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NATIONAL EGG REVIEW

In New York, prices are steady for the larger sizes and lower for Medium. Earlier in the week, regional prices were steady for Jumbo and higher for the balance of sizes. Next week's regional asking prices are trending steady for Jumbo, steady to lower for Extra Large and Large, and lower for Medium. The undertone is steady to weak. Retail demand is light to moderate, instances fairly good in the Southeastern region. Offerings are moderate to at times heavy. Supplies range light to instances heavy, mostly moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. Breaking stock prices are higher. The undertone is steady. Demand is light to moderate on usually moderate offerings. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. National light type hen removal costs are steady. Demand is light to moderate. Offerings are fully sufficient. Processing schedules are full-time to longer in preparation for the extended Labor Day weekend. 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	112-121	114-117	93-102	95-98
NORTHEAST	115-129	120-124	96-109	101-103
SOUTH CENTRAL	122.5-131	124-127	98.5-107	100-103
SOUTHEAST	116-134	122-125	93.5-111	94-98

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

IA-MN-WI	08/27/13	08/20/13	08/28/12
LARGE	94-104	89-99	82-92
MEDIUM	75-79	72-76	57-61

WEEKLY COMBINED REGIONAL

08/23/13

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	119.00	114.00	97.00
SOUTHEAST	117.50	115.50	93.00
MIDWEST	110.50	108.50	92.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	122.50	117.50	97.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	117.60	114.02	95.12

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)

August 26, 2013		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
Jumbo	This Week	10.6	9.3	18.8	9.7	9.2	3.9	61.4
	% Change	25.6%	1.5%	-6.8%	15.2%	15.5%	-15.4%	4.7%
Extra Large	This Week	24.3	15.7	31.6	19.2	34.9	4.1	129.8
	% Change	1.0%	-8.4%	-12.9%	24.9%	11.4%	-14.5%	0.6%
Large	This Week	38.8	105.3	102.1	91.2	62.0	44.3	443.6
	% Change	-1.8%	-4.9%	-6.6%	3.8%	1.8%	-7.1%	-2.7%
Medium	This Week	12.8	17.2	41.1	25.7	29.9	7.5	134.1
	% Change	-5.3%	6.1%	10.4%	5.8%	16.9%	0.3%	8.0%
Small	This Week	2.7	2.4	3.5	1.2	1.4	0.7	12.0
	% Change	-49.1%	14.5%	-27.5%	-2.4%	-3.4%	-77.2%	-33.6%
Miscellaneous	This Week	4.1	10.8	32.7	21.1	5.0	4.3	78.0
	% Change	70.7%	11.5%	7.0%	2.8%	15.5%	69.3%	11.4%
Ungraded	This Week	8.7	11.9	92.2	13.9	13.4	4.8	144.9
	% Change	15.5%	21.7%	2.5%	-7.9%	-9.7%	-46.4%	-0.9%
Total Shell Egg	This Week	101.9	172.6	322.0	181.9	155.8	69.6	1,003.8
	% Change	1.2%	-1.2%	-2.0%	5.3%	6.4%	-12.0%	0.2%

Totals	Cases	Percent Change
Shell Egg	1,003.8	0.2%
Breaking Stock	244.7	-5.6%
Total Shell Egg	1,248.5	-1.0%

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	10.0	22.5	5.4	3.0	3.7	1.5	46.1
	% Change	3.7%	1.7%	50.1%	33.6%	-7.5%	-41.5%	4.5%
Ungraded	This Week	0.2	7.3	27.3	7.3	8.1	4.8	54.9
	% Change	0.0%	16.3%	-3.7%	-3.6%	2.7%	65.8%	3.8%
Total Specialty	This Week	10.2	29.8	32.7	10.3	11.8	6.3	101.0
	% Change	5.6%	4.9%	2.3%	5.0%	-0.8%	16.5%	4.1%

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

Large:	27.2%
Ungraded:	66.0%
Total:	48.3%

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 24-AUG-2013	(Lbs In Thousands)	(Excludes Ingredients)				
Total	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CW	1,470,461	35,541	14,277	7,158	2,787	4,374
PW	1,504,025	36,691	14,311	7,011	3,153	4,714
LY	1,521,001	34,913	16,332	7,711	3,593	5,036
% PW	-2%	-3%	0%	2%	-12%	-7%
% LY	-3%	2%	-13%	-7%	-22%	-13%
2013*	48,123,598	1,120,322	499,374	254,289	98,955	150,775
2012*	46,173,759	1,081,938	473,179	239,760	101,679	154,214
% YTD	4%	4%	6%	6%	-3%	-2%

