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## NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Regional prices are 3 cents lower on Jumbo, 15 to 30 cents lower on Extra Large, 12 to 32 cents lower on Large and 10 to 17 cents down on Medium and Small. New York prices are 3 cents lower on larger sizes, unchanged on Medium. Demand is light to moderate into retail and food service channels. Offerings and supplies are moderate to heavy for immediate trade needs. Market activity is slow to at times moderate. Breaking stock offerings are moderate to heavy; demand is mixed. Light type hen offerings are at least 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 are 28 cents lower for Extra Large and Large, and 14 cents lower for Medium. Producer prices are 3 cents lower for Large and 1 cent lower for Medium. The undertone is weak. Demand is light to moderate on moderate to heavy offerings. Supplies are moderate to heavy. Market activity is slow. Breaking stock prices are lower. The undertone is lower. Demand ranges light to fairly good. Offerings are moderate to heavy. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is moderate.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
Extra Large	100-109	103-106
Large	99-108	101-104
Medium	75-84	77-80

  

Prices Delivered To Store Door:	RANGE	MOSTLY
Extra Large	107-115	108-110
Large	105-113	106-108
Medium	81-89	82-84

### Iowa-Minnesota-Wisconsin Eggs

Prices Paid To Producers, Cents Per Dozen:	RANGE	MOSTLY
Large	78-88	82
Medium	56-60	58
Small	39-45	

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

**NORTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices are 22 to 25 cents lower on Extra Large, 28 cents lower on Large and 14 to 17 cents lower on Medium. The undertone is barely steady to weak on Extra Large and Large, mostly steady on Medium. Supplies range moderate to heavy, heavier on larger sizes. Demand is mostly light to moderate. Market activity is slow. Eastern region breaking stock supplies are sufficient for an irregular demand. Light type hen offerings are at least sufficient for normal processing schedules.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
Extra Large	110-127	113-115
Large	104-118	109-113
Medium	83-98	90-92

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

**SOUTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices are 15 to 30 cents lower on Extra Large, down 12 to 32 cents on Large, 10 to 15 cents lower on Mediums. The undertone is lower. Retail demand is light. Distributive demand is light to instances moderate. Offerings are moderate to mostly heavy for immediate trading requirements. Market activity is slow. Breaking stock supplies in the Eastern region are moderate; demand is mixed, mostly moderate. Spent hen offerings are at least sufficient for normal processing schedules.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
Extra Large	109.5-146	111-114
Large	106-145	109-112
Medium	83.5-111	84-88

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

**SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL** Prices are 24 cents lower for Extra Large, 30 cents lower for Large, and 15 cents lower for Medium. The undertone is lower. Retail demand is light to moderate. Distributive demand is light. Offerings are moderate to heavy. Supplies are moderate to instances heavy. Market activity is slow to moderate. All breaking stock prices are lower. The undertone is lower. Demand ranges light to fairly good for the moderate to heavy offerings. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is moderate.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
Extra Large	114.5-123	116-119
Large	108.5-117	110-113
Medium	84.5-93	86-89

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

**NEW YORK EGGS** Prices are 3 cents lower on Extra Large and Large, unchanged on Medium. The undertone is steady on Medium, barely steady to weak on heavier weights. Supplies are moderate Medium, moderate to heavy on larger sizes. Demand is light to moderate. Market activity is slow.

Prices delivered store door:	RANGE
Extra Large	112-116
Large	110-114
Medium	96-100

**WESTERN REGIONAL** Prices are 3 cents lower for Jumbo, 22 cents lower for Extra Large, 28 cents lower for Large and 14 cents lower for Medium and Small. The undertone is lower. Offerings are moderate to heavy with demand light to moderate. Supplies are moderate and building. Market activity is slow to moderate.

**CALIFORNIA EGGS** Benchmark prices are 3 cents lower for Jumbo, 22 cents lower for Extra Large, 28 cents lower for Large and 14 cents lower for Medium and Small. The undertone is lower. Demand is light to moderate on moderate to heavy offerings. Supplies are moderate and building. Market activity is slow to moderate. Small benchmark price 95 cents.

### 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	156
Extra Large	151
Large	143
Medium	115

**WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY:**

Stocks on Hand Available for Marketing (30-dozen cases in thousands) <sup>1/</sup>  
(Includes Conventional and Specialty)

		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
<b>Jumbo</b>	This Week	12.2	8.6	13.7	6.4	7.8	4.1	52.7
	% Change	30.6%	-12.3%	-27.1%	0.8%	15.5%	3.8%	-4.0%
<b>Extra Large</b>	This Week	38.3	17.7	46.4	18.8	25.2	3.3	149.6
	% Change	10.7%	0.5%	31.7%	42.5%	-1.6%	19.3%	16.0%
<b>Large</b>	This Week	55.7	105.5	135.3	97.1	66.0	51.9	511.5
	% Change	41.9%	2.4%	35.1%	50.1%	31.0%	8.2%	26.2%
<b>Medium</b>	This Week	16.2	12.3	35.0	27.0	26.6	12.3	129.3
	% Change	-22.5%	-0.4%	-6.8%	15.1%	41.0%	5.8%	3.7%
<b>Small</b>	This Week	2.0	1.5	4.8	3.9	1.0	2.5	15.7
	% Change	11.0%	-16.9%	-15.8%	49.6%	-8.5%	-31.6%	-5.7%
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	This Week	1.4	13.3	25.9	11.4	4.8	1.4	58.2
	% Change	59.6%	-8.1%	-8.6%	3.6%	-15.9%	14.2%	-5.5%
<b>Ungraded</b>	This Week	4.8	11.5	79.7	16.3	22.6	12.1	147.0
	% Change	102.5%	-32.2%	30.7%	-31.7%	39.3%	14.0%	12.2%
<b>Total Shell Egg</b>	This Week	130.5	170.3	340.8	181.0	153.9	87.5	1,063.9
	% Change	19.7%	-3.2%	18.9%	24.6%	23.6%	7.0%	15.3%

