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## NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Prices in New York are 1 cent lower on larger sizes, unchanged on Medium. Regional prices are steady. Asking prices for next week's deliveries are trending lower on all sizes. Supplies and offerings remain light to mostly moderate however in the Southeast and Midwest region moderate to heavy. Demand into all channels is light to moderate while moderate to fairly good in the Southeast. Market activity is slow to moderate. Offerings for breaking stock are light to short of needs on moderate to good demand. Spent hen 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 for next week are 15 cents lower for Extra Large and Large, and 10 cents lower for Medium. Daily producer prices are 5 cents lower for Large and 4 cents lower for Medium. The undertone is weak. Retail and food service demand is light to moderate. Offerings are mostly moderate to instances moderate to heavy. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. Breaking stock prices are steady. The undertone is steady. Offerings are light to short of needs on good to very good demand. Market activity is slow.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA-LARGE	149-158	152-155
LARGE	148-157	150-153
MEDIUM	114-123	116-119

DELIVERED TO STORE DOOR:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	156-164	157-159
LARGE	154-162	155-157
MEDIUM	120-128	121-123

### IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN

PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
LARGE	115-125	119
MEDIUM	86-90	88
SMALL	62-68	

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

**SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL** Prices are steady. Next week's asking prices are 14 cents lower for Extra Large, 15 cents lower for Large, and 4 cents lower for Medium. The undertone is lower. Demand is moderate to instances light. Offerings are moderate. Supplies are mostly moderate. Market activity remains slow to moderate. Breaking stock prices are steady with a steady undertone. Demand is good to very good. Offerings are light to short of needs. Market activity is slow.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	162.5-171	164-167
LARGE	161.5-170	163-166
MEDIUM	122.5-131	124-127

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

**SOUTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices are steady. The undertone is weak. Asking prices for next week's deliveries are trending lower on larger sizes and Mediums. Retail and food service demand remains moderate to fairly good. Offerings are mostly moderate to heavy for current needs. Market activity is moderate. In the Eastern region, breaking stock supplies are very light to light; demand is moderate to good. Spent hen offerings are sufficient for the light to moderate demand.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	161.5-179	163-166
LARGE	158.5-177	161-164
MEDIUM	121.5-141	124-128

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

**NORTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices are steady. The undertone is lower. Supplies are moderate for trade needs. Demand into all channels is light to instances moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. Breaking stock offerings in the Eastern region are light; demand is moderate to good. Spent fowl offerings are adequate for the light to moderate demand.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	153-170	156-160
LARGE	147-161	152-156
MEDIUM	120-133	125-127

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 and Large, steady on Mediums. The undertone continues weak. Demand is mixed, usually light to moderate. Offerings are moderate for immediate trade needs. Market activity is slow to moderate.

DELIVERED TO STORE DOOR:	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	152-156
LARGE	150-154
MEDIUM	120-124

**WESTERN** Prices are steady. Asking prices for next week are 8 cents lower for Jumbo, 19 cents lower for Extra Large, 18 cents lower for Large and 11 cents lower for Medium and Small. The undertone is lower. Demand is light to moderate on moderate offerings. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate.

**CALIFORNIA** Benchmark prices are steady. Asking prices for next week are 8 cents lower on Jumbo, 19 cents lower for Extra Large, 18 cents lower for Large and 11 cents lower for Medium and Small. Trade sentiment is lower. Demand is light to moderate on moderate offerings. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. Small benchmark price \$1.41.

**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	202
EXTRA LARGE	204
LARGE	198
MEDIUM	161

**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	184-196
EXTRA LARGE	182-194
LARGE	175-187
MEDIUM	141-149

**WEEKLY NATIONAL EGG PRODUCTS**

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

**LIQUID EGGS**

Liquid whole prices are steady to higher with whites higher and yolk prices steady to lower. Trade sentiment is fully steady for whole egg, higher for whites and steady to lower for yolk. Demand is good for whole egg, very good for whites and light for yolk. Offerings are light for whole egg, light to moderate for whites and moderate to instances heavy for yolk.

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

Class	Current Week			Last Week			Feb Averages	
	Range	Loads	Wtd Avg	Range	Loads	Wtd Avg	Loads	Wtd Avg
Whole	74.00 - 81.00	8	77.56	73.00 - 75.00	7	74.43	19	73.61
Whites	86.00 - 111.00	23	98.22	TFEWR			42	97.55
Yolk	56.00 - 61.00	3	58.33	TFEWR			6	57.17

**FROZEN EGGS**

Frozen whole egg prices are steady to higher with whites steady, sugared yolk lower and salted yolk prices mixed. The undertone is steady to higher for whole egg and whites and steady to lower on frozen yolk products. Demand is moderate to fairly good for whole egg, good to very good for whites and moderate for yolk products. Offerings and supplies are light for whole egg, limited to short of needs for whites and moderate to instances heavy for yolk. Market activity is moderate.