Average Yield Per Case -	CW	PW	LW
(Inedible Included)	41.72	41.71	42.07
(Inedible Excluded)	38.75	38.57	38.76

In-Line Production (of total production; lbs. in thousands; may include limited amount of off-line source material)

	Cases Broken		Liquid Whole	
	Cases	% of Total	Lbs.	% of Total
CURRENT WEEK	895,563	60.9%	23,491	66.1%
PREVIOUS WEEK	894,300	59.5%	23,237	63.3%
LAST YEAR	870,118	57.2%	21,551	61.7%

BROILER HATCHERY

19 Selected States STATE	Broiler Eggs Set		Broiler Chicks Placed	
	Aug 17	Aug 24	Aug 17	Aug 24
	Thousand			
Alabama	28,426	27,974	21,618	21,349
Arkansas	21,100	21,548	20,332	18,866
Delaware	3,692	3,692	5,053	4,897
Florida	1,224	1,223	1,524	1,317
Georgia	33,892	32,570	26,604	26,945
Kentucky	8,004	8,077	6,358	6,134
Louisiana	3,621	3,727	3,110	3,101
Maryland	7,688	7,721	5,272	5,707
Mississippi	16,789	16,762	14,990	14,383
Missouri	8,417	8,428	5,865	5,592
North Carolina	20,377	20,568	15,446	15,525
Oklahoma	6,464	6,962	4,077	5,149
Pennsylvania	4,100	4,112	2,865	2,985
South Carolina	5,355	5,374	4,232	4,542
Texas	14,377	14,957	12,563	12,368
Virginia	6,410	6,435	5,733	5,119
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	10,833	10,991	10,121	10,411
19 State total	200,769	201,121	165,763	164,390
Percent of previous year	105	105	102	101
Other States	8,026	7,998	5,475	5,767
United States	208,795	209,119	171,238	170,157

Source: NASS, USDA

WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING

Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 05-Oct-13 is estimated at 152.0 million head. This compares to 152.5 million head the previous week and to 152.9 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 157.5 million head and the national weighted average price was 81.47 cents per pound.

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES - Weekly wtd/avg prices (cents/dozen)

National trading for August 22, 2013 - August 28, 2013

CLASS	CURRENT LOADS 102.00		FUTURE LOADS 13.25		TOTAL LOADS 115.25		
	SE						
	ORG	DST	NE	MW	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	94.75	--	97.00	97.80	--	--	5.00
GNR BR 1	--	123.00	113.00	115.00	--	--	2.00
GL W J	--	--	112.33	114.33	97.70	--	10.50
GL W XL	--	120.00	105.00	112.75	101.23	105.00	31.00
GL W LG	--	109.00	101.80	105.12	99.89	--	30.00
GL W MD	--	--	87.58	88.64	81.76	--	16.00
GL W SM	--	--	57.00	59.50	--	--	2.00
GL BR J	--	--	127.00	129.00	109.75	--	1.25
GL BR XL	--	--	122.00	125.67	--	--	1.50
GL BR LG	--	--	120.40	124.33	120.00	--	4.50
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	--	--	2.00
NRBS - 42	--	78.00	--	--	74.00	80.00	4.00
NRBS - 39	--	62.33	64.00	--	74.00	82.00	8.50
NRBS - 36	--	57.00	54.00	--	--	--	.75

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED W/E 24-Aug-13 (Preliminary)

	Young		Old	Total	
	Hens	Toms			
Head	1,942	2,580	7	18	4,547
Avg Wt	16.14	38.98	28.78	31.05	29.18
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	2,130	2,329	12	0	4,471
Same wk yr ago	1,905	2,735	19	10	4,669
Avg Wt	17.05	38.34	24.14	31.29	29.58
To-date/2013*	60,877	84,935	739	284	146,835
To-date/2012*	61,474	86,958	783	252	149,467
% Change YTD	-1%	-2%	-6%	13%	-2%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	25,075	80,455	155	430	106,115
Last week	28,968	74,994	232	0	104,194
Same wk yr ago	25,981	83,879	346	236	110,442
To-date/2013*	839,848	2,747,067	15,366	6,183	3,608,464
To-date/2012*	826,248	2,794,903	15,613	6,430	3,643,194
% Change YTD	2%	-2%	-2%	-4%	-1%
Dressing %	80.0%	80.0%	77.0%	77.0%	

*Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS

W/E 24-Aug-13 (Preliminary)

	-----Young turkeys-----			Old Breeders	Total	Turkeys Avg
	Thousand	Pct chg	Avg			
North East	589	7	26.29	(A)	589	26.29
South Atlantic	568	19	38.93	(A)	568	38.93
North Central	2,192	-1	31.33	(A)	2,205	31.33
South Central	909	-3	17.52	(A)	914	17.52
West	272	-4	27.61	(A)	272	27.61
U.S. total	4,530 (B)	1	29.18	18	4,548	29.18
To-date						
2013*	146,551 (B)			284	146,835	
To-date						
2012*	149,215 (B)			252	149,467	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.
 (B) Number of young banded breeder turkeys included: this week 7,000; for the current year to date* 739,000; for last year to date* 783,000.

*Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

WEEKLY POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

(Preliminary) Week ending 24-Aug-2013

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
----- Thousands -----					
Head	161,483	1,626	1,788	3,414	433
Avg Wt	5.74	3.20	7.97	5.70	6.73
Last week	158,185	1,604	1,566	3,170	440
Same wk yr ago	157,800	1,917	1,945	3,862	435
Avg Wt	5.79	3.12	7.72	5.44	6.57
To-date/2013*	5,227,168	52,107	49,714	101,821	14,409
To-date/2012*	5,187,670	52,335	54,489	106,824	14,138
% Change YTD	1%	0%	-9%	-5%	2%

Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage

Current week	704,453	2,836	9,761	12,597	2,098
Last week	685,257	2,692	8,453	11,145	2,066
Same wk yr ago	689,815	3,230	10,286	13,516	2,072
To-date/2013*	23,018,955	89,309	267,747	357,056	69,280
To-date/2012*	22,330,266	88,213	287,957	376,170	68,136
% Change YTD	3%	1%	-7%	-5%	2%

Dressing % 76.0% 54.5% 68.5% 72.0%

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 158.2 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 163.4 million head, or 5.2 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
07/20	157.8	156.7	101%	5.74
07/27	159.7	156.7	102%	5.76
08/03	159.6	158.2	101%	5.81
08/10	161.3	158.1	102%	5.64
08/17	160.1	158.2	101%	5.70
08/24	163.4	158.2	103%	5.74
Year to date		5289.3	5223.2	101%
08/31		158.0		
09/07		157.5		

*Based on chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier.

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

Week Ending 31-Aug-2013

Class	Current Week 08/31/13 (1)	Previous Week 08/24/13
----- Thousand head -----		
Broiler/fryer	162,986 (2)	157,671
Light hens	1,880	1,771
Heavy hens	1,770	1,880
Total	166,636	161,322

(1) ESTIMATED

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 31-Aug-13 is 155.4 million head compared to 158.7 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 163.3 million head or 7.9 million more than estimated available. For the week of 07-Sep-13 the estimated available is 157.8 million head.

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS Frozen Grade A basted equivalent processor offering prices on a national basis for hens 96.00-105.00 cents fob and 16-24 lb. toms 96.00-107.00 cents fob for current shipments.

NATIONAL FOWL MARKETS

23-Aug-2013

Live Spent Heavy

Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading:	Price Range	Wtd Avg
Prices in cents per pound.	10.0- 21.5	13.87

(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 continued 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.

NATIONAL WHOLE BROILER/FRYER

23-Aug-2013

National Composite Weighted Average

	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.
This Week:	91.89	↑ 0.52	12,785
Last Week:	91.36		13,279
Last Year:	85.02	↑ 6.87	14,095

Monthly Composite Weighted Average

Jul	99.04	53,394
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Whole Body:

	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs
New York	83.00 - 100.50	91.00 - 97.00	94.79	1,404

Chicago	78.00 - 107.00	80.00 - 90.00	86.08	2,245
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Los Angeles	75.00 - 115.00	85.00 - 93.00	88.54	2,352
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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.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS – Selected Centers

(INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	Frozen Eggs LBS	Processed Turkeys LBS	Processed Other Poultry LBS
AM 08/26/13	2,865	208,713	46,418
AM 08/01/13	2,894	213,126	45,042
CHG	-29	-4413	1376
PCT CHG	-1%	-2%	3%

