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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Regional prices are 2 cents higher on Jumbo, 1 to 6.5 cents higher on Extra Large, up 2 to 7.5 cents on Large, unchanged on Medium and Small. New York prices are steady on all sizes. The undertone is steady. Retail and food service demand is in a full range, mostly moderate to fairly good. Offerings are light to moderate. Supplies are light to moderate, while moderate to heavy on Medium in the Southeast region. Market activity is moderate, however slow to moderate in the Western region. Breaking stock offerings are light to moderate for the light demand. Light type 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 are 3 cents higher for Extra Large and Large, and steady for Medium. Daily producer prices are steady. The undertone is steady. Demand is moderate. Offerings are moderate. Market activity is moderate. Breaking stock prices are steady. The undertone is steady. Offerings are light to moderate on light demand. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA-LARGE	133-142	133-142
LARGE	132-141	132-141
MEDIUM	84-93	84-93

DELIVERED TO STORE DOOR:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	140-148	140-148
LARGE	138-146	138-146
MEDIUM	90-98	90-98

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN

PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
LARGE	114-124	114-124
MEDIUM	66-70	66-70
SMALL	53-59	53-59

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

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL Prices are 3 cents higher for Extra Large and Large, steady for Medium. The undertone is steady. Demand is moderate to good. Offerings are moderate. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is moderate. Breaking stock prices are steady with a steady undertone. Offerings are light to moderate on light demand. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	150.5-159	152-155
LARGE	145.5-154	147-150
MEDIUM	93.5-102	95-98

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

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Prices are 5 to 6.5 cents higher for Extra Large, up 5 to 7.5 cents on Large, Mediums unchanged. The undertone is steady. Retail demand is fairly good to good. Food service demand is moderate. Offerings are mostly moderate. Supplies are light to moderate on larger sizes, moderate to heavy on Mediums. Market activity is moderate. In the Eastern region, breaking stock supplies are moderate to available; breaking schedules are usually full-time. Light type hen offerings are sufficient for the light to moderate demand.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	143.5-165	145-148
LARGE	140.5-157	143-146
MEDIUM	92.5-110	93-97

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

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices are 3 cents higher on Extra Large and Large, unchanged on Medium. The undertone is steady. Supplies are light to moderate for current needs. Offerings are light. Demand ranges light to fairly good, mostly moderate. Market activity is moderate. Eastern region breaking stock offerings are light for a light demand. Spent hen offerings and demand are currently light to moderate.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	139-162	142-151
LARGE	133-147	138-142
MEDIUM	86-99	91-93

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

NEW YORK Extra Large, Large and Medium egg prices are all unchanged. The undertone is steady. Offerings are light. Supplies are light to moderate. Demand varies, but is mostly moderate. Market activity is moderate.

DELIVERED TO STORE DOOR:	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	147-151
LARGE	145-149
MEDIUM	98-102

WESTERN Prices are 2 cents higher for Jumbo, 1 cent higher for Extra Large, 2 cents higher for Large and unchanged on Medium and Small. Trade sentiment is steady. Offerings are light to moderate on moderate to fairly good demand. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate.

CALIFORNIA Benchmark prices are 2 cents higher for Jumbo, 1 cent higher for Extra Large, 2 cents higher for Large and unchanged for Medium and Small. The undertone is steady. Demand is moderate to fairly good on light to moderate offerings. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. Small benchmark price \$1.05.

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	182
EXTRA LARGE	187
LARGE	176
MEDIUM	125

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	10.1	9.1	13.8	9.9	22.5	3.5	68.8
	% Change	3.7%	1.9%	-6.6%	15.5%	-2.1%	0.6%	0.6%
Extra Large	This Week	28.8	24.9	29.4	17.5	34.1	4.4	139.1
	% Change	26.7%	9.6%	3.4%	2.6%	-16.7%	9.7%	2.4%
Large	This Week	50.2	104.6	111.4	76.9	79.8	47.8	470.7
	% Change	27.4%	6.3%	30.8%	-1.1%	3.3%	18.9%	12.5%
Medium	This Week	13.5	24.2	45.5	28.1	34.8	9.3	155.4
	% Change	-27.9%	19.8%	0.6%	-3.3%	-30.3%	-9.5%	-10.4%
Small	This Week	6.3	3.5	6.8	3.7	0.5	3.5	24.2
	% Change	7.9%	-17.9%	-5.0%	-16.7%	-5.8%	33.6%	-2.2%
Miscellaneous	This Week	1.6	10.0	24.2	16.0	5.8	1.3	58.9
	% Change	-32.8%	-9.1%	-19.2%	7.7%	-12.9%	17.9%	-10.7%
Ungraded	This Week	6.6	10.8	94.6	15.3	17.7	17.1	162.1
	% Change	23.1%	-4.6%	-4.9%	-13.1%	39.1%	-13.0%	-2.4%
Total Shell Egg	This Week	117.0	187.0	325.7	167.4	195.1	87.0	1,079.1
	% Change	12.4%	5.8%	5.0%	-1.2%	-7.5%	6.8%	2.5%

Totals	Cases	Percent Change
Shell Egg	1,079.1	2.5%
Breaking Stock	298.6	-5.6%
Total Shell Egg	1,377.7	0.6%

