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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Southeast prices are higher but with a weak undertone. New York prices are 3 cents lower on larger sizes, 2 cents lower on Medium. Remaining regional prices are 2 cents higher on Jumbo, 1 to 4 cents lower on Extra Large and 1 to 2 cents lower on the balance of sizes. Supplies range light to heavy, mostly moderate to heavy for trade needs. Retail and food service demand are light to moderate. Market activity is slow. Breaking stock offerings are light to moderate; demand is light to moderate. Light type hen offerings are at least sufficient for the light to fair 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 2 cents lower for all reported sizes. Daily producer prices are 2 cents lower for Large and Medium. The undertone is lower. Demand is light to moderate. Offerings are light to moderate. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow. Breaking stock prices are lower. The undertone is lower. Offerings are light to moderate on moderate demand. Supplies are mixed. Market activity is slow.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
Extra Large	116-125	119-122
Large	115-124	117-120
Medium	95-104	97-100

Prices Delivered To Store Door:	RANGE	MOSTLY
Extra Large	123-131	124-126
Large	121-129	122-124
Medium	101-109	102-104

Iowa-Minnesota-Wisconsin Eggs

Prices Paid To Producers, Cents Per Dozen:	RANGE	MOSTLY
Large	95-105	99
Medium	75-79	77
Small	47-53	

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

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices are 1 cent lower on Extra Large, Large and Medium. The undertone is weak. Supplies differ by location, ranging light to heavy but usually moderate to heavy on larger sizes; moderate to heavy on Medium. Demand is light. Market activity is slow. Eastern region breaking stock supplies are mostly moderate for a light to moderate demand. Offerings of light hens are at least sufficient for normal processing schedules.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
Extra Large	123-137	125-130
Large	119-133	124-128
Medium	100-113	105-107

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

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Prices are higher, however the undertone is weak. Retail demand is light to moderate. Distributive demand is moderate. Offerings are moderate to heavy for immediate trade requirements. Market activity is slow. Breaking stock supplies in the Eastern region are mostly moderate for the light to moderate demand. Spent hen offerings are at least adequate; processing schedules are normal.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
Extra Large	127-148	130-133
Large	126-147	128-131
Medium	102-123	103-107

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

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL Prices are 1 cent lower for Extra Large, Large, and Medium. The undertone is lower. Both retail and food service demand ranges light to moderate. Offerings are moderate, while supplies are moderate to heavy. Market activity is slow. Breaking stock prices are lower. The undertone is lower. Offerings are light to moderate on moderate demand. Supplies are mixed. Market activity is slow.

Prices delivered to warehouse:	RANGE	MOSTLY
Extra Large	128.5-137	130-133
Large	127.5-136	129-132
Medium	103.5-112	105-108

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, 2 cents lower on Medium. The undertone is weak. Supplies vary by plant, ranging light to heavy, but mostly reported as moderate to heavy for current needs. Demand is light. Market activity is slow.

Prices delivered store door:	RANGE
Extra Large	128-132
Large	126-130
Medium	108-112

WESTERN REGIONAL Prices are 2 cents higher for Jumbo, 4 cents lower for Extra Large and 2 cents lower for Large, Medium and Small. Demand is light to moderate on moderate offerings. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is slow.

CALIFORNIA EGGS Benchmark prices are 2 cents higher 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 on moderate offerings. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is slow. Small benchmark price \$1.16.

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	158
Extra Large	163
Large	159
Medium	136

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY:

Stocks on Hand Available for Marketing (30-dozen cases in thousands) ^{1/}
(Includes Conventional and Specialty)

		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
Jumbo	This Week	8.8	9.9	15.8	14.0	9.0	3.4	60.9
	% Change	13.0%	-5.7%	12.5%	61.3%	8.5%	11.7%	16.3%
Extra Large	This Week	31.2	19.6	43.4	23.1	36.2	4.1	157.6
	% Change	6.8%	15.8%	41.4%	42.6%	7.5%	-13.5%	19.9%
Large	This Week	56.2	119.7	154.1	80.6	73.5	38.9	523.0
	% Change	8.2%	22.7%	25.2%	10.8%	-2.1%	6.7%	14.5%
Medium	This Week	18.7	17.1	35.9	27.5	28.7	10.8	138.5
	% Change	41.1%	8.4%	1.8%	-7.4%	4.9%	-10.0%	4.0%
Small	This Week	5.1	2.9	8.2	2.4	0.8	0.8	20.1
	% Change	190.9%	25.7%	77.4%	-5.2%	8.0%	-81.5%	23.0%
Miscellaneous	This Week	2.8	10.6	25.7	12.8	4.6	0.4	56.8
	% Change	-18.8%	3.8%	-1.9%	22.5%	4.3%	-61.7%	2.1%
Ungraded	This Week	5.0	15.9	78.5	24.1	29.9	16.0	169.4
	% Change	63.1%	-20.3%	9.6%	-12.5%	16.1%	-1.2%	3.2%
Total Shell Egg	This Week	127.8	195.7	361.4	184.2	182.7	74.3	1,126.2
	% Change	15.7%	13.0%	18.3%	9.9%	4.2%	-4.4%	11.5%

