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NATIONAL EGG REVIEW

New York prices end the week slightly lower for Extra Large, Large, and Medium. Early in the week, Regional egg prices were higher for both the heavier and lighter weight eggs. Next week's regional asking prices are trending lower for all sizes. The undertone is barely steady to lower. Demand is light to moderate. Export interest into Mexico remains good, but at lower price levels compared to the previous week. Offerings are light to moderate. Supplies are light to moderate in the Southwestern region, moderate and building in the Midwest and South Central regions, and moderate to instances heavy in the balance of regions. Market activity is slow. Breaking stock prices increased earlier in the week, but closed the week steady. The undertone is steady. Demand and offerings are light to moderate. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is slow. National light type hen removal costs are steady. Demand and offerings are moderate. Processing schedules continue full-time to extended. Market activity is slow to moderate.

REGIONAL PRICES

To retailers, sales to volume buyers, USDA Grade A & Grade A, white egg in cartons, delivered to warehouse, cents per dozen.

Regions	LARGE		MEDIUM	
	RANGE	MOSTLY	RANGE	MOSTLY
MIDWEST	117-126	119-122	97-106	99-102
NORTHEAST	120-134	125-129	101-114	105-108
SOUTH CENTRAL	128.5-137	130-133	104.5-113	106-109
SOUTHEAST	118.5-139	129-132	96.5-115	104-108

PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS - loose eggs at farm, cases exchanged, grade yield basis, cents per dozen.

IA-MN-WI	05/21/13	05/14/13	05/22/12
LARGE	101-111	89-99	63-73
MEDIUM	81-85	71-75	43-47

WEEKLY COMBINED REGIONAL

05/17/13

Average prices on sales to volume buyers, USDA Grade A and Grade A, white eggs in cartons, delivered warehouse, cents per dozen

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	115.50	113.00	95.50
SOUTHEAST	117.50	115.50	95.00
MIDWEST	107.50	105.50	89.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	117.50	116.50	96.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	114.60	112.78	94.21

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY: Stocks on Hand Available for Marketing (30-dozen cases in thousands)¹ (Includes Conventional and Specialty)

May 20, 2013		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
Jumbo	This Week	7.8	10.5	14.0	8.7	8.3	3.1	52.3
	% Change	2.8%	8.0%	7.5%	16.9%	0.5%	24.7%	8.0%
Extra Large	This Week	29.2	16.9	30.7	16.2	33.6	4.7	131.4
	% Change	4.0%	11.8%	-0.4%	43.4%	3.8%	7.0%	7.5%
Large	This Week	52.0	97.6	123.1	72.7	75.1	36.4	456.9
	% Change	-0.7%	-4.5%	21.2%	44.6%	19.2%	1.1%	12.7%
Medium	This Week	13.2	15.8	35.2	29.7	27.4	11.9	133.2
	% Change	10.6%	2.3%	23.8%	10.6%	5.8%	39.5%	13.8%
Small	This Week	1.8	2.3	4.6	2.5	0.8	4.5	16.4
	% Change	-44.4%	-23.3%	11.1%	43.1%	-54.5%	-1.5%	-10.2%
Miscellaneous	This Week	3.5	10.2	26.2	10.4	4.4	0.9	55.6
	% Change	0.3%	-9.1%	13.8%	7.4%	30.9%	-19.7%	7.1%
Ungraded	This Week	3.1	20.0	71.6	27.5	25.8	16.2	164.1
	% Change	35.5%	-15.6%	-11.8%	6.5%	1.9%	-5.8%	-6.4%
Total Shell Egg	This Week	110.5	173.2	305.4	167.6	175.3	77.8	1,009.8
	% Change	1.5%	-3.9%	8.2%	26.0%	9.7%	4.6%	7.6%

Totals	Cases	Percent Change
Shell Egg	1,009.8	7.6%
Breaking Stock	227.7	-5.0%
Total Shell Egg	1,237.5	5.0%

