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## NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

New York prices are 2 cents higher on Extra Large and Large, unchanged on Medium. Regional prices are steady with a steady to firm undertone. Asking prices for next week's deliveries are trending higher on all sizes. Offerings and supplies range light to moderate for trading purposes. Retail demand is moderate to fairly good. Food service demand is light to instances good, mostly moderate. Market activity is moderate. Breaking stock offerings are light for the moderate to at times good demand. Light type hen offerings are sufficient; processing schedules are about normal.

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 10 cents higher for Extra Large and Large, 6 cents higher for Medium. Daily producer prices are 4 cents higher for Large, 2 cents higher for Medium, and 1 cent higher for Small. The undertone is firm to higher. Retail demand is fairly good to good. Food service demand is moderate. Offerings are light and confidently held. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is moderate. Breaking stock prices are steady to higher. The undertone is fully steady to firm. Offerings are light and held with confidence. Demand is moderate to at times fairly good. Supplies are light. Market activity is moderate.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA-LARGE	107-116	110-113
LARGE	106-115	108-111
MEDIUM	91-100	93-96

DELIVERED TO STORE DOOR:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	114-122	115-117
LARGE	112-120	113-115
MEDIUM	97-105	98-100

### IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN

PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
LARGE	98-108	102
MEDIUM	79-83	81
SMALL	58-64	

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

**SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL** Next week's asking prices are 9 cents higher for Extra Large, 11 cents higher for Large, and 6 cents higher for Medium. The undertone is higher. Both retail and food service demand range moderate to good. Offerings are light and confidently held. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is moderate. Breaking stock prices are unchanged to higher. The undertone is fully steady to firm. Offerings are light and continue to be held with confidence. Demand is moderate to instances fairly good. Supplies are light. Processing schedules are full-time. Market activity is moderate.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	122.5-131	124-127
LARGE	118.5-127	120-123
MEDIUM	96.5-105	98-101

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

**SOUTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices are steady. The undertone is steady to firm. Asking prices for next week's deliveries are trending higher. Retail and distributive demand is moderate to fairly good. Offerings are generally moderate for present trading purposes. Market activity is moderate. In the Eastern region, breaking stock offerings are light for the seasonally moderate demand. Light type fowl offerings are sufficient; demand is light to moderate.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	114.5-132	116-119
LARGE	112-128	114-117
MEDIUM	94.5-112	95-99

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 higher on all sizes. The undertone is steady to firm. Supplies remain moderate and offerings are light for current trading requirements. Retail demand is usually moderate. Distributive demand is light to moderate. Market activity is moderate. Eastern region breaking stock offerings are light for a seasonal demand. Light type hen offerings are adequate; demand is light to moderate.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	115-132	115-119
LARGE	109-123	114-118
MEDIUM	94-107	99-101

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

**NEW YORK** Extra Large and Large egg prices are 2 cents higher. Prices are unchanged on Medium. The undertone is firm. Supplies are moderate, however offerings are light. Demand is light to moderate. Market activity is moderate.

DELIVERED TO STORE DOOR:	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	134-138
LARGE	132-136
MEDIUM	112-116

**WESTERN** Prices are steady. Asking prices for next week are 6 cents higher for Jumbo, 10 cents higher for Extra Large, 11 cents higher for Large and 6 cents higher for Medium and Small. The undertone is firm. Retail demand is fairly good to good. Food service demand is moderate. Offerings are light and held with confidence. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is moderate.

**CALIFORNIA** Benchmark prices are steady. Asking prices for next week are 6 cents higher for Jumbo, 10 cents higher for Extra, 11 cents higher for Large and 6 cents higher for Medium and Small. The undertone is firm. Offerings are light to moderate. Retail demand is moderate to fairly good with food service demand light to moderate. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is moderate. Small benchmark price \$1.12.

