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## NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Regional prices are 10 to 24 cents lower on Extra Large, 15 to 32 cents lower on Large and unchanged on the balance. New York prices are 7 cents lower on all sizes. The undertone is weak. Demand into retail and food service channels ranges usually light to moderate. In the Southeast and Midwest regions, demand is moderate to fairly good. Offerings are mixed, mostly moderate to heavy for trade needs. Market activity is slow to moderate. Breaking stock offerings are moderate to heavy for the light to moderate demand. Spent hen offerings are moderate to heavy; 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** Daily producer prices are 9 cents lower for Large and steady for Medium and Small. Midwest delivered asking prices are 17 cents lower for Extra Large, 24 cents lower for Large and steady for Medium. The undertone continues lower to sharply lower. Retail demand ranges moderate to instances fairly good. Offerings and supplies are moderate to heavy. Market activity is moderate. Breaking stock prices are sharply lower. The undertone is lower. Offerings are moderate to heavy on light to moderate demand. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA-LARGE	125-134	128-131
LARGE	124-133	126-129
MEDIUM	107-116	109-112

DELIVERED TO STORE DOOR:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	132-140	133-135
LARGE	130-138	131-133
MEDIUM	113-121	114-116

### IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN

PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
LARGE	97-107	101
MEDIUM	89-93	91
SMALL	66-72	

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

**SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL** Prices are 18 cents lower for Extra Large, 26 cents lower for Large and unchanged for Medium. The undertone is weak for the larger sizes and steady for Medium. Demand is mostly light to moderate. Offerings are moderate to heavy. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. Breaking stock prices, along with checks and undergrades, are sharply lower. The undertone is lower. Offerings are moderate to heavy on light to moderate demand. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	143.5-152	145-148
LARGE	135.5-144	137-140
MEDIUM	115.5-124	117-120

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

**SOUTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices are 10 to 24 cents lower on Extra Large, down 15 to 32 cents on Large, steady on Mediums. The undertone is weak. Retail and distributive demand is moderate to fairly good. Offerings are light to moderate and vary by location for current requirements. Market activity is moderate. Breaking stock floor stocks in the Eastern region are moderate to instances heavy; processing schedules are reduced. Light type hen offerings are moderate to heavy for the light to moderate demand.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	137-167	139-142
LARGE	128-162	137-140
MEDIUM	113.5-131	114-118

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

**NORTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices are 15 to 19 cents lower on Extra Large, 22 cents lower on Large and steady on Medium. The undertone is weak. Supplies vary by plant, ranging light to heavy, mostly moderate to heavy for trade needs. Retail demand is light. Distributive demand is light to moderate. Market activity is slow. Eastern region breaking stock offering are sufficient for a light demand. Light type hen offerings are at least sufficient for current processing schedules.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	133-151	133-137
LARGE	127-141	132-136
MEDIUM	110-123	115-117

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

**NEW YORK** Prices are 7 cents lower on Extra Large, Large and Medium. The undertone is weak. Supplies vary and are in a full range of light to heavy, mostly moderate to heavy. Demand is light to moderate. Market activity is slow.

DELIVERED TO STORE DOOR:	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	127-131
LARGE	125-129
MEDIUM	115-119

**WESTERN** Prices are unchanged on Jumbo, 17 cents lower for Extra Large, 24 cents lower for Large and unchanged on Medium and Small. The undertone is lower. Offerings are moderate to heavy. Demand is light to fairly good, mostly moderate. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate.

**CALIFORNIA** Benchmark prices are unchanged for Jumbo, 17 cents lower for Extra Large, 24 cents lower for Large and unchanged on Medium and Small. Trade sentiment is lower. Offerings are moderate to heavy. Retail demand is light to fairly good, mostly moderate. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. Small benchmark price \$1.27.

**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	179
EXTRA LARGE	178
LARGE	168
MEDIUM	147

**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	<b>5.6</b>	<b>9.8</b>	<b>17.6</b>	<b>8.0</b>	<b>7.3</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>50.6</b>
	% Change	-12.3%	-9.0%	31.5%	1.7%	5.7%	-1.6%	6.2%
<b>Extra Large</b>	This Week	<b>19.2</b>	<b>17.5</b>	<b>34.7</b>	<b>16.0</b>	<b>26.1</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>116.3</b>
	% Change	14.5%	-10.7%	34.7%	-1.7%	-22.8%	-17.5%	0.6%
<b>Large</b>	This Week	<b>39.4</b>	<b>107.7</b>	<b>126.1</b>	<b>75.8</b>	<b>51.1</b>	<b>31.5</b>	<b>431.7</b>
	% Change	15.2%	-2.7%	1.1%	7.0%	-19.3%	-7.8%	-1.4%
<b>Medium</b>	This Week	<b>13.5</b>	<b>13.1</b>	<b>52.9</b>	<b>27.1</b>	<b>24.9</b>	<b>12.4</b>	<b>143.8</b>
	% Change	51.4%	-15.4%	26.4%	9.2%	5.5%	18.8%	15.0%
<b>Small</b>	This Week	<b>3.5</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>13.3</b>
	% Change	58.3%	-60.7%	-21.2%	8.3%	26.9%	-66.3%	-15.0%
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	This Week	<b>2.7</b>	<b>13.6</b>	<b>30.0</b>	<b>21.6</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>74.7</b>
	% Change	22.4%	5.5%	16.1%	19.9%	-25.3%	7.0%	11.9%
<b>Ungraded</b>	This Week	<b>13.6</b>	<b>12.0</b>	<b>93.4</b>	<b>14.1</b>	<b>11.6</b>	<b>10.1</b>	<b>154.8</b>
	% Change	55.9%	22.5%	60.2%	0.6%	46.9%	124.2%	50.0%
<b>Total Shell Egg</b>	This Week	<b>97.3</b>	<b>174.8</b>	<b>358.2</b>	<b>165.6</b>	<b>125.6</b>	<b>63.5</b>	<b>985.1</b>
	% Change	22.8%	-4.0%	21.7%	7.1%	-11.0%	5.1%	<b>8.0%</b>