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

Trucklot	Current Week		Last Week		Feb Averages	
	Range	Mostly	Range	Mostly	This Month	Last Month
Whole	94.00 - 99.00	94.00 - 96.00	91.00 - 99.00	93.00 - 95.00	90.50	85.30
Whites	115.00 - 130.00	119.00 - 124.00	115.00 - 130.00	119.00 - 124.00	119.75	112.70
Sugar Yolk <sup>1/</sup>	76.00 - 83.00	78.00 - 81.00	77.00 - 85.00	78.00 - 80.00	82.13	84.60
Salt Yolk <sup>1/</sup>	74.00 - 80.00	75.00 - 76.00	73.00 - 82.00	75.00 - 76.00	78.38	81.80

Less-than-Trucklot	Current Week		Last Week		Feb Averages	
	Range	Mostly	Range	Mostly	This Month	Last Month
Whole	94.00 - 98.00	94.00 - 96.00	93.00 - 95.00		91.50	87.70
Whites	115.00 - 130.00	117.00 - 130.00	115.00 - 130.00		118.75	114.90
Sugar Yolk <sup>1/</sup>	80.00 - 85.00		81.00 - 86.00		85.50	88.50
Salt Yolk <sup>1/</sup>	80.00 - 85.00		81.00 - 86.00		85.50	88.50

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

Prices for dried egg products are higher for whole and albumen, mixed for yolk, steady on blends. The market activity is higher on whole and albumen, steady on yolk and blends. Offerings are mostly light to moderate and confidentially held. Current demand is very good on albumen, good on whole, light to moderate on the balance. Trading is based on existing contracts with increased inquires. Floor stocks continue very light on albumen, light on whole, moderate to at times heavy on yolk. Market activity is moderate.

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

Class	Current Week		Last Week		Feb Averages	
	Range	Mostly	Range	Mostly	This Month	Last Month
Whole	3.15 - 3.40	3.25 - 3.30	3.05 - 3.30	3.10 - 3.15	3.13	3.11
Yolk	1.48 - 1.70	1.50 - 1.55	1.38 - 1.75	1.50 - 1.55	1.60	1.71
Albumen <sup>2/</sup>	9.25 - 9.90	9.45 - 9.55	8.90 - 9.89	9.10 - 9.15	9.18	8.54
Blends <sup>3/</sup>	2.70 - 2.75		2.70 - 2.75		2.71	2.70

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

W/E 22-Feb-2014 (Lbs. In Thousands) (Excludes Ingredients)

Total Production	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CW	1,348,094	28,968	15,863	8,286	2,721	4,322
PW	1,348,504	29,464	15,642	7,810	2,815	4,038
LY	1,359,261	32,922	13,402	6,614	2,714	4,505
% PW	0%	-2%	1%	6%	-3%	7%
% LY	-1%	-12%	18%	25%	0%	-4%
2014	10,884,307	238,567	124,951	62,413	23,230	34,111
2013	10,811,092	251,919	112,430	56,201	23,541	35,329
% YTD	1%	-5%	11%	11%	-1%	-3%

	CW	PW	LY
Average Yield Per Case - (inedible included)	42.61	42.24	42.26
Average Yield Per Case - (inedible excluded)	39.40	39.24	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	810,568	60.1%	18,171	62.7%
PREVIOUS WEEK	822,307	61.0%	19,222	65.2%
LAST YEAR	788,128	58.0%	20,389	61.9%

**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 are steady. Trade sentiment is steady. Offerings are light to short of needs on good to very good demand. Off-line schedules continue full-time to shortened. Market activity is slow.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	92-94	
CHECKS	76-85	76-82
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 steady undertone. Demand ranges moderate to good. Supplies are very light to light. Offerings are light with normal to reduced breaking schedules. Market activity is slow to moderate. Cases broken under federal inspection in the Eastern region for week ending 22-Feb-2014 increased 7 percent from the previous week but declined 12 percent from the same week a year ago.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	89-97	
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	75-82	
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 February 21, 2014 - February 27, 2014

