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NATIONAL EGG REVIEW

This week, New York egg prices remain unchanged for Extra Large and Large, 1 cent higher for Medium. Earlier in the week, regional asking prices were sharply lower for the larger sizes and steady to lower for the lighter weights. Next week's regional asking prices are trending higher for Jumbos and Mediums, steady to higher for Extra Large, and steady for Large. The undertone is steady to higher. Demand ranges light to fairly good, varying by region. Export demand into Mexico has improved. Offerings are moderate to instances light. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. Breaking stock prices are steady to higher with checks and undergrades steady. The undertone is steady to fully steady. Offerings are moderate for the moderate to fairly good demand. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. National light type hen removal costs are trending steady for the mostly moderate demand. Offerings are moderate for current trade requirements. Processing schedules are full-time. 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	106-115	108-111	95-104	97-100
NORTHEAST	109-123	114-118	97-110	102-104
SOUTH CENTRAL	117.5-126	119-122	103.5-112	105-108
SOUTHEAST	112-134	113-116	105.5-123	106-110

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

IA-MN-WI	4/29/14	4/22/14	4/30/13
LARGE	88-98	97-107	60-70
MEDIUM	77-81	77-81	56-60

WEEKLY COMBINED REGIONAL

4/25/14

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	129.00	128.00	103.00
SOUTHEAST	129.50	127.50	108.00
MIDWEST	123.50	121.50	98.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	134.50	134.50	112.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	129.38	128.19	105.82

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 28, 2014		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
Jumbo	This Week	7.7	10.8	14.2	4.9	18.6	4.1	60.2
	% Change	-24.1%	-5.9%	-10.3%	-24.0%	1.4%	28.3%	-7.8%
Extra Large	This Week	27.0	19.3	37.8	13.1	38.2	4.6	139.9
	% Change	1.9%	-10.2%	3.9%	17.1%	18.5%	-42.4%	3.1%
Large	This Week	57.9	103.8	132.0	97.4	72.8	49.5	513.3
	% Change	28.6%	-4.2%	5.0%	37.1%	39.2%	4.5%	14.1%
Medium	This Week	14.6	18.7	34.1	25.7	39.6	11.0	143.7
	% Change	-12.1%	20.9%	0.6%	-4.0%	21.4%	-24.2%	2.7%
Small	This Week	2.1	1.3	0.9	1.6	0.8	1.7	8.5
	% Change	-28.3%	-7.6%	-59.6%	-43.8%	64.0%	-53.5%	-37.9%
Miscellaneous	This Week	2.6	17.9	26.0	14.9	7.0	2.2	70.6
	% Change	59.6%	60.8%	-9.6%	9.2%	18.0%	15.7%	12.1%
Ungraded	This Week	5.0	7.8	73.5	16.1	10.7	12.5	125.7
	% Change	-23.5%	25.9%	-2.1%	2.7%	16.8%	18.3%	1.9%
Total Shell Egg	This Week	116.8	179.6	318.4	173.7	187.7	85.7	1,061.9
	% Change	6.9%	2.3%	0.2%	17.7%	24.2%	-4.0%	7.2%

Totals	Cases	Percent Change
Shell Egg	1,061.9	7.2%
Breaking Stock	262.1	7.9%
Total Shell Egg	1,324.0	7.3%

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	8.1	23.8	7.9	4.2	6.7	2.3	52.9
	% Change	5.4%	-0.5%	23.1%	125.4%	6.4%	260.3%	13.1%
Ungraded	This Week	0.0	0.8	24.5	4.4	4.3	0.7	34.6
	% Change	0.0%	-42.7%	13.6%	-8.2%	19.0%	-53.3%	5.6%
Total Specialty	This Week	8.1	24.6	32.4	8.5	10.9	3.0	87.5
	% Change	5.4%	-2.7%	15.8%	29.2%	11.0%	38.6%	10.0%

