	Mostly	Range	Mostly	This Month	Last Month
Whole	2.45 - 3.05	2.75 - 2.80	2.65 - 3.10	2.80 - 2.85	3.27	3.56
Yolk	2.50 - 3.00	2.60 - 2.65	2.45 - 3.00	2.60 - 2.65	3.09	3.29
Albumen <sup>2/</sup>	4.45 - 5.10	4.70 - 4.75	4.37 - 5.10	4.80 - 4.85	5.03	5.25
Blends <sup>3/</sup>	2.45 - 2.70		2.45 - 2.60		2.84	2.97

<sup>2/</sup>Spray Dried; <sup>3/</sup>Whole plus sweetener.

**EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION**

W/E 19-JAN-2013 (Lbs. In Thousands) (Excludes Ingredients)

Total Production	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CW	1,372,586	32,627	14,406	6,940	3,256	4,603
PW	1,422,000	34,186	13,960	6,654	3,484	4,807
LY	1,331,049	31,137	13,952	7,135	3,147	4,633
% PW	-3%	-5%	3%	4%	-7%	-4%
% LY	3%	5%	3%	-3%	3%	-1%
2013	4,094,321	95,868	42,464	20,957	9,714	13,774
2012	4,021,832	96,283	40,280	20,878	9,039	13,860
% YTD	2%	0%	5%	0%	7%	-1%

	CW	PW	LY
Average Yield Per Case - (inedible included)	42.67	41.92	42.72
Average Yield Per Case - (inedible excluded)	39.32	38.54	39.23

**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	789,203	57.5%	20,432	62.6%
PREVIOUS WEEK	816,787	57.4%	21,172	61.9%
LAST YEAR	724,408	54.4%	17,681	56.8%

**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** All prices are higher. Trade sentiment is fully steady. Demand is moderate to instances fairly good on light to moderate offerings. Supplies are light to mostly moderate. Market activity is moderate to instances active.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	67-70	
CHECKS	51-57	51-55

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 higher. Offerings are light. Supplies are mostly moderate for the light to moderate demand. Market activity is slow to instances moderate. Cases broken under federal inspection in the Eastern region for week ending 19-Jan-2013 are 13 percent lower than the previous week and 22 percent lower than the same week a year ago.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	65-71	-
CHECKS	54-63	58

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 Jan 18, 2013 – Jan 24, 2013

CURRENT LOADS 120.50								FUTURE LOADS 118.50								TOTAL LOADS 239.00							
SE				NE				MW				SC				NW				SW			
CLASS	ORG	DST	LOADS	ORG	DST	LOADS	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	LOADS	ORG	DST	LOADS	ORG	DST	LOADS				
GNR W XL	--	118.00	6.00	--	--	6.00	--	--	6.00	GNR W XL	--	111.50	2.00	--	--	2.00	--	--	2.00				
GNR W 1	101.00	113.44	102.00	105.00	106.60	102.00	120.33	81.50	102.00	GNR W 1	--	122.07	64.00	--	--	64.00	--	--	64.00				
GNR W 2	--	--	14.00	--	--	14.00	--	--	14.00	GNR W 2	--	118.20	13.00	--	--	13.00	--	--	13.00				
GNR W 4	--	--	3.00	--	73.50	3.00	--	--	3.00	GL W J	131.75	--	9.50	--	146.50	--	144.74	--	9.50				
GL W J	--	--	8.50	122.50	125.00	8.50	128.00	--	8.50	GL W XL	--	128.88	12.50	--	131.00	131.39	--	12.50					
GL W XL	--	136.50	33.50	119.50	123.18	33.50	118.21	122.57	33.50	GL W LG	--	127.16	33.75	--	--	125.09	--	33.75					
GL W LG	--	131.83	61.00	114.40	116.43	61.00	112.83	124.00	61.00	GL W MD	83.67	96.21	14.50	--	95.00	--	94.55	14.50					
GL W MD	80.00	84.00	21.50	86.00	94.40	21.50	84.85	92.50	21.50	GL W SM	67.50	--	1.00	--	--	--	76.00	1.00					
GL W SM	66.75	--	6.00	70.00	73.00	6.00	63.00	--	6.00	GL BR J	--	--	.75	--	--	--	--	146.33	.75				
GL BR J	--	--	.75	--	--	.75	127.33	--	.75	GL BR LG	--	111.00	1.00	--	--	--	--	--	1.00				
GL BR LG	--	--	3.00	111.50	113.50	3.00	--	--	3.00	NRBS - 50	--	80.00	3.00	--	--	--	--	--	3.00				
NRBS - 50	--	--	3.00	--	--	3.00	--	--	3.00														
NRBS - 48	--	--	13.00	--	--	58.23	61.00	13.00	13.00														
NRBS - 45	--	55.00	5.00	--	--	47.00	64.75	5.00	5.00														
NRBS - 39	--	49.00	2.00	--	--	41.00	--	2.00	2.00														
NRBS - 36	--	44.00	2.00	--	--	36.00	--	2.00	2.00														

