



# EGG MARKET NEWS REPORT

ISSN 1520-6122

Monday, September 09, 2013  
VOL. 60 NO. 72

U.S. Department of Agriculture

Agricultural Marketing Service

Livestock, Poultry & Grain Market News

## NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Regional prices are 1 cent lower on Jumbo, 3 to 11 cents lower on Extra Large, 4 to 6 cents lower on Large, and 3 to 11 cents lower on Medium and Small. New York prices are 1 cent lower on all sizes. Offerings and supplies are moderate to heavy for trade needs. Demand into retail and food service channels ranges light to moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. Offerings for breaking stock are moderate for the light demand. Spent fowl offerings are sufficient; demand is light to moderate.

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 6 cents lower for Extra Large and Large, and 9 cents lower for Medium. Daily producer prices are 2 cents lower for Large and 1 cent lower for Medium. The undertone is weak. Retail and food service demand is light to moderate. Offerings and supplies are moderate to heavy. Market activity is slow to moderate. Breaking stock prices are steady. The undertone is lower. Offerings are moderate on light demand. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA-LARGE	107-116	110-113
LARGE	106-115	108-111
MEDIUM	83-92	85-88

DELIVERED TO STORE DOOR:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	114-122	115-117
LARGE	112-120	113-115
MEDIUM	89-97	90-92

### IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN

PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
LARGE	86-96	90
MEDIUM	64-68	66
SMALL	42-48	

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

**SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL** Prices are 4 cents lower for Extra Large, 5 cents lower for Large, and 9 cents lower for Medium. The undertone is lower. Demand remains light to moderate. Offerings are moderate to heavy, while supplies are mostly moderate. Market activity is slow. Breaking stock prices are steady with a lower undertone. Offerings are moderate on light demand. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	120.5-129	122-125
LARGE	118.5-127	120-123
MEDIUM	87.5-96	89-92

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

**SOUTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices are 3 to 5.5 cents lower for Extra Large, steady to 5 cents lower for Large, down 3 to 5.5 cents for Mediums. The undertone is weak. Retail demand is light to moderate. Distributive demand is mixed, mostly moderate. Offerings and supplies are moderate to heavy for immediate trade requirements. Market activity is moderate to slow. Breaking stock floor stocks in the Eastern region are light to instances moderate; breaking schedules are normal to less than normal. Light type hen offerings are at least adequate for the light to moderate demand.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	118-140	121-124
LARGE	117-139	119-122
MEDIUM	86.5-108	87-91

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

**NORTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices are 5 to 6 cents lower on Extra Large, 4 cents lower on Large and 6 cents lower on Medium. Supplies are mostly moderate on Extra Large, moderate to at times heavy on Large and Medium. Retail and distributive demand is light. Market activity is slow. Eastern region breaking stock supplies are light to instances moderate for irregular breaking schedules. Light type hen offerings are sufficient for a light to moderate demand.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	115-130	119-122
LARGE	111-125	116-120
MEDIUM	88-101	93-95

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

**NEW YORK** Prices are 1 cent lower on Extra Large, Large and Medium. Current supplies are mixed, are usually moderate to occasionally heavy for trading purposes. Retail and distributive demand is light. Market activity is slow.

DELIVERED TO STORE DOOR:	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	123-127
LARGE	121-125
MEDIUM	98-102

**WESTERN** Prices are 1 cent lower for Jumbo, 11 cents lower for Extra Large, 6 cents lower for Large and 11 cents lower for Medium and Small. The undertone is lower. Demand is light to moderate on moderate to heavy offerings. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate.

**CALIFORNIA** Benchmark prices are 1 cent lower for Jumbo, 11 cents lower for Extra Large, 6 cents lower for Large and 11 cents lower for Medium and Small. Trade sentiment is lower. Demand is light to moderate on moderate to heavy offerings. Supplies are light to mostly moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. Small benchmark price \$1.01.

**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	152
LARGE	149
MEDIUM	121

**WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY:**

Stocks on Hand Available for Marketing (30-dozen cases in thousands) <sup>1/</sup>  
(Includes Conventional and Specialty)

		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
<b>Jumbo</b>	This Week	9.6	11.2	14.2	8.9	6.7	2.7	53.3
	% Change	2.6%	14.1%	0.4%	-1.2%	-5.4%	-18.2%	1.1%
<b>Extra Large</b>	This Week	25.8	20.8	41.9	16.7	29.6	5.4	140.2
	% Change	-0.6%	19.0%	8.4%	-7.2%	-11.7%	1.1%	0.9%
<b>Large</b>	This Week	42.3	110.9	114.8	104.0	55.2	50.8	478.0
	% Change	-2.2%	2.8%	0.8%	9.3%	1.8%	-11.7%	1.3%
<b>Medium</b>	This Week	13.2	20.6	47.6	31.4	23.6	13.2	149.6
	% Change	-5.3%	10.0%	-12.2%	19.4%	-23.7%	34.7%	-2.8%
<b>Small</b>	This Week	2.9	1.6	4.3	2.0	1.3	1.7	13.7
	% Change	37.7%	-39.4%	6.2%	40.6%	6.8%	-33.1%	-1.2%
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	This Week	3.7	13.3	26.9	23.1	4.3	2.2	73.3
	% Change	-13.2%	28.8%	-25.0%	15.0%	2.9%	14.1%	-4.1%
<b>Ungraded</b>	This Week	10.3	11.3	91.5	13.8	9.3	14.1	150.2
	% Change	31.2%	-1.6%	8.9%	10.7%	91.8%	20.7%	13.5%
<b>Total Shell Egg</b>	This Week	107.6	189.6	341.2	199.9	130.0	90.0	1,058.2
	% Change	1.0%	6.3%	-1.1%	9.6%	-4.4%	-2.2%	1.7%

