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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Prices are 2 cents lower in New York. Regional prices are steady with a weak undertone. In California asking prices for next are higher on Jumbo, lower on the balance. Asking prices in remaining regions are trending lower. Supplies are mostly moderate to heavy for trade requirements. Demand into retail and food service channels is light to moderate. Market activity is slow. Breaking stock offerings are light to moderate for the light demand. Spent fowl offerings are at least sufficient; demand is generally light to fair.

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 2 cents lower for all reported sizes. Daily producer prices are 4 cents lower for Large and Medium. The undertone is lower. Retail demand is light to moderate at best. Food service demand is seasonally moderate. Interest from Mexico continues but at lower price levels compared to last week. Offerings are light to moderate. Supplies are moderate and increasing. Market activity is slow. Breaking stock prices are steady. The undertone is steady to lower. Demand is light on light to moderate offerings. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is slow.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA-LARGE	118-127	121-124
LARGE	117-126	119-122
MEDIUM	97-106	99-102

DELIVERED TO STORE DOOR:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	125-133	126-128
LARGE	123-131	124-126
MEDIUM	103-111	104-106

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN

PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
LARGE	97-107	101
MEDIUM	77-81	79
SMALL	47-53	

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

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL Prices are steady. Next week's asking prices are 1 cent lower for Extra Large, Large, and Medium. The undertone is lower. Demand is light to moderate. Offerings remain moderate. Supplies are moderate with some building reported. Market activity is slow. Breaking stock prices are steady. The undertone is steady to lower. Demand is light for the light to moderate offerings. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is slow.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	129.5-138	131-134
LARGE	128.5-137	130-133
MEDIUM	104.5-113	106-109

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

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Prices are steady. The undertone is weak. Demand into retail and food service channels is light to moderate. Offerings are mostly moderate to heavy for current trade needs. Market activity is slow. Eastern region breaking stock offerings are moderate; demand is light. Spent fowl offerings are at least sufficient for the light to fair demand.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	122.5-140	131-134
LARGE	118.5-139	129-132
MEDIUM	96.5-115	104-108

SOUTHEAST AREA: AL, GA, MS, NC, SC, eastern TN, & southern VA

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices are steady. Asking prices for next week's deliveries are trending lower. The undertone is weak. Supplies are mostly heavy on larger sizes, moderate to instances heavy on Medium. Retail demand is very light. Distributive demand is light to moderate. Market activity is slow. Eastern region breaking stock offerings are moderate for a light demand. Offerings of light hens are at least sufficient for normal processing schedules.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	124-138	127-131
LARGE	120-134	125-129
MEDIUM	101-114	105-108

NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, eastern NJ, eastern NY, PA, RI, northern VA, & VT

NEW YORK Prices are 2 cents lower. The undertone is weak. Supplies are moderate to heavy, heavier on larger sizes. Retail demand is light. Distributive demand is light to instances moderate. Market activity is slow.

DELIVERED TO STORE DOOR:	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	131-135
LARGE	129-133
MEDIUM	110-114

WESTERN Prices are steady. The undertone is lower. Asking prices for next week are 2 cents higher for Jumbo, 4 cents lower for Extra Large and 2 cents lower for Large, Medium and Small. Offerings are light for Large and moderate on the balance of sizes. Demand is light to instances moderate. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is slow.

CALIFORNIA Prices are steady. Asking prices for next week are 2 cents higher for Jumbo, 4 cents lower for Extra Large and 2 cents lower for Large, Medium, and Small. The undertone is lower. Demand is light to moderate while offerings are light for Large and moderate on the balance of sizes. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is slow. Small benchmark price \$1.18.

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	167
LARGE	161
MEDIUM	138

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	138-150
EXTRA LARGE	149-157
LARGE	138-150
MEDIUM	118-126

WEEKLY NATIONAL EGG PRODUCTS

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

LIQUID EGGS

Liquid whole egg prices were slightly lower with white and yolk prices mostly unchanged. The undertone is mostly steady. Demand is fairly good whole egg and whites and moderate for yolk. Offerings are light. Export interest for shipment of further processed egg products continues. Market activity is moderate.

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

Class	Current Week			Last Week			Apr Averages	
	Range	Loads	Wtd Avg	Range	Loads	Wtd Avg	Loads	Wtd Avg
Whole	63.00 - 67.00	10	64.80	64.00 - 74.00	9	66.78	60	54.65
Whites	69.00 - 74.00	3	71.33	70.00 - 72.50	3	70.83	46	66.80
Yolk	TFEWR			TFEWR			8	77.00

FROZEN EGGS

Frozen whole egg and sugared yolk prices are steady to higher with whites steady and salted yolk prices higher. The undertone is steady to higher for whole egg and whites and steady for frozen yolk products. Offerings for immediate shipment are light as floor stocks are at minimal levels. Demand is good for whole egg and moderate to instances good on the balance of frozen products. Market activity is moderate to active.