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 are trending steady for the light to moderate demand. Offerings of light type hens are sufficient for current needs. Processing schedules are mostly normal. Movement of finished product sales were moving satisfactorily. Market activity is moderate. The majority price for removal costs is 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	121.50	119.00	100.00
SOUTHEAST	127.50	125.50	98.00
MIDWEST	116.50	114.50	92.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	127.50	126.50	97.00
COMBINED REGIONAL	123.41	121.59	96.83

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.

**U.S./CANADIAN LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER INSPECTION****U.S. fowl slaughtered domestically**

W/E 12-Jan 13	Thousands		
	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
Head	1,730	1,595	3,325
Last Week	1,730	1,595	3,325
Same week yr ago	1,818	1,558	3,376
To-date/2013*	3,460	3,190	6,650
To-date/2012*	3,193	2,923	6,116

**W/E 19-Jan 13**

Head	1,885	1,569	3,454
Last Week	1,730	1,595	3,325
Same week yr ago	1,797	1,615	3,412
To-date/2013*	5,345	4,759	10,104
To-date/2012*	4,990	4,538	9,528

**U.S. fowl slaughtered in Canada**

W/E 12-Jan 13	Thousands		
	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
Head	344	0	344
Last Week	256	0	256
Same week yr ago	487	12	499
To-date/2013*	600	0	600
To-date/2012*	738	12	750

**W/E 19-Jan 13**

Head	505	0	505
Last Week	344	0	344
Same week yr ago	486	0	486
To-date/2013*	1,105	0	1,105
To-date/2012*	1,224	12	1,236

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

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

W/E 12-Jan 13	Thousands		
	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
Head	2,074	1,595	3,669
Last Week	1,986	1,595	3,581
Same week yr ago	2,305	1,570	3,875
To-date/2013*	4,060	3,190	7,250
To-date/2012*	3,931	2,935	6,866

**W/E 19-Jan 13**

Head	2,390	1,569	3,959
Last Week	2,074	1,595	3,669
Same week yr ago	2,283	1,615	3,898
To-date/2013*	6,450	4,759	11,209
To-date/2012*	6,214	4,550	10,764

\*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)**

Week Ending Jan 12, 2013		Year-To-Date*		
Type	2013	2012 /1	2013 /2	2012
Liquid	0	49	48	100
Frozen	0	0	0	0
Dried	0	0	0	0
Total	0	49	48	100

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

Week Ending Jan 12, 2013		Year-To-Date*		
Type	2013	2012 /1	2013 /2	2012
Liquid	126	222	160	374
Frozen	52	54	58	54
Dried	0	0	0	0
Total	178	276	218	428

**INSPECTED SHELL EGGS****U.S Exports to Canada, In 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary)**

Week Ending Jan 12, 2013		Year-To-Date*		
Type	2013	2012 /1	2013 /2	2012
Jumbo	0	0	0	0
Extra Large	0	750	960	3,000
Large	750	696	2,090	696
Medium	0	0	813	0
Ungraded	1,200	864	3,360	1,776
Misc	0	0	0	0
Total	1,950	2,310	7,223	5,472

