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NATIONAL EGG REVIEW

This week in New York, egg prices are steady for all sizes. Regional prices remained steady for both the heavier and lighter weight eggs. Next week's regional asking prices are steady. The undertone is steady. Retail demand is moderate to good. Food service demand is moderate. Offerings are light to moderate. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is moderate. Breaking stock prices are lower. The undertone is lower. Demand is light for moderate to instances heavy offerings. Supplies are moderate. Processing schedules are mixed. Market activity is slow. National light type hen removal costs are steady. Demand is light to mostly moderate. Offerings are light to moderate for current trade requirements. Processing schedules are full-time. 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	148-157	150-153	107-116	109-112
NORTHEAST	149-163	154-158	110-123	115-117
SOUTH CENTRAL	161.5-170	163-166	115.5-124	117-120
SOUTHEAST	160-177	161-164	113-129	114-118

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

IA-MN-WI	12/17/13	12/10/13	12/18/12
LARGE	130-140	130-140	100-110
MEDIUM	89-93	87-91	80-84

WEEKLY COMBINED REGIONAL

12/13/13

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	157.00	156.00	114.00
SOUTHEAST	164.50	162.50	114.00
MIDWEST	153.50	151.50	108.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	164.50	164.50	116.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	160.06	158.88	113.38

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)

December 16, 2013		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
Jumbo	This Week	8.8	11.5	17.4	6.6	6.7	3.0	53.8
	% Change	-17.5%	19.6%	-0.6%	-44.5%	4.5%	-21.1%	-9.8%
Extra Large	This Week	27.3	25.3	28.1	15.0	31.9	3.4	131.0
	% Change	-9.8%	9.0%	-6.2%	14.1%	34.8%	-54.9%	2.5%
Large	This Week	42.7	131.6	152.7	93.1	75.8	44.5	540.2
	% Change	-31.5%	16.8%	-4.9%	-9.9%	7.9%	-0.4%	-2.4%
Medium	This Week	10.5	15.1	42.5	23.3	27.9	11.8	131.2
	% Change	-18.0%	-21.6%	-6.3%	-4.7%	-0.5%	5.2%	-7.1%
Small	This Week	2.9	1.9	4.5	2.0	1.2	3.7	16.2
	% Change	-20.1%	-19.1%	-7.5%	-10.5%	0.0%	3.9%	-9.2%
Miscellaneous	This Week	1.9	13.8	25.3	19.5	6.2	4.5	71.1
	% Change	-6.4%	12.5%	4.1%	-1.9%	-4.2%	31.6%	4.2%
Ungraded	This Week	8.5	10.5	65.8	14.4	9.1	5.4	113.7
	% Change	-53.9%	5.6%	-16.4%	-11.7%	-2.6%	-16.4%	-18.3%
Total Shell Egg	This Week	102.5	209.6	336.2	173.8	158.8	76.2	1,057.2
	% Change	-26.8%	10.8%	-6.9%	-9.0%	9.2%	-5.4%	-4.5%

Totals	Cases	Percent Change
Shell Egg	1,057.2	-4.5%
Breaking Stock	226.5	-2.4%
Total Shell Egg	1,283.7	-4.2%

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	8.7	25.4	6.7	1.4	2.0	0.7	45.0
	% Change	-6.8%	18.9%	6.3%	-52.8%	-32.5%	-26.7%	2.2%
Ungraded	This Week	0.0	1.5	23.5	4.9	0.2	0.6	30.7
	% Change	0.0%	0.0%	1.5%	-0.6%	-51.1%	-70.4%	0.5%
Total Specialty	This Week	8.7	26.9	30.2	6.3	2.2	1.3	75.7
	% Change	-6.8%	26.0%	2.5%	-20.6%	-35.1%	-55.9%	1.5%

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

Large:	17.9%
Ungraded:	74.8%
Total:	41.0%

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 14-Dec-2013	(Lbs. in Thousands)		(Excludes Ingredients)			
Total Production	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CW	1,364,333	33,434	13,449	6,678	2,014	4,189
PW	1,397,675	31,521	14,773	7,339	2,207	4,352
LY	1,369,958	33,516	12,922	6,698	2,621	4,513
% PW	-2%	6%	-9%	-9%	-9%	-4%
% LY	0%	0%	4%	0%	-23%	-7%
2013	70,667,081	1,638,576	741,760	374,996	140,299	220,189
2012	68,445,681	1,618,826	691,726	351,205	144,799	228,247
% YTD	3%	1%	7%	7%	-3%	-4%
			CW	PW	LY	
Average Yield Per Case - (inedible included)			42.33	41.49	42.08	
Average Yield Per Case - (inedible excluded)			39.26	38.37	38.79	