**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	155
LARGE	151
MEDIUM	132

**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	138-160
EXTRA LARGE	137-145
LARGE	128-140
MEDIUM	112-120

**WEEKLY NATIONAL EGG PRODUCTS**

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

**LIQUID EGGS**

Whole egg prices are mostly steady to slightly lower than last week reported prices, white prices are higher and yolk prices are too few to report. The undertone is steady for whole egg, firm for whites and weak for yolk. Offerings are moderate for whole egg and yolk and light for whites. Demand is light to mostly moderate for whole egg and yolk and good for whites. Market activity is moderate.

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

Class	Current Week			Last Week			Oct Averages	
	Range	Loads	Wtd Avg	Range	Loads	Wtd Avg	Loads	Wtd Avg
Whole	75.50 - 77.00	7	76.50	76.00 - 79.00	10	78.05	32	77.63
Whites	89.00 - 105.00	6	98.33	91.00 - 101.00	6	97.00	30	94.20
Yolk	TFEWR			65.00 - 70.50	4	68.88	10	69.25

**FROZEN EGGS**

Frozen prices are steady for whole egg, higher for whites and unchanged to lower for yolk. The undertone is steady for whole egg, firm for whites and weak for yolk. Demand is moderate to fairly good on light to moderate offerings. Floor stocks are light to instances moderate. Market activity is moderate.

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

Trucklot	Current Week			Last Week			Oct Averages	
	Range	Mostly		Range	Mostly		This Month	Last Month
Whole	96.00 - 101.00	97.00 - 98.00		96.00 - 99.00	97.00 - 99.00		98.83	98.50
Whites	108.00 - 115.00	110.00 - 111.00		104.00 - 110.00	108.00 - 110.00		109.33	99.88
Sugar Yolk <sup>1/</sup>	86.00 - 93.00	88.00 - 90.00		88.00 - 94.00	91.00 - 93.00		91.33	94.75
Salt Yolk <sup>1/</sup>	82.00 - 90.00	85.00 - 86.00		83.00 - 91.00	86.00 - 88.00		88.00	92.13

Less-than-Trucklot	Current Week			Last Week			Oct Averages	
	Range	Mostly		Range	Mostly		This Month	Last Month
Whole	100.00 - 102.00			100.00 - 102.00			100.33	99.00
Whites	110.00 - 115.00			105.00 - 110.00			108.00	99.50
Sugar Yolk <sup>1/</sup>	90.00 - 95.00			95.00 - 105.00	95.00 - 100.00		98.33	102.50
Salt Yolk <sup>1/</sup>	90.00 - 95.00			95.00 - 105.00	95.00 - 100.00		98.33	102.50

<sup>1/</sup>Minimum 43% solids.**DRIED EGGS**

Prices are steady to higher on albumen, mixed on whole, lower on yolk and steady on blends. The undertone is weak on yolk and steady to firm on the balance. Offerings are light to moderate and held with confidence. Floor stocks are light. Demand is good for albumen and whole, while light to moderate on the balance of dried products. Market activity is moderate.

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

Class	Current Week			Last Week			Oct Averages	
	Range	Mostly		Range	Mostly		This Month	Last Month
Whole	3.20 - 3.55	3.35 - 3.40		3.25 - 3.45	3.30 - 3.35		3.38	3.46
Yolk	1.70 - 2.10	1.80 - 1.85		1.80 - 2.25	1.85 - 1.90		1.98	2.13
Albumen <sup>2/</sup>	8.10 - 8.85	8.40 - 8.50		8.10 - 8.80	8.30 - 8.35		8.42	7.89
Blends <sup>3/</sup>	2.80 - 2.85			2.80 - 2.85			2.83	2.81

<sup>2/</sup> Spray Dried; <sup>3/</sup> Whole plus sweetener.**EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION**

W/E 26-Oct-2013 (Lbs. In Thousands) (Excludes Ingredients)

Total Production	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CW	1,454,932	32,854	16,038	7,988	2,619	4,696
PW	1,442,358	33,393	15,644	7,820	2,600	4,410
LY	1,370,258	32,860	13,619	6,888	2,227	4,394
% PW	1%	-2%	3%	2%	1%	6%
% LY	6%	0%	18%	16%	18%	7%
2013	61,098,471	1,414,834	640,636	325,160	124,639	190,470
2012	58,859,320	1,383,689	600,175	304,743	127,230	196,533
% YTD	4%	2%	7%	7%	-2%	-3%

