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## NATIONAL EGG REVIEW

This week in New York, egg prices are higher for all sizes. Earlier in the week, regional prices were lower for Jumbo, while the balance of sizes increased in value. Next week's regional asking prices are trending slightly lower for Jumbo and higher for all other sizes. The undertone is higher. Demand is moderate to fairly good. Offerings are usually light to moderate and held with confidence. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is mostly moderate. Breaking stock prices, along with checks and undergrades, are higher. The undertone is steady to higher. Offerings are light on moderate to fairly good demand. Supplies are light to moderate. Processing schedules are full-time. Market activity is slow. National light type hen removal costs are trending steady. Demand is light to moderate. Offerings are moderate for current needs. 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	102-111	104-107	83-92	85-88
NORTHEAST	104-118	109-113	88-101	93-95
SOUTH CENTRAL	115.5-124	117-120	88.5-97	90-93
SOUTHEAST	113-131	115-118	89-107	90-94

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

IA-MN-WI	9/25/14	9/18/14	9/26/13
LARGE	90-100	82-92	84-94
MEDIUM	75-79	63-67	65-69

### WEEKLY COMBINED REGIONAL

9/19/14

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	111.50	110.00	92.00
SOUTHEAST	116.50	114.50	90.00
MIDWEST	105.50	103.50	82.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	121.50	116.50	89.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	114.12	111.36	88.49

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)<sup>1</sup> (Includes Conventional and Specialty)

		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
Jumbo	This Week	4.9	10.5	17.5	8.8	10.6	4.0	56.3
	% Change	-17.9%	1.3%	2.3%	7.0%	-0.9%	0.8%	0.0%
Extra Large	This Week	27.3	22.4	38.8	19.0	40.0	7.2	154.8
	% Change	-0.3%	-2.9%	-9.6%	48.8%	2.3%	-1.2%	1.4%
Large	This Week	55.9	109.7	97.7	79.8	85.9	62.7	491.7
	% Change	2.7%	-13.8%	-6.0%	19.1%	7.4%	11.5%	0.6%
Medium	This Week	15.8	23.1	33.0	26.9	33.6	10.9	143.4
	% Change	-3.4%	14.0%	-13.5%	0.5%	0.8%	4.5%	-1.4%
Small	This Week	4.1	3.8	4.4	2.5	0.3	4.8	19.8
	% Change	31.8%	14.3%	-5.6%	141.0%	-36.4%	11.9%	18.1%
Miscellaneous	This Week	4.0	10.1	25.8	26.7	6.4	0.8	73.8
	% Change	-0.5%	0.0%	13.8%	10.8%	7.2%	-5.7%	9.0%
Ungraded	This Week	20.0	8.7	61.7	21.1	17.1	22.1	150.7
	% Change	16.5%	-12.9%	-14.4%	16.2%	4.0%	8.0%	-2.3%
Total Shell Egg	This Week	131.9	188.3	278.9	184.8	193.9	112.6	1,090.5
	% Change	2.8%	-7.8%	-7.5%	16.9%	4.3%	8.6%	0.8%

Totals	Cases	Percent Change
Shell Egg	1,090.5	0.8%
Breaking Stock	257.7	-7.0%
<b>Total Shell Egg</b>	<b>1,348.2</b>	<b>-0.8%</b>

### Specialty Shell Egg Inventory<sup>2</sup> Stocks on Hand to be Marketed (30-dozen cases in thousands)

		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
Large	This Week	9.4	27.8	8.8	3.5	6.2	4.8	60.5
	% Change	-27.7%	2.3%	9.9%	185.4%	4.7%	783.3%	8.2%
Ungraded	This Week	0.0	1.2	23.2	6.5	4.2	0.5	35.6
	% Change	0.0%	-30.3%	-3.1%	-20.7%	390.7%	-89.4%	-10.0%
Total Specialty	This Week	9.4	29.0	32.0	10.0	10.4	5.3	96.1
	% Change	-27.7%	0.3%	0.2%	6.4%	53.8%	-2.9%	0.6%

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

Large:	16.2%
Ungraded:	81.1%
<b>Total:</b>	<b>40.2%</b>

<sup>1/</sup> 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.

<sup>2/</sup> 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 20-Sep-2014 (Lbs. in Thousands)		(Excludes Ingredients)				
Total Production	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CW	1,532,004	34,957	17,092	8,130	3,014	4,608
PW	1,584,419	36,744	17,194	8,275	3,341	4,631
LY	1,447,039	33,276	15,704	7,457	2,970	4,409
% PW	-3%	-5%	-1%	-2%	-10%	0%
% LY	6%	5%	9%	9%	1%	5%
2014	55,508,140	1,228,462	628,906	311,968	114,105	167,983
2013	53,876,729	1,252,569	560,081	284,614	111,276	168,411
% YTD	3%	-2%	12%	10%	3%	0%
			<b>CW</b>	<b>PW</b>	<b>LY</b>	
Average Yield Per Case - (inedible included)			42.29	42.19	42.05	
Average Yield Per Case - (inedible excluded)			39.28	39.27	39.00	

**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	865,542	56.5%	21,476	61.4%
PREVIOUS WEEK	877,270	55.4%	21,545	58.6%
LAST YEAR	875,055	60.5%	20,326	61.1%

