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## NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

New York prices are 3 cents higher on all sizes. Regional prices are steady with a firm undertone. Asking prices for next week's deliveries are trending higher. Supplies and offerings range light to moderate and are held with confidence. Retail and food service demand are moderate to good. On the West Coast, retail demand is light to mostly moderate while food service demand is moderate. Market activity is moderate, however slow to moderate in the Western region. Breaking stock offerings are light; demand is moderate to good. Light type hen offerings are sufficient for the light to mostly moderate demand.

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 higher for Extra Large and Large and 16 cents higher for Medium. Daily producer prices are 5 cents higher for Large, 6 cents higher for Medium and 3 cents higher for Small. The undertone is firm. Demand is moderate to good on light offerings. Supplies continue moderate for the larger sizes and light to moderate for Medium. Market activity is moderate. Breaking stock prices are higher. The undertone remains firm. Offerings are light on good demand. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is slow.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA-LARGE	123-132	126-129
LARGE	122-131	124-127
MEDIUM	105-114	107-110

DELIVERED TO STORE DOOR:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	130-138	131-133
LARGE	128-136	129-131
MEDIUM	111-119	112-114

### IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN

PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
LARGE	119-129	123
MEDIUM	103-107	105
SMALL	65-71	

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 15 cents higher for Extra Large and Large, 17 cents higher for Medium. The undertone is higher. Demand remains moderate to good. Offerings are light and confidently held, while supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is moderate. All breaking stock prices are higher with a firm undertone. Offerings are light on good demand. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is slow.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	135.5-144	137-140
LARGE	133.5-142	135-138
MEDIUM	113.5-122	115-118

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

**SOUTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices are steady. The undertone is higher. Asking prices are trending higher on larger sizes and Mediums for next week's deliveries. Retail and distributive demand is moderate to good. Offerings and supplies are light to moderate for needs. Market activity is moderate. Eastern region breaking stock supplies are light to instances moderate; demand is moderate to good. Spent hen offerings are adequate for the light to moderate demand.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	133.5-151	135-138
LARGE	132-149	133-136
MEDIUM	112.5-130	113-117

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 firm. Supplies are more than adequate for needs and held with confidence. Offerings are light. Demand into all channels is moderate to fairly good. Market activity is moderate. Eastern region breaking stock supplies are light to at times moderate; demand is moderate to good. Offerings of light hens are sufficient for regular processing schedules.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	132-147	133-136
LARGE	127-141	132-136
MEDIUM	107-120	112-114

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

**NEW YORK** Prices are 3 cents higher on Extra Large, Large and Medium. The undertone is firm. Supplies are mostly moderate. Offerings are light. Demand is moderate to fairly good. Market activity is moderate.

DELIVERED TO STORE DOOR:	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	156-160
LARGE	154-158
MEDIUM	137-141

**WESTERN** Prices are steady. Asking prices for next week are unchanged for Jumbo, 19 cents higher for Extra Large, 17 cents higher for Large and 16 cents higher for Medium and Small. Offerings are light to moderate and confidently held. Retail demand is light to mostly moderate. Food service demand is moderate. Supplies are mixed. Market activity is moderate.

**CALIFORNIA** Benchmark prices are steady. Asking prices for next week are unchanged on Jumbo, 19 cents higher for Extra Large, 17 cents higher for Large and 16 cents higher for Medium and Small. Trade sentiment is firm. Offerings are light to moderate and held with confidence. Retail demand is light to mostly moderate with food service demand moderate. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. Small benchmark price \$1.31.

**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	185
EXTRA LARGE	174
LARGE	169
MEDIUM	151

**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	167-179
EXTRA LARGE	152-164
LARGE	146-158
MEDIUM	131-139

**WEEKLY NATIONAL EGG PRODUCTS**

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

**LIQUID EGGS**

Liquid whole egg and white prices are sharply higher with yolk too few to report. Trade sentiment is higher for whole egg and whites and steady for yolk. Offerings are very light to non-existent for whole egg and whites and moderate to available for yolk. Potential buyers continue to bid higher prices for whole egg and whites with very limited success seen in procuring additional product. Demand is good to very for whole egg and whites and light to moderate for yolk. Market activity is slow.