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

Large:	20.4%
Ungraded:	76.4%
Total:	42.5%

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 26-Apr-2014	(Lbs. in Thousands)		(Excludes Ingredients)			
Total Production	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CW	1,484,309	33,048	16,663	7,990	3,216	4,450
PW	1,468,807	30,411	16,031	8,592	2,632	4,373
LY	1,433,834	33,110	15,480	7,631	3,277	4,529
% PW	1%	9%	4%	-7%	22%	2%
% LY	4%	0%	8%	5%	-2%	-2%
2014	23,638,781	513,524	271,787	136,839	47,518	73,293
2013	23,322,738	542,122	243,161	123,910	46,915	75,216
% YTD	1%	-5%	12%	10%	1%	-3%
			CW	PW	LY	
Average Yield Per Case - (inedible included)			41.87	40.45	42.37	
Average Yield Per Case - (inedible excluded)			38.87	37.47	39.21	

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	895,514	60.3%	22,087	66.8%
PREVIOUS WEEK	876,871	59.7%	17,968	59.1%
LAST YEAR	854,104	59.6%	20,434	61.7%

BROILER HATCHERY

State	Broiler-Type Eggs Set, 19 Selected States		Broiler-Type Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States	
	Week Ending			
	APR 19, 2014	APR 26, 2013	APR 19, 2014	APR 26, 2013
	(1,000 eggs)		(1,000 chicks)	
AL.....	28,954	28,643	21,705	21,407
AR.....	20,874	20,618	18,866	19,762
DE.....	4,727	4,487	5,277	4,611
FL.....	1,225	1,225	1,274	1,226
GA.....	33,626	33,984	26,660	26,992
KY.....	7,994	7,388	6,095	6,386
LA.....	3,802	3,394	3,376	3,364
MD.....	7,867	7,883	5,783	6,094
MS.....	17,559	17,497	14,822	15,075
MO.....	8,303	8,344	6,529	5,006
NC.....	20,513	20,534	16,406	16,139
OK.....	6,649	6,680	3,701	4,055
PA.....	4,375	4,359	3,504	3,612
SC.....	5,137	5,256	4,085	4,784
TX.....	15,029	14,924	11,211	11,901
VA.....	6,621	6,620	4,946	5,391
CA, TN, & WV.....	11,494	11,148	9,837	10,603
19 State Total.....	204,749	202,984	164,077	166,408
Percent of Prev. Year	102	101	99	100
Other States	8,170	8,216	6,198	6,026
United States	212,919	211,200	170,275	172,434
Percent of Prev. Year	102	101	99	101
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 07-Jun-14 is estimated at 152.1 million head. This compares to 150.9 million head the previous week and to 155.0 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 158.9 million head and the national weighted average price was 111.12 cents per pound.

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

National Trading for Apr 24, 2014- Apr 30, 2014 (Cents/Dozen)							
Courtesy of U.S.D.A. Federal/State Market News							
Current Loads		217.75	Future Loads		16.75	Total Loads	234.50
		SE	NE		MW		
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	89.00	--	90.60	91.67	--	--	7.00
GL W J	--	--	103.50	105.50	107.10	--	7.00
GL W XL	101.00	108.27	101.84	105.70	100.80	106.88	64.25
GL W LG	105.00	101.00	93.02	94.20	96.24	95.98	105.25
GL W MD	--	--	89.00	83.33	87.57	87.69	14.00
GL W SM	76.67	79.67	73.50	76.00	--	--	5.00
GL BR XL	--	--	--	--	126.00	--	.50
GL BR LG	--	--	115.00	117.00	117.50	110.00	4.00
NRBS - 48	--	--	93.00	100.67	--	--	6.00
NRBS - 45	--	--	93.00	98.00	91.91	96.41	17.00
NRBS - 42	--	--	--	--	85.00	--	1.00
NRBS - 39	--	--	--	--	81.67	81.00	4.00
NRBS - 36	--	--	--	--	67.13	72.00	2.00

TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS

Week Ending 26-Apr-2014 (Preliminary)						
	-----Young turkeys-----			Old Breeders	Total turkeys	
	-Thousand Head-	Pct Chg	Avg		--Thousand head--	Live wt
		Prev wk	Live wt			
North East	595	22	24.99	(A)	595	24.99
South Atlantic	399	-9	37.02	(A)	399	37.02
North Central	2,097	16	32.32	(A)	2,108	32.32
South Central	827	20	20.04	(A)	831	20.04
West	286	26	25.03	(A)	286	25.03
U.S. total	4,204 (B)	15	30.47	15	4,219	30.47
To-date 2014*	67,199 (B)			101	67,300	
To-date 2013*	71,663 (B)			228	71,891	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.
 (B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 35,000; for the current year to date* 349,000; for last year to date* 422,000.

