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NATIONAL EGG REVIEW

In New York this week, egg prices are 8 cents higher for Extra Large and Large, steady for Medium. Entering the week, regional prices were higher for all egg sizes. Next week's regional asking prices are trending higher for the larger sizes and unchanged to higher for the smaller sizes. The undertone is steady to firm. Demand is moderate to good. Offerings are light to moderate. Supplies are moderate to instances heavy in the Northeastern region. Market activity is moderate. Breaking stock prices are higher. The undertone is steady. Demand is moderate on light to mostly moderate offerings. Supplies are light. Market activity is slow. National light type hen removal costs are steady. Demand is light. Offerings are moderate for current trade needs. Processing schedules are full-time to reduced. Market activity is 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	116-125	118-121	97-106	99-102
NORTHEAST	118-132	124-127	100-113	105-107
SOUTH CENTRAL	129.5-138	131-134	102.5-111	104-107
SOUTHEAST	116-134	124-127	97-114	101-105

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

IA-MN-WI	11/05/13	10/29/13	11/06/12
LARGE	102-112	89-99	99-109
MEDIUM	79-83	73-77	84-88

WEEKLY COMBINED REGIONAL

11/01/13

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	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.

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY: Stocks on Hand Available for Marketing (30-dozen cases in thousands)¹ (Includes Conventional and Specialty)

November 04, 2013		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
Jumbo	This Week	9.0	11.7	16.7	11.2	8.3	3.3	60.1
	% Change	3.0%	3.2%	5.4%	-5.2%	-1.0%	10.7%	1.9%
Extra Large	This Week	26.5	23.2	56.3	19.5	37.3	4.6	167.3
	% Change	10.4%	2.5%	65.7%	35.2%	-12.3%	-5.4%	17.5%
Large	This Week	64.8	134.9	124.5	109.0	73.2	56.9	563.2
	% Change	18.6%	13.1%	3.4%	19.3%	14.6%	2.2%	11.5%
Medium	This Week	19.3	20.1	51.4	26.3	26.7	7.7	151.5
	% Change	2.7%	21.4%	22.3%	-1.7%	4.5%	-13.8%	9.3%
Small	This Week	3.8	2.8	8.0	3.1	2.8	1.8	22.3
	% Change	30.1%	-1.0%	-18.1%	35.2%	16.2%	114.6%	5.7%
Miscellaneous	This Week	2.7	10.3	25.4	20.8	4.8	2.0	65.9
	% Change	37.4%	0.9%	-8.6%	16.9%	-8.4%	7.0%	1.8%
Ungraded	This Week	16.2	10.8	65.3	9.4	9.2	14.4	125.3
	% Change	83.9%	-10.9%	7.2%	-39.4%	34.0%	6.0%	6.4%
Total Shell Egg	This Week	142.3	213.6	347.5	199.4	162.2	90.6	1,155.6
	% Change	18.7%	9.7%	11.9%	10.8%	4.8%	2.2%	10.2%

Totals	Cases	Percent Change
Shell Egg	1,155.6	10.2%
Breaking Stock	243.1	-0.7%
Total Shell Egg	1,398.7	8.1%

Specialty Shell Egg Inventory² Stocks on Hand to be Marketed (30-dozen cases in thousands)

		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
Large	This Week	9.0	28.8	6.5	1.6	2.5	1.3	49.8
	% Change	10.4%	15.9%	13.9%	-34.4%	-28.1%	-9.5%	7.9%
Ungraded	This Week	0.0	5.8	24.6	3.7	0.6	2.9	37.7
	% Change	0.0%	9.0%	1.7%	-6.0%	-58.1%	-4.9%	-0.9%
Total Specialty	This Week	9.0	34.6	31.1	5.4	3.1	4.3	87.4
	% Change	10.4%	14.7%	4.0%	-16.9%	-37.1%	-6.4%	3.9%

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

Large:	22.8%
Ungraded:	57.2%
Total:	37.6%

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 02-Nov-2013	(Lbs. in Thousands)		(Excludes Ingredients)			
Total Production	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CW	1,405,230	32,290	15,572	7,519	2,780	4,392
PW	1,454,932	32,854	16,038	7,988	2,619	4,696
LY	1,326,405	32,244	13,209	6,530	2,498	4,406
% PW	-3%	-2%	-3%	-6%	6%	-6%
% LY	6%	0%	18%	15%	11%	0%
2013	62,503,701	1,447,124	656,208	332,679	127,420	194,862
2012	60,185,725	1,415,932	613,384	311,274	129,728	200,940
% YTD	4%	2%	7%	7%	-2%	-3%
				CW	PW	LY
Average Yield Per Case - (inedible included)				42.54	42.32	42.51
Average Yield Per Case - (inedible excluded)				39.41	39.09	39.19

