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## NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Prices in New York are 2 cents higher on Extra Large and Large, steady on Medium. Regional prices are unchanged on Jumbo, 11 to 15 cents higher on Extra Large, 11.5 to 17 cents higher on Large and 4 to 10 cents higher on Medium and Small. Supplies and offerings are light to moderate, while mostly moderate to heavy on Mediums in the Southeast region. Demand is mixed, usually moderate. Market activity is moderate to instances active. Breaking stock offerings are light to moderate for the moderate demand. Spent fowl offerings are sufficient; schedules are normal.

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 15 cents higher for Extra Large and Large, and 9 cents higher for Medium. Daily producer prices are 3 cents higher for Large and Medium. The undertone is firm. Demand is moderate on light offerings. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is moderate. Breaking stock prices are higher. The undertone is higher. Offerings are light to moderate on moderate demand. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is moderate.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>MOSTLY</b>
Extra Large	103-112	106-109
Large	102-111	104-107
Medium	86-95	88-91
Prices Delivered To Store Door:	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>MOSTLY</b>
Extra Large	110-118	111-113
Large	108-116	109-111
Medium	92-100	93-95

### Iowa-Minnesota-Wisconsin Eggs

Prices Paid To Producers, Cents Per Dozen:	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>MOSTLY</b>
Large	87-97	91
Medium	71-75	73
Small	41-47	

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

**NORTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices are 13 cents higher on Extra Large, 14 cents higher on Large and 7 cents higher on medium. The undertone is firm. Supplies are light to moderate and offerings are light. Demand is light to moderate. Market activity is moderate to active. Eastern region breaking stock offerings are light; breaking schedules are normal to reduced. Offerings of light hens are sufficient for regular processing schedules.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>MOSTLY</b>
Extra Large	110-124	114-117
Large	106-120	111-115
Medium	90-103	94-97

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

**SOUTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices are 11 to 11.5 cents higher on Extra Large, up 11.5 to 13 cents on Large and 4 to 5 cents higher on Mediums. The undertone is firm. Retail demand is fairly good to good, while distributive demand is moderate. Offerings are light to moderate on larger sizes, mostly moderate to heavy on Mediums. Market activity is active. Breaking stock supplies in the Eastern region are light to at times moderate for normal to less than normal breaking schedules. Spent hen offerings are adequate; demand is light to moderate.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>MOSTLY</b>
Extra Large	104.5-122	116-119
Large	100.5-120	114-117
Medium	88-105	93-97

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

**SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL** Prices are 14 cents higher for Extra Large, 17 cents higher for Large and 7 cents higher for Medium. The undertone is firm. Demand is moderate. Offerings are light. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is moderate. Breaking stock prices are 2 cents higher. The undertone is higher. Offerings are light to moderate on moderate demand. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is moderate.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>MOSTLY</b>
Extra Large	114.5-123	116-119
Large	113.5-122	115-118
Medium	93.5-102	95-98

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

**NEW YORK EGGS** Prices are 2 cents higher on Extra Large and Large, unchanged on Medium. The undertone is firm. Supplies vary, but are usually light to moderate for needs. Offerings are light. Demand is light to moderate. Market activity is mostly moderate.

Prices delivered store door:	<b>RANGE</b>
Extra Large	125-129
Large	123-127
Medium	105-109

**WESTERN REGIONAL** Prices are unchanged on Jumbo, 15 cents higher for Extra Large, 16 cents higher for Large, and 10 cents higher for Medium and Small. The undertone is higher. Offerings are light. Demand is moderate to fairly good. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is moderate.

**CALIFORNIA EGGS** Prices are unchanged for Jumbo, 15 cents higher for Extra Large, 16 cents higher for Large and 10 cents higher for Medium and Small. The undertone is higher. Retail demand is moderate to fairly good. Offerings are light to moderate. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is moderate. Small benchmark price is 107.

### 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.

	<b>RANGE</b>
Jumbo	148
Extra Large	152
Large	146
Medium	127

**Weekly Shell Egg Inventory:** Stocks on Hand Available for Marketing (30-dozen cases in thousand) <sup>1</sup> (Includes Conventional and Specialty)

		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
<b>Jumbo</b>	This Week	7.6	9.8	13.1	7.4	8.2	2.5	48.5
	% Change	-4.8%	-1.6%	-5.2%	-16.1%	24.1%	-27.1%	-4.0%
<b>Extra Large</b>	This Week	28.1	15.2	30.8	11.3	32.4	4.4	122.2
	% Change	12.7%	0.5%	-20.7%	-16.8%	4.9%	-28.3%	-5.7%
<b>Large</b>	This Week	52.4	102.1	101.6	50.3	63.0	36.0	405.3
	% Change	73.7%	-8.9%	-28.9%	-33.6%	-0.7%	-17.1%	-13.3%
<b>Medium</b>	This Week	12.0	15.4	28.4	26.8	25.9	8.6	117.0
	% Change	-26.3%	2.0%	-17.7%	-6.5%	35.0%	-12.4%	-5.2%
<b>Small</b>	This Week	3.2	3.0	4.1	1.7	1.7	4.6	18.2
	% Change	-5.1%	-12.8%	9.8%	64.2%	81.3%	77.7%	21.0%
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	This Week	3.5	11.2	23.0	9.7	3.4	1.2	51.9
	% Change	-16.5%	0.6%	6.6%	-17.2%	-32.6%	-0.8%	-5.2%
<b>Ungraded</b>	This Week	2.3	23.7	81.2	25.8	25.3	17.2	175.4
	% Change	130.3%	7.3%	-0.9%	24.9%	18.3%	-8.3%	5.8%
<b>Total Shell Egg</b>	This Week	108.8	180.3	282.2	133.1	159.8	74.4	938.5
	% Change	24.1%	-4.5%	-16.3%	-17.0%	8.4%	-12.8%	-6.8%

