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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Regional prices are 9 cents higher on Jumbo, 1 to 5 cents higher on the remaining sizes. New York prices are 1 cent higher. The undertone is steady to firm. Offerings and supplies are light to moderate. Retail and food service demand is light to moderate, while moderate to fairly good for distributive demand in the Midwest and Western regions. Market activity is moderate to at times slow. Breaking stock supplies are moderate; demand is moderate to good. Light type hen offerings are moderate to heavy for the light to 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 are 3 cents higher on all sizes. Daily producer prices are 1 cent higher for Large and Medium. The undertone is fully steady to firm. Retail demand is light to moderate. Food service demand is moderate to fairly good. Offerings and supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is moderate. Breaking stock prices are higher. The undertone is fully steady. Offerings are moderate on fairly good demand. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is moderate.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA-LARGE	110-119	113-116
LARGE	109-118	111-114
MEDIUM	99-108	101-104

DELIVERED TO STORE DOOR:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	117-125	118-120
LARGE	115-123	116-118
MEDIUM	105-113	106-108

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN

PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
LARGE	92-102	96
MEDIUM	82-86	84
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 4 cents higher for Extra Large, 3 cents higher for Large, and 5 cents higher for Medium. The undertone is steady to fully steady. Demand is mostly moderate on light to moderate offerings. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is moderate. All breaking stock prices are higher. The undertone is fully steady. Demand is fairly good for the moderate offerings. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is moderate.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	122.5-131	124-127
LARGE	120.5-129	122-125
MEDIUM	109.5-118	111-114

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

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Prices are 2 to 3 cents higher for Extra Large, up 1 to 1.5 cents for Large and Mediums. The undertone is firm. Retail and food service demand is generally moderate. Offerings and supplies are moderate for seasonal trade requirements. Market activity is moderate. Eastern region breaking stock supplies are adequate; demand is moderate to good. Light type fowl offerings are moderate to heavy for increased processing schedules due to some Saturday operations.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	116.5-136	118-121
LARGE	113.5-130	116-119
MEDIUM	108-124	109-113

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

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices are 3 cents higher on Extra Large and Large, 2 cents higher on Medium. Trade sentiment is steady. Supplies vary, but are mostly moderate for needs. Offerings and demand are light to moderate. Market activity is moderate. Breaking stock offering in the Eastern region are light to moderate for the moderate to good demand. Light type hen demand is light to moderate; offerings are moderate to heavy for current processing schedules

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	118-135	121-124
LARGE	112-126	117-121
MEDIUM	100-113	105-107

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

NEW YORK Prices of Medium and larger sized eggs are 1 cent higher. Trade sentiment is mostly steady. Supplies are mixed but usually moderate for needs. Offerings are light to moderate. Demand is light to instances moderate. Market activity is moderate.

DELIVERED TO STORE DOOR:	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	128-132
LARGE	126-130
MEDIUM	114-118

WESTERN Prices are 9 cents higher for Jumbo and 3 cents higher for Extra Large, Large, Medium and Small. Trade sentiment is steady. Retail demand is moderate with food service movement moderate to fairly good. Offerings and supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow.

CALIFORNIA Benchmark prices are 9 cents higher for Jumbo and 3 cents higher on all other sizes. The undertone is steady. Retail demand is moderate with food service movement moderate to fairly good. Offerings and supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow. Small benchmark price $1.24.

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	170
EXTRA LARGE	162
LARGE	155
MEDIUM	144

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY:

Stocks on Hand Available for Marketing (30-dozen cases in thousands) 1/
(Includes Conventional and Specialty)

		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
Jumbo	This Week	**6.4**	**10.4**	**12.2**	**6.6**	**20.5**	**3.5**	**59.5**
	% Change	-2.8%	-1.6%	-19.5%	-1.5%	3.0%	5.1%	-4.3%
Extra Large	This Week	**20.0**	**19.0**	**32.2**	**17.7**	**39.6**	**4.7**	**133.1**
	% Change	-10.0%	-0.8%	-26.3%	8.3%	-7.6%	-13.3%	-11.1%
Large	This Week	**57.0**	**118.5**	**94.7**	**94.8**	**79.4**	**39.6**	**484.0**
	% Change	-1.7%	9.8%	-26.9%	-8.4%	-2.1%	-8.2%	-7.5%
Medium	This Week	**15.2**	**16.7**	**39.3**	**23.1**	**35.7**	**10.2**	**140.2**
	% Change	-9.1%	-1.1%	8.9%	-0.5%	-4.7%	22.8%	1.1%
Small	This Week	**3.6**	**1.7**	**2.1**	**3.0**	**1.2**	**0.9**	**12.5**
	% Change	30.1%	-25.0%	57.1%	40.0%	0.9%	-39.3%	12.2%
Miscellaneous	This Week	**3.9**	**10.7**	**22.1**	**12.6**	**6.8**	**1.8**	**57.8**
	% Change	13.5%	5.9%	-21.3%	-9.9%	3.7%	-10.8%	-9.8%
Ungraded	This Week	**2.9**	**11.5**	**67.6**	**8.2**	**15.6**	**9.5**	**115.2**
	% Change	-51.7%	-4.1%	-5.3%	-37.9%	9.4%	-8.1%	-9.3%
Total Shell Egg	This Week	**108.9**	**188.4**	**270.2**	**166.0**	**198.6**	**70.2**	**1,002.2**
	% Change	-5.8%	5.3%	-17.0%	-7.3%	-2.2%	-5.1%	**-6.9%**