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	87.00 - 100.00	4	91.75	75.00 - 80.50	9	78.06	19	73.61
Whites	103.00 - 127.00	3	113.33	95.00 - 113.00	16	103.94	42	97.55
Yolk	TFEWR			TFEWR			6	57.17

**FROZEN EGGS**

Frozen whole egg and white prices are higher with sugared yolk prices mixed and salted yolk steady. Trade sentiment remains higher for frozen whole egg and whites and steady to occasionally lower on frozen yolk products. Demand is good for whole egg and whites and light to moderate for frozen yolk products. Offerings are light to short of needs for whole egg and whites and moderate for yolk. Supplies are very light for whole egg and whites and moderate to occasionally heavy for sugared and salted yolk. Market activity is slow to 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	100.00 - 110.00	101.00 - 107.00	95.00 - 99.00	96.00 - 98.00	90.50	85.30
Whites	120.00 - 135.00	125.00 - 130.00	117.00 - 128.00	125.00 - 127.00	119.75	112.70
Sugar Yolk <sup>1/</sup>	77.00 - 82.00	78.00 - 80.00	76.00 - 83.00	78.00 - 83.00	82.13	84.60
Salt Yolk <sup>1/</sup>	74.00 - 79.00	76.00 - 78.00	74.00 - 79.00	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	103.00 - 110.00		94.00 - 96.00		91.50	87.70
Whites	120.00 - 135.00		118.00 - 130.00		118.75	114.90
Sugar Yolk <sup>1/</sup>	80.00 - 85.00		80.00 - 85.00		85.50	88.50
Salt Yolk <sup>1/</sup>	80.00 - 85.00		80.00 - 85.00		85.50	88.50

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

Dried egg prices are higher on whole and albumen, steady on yolk and steady to lower on blends. The undertone is higher on whole and albumen and steady on yolk and blends. Offerings are light as demand continues fairly good for whole, very good for albumen and light to moderate for yolks and blends. Trading is centered on contractual commitments and albumen LTL orders. Floor stocks remain very light on albumen, light on whole and moderate on the balance. 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	3.30 - 3.80	3.35 - 3.40	3.18 - 3.65	3.25 - 3.30	3.13	3.11
Yolk	1.45 - 1.70	1.55 - 1.60	1.45 - 1.70	1.55 - 1.60	1.60	1.71
Albumen <sup>2/</sup>	9.63 - 12.05	10.00 - 10.25	9.60 - 10.50	9.90 - 10.10	9.18	8.54
Blends <sup>3/</sup>	2.60 - 2.75	2.65 - 2.70	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 15-Mar-2014 (Lbs. In Thousands) (Excludes Ingredients)

Total Production	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CW	1,405,991	29,670	16,899	8,756	2,882	4,363
PW	1,385,984	29,647	15,967	8,162	3,058	4,266
LY	1,341,202	32,258	13,224	7,236	1,982	4,308
% PW	1%	0%	6%	7%	-6%	2%
% LY	5%	-8%	28%	21%	45%	1%
2014	15,049,809	326,992	174,050	87,762	31,965	46,924
2013	14,866,714	347,926	153,351	78,179	30,678	48,532
% YTD	1%	-6%	13%	12%	4%	-3%

CW PW LY

Average Yield Per Case - (inedible included) 42.45 41.88 42.52

Average Yield Per Case - (inedible excluded) 39.35 38.80 39.31

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	839,668	59.7%	19,102	64.4%
PREVIOUS WEEK	863,933	62.3%	19,792	66.8%
LAST YEAR	787,534	58.7%	19,996	62.0%

**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** All prices are higher. The undertone remains firm. Demand is good on light offerings. Supplies are light to moderate. Schedules are full-time to reduced. Market activity is slow.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	109-112	
CHECKS	92-101	92-98
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 on breaking stock, checks and undergrades. Supplies are light to instances moderate for trade needs. Offerings continue light. Demand is moderate to good. Market activity is slow. Cases broken under federal inspection in the Eastern region for week ending 15-Mar-2014 increased 5 percent from last week and 4 percent from the same week last year.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	104-113	107-112
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	91-98	-
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 March 14, 2014 - March 20, 2014

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

**CURRENT LOADS 130.00 FUTURE LOADS 32.75 TOTAL LOADS 162.75**

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	112.00	123.00	113.75	115.25	87.92	--	29.00	GNR W 1	--	124.33	--	--	--	--	3.00
GNR BR 1	--	198.00	--	--	--	--	1.00	GL W J	124.00	128.00	--	--	--	147.00	7.00
GL W J	--	--	127.00	129.00	120.00	--	7.00	GL W XL	137.33	147.75	--	160.00	--	151.17	27.00
GL W XL	--	148.40	126.00	128.49	129.89	--	41.50	GL W LG	118.50	137.00	--	--	135.00	144.70	38.00
GL W LG	127.50	142.00	118.90	121.00	132.31	--	51.75	GL W MD	113.00	127.50	113.00	120.83	--	125.28	14.75
GL W MD	--	--	102.82	103.09	108.22	118.25	21.25	GL BR XL	--	--	--	--	178.00	187.00	.25
GL W SM	79.00	84.00	--	--	--	--	3.00	GL BR LG	--	202.50	--	--	178.00	184.20	5.25
GL BR LG	--	--	168.00	170.00	198.50	--	5.00								
GL BR MD	--	--	94.00	100.00	--	--	1.00								
NRBS - 48	--	--	117.33	--	96.50	125.50	14.00								