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	856,083	60.9%	20,771	64.3%
PREVIOUS WEEK	882,161	60.6%	21,014	64.0%
LAST YEAR	793,494	59.8%	20,495	63.6%

BROILER HATCHERY

State	Broiler-Type Eggs Set, 19 Selected States		Broiler-Type Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States	
	Week Ending			
	NOV 02, 2013	OCT 26, 2013	NOV 02, 2013	OCT 26, 2013
	(1,000 eggs)		(1,000 chicks)	
AL.....	26,099	25,940	18,120	20,694
AR.....	19,587	19,767	18,190	18,864
DE.....	4,267	4,283	4,362	5,132
FL.....	1,224	1,221	1,306	1,395
GA.....	32,165	31,296	24,101	24,840
KY.....	7,357	7,249	6,101	6,125
LA.....	3,552	3,728	2,845	3,018
MD.....	7,793	7,614	5,923	5,519
MS.....	16,358	15,728	12,295	13,305
MO.....	7,678	7,420	5,116	5,949
NC.....	19,899	20,095	15,480	14,652
OK.....	6,685	6,965	5,410	3,738
PA.....	3,295	3,810	3,100	3,016
SC.....	5,390	5,215	4,518	3,908
TX.....	15,130	14,945	11,125	11,369
VA.....	6,661	6,032	4,629	5,532
CA, TN, & WV.....	10,040	9,939	9,750	9,271
19 State Total.....	193,180	191,247	152,371	156,327
Percent of Prev. Year	103	106	97	103
Other States	7,543	6,858	5,201	5,593
United States	200,723	198,105	157,572	161,920
Source: USDA, NASS				

WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING

Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 14-Dec-13 is estimated at 142.1 million head. This compares to 152.4 million head the previous week and to 145.1 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 152.9 million head and the national weighted average price was 91.29 cents per pound.

(5-DAY) WEIGHTED AVERAGE TRAILER LOAD SHELL EGG SALES

National Trading for Oct 31, 2013- Nov 06, 2013 (Cents/Dozen)							
Courtesy of U.S.D.A. Federal/State Market News							
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
Current Loads		119.25		Future Loads		49.00 Total Loads 168.25	
	SE		NE		MW		
GNR W 1	106.00	108.18	102.50	105.75	116.00	--	45.25
GNR W 2	--	--	78.00	80.00	--	--	1.00
GNR W 3	--	--	77.00	80.00	--	--	1.00
GNR BR 1	--	--	145.00	147.00	--	--	1.50
GL W J	--	--	114.50	116.00	116.62	--	11.75
GL W XL	120.00	131.50	111.83	122.19	118.22	124.00	27.75
GL W LG	--	125.00	111.13	119.32	118.51	--	55.50
GL W MD	--	--	83.33	85.33	87.87	--	15.25
GL W SM	71.00	--	66.50	71.00	67.33	--	9.00
GL BR J	--	--	--	--	168.10	189.00	1.25
GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	--	158.00	1.00
GL BR MD	--	--	89.00	--	--	107.00	.50
GL BR SM	--	--	--	--	60.00	--	1.00
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	110.50	92.00	--	1.00
NRBS - 45	--	--	--	--	87.00	--	6.00
NRBS - 42	--	--	104.00	--	--	--	2.00
NRBS - 39	--	--	82.50	92.29	83.80	107.00	7.00

TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS

Week Ending 02-Nov-2013 (Preliminary)						
	-----Young turkeys-----			Old Breeders	Total turkeys	
	-Thousand Head-	Pct Chg Prev wk	Avg Live wt		--Thousand head--	Avg Live wt
North East	804	9	24.76	(A)	804	24.76
South Atlantic	580	-10	39.00	(A)	580	39.00
North Central	2,084	2	33.31	(A)	2,084	33.31
South Central	924	2	17.80	(A)	924	17.80
West	518	23	26.48	(A)	518	26.48
U.S. total	4,910 (B)	3	29.75	0	4,910	29.75
To-date						
2013*	189,530 (B)			289	189,819	
To-date						
2012*	196,442 (B)			338	196,780	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.
 (B) Number of young banded breeder turkeys included: this week 21,000; for the current year to date* 972,000; for last year to date* 1,192,000.
 Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