Totals	Cases	Percent Change
Shell Egg	938.5	-6.8%
Breaking Stock	239.7	1.1%
<b>Total Shell Egg</b>	<b>1,178.2</b>	<b>-5.3%</b>

### Specialty Shell Egg Inventory<sup>2</sup>

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

		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
<b>Large</b>	This Week	6.8	24.5	6.2	1.7	5.1	5.9	50.2
	% Change	-27.3%	-1.9%	2.1%	-65.4%	-18.2%	-3.4%	-13.0%
<b>Ungraded</b>	This Week	0.0	0.0	40.5	12.9	10.1	2.2	65.7
	% Change	0.0%	0.0%	10.0%	51.5%	0.0%	9.6%	14.4%
<b>Total Specialty</b>	This Week	6.8	24.5	46.7	14.7	15.2	8.1	115.9
	% Change	-27.3%	-1.9%	8.9%	8.1%	-7.0%	-0.2%	0.7%

<b>Percentage of Specialty Shell Egg Inventory Comprised of USDA Certified Organic:</b>	<b>Large:</b>	<b>25.9%</b>
	<b>Ungraded:</b>	<b>69.6%</b>
	<b>Total:</b>	<b>50.7%</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, and WV; **Midwest** = IA, IL, IN, KY, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, and WI; **South Central** = AR, AZ, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX, and UT; **Southwest** = CA and NV; **Northwest** = ID, MT, OR, WA, and WY.

### NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES

Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending May 17, 2013 will increase by 0 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending May 10, 2013 were 212,429 cases which was 33 percent above the prior week and 33 percent above estimates.

CASES	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week:	164,305	48,124	212,429

% change from the prior week:	+21	+100	+33
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Comparison figures are compiled on a matched plant basis. Purchases and estimates by 14 cooperators; 30 dozen cases or equivalent.

### CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK

Breaking stock prices are 2 cents higher. The undertone is higher. Offerings are light to moderate for the moderate demand. Supplies are light to 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.

BREAKING STOCK	RANGE	MOSTLY
CHECKS	65-67	49-53

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 April 29, 2013

Quebec/Montreal: Wholesale prices-graded in cartons (Canadian Dollars) as reported by Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID, Poultry Section.

<b>Grade A</b>	<b>Ex Large</b>	<b>Large</b>	<b>Medium</b>	<b>Small</b>
				NOT AVAILABLE

Minimum prices for producers' f.o.b. farm for the week of April 29, 2013 as set by Ontario Egg Producers.

<b>Grade A</b>	<b>Ex Large</b>	<b>Large</b>	<b>Medium</b>	<b>Small</b>
	1.96	1.96	1.80	1.32

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES** – Daily weighted average prices (cents/dozen)National Trading for May 10, 2013  
Courtesy of U.S.D.A. Federal/State Market News**CURRENT LOADS 33.50****FUTURE LOADS 3.00****TOTAL LOADS 36.50**

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	91.00	--	90.00	93.00	--	--	2.00	GL W XL	--	125.00	--	--	113.50	115.80	9.00
GL W XL	--	--	101.00	103.00	106.63	--	9.00	GL W LG	101.75	124.83	--	--	--	111.50	15.00
GL W LG	--	--	99.79	100.38	102.00	--	19.25	GL W MD	74.00	--	--	--	--	84.40	1.25
GL W MD	--	--	81.00	84.00	76.00	--	2.25	GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	--	105.00	1.00
GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	90.00	--	1.00								

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES** Weekly weighted average prices (cents/dozen)National Trading for MAY 6, 2013 - MAY 10, 2013  
Courtesy of U.S.D.A. Federal/State Market News**CURRENT LOADS 102.25****FUTURE LOADS 77.25****TOTAL LOADS 179.50**

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	88.00	87.69	89.50	89.29	--	--	54.00	GNR W 1	--	98.64	--	--	--	--	18.00
GL W J	--	--	94.50	97.00	87.17	--	9.25	GL W J	93.80	95.00	--	105.00	--	104.82	11.00
GL W XL	--	106.50	96.67	101.67	97.81	104.00	49.75	GL W XL	--	113.41	--	--	105.25	107.32	38.50
GL W LG	--	99.33	97.36	97.69	98.32	111.00	63.50	GL W LG	98.58	112.79	--	--	--	109.06	44.75
GL W MD	--	--	78.25	80.50	79.35	81.50	12.50	GL W MD	74.00	86.00	--	--	--	86.62	6.50
GL W SM	58.00	--	55.00	57.50	51.25	--	4.00	GL W SM	--	--	--	--	--	63.00	1.00
GL BR XL	--	--	93.41	93.25	--	--	2.75	GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	--	101.12	3.25
GL BR LG	--	--	87.17	85.00	86.54	--	4.75								
NRBS - 50	--	--	--	--	--	--	.75								
NRBS - 39	--	--	--	--	--	--	.50								

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	05/06/13	04/29/13	05/07/12
PACIFIC COAST	67	70	60
LOS ANGELES	0	0	0

**NORTH CAROLINA EGGS**

The market is steady on small, higher on the balance. Supplies are moderate on small and medium, light on the balance. 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.

	<b>MOSTLY</b>
Extra Large	132.47
Large	131.69
Medium	113.86
Small	82.00

**ORGANIC BROWN SHELL EGGS IN CARTONS**

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

	<b>PRICE RANGE</b>	<b>MOSTLY</b>
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)