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NATIONAL EGG REVIEW

This week in New York, egg prices are sharply lower. Earlier in the week, regional asking prices were steady for the heavier weight eggs and lower for the lighter weights. Next week's regional asking prices are trending sharply lower for all sizes. The undertone is weak to lower. Retail demand is mixed, ranging light to good. Food service is mostly light to moderate. Offerings are moderate to heavy. Supplies are in a full range of light to heavy. Market activity is slow to moderate. Breaking stock prices are lower with a lower undertone. Demand is light to moderate on moderate offerings. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is slow. National light type hen removal costs are trending steady for the light to moderate demand. Offerings are moderate to heavy. Processing schedules are full-time to reduced. Market activity is slow to 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	159-168	161-164	133-142	135-138
NORTHEAST	159-173	164-168	134-147	139-141
SOUTH CENTRAL	172.5-181	174-177	147.5-156	149-152
SOUTHEAST	165-182	166-169	142-165	144-148

WEEKLY COMBINED REGIONAL

4/11/14

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	167.00	166.00	146.00
SOUTHEAST	169.50	167.50	150.00
MIDWEST	164.50	162.50	145.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	175.50	175.50	158.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	169.45	168.27	150.44

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

IA-MN-WI	4/15/14	4/08/14	4/16/13
LARGE	133-143	141-151	59-69
MEDIUM	104-108	122-126	56-60

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)

April 14, 2014		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
Jumbo	This Week	11.0	10.6	18.4	8.8	20.5	3.3	72.5
	% Change	-9.0%	-2.0%	-7.7%	-18.5%	2.6%	-2.4%	-5.7%
Extra Large	This Week	33.3	20.2	35.8	15.5	43.7	5.4	153.9
	% Change	-9.0%	-10.2%	-1.2%	-4.5%	-19.1%	-35.7%	-11.5%
Large	This Week	58.5	113.8	132.7	84.2	69.1	64.0	522.4
	% Change	-16.4%	-10.4%	-26.1%	-25.2%	-24.2%	-14.1%	-20.2%
Medium	This Week	14.4	17.9	38.9	25.9	38.8	13.3	149.2
	% Change	17.1%	-10.6%	4.0%	-11.5%	-3.8%	7.7%	-1.6%
Small	This Week	3.1	1.5	1.7	3.2	0.8	2.6	12.9
	% Change	33.6%	-42.1%	-27.2%	-19.3%	-17.0%	40.5%	-8.1%
Miscellaneous	This Week	2.4	13.5	26.4	14.3	8.2	1.9	66.6
	% Change	-13.5%	10.9%	9.5%	-4.6%	8.0%	6.0%	5.1%
Ungraded	This Week	11.4	8.6	61.1	18.1	12.4	14.5	126.0
	% Change	-9.6%	19.8%	2.3%	-4.4%	-43.2%	3.4%	-6.1%
Total Shell Egg	This Week	134.1	186.0	315.0	170.1	193.4	105.0	1,103.5
	% Change	-9.8%	-8.0%	-12.3%	-17.8%	-18.0%	-9.7%	-13.0%

Totals	Cases	Percent Change
Shell Egg	1,103.5	-13.0%
Breaking Stock	239.2	8.7%
Total Shell Egg	1,342.7	-9.8%

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	8.7	23.6	7.1	3.4	5.7	0.5	48.9
	% Change	-5.9%	-17.4%	8.6%	51.6%	-1.6%	-11.8%	-7.5%
Ungraded	This Week	0.0	4.3	21.3	6.3	4.8	1.3	38.0
	% Change	0.0%	51.6%	-3.5%	-13.4%	50.2%	56.5%	5.0%
Total Specialty	This Week	8.7	27.9	28.3	9.6	10.5	1.8	86.9
	% Change	-5.9%	-11.2%	-0.8%	1.8%	16.8%	30.9%	-2.5%

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

Large:	19.5%
Ungraded:	71.0%
Total:	42.0%

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 12-Apr-2014	(Lbs. in Thousands)		(Excludes Ingredients)			
Total Production	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CW	1,397,434	29,516	16,646	8,456	2,559	4,226
PW	1,454,003	32,727	16,628	7,941	2,312	4,510
LY	1,458,686	33,331	15,648	7,873	3,049	4,681
% PW	-4%	-10%	0%	6%	11%	-6%
% LY	-4%	-11%	6%	7%	-16%	-10%
2014	20,685,665	450,065	239,093	120,256	41,671	64,470
2013	20,453,901	476,573	211,640	108,082	40,590	66,304
% YTD	1%	-6%	13%	11%	3%	-3%
				CW	PW	LY
Average Yield Per Case - (inedible included)				42.11	42.51	42.18
Average Yield Per Case - (inedible excluded)				39.08	39.41	38.98