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

**CURRENT LOADS 129.25 FUTURE LOADS 69.75 TOTAL LOADS 199.00**

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	122.67	138.75	122.00	124.57	--	--	36.00	GNR W 1	--	136.25	--	--	--	--	19.00
GNR W 2	--	--	--	--	113.00	--	14.00	GL W J	136.78	126.00	--	--	--	152.31	9.75
GNR W 3	--	--	--	91.00	85.00	--	2.00	GL W XL	121.00	133.06	--	149.13	--	143.96	28.00
GNR BR 1	201.00	--	--	203.00	--	--	2.00	GL W LG	117.53	137.49	--	--	--	135.46	63.50
GL W J	--	--	141.00	143.00	121.90	--	8.50	GL W MD	97.50	105.42	--	--	--	115.23	16.50
GL W XL	--	134.79	131.14	135.39	118.65	110.00	54.75	GL BR XL	--	--	--	--	194.25	205.50	.50
GL W LG	--	145.62	126.00	125.86	119.70	154.00	69.25	GL BR LG	--	190.00	--	--	194.25	205.50	4.50
GL W MD	--	95.00	91.14	94.40	99.38	96.00	19.00								
GL BR LG	--	--	199.75	201.50	--	--	4.00								
NRBS - 45	--	--	--	--	119.00	139.00	1.00								
NRBS - 39	--	--	89.00	94.00	84.75	90.00	7.00								
NRBS - 36	--	--	--	--	71.00	75.50	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	158.00	154.00	126.00
SOUTHEAST	164.50	162.50	126.00
MIDWEST	153.50	151.50	117.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	165.50	164.50	125.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	160.59	158.41	123.78

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.

**LIVE SPENT LIGHT FOWL**

Prices are trending steady for the light to moderate demand. Offerings of light type hens are sufficient. Processing schedules are mostly normal. Movement of finished product sales is moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. The majority price for removal costs continues unchanged at 0-7 cents per head. Feature activity is moderate to good with the bulk of activity 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 22-Feb-14 (Preliminary)

**U.S. fowl slaughtered domestically**

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	-----Thousands-----		
Head	1,382	1,433	2,815
Last Week	1,410	1,454	2,864
Same week yr ago	1,495	1,171	2,666
To-date/2014*	12,240	11,510	23,750
To-date/2013*	12,659	11,480	24,139

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

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	-----Thousands-----		
Head	202	0	202
Last Week	315	0	315
Same week yr ago	87	0	87
To-date/2014*	2,839	0	2,839
To-date/2013*	2,262	0	2,262

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	1,584	1,433	3,017
Last Week	1,725	1,454	3,179
Same week yr ago	1,582	1,171	2,753
To-date/2014*	15,079	11,510	26,589
To-date/2013*	14,921	11,480	26,401

\*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 Feb 15, 2014 Type	Year-To-Date*			2013
	2014	2013 /1	2014 /2	
Liquid	89	0	232	96
Frozen	0	0	0	0
Dried	0	0	122	0
Total	89	0	354	96

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

Week Ending Feb 15, 2014 Type	Year-To-Date*			2013
	2014	2013 /1	2014 /2	
Liquid	76	288	483	1,153
Frozen	44	19	296	228
Dried	0	0	0	0
Total	120	307	779	1,381

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

Week Ending Feb 15, 2014 Type	Year-To-Date*			2013
	2014	2013 /1	2014 /2	
Jumbo	0	0	0	0
Extra Large	1,290	3,290	12,270	6,050
Large	6,490	3,640	25,140	5,320
Medium	0	1,590	372	3,333
Ungraded	15,420	1,170	40,292	8,699
Misc	0	0	1,440	0
Total	23,200	9,690	79,514	23,402

/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 2 Percent from Last Year**

Shell eggs broken totaled 176 million dozen during January 2014, up 2 percent from January a year ago, and 2 percent above the 172 million broken last month.

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.

January 2013 contained 23 weekdays (including 2 holidays) and 4 Saturdays. January 2014 contained 23 weekdays (including 2 holidays) 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 02/24/14	2,627	135,519	50,871
AM 02/01/14	2,602	103,794	52,676
CHG	25	31,725	-1,805
PCT CHG	1%	31%	-3%

**WEEKLY NEW ENGLAND SHELL EGGS** February 25, 2014

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

	Extra Large	Large	Medium	Small
Maine Mostly	256 -	245 -	152 -	110 -
New Hampshire Mostly	245-249 247-248	238-242 240-241	145-149 147-148	103-107 105-106
Rhode Island Mostly	249-253 249	242-246 242	149-153 149	109-113 109
Vermont Mostly	252 -	245 -	152-153 -	- -

**CHICKENS AND EGGS****January Egg Production Up 2 Percent**

United States egg production totaled 8.21 billion during January 2014, up 2 percent from last year. Production included 7.13 billion table eggs, and 1.08 billion hatching eggs, of which 997 million were broiler-type and 78 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during January 2014 averaged 351 million, up 2 percent from last year. January egg production per 100 layers was 2,336 eggs, up slightly from January 2013.

All layers in the United States on February 1, 2014 totaled 351 million, up 2 percent from last year. The 351 million layers consisted of 294 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 53.1 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 3.23 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on February 1, 2014, averaged 74.9 eggs per 100 layers, up slightly from February 1, 2013.

**Egg-Type Chicks Hatched Up 5 Percent**

Egg-type chicks hatched during January 2014 totaled 43.9 million, up 5 percent from January 2013. Eggs in incubators totaled 39.7 million on February 1, 2014, up 3 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 270 thousand during January 2014, down 23 percent from January 2013.

Source: USDA/NASS