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	815,733	59.8%	22,214	66.4%
PREVIOUS WEEK	833,289	59.6%	21,156	67.1%
LAST YEAR	811,770	59.3%	21,578	64.4%

BROILER HATCHERY

State	Broiler-Type Eggs Set, 19 Selected States		Broiler-Type Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States	
	Week Ending			
	DEC 14, 2013 (1,000 eggs)	DEC 07, 2013	DEC 14, 2013 (1,000 chicks)	DEC 07, 2013
AL.....	28,275	28,399	20,830	20,766
AR.....	21,175	21,013	19,770	20,257
DE.....	4,433	4,424	6,548	5,828
FL.....	1,223	1,222	1,354	1,680
GA.....	32,994	34,000	26,000	26,231
KY.....	7,701	7,766	6,248	5,821
LA.....	3,803	3,849	3,340	3,159
MD.....	7,718	7,667	4,716	5,443
MS.....	17,563	18,022	14,411	14,139
MO.....	8,466	8,419	6,179	6,268
NC.....	20,105	20,384	15,866	15,934
OK.....	6,934	7,008	4,268	3,878
PA.....	3,863	4,024	3,207	3,139
SC.....	4,833	5,023	4,948	4,769
TX.....	13,972	14,453	11,752	11,622
VA.....	6,373	6,334	5,003	5,420
CA, TN, & WV.....	10,219	9,428	10,555	9,638
19 State Total.....	199,650	201,435	164,995	163,992
Percent of Prev. Year	105	103	101	101
Other States	7,921	7,891	5,679	6,008
United States	207,571	209,326	170,674	170,000
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 25-Jan-14 is estimated at 147.4 million head. This compares to 147.4 million head the previous week and to 151.9 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 152.9 million head and the national weighted average price was 101.23 cents per pound.

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

National Trading for Dec 12, 2013- Dec 18, 2013 (Cents/Dozen)
Courtesy of U.S.D.A. Federal/State Market News

CLASS	SE		NE		MW		LOADS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W 1	128.00	138.86	129.50	130.75	--	--	64.00
GNR BR 1	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00
GL W J	--	--	142.00	144.00	124.31	--	5.00
GL W XL	--	147.91	137.22	142.27	133.09	--	23.50
GL W LG	--	135.49	126.03	131.04	119.94	124.00	76.50
GL W MD	100.00	104.28	94.67	99.17	97.29	100.00	18.50
GL W SM	83.67	--	77.00	77.75	67.00	72.00	8.00
GL BR XL	--	--	200.00	208.17	203.50	--	1.50
GL BR LG	--	--	200.00	207.00	203.17	--	2.00
NRBS - 48	--	--	87.33	90.21	74.00	76.00	14.00
NRBS - 42	--	--	--	--	86.00	90.00	2.00
NRBS - 39	--	--	84.33	88.00	--	--	1.50
NRBS - 36	--	--	--	--	60.00	62.00	2.00

TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS

Week Ending 14-Dec-2013 (Preliminary)

-Thousand Head-	-----Young turkeys-----		Old Breeders	Total turkeys		
	Pct Chg	Avg Live wt		--Thousand head--	Avg Live wt	
North East	572	-9	26.31	(A)	572	26.31
South Atlantic	484	-21	42.57	(A)	484	42.57
North Central	2,108	4	32.56	(A)	2,108	32.56
South Central	855	55	18.70	(A)	855	18.70
West	393	-8	22.48	(A)	393	22.48
U.S. total	4,412 (B)	4	30.09	0	4,412	30.09
To-date 2013*	217,235 (B)			300	217,535	
To-date 2012*	223,832 (B)			381	224,213	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.
(B) Number of young banded breeder turkeys included: this week 25,000; for the current year to date* 1,093,000; for last year to date* 1,409,000.