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	839,531	60.1%	19,269	65.3%
PREVIOUS WEEK	874,090	60.1%	21,569	65.9%
LAST YEAR	886,187	60.8%	21,824	65.5%

BROILER HATCHERY

State	Broiler-Type Eggs Set, 19 Selected States		Broiler-Type Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States	
	Week Ending			
	APR 05, 2014	APR 12, 2013	APR 05, 2014	APR 12, 2013
	(1,000 eggs)		(1,000 chicks)	
AL.....	28,725	28,597	21,282	21,290
AR.....	20,567	20,736	18,730	20,844
DE.....	4,446	4,548	4,646	4,899
FL.....	1,176	1,222	1,333	1,358
GA.....	34,270	34,016	26,753	26,991
KY.....	7,793	7,667	6,524	6,010
LA.....	3,772	3,832	3,361	3,359
MD.....	7,753	7,776	6,156	5,718
MS.....	17,773	17,689	14,995	14,273
MO.....	7,737	8,175	5,748	5,231
NC.....	20,529	20,616	16,040	16,448
OK.....	6,719	6,661	4,653	2,878
PA.....	4,293	4,340	3,706	3,504
SC.....	4,958	5,129	4,897	4,165
TX.....	14,960	14,717	11,796	11,886
VA.....	6,672	6,668	5,581	5,169
CA, TN, & WV.....	11,327	11,647	10,016	9,613
19 State Total.....	203,470	204,036	166,217	163,636
Percent of Prev. Year	101	101	100	99
Other States	8,036	8,209	5,508	5,847
United States	211,506	212,245	171,725	169,483
Percent of Prev. Year	101	101	100	99

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 24-May-14 is estimated at 151.8 million head. This compares to 151.8 million head the previous week and to 154.9 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 157.5 million head and the national weighted average price was 107.02 cents per pound.

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

National Trading for Apr 10, 2014- Apr 16, 2014 (Cents/Dozen)							
Courtesy of U.S.D.A. Federal/State Market News							
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
	SE		NE		MW		
							132.25
GNR W 1	125.00	136.00	120.00	125.00	125.00	--	19.00
GL W J	--	--	126.50	128.50	102.24	--	9.25
GL W XL	--	116.00	126.67	132.11	108.41	135.00	24.50
GL W LG	--	183.00	130.33	131.47	115.48	139.00	54.25
GL W MD	83.00	--	101.00	100.69	89.14	--	17.00
GL W SM	--	--	86.00	83.50	76.75	--	3.00
GL BR J	--	--	142.00	144.00	103.75	--	1.25
GL BR LG	--	134.00	130.00	--	--	--	1.00
NRBS - 50	--	--	--	120.60	--	--	1.25
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	124.00	117.80	115.00	8.00
NRBS - 45	--	--	--	107.00	--	--	.25
NRBS - 39	--	--	--	--	--	103.00	5.00

TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS

Week Ending 12-Apr-2014 (Preliminary)						
	-----Young turkeys-----			Old Breeders	Total turkeys	
	-Thousand Head-	Pct Chg Prev wk	Avg Live wt		--Thousand head--	Avg Live wt
North East	574	10	25.73	(A)	574	25.73
South Atlantic	482	-22	40.98	(A)	482	40.98
North Central	2,124	-6	31.67	(A)	2,137	31.67
South Central	760	31	20.65	(A)	764	20.65
West	268	-4	22.87	(A)	268	22.87
U.S. total	4,208 (B)	-1	31.03	17	4,225	31.03
To-date						
2014*	59,349 (B)			85	59,434	
To-date						
2013*	62,934 (B)			214	63,148	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.
 (B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 13,000; for the current year to date* 284,000; for last year to date* 396,000.