/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

**WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS**

Selected Centers (INCL. GOV'T STOCKS)	(IN THOUSANDS)		
	Frozen Eggs LBS	Processed Turkeys LBS	Processed Other Poultry LBS
AM 01/21/13	2,934	115,195	72,200
AM 01/01/13	2,945	95,985	76,228
CHG	-11	19210	-4028
PCT CHG	0%	20%	-5%

**COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT**

Week ending 19-Jan-2013 (Receipts From Producers)

Regions	Cases (In Thousands)	Percent Change From Last Week	Percent Change From Last Year
North Atlantic	216.7	-1	7
East North Central	720.0	-3	-1
West North Central	333.7	0	16
South Atlantic	130.7	4	-10
South Central	50.4	1	14
West	34.7	2	-16
Total	1486.2	-1	3

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 19-Jan-2013 (Cases, in thousands)

**Selected Consuming**

Centers	CW	LW	% LW	% LY
Atlanta	21.1	22.5	-6	8
Boston	3.2	2.8	14	-9
Chicago	58.9	61.0	-3	5
Los Angeles	64.5	65.6	-2	7
New Orleans	6.9	6.3	10	10
New York	40.3	38.7	4	0
St. Louis	118.8	119.6	-1	49
San Francisco	20.4	21.0	-3	49
Total	334.1	337.5	-1	20
4 Week Moving Avg.	320.3			

**WEEKLY NEW ENGLAND SHELL EGGS** January 22, 2013

PRICES PAID/DOZ. GRADE A BROWN EGGS IN CARTONS DLVRD STORE DOOR

	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
<b>MAINE</b>	176	164	128	111
MOSTLY	-	-	-	-
<b>NEW HAMPSHIRE</b>	169-173	157-161	119-123	104-108
MOSTLY	171-172	159-160	121-122	106-107
<b>RHODE ISLAND</b>	177-181	165-169	129-133	110-114
MOSTLY	177	165	129	110
<b>VERMONT</b>	174-175	162-163	126	-
MOSTLY	-	-	-	-

**CHICKENS AND EGGS**

**December Egg Production Up 2 Percent** United States egg production totaled 8.07 billion during December 2012, up 2 percent from last year. Production included 7.03 billion table eggs, and 1.04 billion hatching eggs, of which 969 million were broiler-type and 71 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during December 2012 averaged 344 million, up 2 percent from last year. December egg production per 100 layers was 2,346 eggs, unchanged from December 2011.

All layers in the United States on January 1, 2013 totaled 343 million, up 1 percent from last year. The 343 million layers consisted of 288 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 51.2 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 2.97 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on January 1, 2013, averaged 75.1 eggs per 100 layers, down 1 percent from January 1, 2012.

**Egg-Type Chicks Hatched Down 5 Percent** Egg-type chicks hatched during December 2012 totaled 37.1 million, down 5 percent from December 2011. Eggs in incubators totaled 37.5 million on January 1, 2013, down 3 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 191 thousand during December 2012, down 31 percent from December 2011.

Source: USDA/NASS

**MONTHLY COLD STORAGE REPORT**

Commodity	Nov-30		Dec-31		Dec 31, 2012 as a Percent of	
	2011	2012	(1,000 pounds) 2011	2012	Dec-31 2011 (percent)	Nov-30 2012
<b>Frozen Egg</b>						
Whites	3,906	2,773	3,249	2,761	85%	100%
Yolks	1,521	2,018	1,956	2,144	110%	106%
Whole and mixed	8,819	8,217	10,263	8,184	80%	100%
Unclassified	18,721	14,243	21,023	14,101	67%	99%
<b>Total Frozen Eggs</b>	<b>32,967</b>	<b>27,251</b>	<b>36,491</b>	<b>27,190</b>	<b>75%</b>	<b>100%</b>

Source: USDA/NASS