Week Ending 02-Nov-2013 (Preliminary)					
	Young		Breeders		Total Turkeys
	Hens	Toms	Young	Old	
Head	2,066	2,823	21	0	4,910
Avg Wt	17.15	38.98	28.41	0.00	29.75
Last week	2,044	2,675	44	0	4,763
Same wk yr ago	2,677	2,985	36	0	5,698
Avg Wt	17.34	38.73	26.91	0.00	28.60
To-date/2013*	78,325	110,233	972	289	189,819
To-date/2012*	80,684	114,566	1,192	338	196,780
% Change YTD	-3%	-4%	-18%	-14%	-4%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	28,346	88,032	459	0	116,837
Last week	28,289	83,631	897	0	112,817
Same wk yr ago	37,135	92,487	736	0	130,358
To-date/2013*	1,076,363	3,536,581	20,274	6,287	4,639,505
To-date/2012*	1,091,648	3,646,624	23,915	8,438	4,770,625
% Change YTD	-1%	-3%	-15%	-25%	-3%
Dressing %	80.0%	80.0%	77.0%	77.0%	

(A) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update.
 *Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

WEEKLY POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

(Preliminary) Week ending 26-Oct-2013

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
----- Thousands -----					
Head	158,028	1,201	1,625	2,826	410
Avg Wt	5.84	3.25	7.86	5.90	6.91
Last week	158,820	1,284	1,417	2,701	473
Same wk yr ago	148,347	892	1,368	2,260	379
Avg Wt	5.87	3.55	7.64	6.03	6.50
To-date/2013*	6,797,509	65,716	65,389	131,105	19,024
To-date/2012*	6,714,994	65,442	70,826	136,268	18,154
% Change YTD	1%	0%	-8%	-4%	5%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	701,391	2,108	8,749	10,857	2,026
Last week	702,493	2,163	7,707	9,870	2,320
Same wk yr ago	657,452	1,710	6,846	8,556	1,761
To-date/2013*	29,985,623	113,357	354,798	468,155	91,604
To-date/2012*	29,057,404	110,902	369,766	480,668	87,577
% Change YTD	3%	2%	-4%	-3%	5%

Dressing % 76.0% 54.0% 68.5% 71.5%

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 155.4 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 159.9 million head, or 4.5 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
09/28	158.9	158.1	101%	5.76
10/05	159.8	155.6	103%	5.87
10/12	159.9	156.2	102%	5.91
10/19	159.9	157.9	101%	6.04
10/26	160.7	156.7	103%	5.82
11/02	159.9	155.4	103%	5.84
Year to date	6878.7	6791.9	101%	
11/09		156.0		
11/16		155.0		

*Based on chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier.

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

Week Ending 09-Nov-2013

Class	Current Week 011/09/13 (1)	Previous Week 011/02/13
----- Thousand head -----		
Broiler/fryer	156,563 (2)	156,320
Light hens	891	1,319
Heavy hens	1,679	1,757
Total	159,133	159,396

(1) ESTIMATED

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 09-Nov-13 is 157.3 million head compared to 150.1 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 156.9 million head or -0.4 million less than estimated available. For the week of 16-Nov-13 the estimated available is 155.5 million head.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS – Selected Centers

(INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	Frozen Eggs LBS	Processed Turkeys LBS	Processed Other Poultry LBS
AM 11/04/13	2,772	126,110	45,163
AM 09/21/13	2,952	199,735	42,634
CHG	-180	-73625	2529
PCT CHG	-6%	-37%	6%

Based on the historical relationship of the preliminary U.S. Cold Storage holdings report of September 30, 2013 and the selected centers storage report, the expected U.S. holdings on November 1, 2013 are:

Frozen Eggs	33	MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5%
Processed Turkeys	342	MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5%
Processed Other Poultry	698	MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5%

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS Frozen Grade A basted equivalent offering prices on a national basis for hens 103.00-111.00 cents fob and 16-24 lb. toms 101.00-111.00 cents fob for current shipments.

NATIONAL FOWL MARKETS

01-Nov-2013

Live Spent Heavy

Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading: Price Range 10.0-22.0 Wtd Avg 13.91
Prices in cents per pound.

(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 remained 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

01-Nov-2013

National Composite Weighted Average

	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.
This Week:	88.98	↓ 1.18	11,747
Last Week:	90.17		11,885
Last Year:	88.58	↑ 0.40	11,470
Monthly Composite Weighted Average			
Oct	90.02		33,279

Whole Body:

	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs
New York	83.00 - 98.75	87.00 - 92.00	90.25	1,365
Chicago	74.00 - 105.00	77.00 - 86.00	84.30	2,150

Los Angeles 75.00 - 103.00 84.00 - 89.00 86.87 2,216

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.