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

Trucklot	Current Week		Last Week		Apr Averages	
	Range	Mostly	Range	Mostly	This Month	Last Month
Whole	82.00 - 90.00	82.00 - 86.00	77.00 - 90.00	85.00 - 90.00	77.13	78.63
Whites	87.00 - 99.00	89.00 - 91.00	87.00 - 99.00	91.00 - 96.00	84.25	79.50
Sugar Yolk ^{1/}	92.00 - 98.00	94.00 - 97.00	91.00 - 98.00	92.00 - 96.00	97.00	102.75
Salt Yolk ^{1/}	89.00 - 97.00	93.00 - 95.00	88.00 - 93.00	90.00 - 93.00	94.38	100.75

Less-than-Trucklot	Current Week		Last Week		Apr Averages	
	Range	Mostly	Range	Mostly	This Month	Last Month
Whole	86.00 - 88.00		80.00 - 84.00	80.00 - 82.00	78.63	80.75
Whites	90.00 - 98.00	92.00 - 96.00	85.00 - 92.00	90.00	84.13	79.00
Sugar Yolk ^{1/}	100.00 - 103.00		100.00 - 103.00		103.50	109.75
Salt Yolk ^{1/}	100.00 - 103.00		100.00 - 103.00		103.50	109.50

^{1/}Minimum 43% solids.

DRIED EGGS

Prices for dried whole and yolk are steady to higher, while albumen and blends are mixed. The undertone is higher on whole and albumen products, steady for yolk and blends. Current offerings are light to moderate. Supplies are light. Demand is good for albumen and generally moderate on the balance of products. Market activity is moderate to active.

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

Class	Current Week		Last Week		Apr Averages	
	Range	Mostly	Range	Mostly	This Month	Last Month
Whole	2.72 - 3.10	2.90 - 2.95	2.60 - 3.10	2.85 - 2.90	2.85	2.88
Yolk	1.89 - 2.45	2.00 - 2.05	1.85 - 2.45	2.00 - 2.05	2.29	2.50
Albumen ^{2/}	5.92 - 6.85	6.25 - 6.35	6.00 - 6.80	6.25 - 6.30	5.79	5.54
Blends ^{3/}	2.40 - 2.63	2.45 - 2.50	2.42 - 2.50		2.57	2.70

^{2/} Spray Dried, ^{3/} Whole plus sweetener.

EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

W/E 18-May-2013 (Lbs. In Thousands) (Excludes Ingredients)

Total Production	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid 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%

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 Prices are steady. The undertone is steady to lower. Demand is light on light to moderate offerings. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is slow.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	77-79	
CHECKS	61-70	61-65
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 steady with a barely steady undertone. Demand is light. Offerings are moderate for trade needs. Market activity is slow. Cases broken under federal inspection in the Eastern region for week ending 18-May-2013 declined 4 percent from the previous week and 33 percent from the same week a year ago.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	73-81	-
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	59-68	63
EASTERN STATES AREA: AL, CT, DE, FL, GA, KY, ME, MD, MA, MS, NH, NJ, NY, NC, PA, RI, SC, TN, VT, VA, & WV		

DAILY 5-DAY WEIGHTED AVERAGE TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES

(Cents/Doz.)

National Trading for May 17, 2013 - May 23, 2013

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

Current Loads 136.75 Future Loads 43.00 Total Loads 179.75

CLASS	SE		NE		MW		LOADS	CLASS	SC		NW		SW		LOADS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST			ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W 1	104.00	115.00	100.60	104.00	--	--	33.00	GNR W 1	--	114.38	--	--	--	--	18.00
GNR W 2	--	--	--	107.00	--	--	1.00	GL W J	105.31	109.30	--	--	--	110.80	7.50
GL W J	98.25	--	115.33	117.33	87.43	--	6.50	GL W XL	--	122.38	--	117.50	--	112.12	32.25
GL W XL	114.50	114.12	105.33	109.56	97.31	91.25	47.75	GL W LG	101.33	122.20	--	105.00	--	113.14	62.25
GL W LG	--	121.77	101.08	108.22	102.73	--	88.00	GL W MD	83.00	98.60	--	110.79	--	93.07	16.00
GL W MD	--	90.00	85.36	87.25	83.04	84.00	24.00	GL W SM	--	--	--	68.00	55.00	--	2.00
GL W SM	61.00	62.00	58.00	61.00	54.00	--	6.00	GL BR J	--	--	--	--	--	104.00	.25
GL BR J	--	--	--	--	88.00	--	.25	GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	--	117.88	.50
GL BR XL	--	--	110.50	--	--	--	.75	NRBS - 50	--	101.50	--	--	--	--	8.00
GL BR LG	--	--	107.50	--	102.67	125.00	2.00								
GL BR MD	80.00	85.00	--	--	--	--	1.00								
NRBS - 50	--	--	--	--	87.50	--	8.00								
NRBS - 45	--	--	80.00	84.00	--	--	1.00								
NRBS - 39	--	--	--	--	--	--	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.