Specialty Shell Egg Inventory² Stocks on Hand to be Marketed (30-dozen cases in thousands)

		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
Large	This Week	6.9	23.4	7.3	3.2	3.9	0.9	45.5
	% Change	2.7%	-4.6%	16.7%	83.9%	-24.0%	-84.6%	-9.3%
Ungraded	This Week	0.0	0.0	37.3	9.4	13.2	4.4	64.3
	% Change	0.0%	0.0%	-7.9%	-27.2%	30.8%	105.6%	-2.0%
Total Specialty	This Week	6.9	23.4	44.6	12.6	17.1	5.4	109.9
	% Change	2.7%	-4.6%	-4.6%	-14.0%	12.4%	-33.5%	-5.2%

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

Large:	23.6%
Ungraded:	74.4%
Total:	53.4%

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.

EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

W/E 18-May-2013	(Lbs. in Thousands)		(Excludes Ingredients)			
Total	Cases	Liquid	Liquid	Liquid		
Production	Broken	Whole	White	Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CW	1,375,432	31,436	14,748	7,491	2,819	4,294
PW	1,392,507	31,549	15,125	8,320	2,770	4,114
LY	1,407,333	32,783	14,322	7,440	3,574	4,691
% PW	-1%	0%	-2%	-10%	2%	4%
% LY	-2%	-4%	3%	1%	-21%	-8%
2013	27,499,859	636,240	288,659	147,761	55,585	87,856
2012	26,545,722	623,419	275,295	140,704	57,423	91,110
% YTD	4%	2%	5%	5%	-3%	-4%
				CW	PW	LY
Average Yield Per Case - (inedible included)				42.15	42.45	42.09
Average Yield Per Case - (inedible excluded)				39.02	39.49	38.76

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	857,343	62.3%	21,005	66.8%
PREVIOUS WEEK	849,462	61.0%	20,384	64.6%
LAST YEAR	780,169	55.4%	19,254	58.7%

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS W/E 18-May-2013

Selected Consuming Centers	CW		LW		% Change	
	(Cases in thousands)		LW	LY	LW	LY
Atlanta	19.4	22.2	-13	1		
Boston	2.4	3.0	-20	-20		
Chicago	55.3	60.1	-8	-5		
Los Angeles	61.3	61.7	-1	11		
New Orleans	6.7	6.4	5	5		
New York	34.5	35.6	-3	-1		
St. Louis	78.6	91.5	-14	-24		
San Francisco	22.3	18.1	23	76		
Total	280.5	298.7	-6	-4		
4 Week Moving Avg.	289.3					

BROILER HATCHERY

State	Broiler-Type Eggs Set,		Broiler-Type Chicks Placed,	
	19 Selected States		19 Selected States	
	Week Ending			
	MAY 11, 2013	MAY 18, 2013	MAY 11, 2013	MAY 18, 2013
	(1,000 eggs)		(1,000 chicks)	
AL	27,918	27,899	20,748	21,226
AR	22,018	21,839	19,992	19,412
DE	3,450	3,626	4,361	3,671
FL	1,219	1,221	1,323	1,157
GA	33,568	33,675	26,655	26,836
KY	7,809	7,780	6,534	6,086
LA	3,500	3,490	3,155	3,106
MD	7,673	7,681	6,162	6,861
MS	18,023	18,174	15,059	15,131
MO	8,314	8,314	5,106	5,646
NC	20,089	20,616	15,551	16,222
OK	6,732	6,590	4,520	4,187
PA	3,538	3,973	3,106	3,140
SC	5,450	5,596	4,798	4,166
TX	15,028	15,204	12,189	12,162
VA	6,557	6,557	5,311	4,909
CA, TN, & WV	10,622	10,910	9,881	10,335
19 State Total	201,508	203,145	164,451	164,253
Percent of Prev. Year	101	101	98	100
Other States	8,025	8,088	5,741	5,804
United States	209,533	211,233	170,192	170,057