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

Week Ending 26-Apr-2014 (Preliminary)					
	Young		Breeders		Total Turkeys
	Hens	Toms	Young	Old	
-----Thousands-----					
Head	1,898	2,271	35	15	4,219
Avg Wt	17.18	41.66	26.22	28.70	30.47
Last week	1,607	2,009	30	1	3,647
Same wk yr ago	1,682	2,668	14	7	4,371
Avg Wt	16.80	40.15	28.91	26.53	31.11
To-date/2014*	28,195	38,655	349	101	67,300
To-date/2013*	28,604	42,637	422	228	71,891
% Change YTD	-1%	-9%	-17%	-56%	-6%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	26,086	75,688	707	331	102,812
Last week	22,254	62,970	581	23	85,828
Same wk yr ago	22,606	85,696	312	143	108,757
To-date/2014*	385,385	1,289,721	7,811	2,207	1,685,124
To-date/2013*	391,331	1,389,839	8,624	4,909	1,794,703
% Change YTD	-2%	-7%	-9%	-55%	-6%

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 26-Apr-2014

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
----- Thousands -----					
Head	152,222	1,407	1,456	2,863	437
Avg Wt	5.93	3.01	8.19	5.64	7.04
Last week	146,685	1,378	1,495	2,873	350
Same wk yr ago	156,038	2,061	1,470	3,531	384
Avg Wt	5.72	3.26	8.21	5.32	6.81
To-date/2014*	2,563,144	25,442	24,751	50,193	7,492
To-date/2013*	2,584,244	27,606	23,522	51,128	6,771
% Change YTD	-1%	-8%	5%	-2%	11%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	686,034	2,329	8,168	10,497	2,184
Last week	654,391	2,387	8,223	10,610	1,722
Same wk yr ago	678,328	3,628	8,207	11,835	1,857
To-date/2014*	11,365,339	43,938	138,511	182,449	35,494
To-date/2013*	11,412,334	47,205	124,544	171,749	32,665
% Change YTD	0%	-7%	11%	6%	9%

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 152.0 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 154.1 million head, or 2.1 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
3/22	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
4/19	148.5	153.0	97%	5.87
4/26	154.1	152.0	101%	5.93
Year to date	2594.4	2594.6	100%	
5/3		153.8		
5/10		154.1		

*Based on chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier.

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

Week Ending 03-May-2014

Class	Current Week 5/3/2014 (1)	Previous Week 4/26/2014
----- Thousand head -----		
Broiler/fryer	153,851 (2)	154,884
Light hens	1,939	1,274
Heavy hens	1,687	1,655
Total	157,477	157,813

(1) Estimated

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 03-May-14 is 157.3 million head compared to 157.9 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 154.2 million head or -3.1 million less than estimated available. For the week of 10-May-14 the estimated available is 154.0 million head.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS – Selected Centers

(INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	Frozen Eggs LBS	Processed Turkeys LBS	Processed Other Poultry LBS
AM 04/28/14	2,608	147,360	49,943
AM 04/01/14	2,627	144,835	51,617
CHG	-19	2525	-1674
PCT CHG	-1%	2%	-3%

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS Frozen Grade A basted equivalent processor offering prices on a national basis for hens 101.00-109.00 cents f.o.b. and 16-24 lb. toms 101.00-109.00 cents f.o.b. for current shipments.

NATIONAL FOWL MARKETS

25-Apr-2014

Live Spent Heavy

Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading: Price Range 11.0-23.0 Wtd Avg 14.17
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

25-Apr-2014

National Composite Weighted Average

	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.
This Week:	110.99	↓ 0.83	11,190
Last Week:	111.82		11,995
Last Year:	107.73	↑ 3.26	11,071

Monthly Composite Weighted Average

Month	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Mar	106.26	47,467

Price Range Majority Wtd Avg 1,000 lbs.

NEW YORK
Whole Body: 102.00 - 116.00 110.00 - 114.00 111.69 1,252

CHICAGO
Whole Body: 98.00 - 122.25 103.00 - 108.00 107.65 2,265

LOS ANGELES
Whole Body: 108.00 - 129.00 109.00 - 116.00 114.12 1,414

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.