Totals	Cases	Percent Change
Shell Egg	1,058.2	1.7%
Breaking Stock	260.4	3.5%
<b>Total Shell Egg</b>	<b>1,318.6</b>	<b>2.1%</b>

**SPECIALTY SHELL EGG INVENTORY <sup>2/</sup>**

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

		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
<b>Large</b>	This Week	9.7	25.3	5.3	1.6	3.6	1.4	46.8
	% Change	-10.8%	2.4%	-15.5%	-65.4%	10.7%	-22.6%	-8.9%
<b>Ungraded</b>	This Week	0.0	7.0	27.1	5.1	2.7	4.0	45.9
	% Change	0.0%	2.3%	0.8%	58.3%	-47.1%	-12.7%	-1.5%
<b>Total Specialty</b>	This Week	9.7	32.3	32.4	6.7	6.3	5.4	92.7
	% Change	-10.8%	2.4%	-2.3%	-14.3%	-24.3%	-15.5%	-5.4%

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

Large:	21.3%
Ungraded:	63.1%
<b>Total:</b>	<b>42.0%</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, & 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 September 13, 2013 will increase by 1 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending September 06, 2013 were 175,787 cases which was 4 percent below the prior week and 3 percent below estimates.

**CARTONED LOOSE TOTAL**

Cases purchased  
present week ..... 153,591 22,196 175,787

% change from the  
prior week ..... +0 -26 -4  
Comparison figures are compiled on a matched plant basis. Purchases and estimates by 14 cooperators; 30 dozen cases or equivalent.

**CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK**

Prices are steady. Trade sentiment is lower. Offerings are moderate on light demand. Supplies are moderate. 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	78-81	
Checks	63-72	63-69
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 Aug 26, 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

**DAILY WEIGHTED AVERAGE TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES**

(Cents/Doz.)

National Trading for September 6, 2013

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

**Current Loads 23.50 Future Loads 11.00 Total Loads 34.50**

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	--	--	90.00	92.00	--	--	3.00	GL W J	101.00	--	--	--	--	109.00	1.00
GL W XL	--	--	104.00	107.00	86.75	--	10.75	GL W XL	95.00	98.75	--	--	--	102.25	5.75
GL W LG	--	--	91.00	94.00	80.87	--	9.75	GL W LG	88.00	92.00	--	--	--	95.40	7.75
GL W MD	--	--	69.00	70.50	67.75	--	5.00	GL W MD	--	81.00	--	--	--	--	3.00
NRBS - 39	--	56.00	--	--	53.00	--	1.00								

**DAILY 5-DAY WEIGHTED AVERAGE TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES**

(Cents/Doz.)

National Trading for September 2, 2013 - September 6, 2013

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

**Current Loads 82.75 Future Loads 27.00 Total Loads 109.75**

CLASS	SE		NE		MW		LOADS	CLASS	SC		NW		SW		LOADS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST			ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W XL	--	--	93.00	95.00	--	--	1.00	GL W J	101.00	103.15	--	--	--	107.82	4.75
GNR W 1	92.00	101.00	91.25	93.83	--	--	11.00	GL W XL	95.00	97.29	--	--	--	102.25	19.25
GNR BR 1	--	125.00	--	130.50	--	--	4.00	GL W LG	89.42	100.29	--	--	--	98.64	27.25
GL W J	--	--	--	--	91.35	--	3.75	GL W MD	65.18	78.29	--	--	--	74.08	10.50
GL W XL	--	109.00	99.60	102.01	91.83	--	33.00	GL W SM	55.00	58.00	--	--	--	--	1.00
GL W LG	--	112.00	92.00	97.05	84.42	--	37.25	NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00
GL W MD	--	--	73.50	78.95	68.27	--	16.25	NRBS - 39	--	64.50	--	--	--	--	1.00
GL W SM	--	--	--	--	56.00	58.50	.50								
GL BR LG	--	--	121.00	123.00	--	--	1.00								
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00								
NRBS - 39	--	59.00	--	--	59.13	82.00	4.00								

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 HOLDINGS-FROZEN EGGS**

Selected Centers (In Thousands of Pounds)

	09/2/13	08/26/13	09/3/2012
Pacific w/out Denver	57	59	104
Los Angeles	0	0	0

**NORTH CAROLINA EGGS** The market is steady on small, lower on the balance. Supplies are heavy. Retail demand is moderate.

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	136.44
Large	135.67
Medium	103.25
Small	83.00

**USDA CERTIFIED ORGANIC EGGS****WHOLESALE****Organic Brown Shell Eggs in Cartons**

(price cents per carton delivered to first receivers)

	Price Range	Mostly
<b>Extra Large</b>	doz. 261 - 320	275 - 310
	1/2 doz. 180 - 198	181 - 189
<b>Large</b>	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)