Source: USDA, NASS

(5-DAY) WEIGHTED AVERAGE TRAILER LOAD SHELL EGG SALES

National Trading for May 16, 2013- May 22, 2013 (Cents/Dozen)
Courtesy of U.S.D.A. Federal/State Market News

CLASS	Current Loads		Future Loads		Total Loads		LOADS
	SE		NE		MW		
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W 1	104.00	112.43	102.00	105.17	--	--	35.00
GNR W 2	--	--	--	106.00	--	--	2.00
GL W J	98.25	--	115.50	117.50	96.39	--	11.50
GL W XL	114.50	112.93	109.00	111.32	98.20	93.00	45.25
GL W LG	--	123.82	103.00	111.82	107.00	--	69.25
GL W MD	--	90.00	85.56	90.50	89.19	101.13	17.00
GL W SM	61.00	62.00	58.00	61.00	54.00	--	7.00
GL BR J	--	--	--	--	88.00	--	.25
GL BR XL	--	--	110.50	--	--	--	.75
GL BR LG	--	--	107.50	--	102.00	--	.75
GL BR MD	80.00	85.00	--	--	--	--	1.00
NRBS - 50	--	--	--	--	87.50	--	8.00
NRBS - 45	--	--	80.00	84.75	72.00	--	2.00
NRBS - 42	--	--	--	85.50	72.00	--	1.00
NRBS - 39	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00

TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS

Week Ending 18-May-2013 (Preliminary)

	-----Young turkeys-----			Old Breeders	Total turkeys	
	-Thousand Head-	Pct Chg	Avg		--Thousand head--	Avg wt
		Prev wk	Live wt			
North East	522	-18	26.59	(A)	522	26.59
South Atlantic	548	-14	42.67	(A)	548	42.67
North Central	2,105	1	32.42	(A)	2,107	32.42
South Central	782	-9	18.52	(A)	783	18.52
West	278	-1	29.08	(A)	278	29.08
U.S. total	4,235 (B)	-6	30.75	3	4,238	30.75
To-date						
2013*	84,908 (B)			231	85,139	
To-date						
2012*	86,716 (B)			150	86,866	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.
(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 13,000; for the current year to date* 463,000; for last year to date* 440,000.
Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

Week Ending 18-May-2013 (Preliminary)

	Young		Breeders		Total Turkeys
	Hens	Toms	Young	Old	
	-----Thousands-----				
Head	1,792	2,443	13	3	4,251
Avg Wt	17.25	40.66	31.66	26.25	30.75
Last week	1,930	2,572	9	0	4,511
Same wk yr ago	1,962	2,477	29	16	4,484
Avg Wt	16.99	40.44	26.42	26.42	30.04
To-date/2013*	34,165	50,280	463	231	85,139
To-date/2012*	35,844	50,432	440	150	86,866
% Change YTD	-5%	0%	5%	54%	-2%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	24,730	79,466	317	61	104,574
Last week	27,051	83,930	186	0	111,167
Same wk yr ago	26,661	80,134	578	319	107,692
To-date/2013*	468,299	1,637,583	9,582	4,970	2,120,434
To-date/2012*	483,752	1,651,104	8,837	3,845	2,147,538
% Change YTD	-3%	-1%	8%	29%	-1%
Dressing %	80.0%	80.0%	77.0%	77.0%	

(A) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update.
*Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING

Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 29-Jun-13 is estimated at 151.3 million head. This compares to 149.9 million head the previous week and to 156.8 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 155.9 million head and the national weighted average price was 80.18 cents per pound.