Totals	Cases	Percent Change
<b>Shell Egg</b>	1,063.9	15.3%
<b>Breaking Stock</b>	257.4	13.6%
<b>Total Shell Egg</b>	<b>1,321.3</b>	<b>14.9%</b>

**SPECIALTY SHELL EGG INVENTORY <sup>2/</sup>**

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

		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
<b>Large</b>	This Week	8.0	23.3	7.7	3.7	4.5	4.7	51.9
	% Change	29.9%	4.7%	31.9%	-4.2%	-4.9%	47.3%	12.8%
<b>Ungraded</b>	This Week	0.0	0.0	34.0	6.4	8.2	0.0	48.6
	% Change	0.0%	0.0%	5.4%	-41.4%	118.7%	-100.0%	-2.2%
<b>Total Specialty</b>	This Week	8.0	23.3	41.7	10.1	12.7	4.7	100.5
	% Change	29.9%	4.7%	9.5%	-31.8%	50.1%	-21.1%	5.0%

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

<b>Large:</b>	<b>24.8%</b>
<b>Ungraded:</b>	<b>79.0%</b>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>51.0%</b>

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 April 12, 2013 will remain unchanged. Present week purchases for the week ending April 05, 2013 were 169,866 cases which was 34 percent below the prior week and 33 percent below estimates.

**CARTONED LOOSE TOTAL**

Cases purchased  
present week..... 115,613 54,253 169,866

% change from the  
prior week..... -50 +95 -34  
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 lower. Trade sentiment is lower. Demand ranges light to fairly good. Offerings are moderate to heavy. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is 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	59-61	
Checks	43-52	43-47
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 Mar 25, 2013  
Quebec/Montreal: wholesale prices-graded in cartons (Canadian dollars) as reported by Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID, Poultry Section.

	EX	LRG	LRG	MED	SMALL
<b>GRADE A</b>					Unavailable

Minimum prices for producers' f.o.b. farm as set by Ontario egg producers.

	EX	LRG	LRG	MED	SMALL
<b>GRADE A</b>		2.00	2.00	1.84	1.36

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

National Trading for Apr 05, 2013

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

CURRENT LOADS 39.25								FUTURE LOADS 1.00				TOTAL LOADS 40.25				
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	81.00	--	82.00	84.00	--	--	2.00	GL W J	96.47	--	--	--	--	107.12	5.75	
GL W J	--	--	--	--	90.00	--	1.50	GL W XL	84.00	89.00	--	--	--	92.38	7.25	
GL W XL	--	--	--	--	77.00	--	7.25	GL W LG	--	77.50	--	81.00	--	79.07	11.25	
GL W LG	--	--	84.00	83.50	65.41	--	13.25	GL W MD	--	--	--	--	--	73.00	1.00	
GL W MD	--	--	69.00	71.00	60.50	--	2.00	GL W SM	--	--	--	--	--	54.75	1.00	
GL W SM	48.00	--	--	--	43.75	--	2.00	NRBS - 42	--	60.00	--	--	--	--	1.00	
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	60.50	--	4.00									
NRBS - 42	--	--	--	--	53.00	--	3.00									

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

National Trading for Apr 01, 2013 – Apr 05, 2013

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

CURRENT LOADS 139.00								FUTURE LOADS 17.50				TOTAL LOADS 156.50				
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	90.50	104.00	95.00	96.00	117.00	--	13.00	GNR W 1	--	--	--	--	--	--	2.00	
GL W J	--	--	98.50	100.75	90.14	--	7.25	GL W J	95.92	100.00	--	--	--	107.18	11.50	
GL W XL	--	88.00	97.67	98.10	81.49	86.33	49.75	GL W XL	87.21	92.50	--	99.00	--	96.51	29.50	
GL W LG	--	120.00	96.50	85.07	69.89	--	45.50	GL W LG	81.50	88.53	--	83.57	--	83.56	32.25	
GL W MD	--	--	73.83	76.67	72.58	81.00	13.75	GL W MD	60.00	--	--	--	--	71.06	5.25	
GL W SM	48.00	--	49.00	51.50	45.13	--	5.00	GL W SM	43.00	--	--	--	--	53.88	2.00	
NRBS - 50	--	--	--	--	60.00	--	2.00	GL BR LG	84.00	--	--	--	--	90.00	1.00	
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	59.00	56.75	61.00	9.00	NRBS - 42	--	60.00	--	--	--	--	1.00	
NRBS - 45	--	--	--	67.00	--	--	2.00									
NRBS - 42	--	51.33	--	--	48.67	--	6.00									

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	04/01/13	03/25/13	04/02/12
PACIFIC COAST	87	99	96
LOS ANGELES	0	0	0

**NORTH CAROLINA EGGS**

The market is steady on small, lower on the balance. Supplies are heavy. Retail demand is light.

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	135.99
Large	129.79
Medium	100.86
Small	78.00

**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](http://www.ams.usda.gov/NOPNationalOrganicProgramHome)