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

Week Ending 12-Apr-2014 (Preliminary)					
	Young		Breeders		Total Turkeys
	Hens	Toms	Young	Old	
	-----Thousands-----				
Head	1,797	2,398	13	17	4,225
Avg Wt	17.03	41.57	28.30	27.15	31.03
Last week	1,720	2,523	16	0	4,259
Same wk yr ago	1,761	2,534	36	4	4,335
Avg Wt	16.96	41.31	25.75	30.57	31.28
To-date/2014*	24,690	34,375	284	85	59,434
To-date/2013*	25,149	37,389	396	214	63,148
% Change YTD	-2%	-8%	-28%	-60%	-6%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	24,482	79,748	283	355	104,868
Last week	23,667	83,965	329	0	107,961
Same wk yr ago	23,893	83,744	714	94	108,445
To-date/2014*	337,045	1,151,063	6,523	1,853	1,496,484
To-date/2013*	344,882	1,220,076	8,047	4,638	1,577,643
% Change YTD	-2%	-6%	-19%	-60%	-5%

Dressing %	80.0%	80.0%	77.0%	77.0%	

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

WEEKLY POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

(Preliminary) Week ending 12-Apr-2014

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
----- Thousands -----					
Head	154,712	1,620	1,408	3,028	552
Avg Wt	5.91	3.12	8.20	5.48	6.31
Last week	155,489	1,725	1,592	3,317	451
Same wk yr ago	154,212	1,967	1,431	3,398	390
Avg Wt	5.81	3.01	8.08	5.15	6.52
To-date/2014*	2,264,237	22,657	21,800	44,457	6,705
To-date/2013*	2,274,583	23,825	20,629	44,454	5,937
% Change YTD	0%	-5%	6%	0%	13%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	694,904	2,780	7,909	10,689	2,473
Last week	688,941	2,980	9,480	12,460	2,222
Same wk yr ago	680,939	3,197	7,862	11,059	1,805
To-date/2014*	10,024,914	39,222	122,120	161,342	31,588
To-date/2013*	10,058,003	40,735	108,693	149,428	28,610
% Change YTD	0%	-4%	12%	8%	10%

Dressing % 76.0% 55.0% 68.5% 71.0%

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 154.1 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 156.6 million head, or 2.5 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
3/8	151.6	154.5	98%	5.65
3/15	156.3	154.8	101%	5.71
3/22	153.8	153.4	100%	5.81
3/29	152.7	153.8	99%	5.60
4/5	157.4	153.3	103%	5.83
4/12	156.6	154.1	102%	5.91
Year to date	2291.8	2289.6	100%	
4/19		153.0		
4/26		152.0		

*Based on chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier.

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

Week Ending 19-Apr-2014

Class	Current Week 4/19/2014 (1)	Previous Week 4/12/2014
Broiler/fryer	150,686 (2)	156,422
Light hens	1,537	1,732
Heavy hens	1,504	1,535
Total	153,727	159,689

(1) Estimated

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 19-Apr-14 is 157.3 million head compared to 156.1 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 151.0 million head or -6.3 million less than estimated available. For the week of 26-Apr-14 the estimated available is 152.5 million head.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS – Selected Centers

(INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	Frozen Eggs LBS	Processed Turkeys LBS	Processed Other Poultry LBS
AM 04/14/14	2,643	141,916	51,249
AM 04/01/14	2,627	144,835	51,617
CHG	16	-2919	-368
PCT CHG	1%	-2%	-1%

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS Frozen Grade A basted equivalent processor offering prices on a national basis for hens 100.00-109.00 cents f.o.b. and 16-24 lb. toms 99.00-109.00 cents f.o.b. for current shipments.

NATIONAL FOWL MARKETS

11-Apr-2014

Live Spent Heavy

Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading: Price Range 11.0-23.0 Wtd Avg 14.16
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 continues 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

11-Apr-2014

National Composite Weighted Average

	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.
This Week:	108.88	↑ 0.37	11,323
Last Week:	108.51		11,672
Last Year:	106.94	↑ 1.94	11,664

Monthly Composite Weighted Average

Mar	106.26	47,467
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	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
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NEW YORK

Whole Body:	100.00 - 113.00	107.00 - 111.00	108.54	1,389
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CHICAGO

Whole Body:	98.00 - 119.25	102.00 - 107.00	106.28	1,950
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LOS ANGELES

Whole Body:	99.00 - 124.00	112.00 - 118.00	114.51	1,484
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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.