Totals	Cases	Percent Change
Shell Egg	985.1	8.0%
Breaking Stock	273.8	19.0%
<b>Total Shell Egg</b>	<b>1,258.9</b>	<b>10.3%</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	7.6	20.8	5.6	2.8	1.4	0.9	<b>39.0</b>
	% Change	-9.0%	-10.0%	-13.7%	48.4%	-32.7%	-22.7%	-9.1%
<b>Ungraded</b>	This Week	0.0	1.2	24.6	3.8	0.2	1.3	<b>31.2</b>
	% Change	0.0%	-29.5%	4.9%	9.5%	-79.5%	57.6%	1.7%
<b>Total Specialty</b>	This Week	<b>7.6</b>	<b>22.0</b>	<b>30.2</b>	<b>6.6</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>70.2</b>
	% Change	<b>-9.0%</b>	<b>-11.3%</b>	<b>0.9%</b>	<b>23.3%</b>	<b>-49.8%</b>	<b>12.3%</b>	<b>-4.6%</b>

<b>Percentage of Specialty Shell Egg Inventory Comprised of USDA Certified Organic:</b>	<b>Large:</b>	<b>22.1%</b>
	<b>Ungraded:</b>	<b>71.4%</b>
	<b>Total:</b>	<b>44.1%</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 January 03, 2014 will decrease by 0 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending December 27, 2013 were 215,984 cases which was 3 percent above the prior week and 5 percent above estimates.

**CARTONED LOOSE TOTAL**

Cases purchased  
present week.....165,509 50,475 215,984

% change from the  
prior week.....-11 +120 +3  
Comparison figures are compiled on a matched plant basis. Purchases and estimates by 14 cooperators; 30 dozen cases or equivalent.

**CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK**

Breaking stock and checks and undergrade prices are sharply lower. The undertone is lower. Offerings are moderate to heavy on light to moderate demand. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate.

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	58-71	58-60
Checks	52-61	52-58

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 Dec 16, 2013  
Quebec/Montreal: wholesale prices-graded in cartons (Canadian dollars) as reported by Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID, Poultry Section.

GRADE A	LRG	LRG	MED	SMALL

Unavailable

Minimum prices for producers' f.o.b. farm as set by Ontario egg producers.

GRADE A	LRG	LRG	MED	SMALL
	1.90	1.90	1.74	1.26

**DAILY WEIGHTED AVERAGE TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES**

(Cents/Doz.)

National Trading for December 27, 2013

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

**CURRENT LOADS 33.00 FUTURE LOADS 11.25 TOTAL LOADS 44.25**

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	--	--	98.00	100.00	--	--	1.00	GL W J	--	--	--	--	--	137.00	3.00
GNR BR 1	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00	GL W XL	--	--	--	--	--	108.25	4.00
GL W J	--	--	--	--	117.75	--	3.00	GL W LG	87.00	95.50	--	--	--	99.00	9.00
GL W XL	--	--	108.00	110.00	90.00	--	8.25	GL W MD	--	82.00	--	--	--	97.58	5.00
GL W LG	--	--	100.00	102.00	81.80	--	11.00	GL BR XL	--	--	--	--	201.75	213.00	.25
GL W MD	--	--	--	--	81.77	87.50	5.50	GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	201.75	213.00	1.25
GL W SM	--	--	69.00	71.25	--	--	2.00								
GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00								
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	50.50	56.50	8.00								

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

(Cents/Doz.)

National Trading for December 23, 2013 - December 27, 2013

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

**CURRENT LOADS 96.75 FUTURE LOADS 33.50 TOTAL LOADS 130.25**

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	113.00	117.50	102.00	114.67	84.00	--	18.00	GNR W 1	--	120.67	--	--	--	--	9.00
GNR BR 1	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00	GL W J	117.75	134.00	--	--	--	138.13	6.25
GL W J	--	--	128.75	131.50	119.33	--	7.25	GL W XL	124.25	109.70	--	--	--	119.84	13.50
GL W XL	--	123.46	123.25	121.78	102.47	111.60	37.75	GL W LG	91.67	111.52	--	146.00	--	104.02	29.50
GL W LG	--	119.25	100.00	103.25	89.81	91.00	40.25	GL W MD	95.00	111.31	--	--	--	98.31	16.75
GL W MD	--	129.00	96.00	98.92	82.87	87.30	20.75	GL BR XL	--	--	--	--	201.75	213.00	.25
GL W SM	81.00	--	69.00	71.25	76.00	79.00	3.50	GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	201.75	213.00	1.25
GL BR LG	--	--	177.50	179.00	--	--	2.00								
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	56.00	60.67	12.00								

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)

	12/23/13	12/16/13	12/24/2012
Pacific w/out Denver	20	25	106
Los Angeles	0	0	0

**NORTH CAROLINA EGGS** The market is lower on all sizes. 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	155.76
Large	148.78
Medium	127.60
Small	103.00

**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)