WEEKLY POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

(Preliminary) Week ending 18-May-2013

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
-----Thousands-----					
Head	156,952	1,735	1,473	3,208	430
Avg Wt	5.85	3.23	7.74	5.30	6.88
Last week	156,778	1,838	1,594	3,432	460
Same wk yr ago	157,987	1,705	1,674	3,379	421
Avg Wt	5.69	3.17	7.61	5.37	6.68
To-date/2013*	3,053,597	32,893	28,006	60,899	8,074
To-date/2012*	3,019,576	33,579	29,672	63,251	8,421
% Change YTD	1%	-2%	-6%	-4%	-4%

Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage

Current week	697,809	3,026	7,753	10,779	2,100
Last week	699,418	3,126	8,639	11,765	2,231
Same wk yr ago	678,704	2,838	8,726	11,564	2,039
To-date/2013*	13,493,182	56,291	148,413	204,704	38,993
To-date/2012*	13,029,127	56,166	156,699	212,865	41,041
% Change YTD	4%	0%	-5%	-4%	-5%

Dressing % 76.0% 54.0% 68.0% 71.0%

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 154.8 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 158.9 million head, or 4.1 million more than estimated available.

(B) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update. *Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

**ESTIMATED U.S. FRYER SLAUGHTER/
FRYER AVAILABILITY COMPARISON**

Week Ending	Million Head Slaughtered	Million Head Available*	Pct	Avg Wt
04/13	156.1	153.7	102%	5.81
04/20	155.5	153.6	101%	5.79
04/27	157.9	153.0	103%	5.72
05/04	157.5	155.0	102%	5.78
05/11	158.7	155.0	102%	5.87
05/18	158.9	154.8	103%	5.85
Year to date	3089.2	3037.5	102%	
05/25		154.6		
06/01		155.3		

*Based on chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier.

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF U.S. BROILER/FRYERS AND FOWL

Week Ending 25-May-2013

Class	Current Week 05/25/13 (1)	Previous Week 05/18/13
Broiler/fryer	158,593 (2)	156,964
Light hens	1,743	1,934
Heavy hens	1,655	1,625
Total	161,991	160,523

(1) ESTIMATED

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 25-May-13 is 155.4 million head compared to 160.7 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 158.9 million head or 3.5 million more than estimated available. For the week of 01-Jun-13 the estimated available is 155.0 million head.

**WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS – Selected Centers
(INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)**

	Frozen Eggs LBS	Processed Turkeys LBS	Processed Other Poultry LBS
AM 05/20/13	2,813	194,125	48,925
AM 05/01/13	2,980	170,759	47,049
CHG	-167	23366	1876
PCT CHG	-6%	14%	4%

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS Frozen Grade A basted equivalent offering prices on a national basis for hens 95.00-101.00 cents fob and 16-24 lb. toms 92.00-101.00 cents fob for current shipments.

NATIONAL FOWL MARKETS

17-May-2013

Live Spent Heavy

Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading:	Price Range	Wtd Avg
Prices in cents per pound.	10.0-22.0	13.94

(Southeast Region broiler breeder hens generally for processing, 7 lbs. and up; under 7 lbs. subject to discount.)

Live Spent Light

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.

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT

Week ending 18-May-2013 (Receipts From Producers)

Regions	Cases (In Thousands)	Percent Change From	
		Last Week	Last Year
North Atlantic	201.7	-2	1
East North Central	719.5	1	0
West North Central	301.5	-19	2
South Atlantic	120.2	-1	-5
South Central	50.3	0	-3
West	37.8	4	15
Total	1431.0	-4	0

Matched Plants Reporting Previous Week 69 Last Year 69

Areas Covered:

North 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)

NATIONAL WHOLE BROILER/FRYER

17-May-2013

National Composite Weighted Average

	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.
This Week:	111.12	↑ 3.63	11,697
Last Week:	107.49		11,115
Last Year:	87.83	↑ 23.29	14,120

Monthly Composite Weighted Average

Apr	107.10	43,665
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Whole Body:

	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs
New York	98.25 - 118.00	110.00 - 115.00	112.82	1,508

Chicago	100.00 - 119.50	105.00 - 112.00	108.54	2,360
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Los Angeles	104.00 - 130.00	109.00 - 114.00	112.33	1,706
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Negotiated prices in trucklot and less-than-trucklot quantities of ready-to-cook whole body broiler/fryers delivered to first receivers; prices in cents per pound; volume in thousands of pounds.