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	9.6	27.2	6.5	2.2	6.8	0.5	52.8
	% Change	4.2%	15.8%	-3.1%	-2.7%	1.0%	-13.8%	7.8%
Ungraded	This Week	0.0	1.6	28.9	8.8	7.5	2.6	49.4
	% Change	0.0%	35.0%	0.8%	16.3%	13.1%	-41.4%	1.9%
Total Specialty	This Week	9.6	28.8	35.4	11.0	14.3	3.1	102.2
	% Change	4.2%	16.7%	0.0%	12.0%	7.0%	-38.2%	4.9%

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

Large:	22.9%
Ungraded:	69.2%
Total:	45.3%

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 August 01, 2014 will decrease by 0 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending July 25, 2014 were 162,656 cases which was 4 percent below the prior week and 4 percent below estimates.

CARTONED LOOSE TOTAL

Cases purchased
present week..... 123,307 39,349 162,656

% change from the
prior week..... -1 -14 -4
Comparison figures are compiled on a matched plant basis. Purchases and estimates by 14 cooperators; 30 dozen cases or equivalent.

CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK

Prices are steady. Trade sentiment is steady. Offerings are light to moderate on light demand. Supplies are moderate. Schedules full-time. Market activity is slow.

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	77-80	77-79
Checks	60-71	61-67
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 Jul 14, 2014
Quebec/Montreal: wholesale prices-graded in cartons (Canadian dollars) as reported by Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID, Poultry Section.

	EX	LRG	LRG	MED	SMALL
GRADE A					
					Unavailable

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

	EX	LRG	LRG	MED	SMALL
GRADE A					
		1.90	1.90	1.74	1.26

DAILY WEIGHTED AVERAGE TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES

(Cents/Doz.)

National Trading for July 25, 2014

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

CURRENT LOADS 27.50 FUTURE LOADS 17.00 TOTAL LOADS 44.50

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	113.00	--	--	115.00	--	--	16.00	GL W J	144.00	141.50	--	--	143.00	148.50	3.00
GL W J	--	--	128.00	130.00	128.50	--	2.00	GL W XL	--	133.33	--	--	--	142.00	6.00
GL W XL	130.00	131.50	124.00	127.00	123.40	--	8.00	GL W LG	--	129.50	--	--	--	--	2.00
GL W LG	--	--	--	--	116.17	118.75	4.00	GL W MD	74.50	--	--	--	86.00	87.50	5.50
GL W MD	--	--	72.00	75.00	74.50	--	3.50	GL W SM	50.50	55.00	--	--	--	--	2.00
GL W SM	--	--	--	--	56.00	58.00	2.00								
GL BR XL	--	--	114.00	116.00	--	--	1.00								
NRBS - 42	--	--	--	--	71.50	77.00	1.00								
NRBS - 39	--	--	--	--	70.00	75.50	1.00								

DAILY 5-DAY WEIGHTED AVERAGE TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES

(Cents/Doz.)

National Trading for July 21, 2014 - July 25, 2014

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

CURRENT LOADS 107.00 FUTURE LOADS 62.00 TOTAL LOADS 169.00

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	111.33	121.00	114.00	114.50	102.00	--	48.00	GNR W 1	--	126.44	--	--	--	--	16.00
GL W J	--	--	128.67	131.25	126.63	--	7.00	GL W J	137.79	140.75	--	--	143.00	147.60	5.75
GL W XL	129.00	136.63	125.00	128.21	125.02	128.78	34.25	GL W XL	127.50	136.83	--	--	--	141.94	20.00
GL W LG	--	130.00	123.00	121.17	115.40	119.00	53.00	GL W LG	--	131.00	--	--	--	130.32	35.00
GL W MD	--	--	71.75	75.00	73.88	--	12.25	GL W MD	72.75	--	--	--	86.00	86.03	13.25
GL W SM	61.00	74.13	61.00	62.75	51.20	58.00	11.00	GL W SM	54.75	55.00	--	--	--	62.00	5.00
GL BR XL	--	--	112.33	114.33	112.00	--	3.50	GL BR XL	--	124.00	--	--	--	--	.50
GL BR LG	--	--	108.00	110.00	112.00	--	1.50	GL BR LG	--	124.00	--	--	--	--	.50
NRBS BR 45	--	--	--	--	65.00	70.00	2.00	NRBS - 39	70.00	74.00	--	--	--	--	1.00
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	66.00	71.00	1.00								
NRBS - 42	--	--	--	--	70.00	74.00	2.00								
NRBS - 39	--	--	--	--	66.07	70.93	7.00								

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.

COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS-FROZEN EGGS

Selected Centers

(In Thousands of Pounds)

	07/21/14	07/14/14	07/22/2013
Pacific w/out Denver	64	49	32
Los Angeles	0	0	0

NORTH CAROLINA EGGS The market is steady on small and medium, higher on the balance. Supplies are moderate. Retail demand is good. 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	166.09
Large	159.89
Medium	110.86
Small	99.00

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

Certified Organic are products grown and processed according to USDA's national organic standards and certified by USDA accredited State and private certification organizations. For more information, visit the National Organic Program at

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