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	134.50	134.00	113.00
SOUTHEAST	136.50	134.50	115.00
MIDWEST	127.50	125.50	108.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	138.50	136.50	116.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	134.42	132.77	113.38

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 moderate to heavy. Processing schedules increased slightly due to some Saturday operations. Movement of finished product sales is moderate. Market activity is moderate. The majority price for removal costs continues unchanged at 0-7 cents per head. Feature activity is light 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 15-Mar-14 (Preliminary)

**U.S. fowl slaughtered domestically**

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	-----Thousands-----		
Head	1,669	1,579	3,248
Last Week	1,268	1,344	2,612
Same week yr ago	1,438	1,333	2,771
To-date/2014*	16,688	15,927	32,615
To-date/2013*	16,897	15,426	32,323

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

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	-----Thousands-----		
Head	326	0	326
Last Week	280	0	280
Same week yr ago	373	0	373
To-date/2014*	3,540	0	3,540
To-date/2013*	3,426	0	3,426

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	1,995	1,579	3,574
Last Week	1,548	1,344	2,892
Same week yr ago	1,811	1,333	3,144
To-date/2014*	20,228	15,927	36,155
To-date/2013*	20,323	15,426	35,749

\*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 Mar 8, 2014	Year-To-Date*			
Type	2014	2013 /1	2014 /2	2013
Liquid	45	48	804	289
Frozen	0	0	0	0
Dried	36	0	158	16
Total	81	48	962	305

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

Week Ending Mar 8, 2014	Year-To-Date*			
Type	2014	2013 /1	2014 /2	2013
Liquid	14	273	964	2,083
Frozen	22	14	367	301
Dried	0	0	46	0
Total	36	287	1,377	2,384

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

Week Ending Mar 8, 2014	Year-To-Date*			
Type	2014	2013 /1	2014 /2	2013
Jumbo	0	0	0	0
Extra Large	1,500	2,670	20,928	12,110
Large	42,850	5,100	95,820	17,810
Medium	0	840	1,752	6,453
Ungraded	25,368	1,500	100,772	11,069
Misc	720	0	5,160	0
Total	70,438	10,110	224,432	47,442

/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

**WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS** – Selected Centers

	(INCL. GOV'T STOCKS)		(IN THOUSANDS)
	Frozen	Processed	Processed Other
	Eggs LBS	Turkeys LBS	Poultry LBS
AM 03/17/14	2,635	143,517	51,963
AM 03/01/14	2,627	135,519	50,871
CHG	8	7998	1092
PCT CHG	0%	6%	2%

**WEEKLY NEW ENGLAND SHELL EGGS** March 18, 2014

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

	Extra Large	Large	Medium	Small
Maine	235	229	152	110
Mostly	-	-	-	-
New Hampshire	223-227	217-221	145-149	103-107
Mostly	225-226	219-220	147-148	105-106
Rhode Island	224-228	218-222	151-155	109-113
Mostly	224	218	151	109
Vermont	235	229-230	152-153	-
Mostly	-	-	-	-

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

United States egg production totaled 7.36 billion during February 2014, up 2 percent from last year. Production included 6.40 billion table eggs, and 968 million hatching eggs, of which 899 million were broiler-type and 69 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during February 2014 averaged 350 million, up 1 percent from last year. February egg production per 100 layers was 2,104 eggs, up 1 percent from February 2013.

All layers in the United States on March 1, 2014 totaled 350 million, up 1 percent from last year. The 350 million layers consisted of 294 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 52.9 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 3.02 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on March 1, 2014, averaged 75.3 eggs per 100 layers, up 1 percent from March 1, 2013.

**Egg-Type Chicks Hatched Up Slightly**

Egg-type chicks hatched during February 2014 totaled 40.4 million, up slightly from February 2013. Eggs in incubators totaled 38.5 million on March 1, 2014, down 7 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 226 thousand during February 2014, up 1 percent from February 2013.

Source: USDA/NASS

**MONTHLY COLD STORAGE REPORT**

Commodity	Jan-31	Jan-31	Feb-28	Feb-28	February 28, 2014 as a Percent of	
	2013	2014	2013	2014	Feb-28 2013	Jan-31 2014
Frozen Egg			(1,000 pounds)		(percent)	
Whites	3,225	4,099	2,934	4,473	152%	109%
Yolks	2,473	2,176	2,229	1,727	77%	79%
Whole and mixed	8,271	12,367	7,988	12,171	152%	98%
Unclassified	15,690	16,045	15,469	16,265	105%	101%
<b>Total Frozen Eggs</b>						
Source: USDA/NASS	29,659	34,687	28,620	34,636	121%	100%