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

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

Week Ending 14-Dec-2013 (Preliminary)

	Young		Breeders		Total Turkeys
	Hens	Toms	Young	Old	
Head	1,784	2,602	25	0	4,411
Avg Wt	16.13	39.69	26.58	0.00	30.09
Last week	1,676	2,556	18	0	4,250
Same wk yr ago	2,046	2,629	19	29	4,723
Avg Wt	16.65	40.98	26.44	27.63	30.30
To-date/2013*	90,967	125,175	1,093	300	217,535
To-date/2012*	92,382	130,041	1,409	381	224,213
% Change YTD	-2%	-4%	-22%	-21%	-3%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	23,021	82,619	512	0	106,152
Last week	21,627	83,223	397	0	105,247
Same wk yr ago	27,253	86,189	382	609	114,433
To-date/2013*	1,245,114	4,008,687	22,799	6,520	5,283,120
To-date/2012*	1,250,077	4,139,655	27,943	9,369	5,427,344
% Change YTD	0%	-3%	-18%	-30%	-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 14-Dec-2013

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
----- Thousands -----					
Head	158,690	1,649	1,568	3,217	470
Avg Wt	5.79	3.10	8.01	5.49	6.96
Last week	149,409	1,746	1,501	3,247	638
Same wk yr ago	152,381	1,770	1,644	3,414	465
Avg Wt	5.83	3.08	7.94	5.42	6.04
To-date/2013*	7,692,186	72,649	73,809	146,458	22,008
To-date/2012*	7,603,571	73,342	78,878	152,220	20,774
% Change YTD	1%	-1%	-6%	-4%	6%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	698,299	2,760	8,603	11,363	2,339
Last week	665,408	3,036	8,441	11,477	3,015
Same wk yr ago	670,728	2,944	8,550	11,494	2,008
To-date/2013*	33,956,768	125,373	400,977	526,350	105,860
To-date/2012*	33,008,551	124,792	411,934	536,726	99,935
% Change YTD	3%	0%	-3%	-2%	6%

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 151.7 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 160.6 million head, or 8.9 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
11/09	159.0	156.0	102%	6.00
11/16	155.3	155.0	100%	5.87
11/23	154.9	151.2	102%	5.72
11/30	124.5	149.6	83%	5.79
12/07	151.2	147.6	102%	5.86
12/14	160.6	151.7	106%	5.79
Year to date	7784.2	7703.0	101%	
12/21		143.9		
12/28		147.0		

*Based on chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier.

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

Week Ending 21-Dec-2013

Class	Current Week 12/21/2013 (1)	Previous Week 12/14/2013
----- Thousand head -----		
Broiler/fryer	162,800 (2)	154,825
Light hens	1,843	1,695
Heavy hens	1,636	1,681
Total	166,279	158,201

(1) ESTIMATED

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 21-Dec-13 is 157.3 million head compared to 154.2 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 163.1 million head or 5.8 million more than estimated available. For the week of 28-Dec-13 the estimated available is 145.5 million head.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS – Selected Centers

(INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	Frozen Eggs LBS	Processed Turkeys LBS	Processed Other Poultry LBS
AM 12/16/13	2,593	65,945	53,260
AM 12/01/13	2,674	70,963	51,420
CHG	-81	-5018	1840
PCT CHG	-3%	-7%	4%

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS Frozen Grade A basted equivalent processor offering prices on a national basis for hens 99.00-108.00 cents fob and 16-24 lb. toms 94.00-103.00 cents fob for current shipments.

NATIONAL FOWL MARKETS

13-Dec-2013

Live Spent Heavy

Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading: Price Range 10.5-22.0 Wtd Avg 13.99
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

13-Dec-2013

National Composite Weighted Average

	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.
This Week:	94.89	↓ 0.13	11,041
Last Week:	95.02		11,470
Last Year:	94.93	↓ 0.04	13,367

Monthly Composite Weighted Average

Nov	93.72	46,011
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Whole Body:

	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs
New York	86.00 - 101.00	95.00 - 99.00	96.55	1,438

Chicago	81.00 - 107.25	83.00 - 93.00	90.57	2,355
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Los Angeles	75.00 - 111.00	91.00 - 96.00	93.47	1,711
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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.