CW PW LY

Average Yield Per Case - (inedible included) 42.32 42.48 42.15

Average Yield Per Case - (inedible excluded) 39.09 39.42 38.95

**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	882,161	60.6%	21,014	64.0%
PREVIOUS WEEK	881,815	61.1%	21,036	63.0%
LAST YEAR	789,350	57.6%	20,187	61.4%

**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 were unchanged to higher. The market tone is fully steady to firm. Offerings are light and continue to be held with confidence. Demand is moderate to at times fairly good. Supplies are light. Schedules full-time. Market activity is moderate.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	89-93	
CHECKS	75-84	75-81
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 higher with a firm undertone. Offerings are light. Supplies are light to moderate for needs. Traders are closely watching further market developments. Demand is seasonal. Market activity is moderate. Cases broken under federal inspection in the Eastern region for week ending 26-Oct-2013 increased 1 percent from a week ago but decreased 6 percent from the same week last year.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	85-94	89-93
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	75-85	82
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 October 25, 2013 - October 31, 2013

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

**Current Loads 106.25 Future Loads 50.25 Total Loads 156.50**

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	89.00	103.56	93.75	95.00	102.00	107.00	56.00	GNR W 1	--	102.83	--	--	--	--	24.00
GNR W 3	--	--	77.00	79.00	--	--	1.00	GL W J	107.20	117.50	--	--	134.00	122.53	7.25
GL W J	--	--	108.00	110.00	107.75	--	6.00	GL W XL	116.00	120.17	--	--	--	124.65	12.00
GL W XL	120.00	130.50	104.00	108.24	109.96	--	21.75	GL W LG	109.83	116.50	--	117.00	--	116.74	46.25
GL W LG	94.00	--	104.17	109.93	104.65	116.00	49.50	GL W MD	86.00	--	--	94.17	95.00	96.71	12.25
GL W MD	--	--	85.86	88.00	84.58	92.25	16.25	GL W SM	--	69.00	--	--	68.00	--	2.00
GL W SM	70.00	74.50	67.17	70.58	66.00	--	11.00								
GL BR LG	140.00	--	142.00	144.00	--	152.63	3.00								
GL BR MD	--	--	--	--	76.00	--	1.00								
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	110.50	92.00	--	1.00								
NRBS - 42	--	--	103.00	--	--	--	2.00								
NRBS - 39	--	--	--	97.00	85.00	--	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	117.00	116.00	100.00
SOUTHEAST	117.50	115.50	97.00
MIDWEST	111.50	109.50	94.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	125.50	121.50	99.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	118.26	115.90	97.82

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.

**LIVE SPENT LIGHT FOWL**

Prices are trending steady for the generally light demand. Offerings of light type hens are sufficient for current needs. Processing schedules are about normal. Movement of finished product sales is fair. Market activity is moderate. The majority price for removal costs remained unchanged at 0-7 cents per head. Feature activity was good with best interest being in the Northeast region.

(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 19-Oct-13 (Preliminary)

**U.S. fowl slaughtered domestically**

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	-----Thousands-----		
Head	1,460	1,568	3,028
Last Week	1,196	1,455	2,651
Same week yr ago	1,106	1,299	2,405
To-date/2013*	63,593	62,812	126,405
To-date/2012*	63,900	68,087	131,987

**U.S. fowl slaughtered in Canada**

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	-----Thousands-----		
Head	457	0	457
Last Week	226	0	226
Same week yr ago	87	0	87
To-date/2013*	14,673	0	14,673
To-date/2012*	11,108	36	11,144

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	1,917	1,568	3,485
Last Week	1,422	1,455	2,877
Same week yr ago	1,193	1,299	2,492
To-date/2013*	78,266	62,812	141,078
To-date/2012*	75,008	68,123	143,131

\*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)**

Week Ending Oct 19, 2013	Year-To-Date*			
Type	2013	2012 /1	2013 /2	2012
Liquid	48	50	3,118	1,406
Frozen	0	0	40	0
Dried	0	98	246	277
Total	48	148	3,404	1,683