Totals	Cases	Percent Change
Shell Egg	1,126.2	11.5%
Breaking Stock	244.3	7.3%
Total Shell Egg	1,370.5	10.7%

SPECIALTY SHELL EGG INVENTORY ^{2/}

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

		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
Large	This Week	9.6	26.1	8.4	3.4	5.1	1.0	53.7
	% Change	38.8%	11.9%	15.7%	7.2%	31.1%	8.8%	17.9%
Ungraded	This Week	0.0	0.0	36.7	10.0	13.8	4.6	65.1
	% Change	0.0%	0.0%	-1.7%	6.7%	4.5%	3.2%	1.2%
Total Specialty	This Week	9.6	26.1	45.1	13.5	18.9	5.6	118.8
	% Change	38.8%	11.9%	1.1%	6.8%	10.6%	4.1%	8.1%

Percentage of Specialty Shell Egg Inventory Comprised of USDA Certified Organic:	Large:	20.1%
	Ungraded:	75.0%
	Total:	50.2%

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 May 31, 2013 will decrease by 1 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending May 24, 2013 were 175,930 cases which was 2 percent above the prior week and 2 percent above estimates.

CARTONED LOOSE TOTAL

Cases purchased
present week..... 137,030 38,900 175,930

% change from the
prior week..... -8 +73 +2
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 lower. The undertone is lower. Offerings are light to moderate on moderate demand. Supplies are mixed. Market activity is slow.

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	72-78	76-78
Checks	61-69	61-64
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 May 13, 2013
Quebec/Montreal: wholesale prices-graded in cartons (Canadian dollars) as reported by Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID, Poultry Section.

GRADE A	EX	LRG	LRG	MED	SMALL
					Unavailable

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

GRADE A	EX	LRG	LRG	MED	SMALL
		1.96	1.96	1.80	1.32

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

National Trading for May 24, 2013

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

CURRENT LOADS 19.00								FUTURE LOADS 5.25				TOTAL LOADS 24.25				
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	--	--	93.00	95.00	--	--	1.00	GL W J	100.00	--	--	--	--	104.00	3.50	
GL W J	86.00	--	--	--	87.17	--	2.50	GL W XL	--	96.00	--	--	--	100.00	5.00	
GL W XL	--	--	99.50	102.00	86.00	--	7.25	GL W LG	88.00	--	--	113.50	--	97.17	2.50	
GL W LG	--	--	--	--	95.00	--	4.50	GL W MD	--	102.00	--	--	--	--	1.00	
GL W MD	--	--	79.33	79.00	--	--	4.00	GL W SM	--	--	--	--	62.00	--	1.00	
GL W SM	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00									
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	75.00	69.00	--	2.00									

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

National Trading for MAY 20, 2013 - MAY 24, 2013

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

CURRENT LOADS 132.50								FUTURE LOADS 35.25				TOTAL LOADS 167.75				
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	--	115.00	98.60	100.60	--	--	25.00	GNR W 1	--	111.00	--	--	--	--	14.00	
GL W J	92.13	--	115.33	117.33	87.33	--	9.00	GL W J	102.56	109.30	--	--	--	107.14	10.00	
GL W XL	114.50	112.38	103.88	108.52	93.06	91.25	45.00	GL W XL	--	117.44	--	117.50	--	106.68	27.50	
GL W LG	--	120.71	99.40	104.67	99.63	--	76.50	GL W LG	92.67	121.88	--	101.90	--	104.84	50.00	
GL W MD	--	--	83.22	82.80	82.46	76.00	20.25	GL W MD	82.50	100.11	--	--	--	90.93	11.25	
GL W SM	61.00	62.00	57.00	60.00	54.00	--	6.00	GL W SM	--	--	--	68.00	58.50	--	3.00	
GL BR J	--	--	--	--	88.00	--	.25	GL BR J	--	--	--	--	--	104.00	.25	
GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	102.67	125.00	1.50	GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	--	117.88	.50	
GL BR MD	80.00	85.00	--	--	--	--	1.00	NRBS - 50	--	101.50	--	--	--	--	8.00	
NRBS - 50	--	--	--	--	87.50	--	8.00									
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	75.00	69.00	--	2.00									
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.

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT – FROZEN EGGS

Selected Centers (In Thousands)

ON HAND	05/20/13	05/13/13	05/21/12
PACIFIC COAST	55	72	61
LOS ANGELES	0	0	0

NORTH CAROLINA EGGS

The market is steady on small, lower on the balance. Supplies are moderate. 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	143.82
Large	143.05
Medium	117.64
Small	88.00

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