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	129.00	127.00	106.50
SOUTHEAST	132.50	130.50	106.00
MIDWEST	122.50	120.50	100.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	132.50	131.50	107.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	129.24	127.53	105.21

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.

LIVE SPENT LIGHT FOWL

Prices are trending steady for the generally light to fair demand. Offerings of light type hens are at least sufficient for current needs. Processing schedules are normal. Movement of finished product sales are moderate. Market activity is slow to 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.

U.S./CANADIAN LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER INSPECTION

W/E 18-May-13 (Preliminary)

U.S. fowl slaughtered domestically

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	-----Thousands-----		
Head	1,735	1,473	3,208
Last Week	1,838	1,594	3,432
Same week yr ago	1,705	1,674	3,379
To-date/2013*	33,255	28,471	61,726
To-date/2012*	33,579	29,672	63,251

U.S. fowl slaughtered in Canada

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	-----Thousands-----		
Head	562	0	562
Last Week	428	0	428
Same week yr ago	418	0	418
To-date/2013*	7,743	0	7,743
To-date/2012*	6,332	36	6,368

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

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

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	-----Thousands-----		
Head	2,297	1,473	3,770
Last Week	2,266	1,594	3,860
Same week yr ago	2,123	1,674	3,797
To-date/2013*	40,998	28,471	69,469
To-date/2012*	39,911	29,708	69,619

*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)**

Type	Year-To-Date*			2012
	2013	2012 /1	2013 /2	
Liquid	0	48	1,386	479
Frozen	40	0	40	0
Dried	0	0	59	10
Total	40	48	1,485	489

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

Type	Year-To-Date*			2012
	2013	2012 /1	2013 /2	
Liquid	158	248	4,711	6,219
Frozen	63	5	553	383
Dried	0	0	4	0
Total	221	253	5,268	6,602

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

	Year-To-Date*			2012
	2013	2012 /1	2013 /2	
Jumbo	0	0	0	0
Extra Large	2,580	2,670	39,260	32,160
Large	3,580	4,680	77,560	69,432
Medium	0	1,620	13,083	12,903
Ungraded	3,030	5,760	82,549	51,768
Misc	0	0	0	1,620
Total	9,190	14,730	212,452	167,883

/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

CHICKENS AND EGGS**April Egg Production Up 3 Percent**

United States egg production totaled 7.81 billion during April 2013, up 3 percent from last year. Production included 6.75 billion table eggs, and 1.06 billion hatching eggs, of which 983 million were broiler-type and 78 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during April 2013 averaged 346 million, up 1 percent from last year. April egg production per 100 layers was 2,260 eggs, up 1 percent from April 2012.

All layers in the United States on May 1, 2013 totaled 344 million, up 1 percent from last year. The 344 million layers consisted of 287 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 53.2 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 3.17 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on May 1, 2013, averaged 75.0 eggs per 100 layers, up 2 percent from May 1, 2012.

Egg-Type Chicks Hatched Up 7 Percent

Egg-type chicks hatched during April 2013 totaled 43.8 million, up 7 percent from April 2012. Eggs in incubators totaled 42.5 million on May 1, 2013, up 4 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 233 thousand during April 2013, up 70 percent from April 2012.

Source: USDA/NASS

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

69 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)

West (CA, CO, WA, OR, UT)

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS

Week ending 18-May-2013 (Cases, in thousands)

Selected Consuming

Centers	CW	LW	% 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			

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS – Selected Centers

	(INCL. GOV'T 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%

WEEKLY NEW ENGLAND SHELL EGGS May 21, 2013

Prices paid per dozen Grade A brown eggs in cartons delivered store door.

	Extra Large	Large	Medium	Small
Maine	175	169	131	98
Mostly	-	-	-	-
New Hampshire	168-172	162-166	124-128	91-95
Mostly	170-171	164-165	126-127	93-94
Rhode Island	176-180	170-174	132-136	97-101
Mostly	176	170	132	97
Vermont	175	169	130-131	-
Mostly	-	-	-	-

MONTHLY COLD STORAGE REPORT

Commodity

Frozen Egg	Mar-31	Mar-31	Apr-30	Apr-30	Apr 30, 2013 as a Percent of	
	2012	2013	2012	2013	Apr-30 2012	Mar-31 2013
						(percent)
Whites	3,714	3,384	3,402	3,066	90%	91%
Yolks	2,702	2,412	2,669	2,319	87%	96%
Whole and mixed	10,326	6,274	9,683	6,316	65%	101%
Unclassified	16,927	15,068	16,774	15,345	91%	102%
Total Frozen Eggs	33,669	27,138	32,528	27,046	83%	100%

Source: USDA/NASS