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

Week Ending Oct 19, 2013	Year-To-Date*			
Type	2013	2012 /1	2013 /2	2012
Liquid	50	102	8,693	10,583
Frozen	18	40	1,274	1,053
Dried	0	0	50	0
Total	68	142	10,017	11,636

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

Week Ending Oct 19, 2013	Year-To-Date*			
Type	2013	2012 /1	2013 /2	2012
Jumbo	0	0	0	0
Extra Large	4,530	5,430	115,687	86,802
Large	7,000	1,340	272,071	174,416
Medium	750	165	23,804	26,235
Ungraded	9,240	19,980	341,861	188,414
Misc	0	0	0	1,620
Total	21,520	26,915	753,423	477,487

/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

**EGG PRODUCTS****Shell Eggs Broken Up 1 Percent from Last Year**

Shell eggs broken totaled 181 million dozen during September 2013, up 1 percent from September a year ago, but 3 percent below the 186 million broken last month.

During calendar year 2013 through September, shell eggs broken totaled 1,601 million dozen, up 1 percent from the comparable period in 2012. To date, cumulative total edible product from eggs broken in 2013 was 2,067 million pounds, up 1 percent from 2012.

Data presented in this report were compiled from Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) inspection reports. The best available data at the time of publication were used.

September 2012 contained 20 weekdays (including 1 holiday) and 5 Saturdays. September 2013 contained 21 weekdays (including 1 holiday) and 4 Saturdays.

Source: USDA/NASS

**WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS** – Selected Centers

	(INCL. GOV'T STOCKS)		(IN THOUSANDS)
	Frozen Eggs LBS	Processed Turkeys LBS	Processed Other Poultry LBS
AM 10/28/13	2,770	133,226	46,495
AM 09/21/13	2,952	199,735	42,634
CHG	-182	-66509	3861
PCT CHG	-6%	-33%	9%

**WEEKLY NEW ENGLAND SHELL EGGS** October 29, 2013

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

	Extra Large	Large	Medium	Small
Maine	188	182	130	101
Mostly	-	-	-	-
New Hampshire	182-186	176-180	123-127	96-100
Mostly	184-185	178-179	125-126	98-99
Rhode Island	187-191	181-185	129-133	100-104
Mostly	187	181	129	100
Vermont	188-189	182-183	130	-
Mostly	-	-	-	-

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

United States egg production totaled 7.84 billion during September 2013, up 3 percent from last year. Production included 6.80 billion table eggs, and 1.04 billion hatching eggs, of which 964 million were broiler-type and 77 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during September 2013 averaged 346 million, up 2 percent from last year. September egg production per 100 layers was 2,270 eggs, up 1 percent from September 2012.

All layers in the United States on October 1, 2013 totaled 345 million, up 1 percent from last year. The 345 million layers consisted of 290 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 51.7 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 3.08 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on October 1, 2013, averaged 75.7 eggs per 100 layers, up 2 percent from October 1, 2012.

**Egg-Type Chicks Hatched Up 6 Percent**

Egg-type chicks hatched during September 2013 totaled 39.8 million, up 6 percent from September 2012. Eggs in incubators totaled 37.7 million on October 1, 2013, up 7 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 213 thousand during September 2013, up 3 percent from September 2012.

Source: USDA/NASS

**MONTHLY COLD STORAGE REPORT**

Commodity

Commodity	August 31		September 30		September 30, 2013 as a Percent of August 31	
	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013
Frozen Egg						
			(1,000 pounds)		(percent)	
Whites	4,587	3,690	3,745	5,194	139%	141%
Yolks	2,445	1,635	2,119	1,779	84%	109%
Whole and mixed	9,567	11,503	9,027	13,414	149%	117%
Unclassified	19,257	13,316	16,484	15,081	91%	113%
<b>Total Frozen Eggs</b>	<b>35,856</b>	<b>30,144</b>	<b>31,375</b>	<b>35,468</b>	<b>113%</b>	<b>118%</b>

Source: USDA/NASS