Totals	Cases	Percent Change
Shell Egg	1,002.2	-6.9%
Breaking Stock	271.0	2.1%
Total Shell Egg	**1,273.2**	**-5.1%**

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	8.0	23.4	7.7	2.6	5.4	0.5	**47.6**
	% Change	3.4%	-2.0%	4.8%	-28.1%	-25.1%	-13.8%	-5.5%
Ungraded	This Week	0.0	1.4	21.9	3.5	2.4	5.7	**34.9**
	% Change	0.0%	4.4%	0.4%	-7.1%	-48.4%	74.8%	0.1%
Total Specialty	This Week	**8.0**	**24.9**	**29.5**	**6.2**	**7.8**	**6.2**	**82.6**
	% Change	**3.4%**	**-1.7%**	**1.5%**	**-17.4%**	**-34.3%**	**61.4%**	**-3.2%**

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

Large:	**20.1%**
Ungraded:	**73.7%**
Total:	**42.8%**

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 May 16, 2014 will increase by 0 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending May 09, 2014 were 180,212 cases which was 3 percent above the prior week and 3 percent above estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week	137,334	42,878	180,212
% change from the prior week	+22	-31	+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

All prices are higher. Trade sentiment is fully steady. Offerings are moderate on fairly good demand. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is 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	103-105	
Checks	85-96	87-92

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 Apr 28, 2014

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

GRADE A	EX LRG	LRG	MED	SMALL
	Unavailable			

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

GRADE A	EX LRG	LRG	MED	SMALL
	1.90	1.90	1.74	1.26

DAILY WEIGHTED AVERAGE TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES

(Cents/Doz.)
National Trading for May 9, 2014
Courtesy of U.S.D.A. Federal/State Market News

CURRENT LOADS 35.00 FUTURE LOADS 3.00 TOTAL LOADS 38.00

	SE		NE		MW		
CLASS	**ORG**	**DST**	**ORG**	**DST**	**ORG**	**DST**	**LOADS**
GNR W 1	92.00	--	--	95.00	--	--	1.00
GL W J	--	--	109.00	111.00	113.00	--	3.00
GL W XL	105.33	110.50	109.00	115.98	104.86	109.00	15.00
GL W LG	--	--	--	--	103.29	--	6.50
GL W MD	--	--	87.00	90.00	95.00	--	2.00
GL W SM	82.00	--	--	--	--	--	1.00
NRBS - 45	--	--	--	--	98.50	103.00	5.00

	SC		NW		SW		
CLASS	**ORG**	**DST**	**ORG**	**DST**	**ORG**	**DST**	**LOADS**
GL W J	--	117.00	--	--	--	141.00	2.00
GL W XL	105.00	114.33	--	--	--	121.08	7.75
GL W LG	100.00	110.00	--	--	--	116.93	6.50
GL W MD	--	--	--	--	109.00	110.00	2.00
GL BR XL	--	--	--	--	131.00	135.00	.75
GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	131.00	135.00	.75

DAILY 5-DAY WEIGHTED AVERAGE TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES

(Cents/Doz.)
National Trading for May 5, 2014 - May 9, 2014
Courtesy of U.S.D.A. Federal/State Market News

CURRENT LOADS 136.25 FUTURE LOADS 34.75 TOTAL LOADS 171.00

	SE		NE		MW		
CLASS	**ORG**	**DST**	**ORG**	**DST**	**ORG**	**DST**	**LOADS**
GNR W 1	92.50	--	91.00	94.25	--	--	4.00
GL W J	--	--	105.60	108.25	117.15	--	8.25
GL W XL	105.45	111.83	104.67	111.53	104.42	126.88	60.00
GL W LG	100.00	110.00	96.83	99.38	103.55	--	47.50
GL W MD	--	97.00	89.83	91.43	93.33	94.00	9.75
GL W SM	81.00	--	77.00	80.00	77.00	81.00	4.25
GL BR XL	--	--	--	--	118.00	--	.50
GL BR LG	--	--	111.50	114.50	115.50	114.00	3.00
NRBS - 50	--	--	--	--	113.00	--	1.00
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	109.00	101.00	--	13.00
NRBS - 45	--	--	96.75	--	98.50	102.83	12.00
NRBS - 39	--	--	--	102.00	90.00	87.00	3.00
NRBS - 36	--	--	--	--	--	81.00	1.00

	SC		NW		SW		
CLASS	**ORG**	**DST**	**ORG**	**DST**	**ORG**	**DST**	**LOADS**
GL W J	124.75	117.00	--	--	--	140.77	4.75
GL W XL	105.80	115.30	--	--	--	120.09	22.00
GL W LG	102.79	108.40	--	--	114.00	114.35	26.00
GL W MD	--	--	--	--	107.50	109.25	4.00
GL BR XL	--	132.00	--	--	131.00	143.00	2.25
GL BR LG	--	132.00	--	--	131.00	135.00	1.25

Weighted average prices are listed for various classes priced by origin and/or destination f or 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)

	05/05/14	04/28/14	05/06/2013
Pacific w/out Denver	36	50	67
Los Angeles	0	0	0

NORTH CAROLINA EGGS The market is higher on all sizes. Supplies are moderate. 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	141.26
Large	136.61
Medium	128.47
Small	106.00

USDA CERTIFIED ORGANIC EGGS

WHOLESALE

Organic Brown Shell Eggs in Cartons
(price cents per carton delivered to first receivers)

			Price Range	Mostly
Extra Large		doz.	261 - 360	275 - 310
	1/2	doz.	180 - 195	181 - 189
Large		doz.	230 - 350	265 - 300
	1/2	doz.	171 - 190	171 - 178

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