**BROILER HATCHERY**

State	Broiler-Type Eggs Set,		Broiler-Type Chicks Placed,	
	19 Selected States		19 Selected States	
	Week Ending			
	SEP 13, 2014	SEP 20, 2014	SEP 13, 2014	SEP 20, 2014
	(1,000 eggs)		(1,000 chicks)	
AL.....	28,501	27,838	22,189	22,009
AR.....	21,399	20,107	19,315	20,851
DE.....	4,424	4,473	5,547	4,592
FL.....	1,222	917	1,182	1,265
GA.....	33,795	33,847	27,767	27,086
KY.....	7,845	7,675	6,762	6,037
LA.....	3,787	3,605	3,404	3,352
MD.....	7,125	7,123	4,814	6,098
MS.....	17,529	16,784	15,009	14,513
MO.....	8,503	7,893	6,166	5,605
NC.....	19,027	20,144	16,250	16,337
OK.....	6,259	6,622	4,387	3,706
PA.....	4,585	4,412	3,545	3,776
SC.....	5,037	5,158	4,539	4,583
TX.....	14,543	14,449	11,988	11,318
VA.....	6,393	6,495	5,868	5,396
CA, TN, & WV.....	10,935	10,408	9,753	10,701
19 State Total.....	200,909	197,950	168,485	167,225
Percent of Prev. Year	103	103	101	101
Other States	7,746	7,491	6,058	6,025
United States	208,655	205,441	174,543	173,250
Percent of Prev. Year	103	103	101	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 01-Nov-14 is estimated at 154.5 million head. This compares to 154.8 million head the previous week and to 155.9 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 158.9 million head and the national weighted average price was 92.60 cents per pound.

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

National Trading for Sep 18, 2014- Sep 24, 2014 (Cents/Dozen)							
Courtesy of U.S.D.A. Federal/State Market News							
Current Loads		139.25	Future Loads		34.50	Total Loads	173.75
		SE	NE		MW		
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	91.00	97.50	85.00	89.00	--	--	13.00
GNR BR 1	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00
GL W J	--	--	104.67	107.00	95.92	--	6.25
GL W XL	106.89	111.75	100.50	104.68	101.87	106.90	54.50
GL W LG	--	110.00	89.00	99.51	95.95	--	70.25
GL W MD	82.56	--	79.46	84.75	88.05	88.46	16.75
GL W SM	59.00	59.33	60.67	64.67	--	--	7.00
GL BR J	--	--	--	--	88.00	--	.25
GL BR XL	--	--	107.00	110.00	106.00	--	1.50
GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	101.06	--	2.25
GL BR MD	--	--	--	--	74.00	--	.25
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00

**TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS**

Week Ending 20-Sep-2014 (Preliminary)						
	-----Young turkeys-----			Old Breeders	Total turkeys	
	-Thousand Head-	Pct Chg	Avg		--Thousand head--	Avg
		Prev wk	Live wt			
North East	570	-14	27.14	(A)	570	27.14
South Atlantic	654	27	36.74	(A)	654	36.74
North Central	2,296	-4	30.34	(A)	2,296	30.34
South Central	691	-3	21.14	(A)	691	21.14
West	298	21	26.85	(A)	298	26.85
U.S. total	4,509 (B)	0	30.67	0	4,509	30.67
To-date						
2014*	157,643 (B)			327	157,970	
To-date						
2013*	163,083 (B)			289	163,372	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.  
 (B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 24,000; for the current year to date\* 816,000; for last year to date\* 806,000.

**LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION**

Week Ending 20-Sep-2014 (Preliminary)					
	Young		Breeders		Total Turkeys
	Hens	Toms	Young	Old	
	-----Thousands-----				
Head	1,914	2,571	24	0	4,509
Avg Wt	17.80	40.27	28.56	0.00	30.67
Last week	1,995	2,487	47	0	4,529
Same wk yr ago	1,631	2,523	19	5	4,178
Avg Wt	15.75	38.84	25.95	27.02	29.76
To-date/2014*	67,159	89,668	816	327	157,970
To-date/2013*	67,575	94,702	806	289	163,372
% Change YTD	-1%	-5%	1%	13%	-3%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	27,426	83,345	531	0	111,302
Last week	28,426	80,482	986	0	109,894
Same wk yr ago	20,551	78,395	380	104	99,430
To-date/2014*	921,099	2,934,497	17,883	6,954	3,880,433
To-date/2013*	928,001	3,050,620	16,703	6,287	4,001,611
% Change YTD	-1%	-4%	7%	11%	-3%
Dressing %	80.5%	80.5%	77.5%	77.5%	

(A) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update.

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

**WEEKLY POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION**

(Preliminary) Week ending 20-Sep-2014

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
----- Thousands -----					
Head	157,337	1,679	1,648	3,327	476
Avg Wt	5.98	3.10	8.13	5.59	6.82
Last week	159,441	1,413	1,796	3,209	485
Same wk yr ago	160,721	1,480	1,554	3,034	445
Avg Wt	5.81	3.27	8.19	5.79	6.81
To-date/2014*	5,823,826	55,860	58,191	114,051	16,065
To-date/2013*	5,849,803	58,078	56,277	114,355	16,238
% Change YTD	0%	-4%	3%	0%	-1%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	715,065	2,889	9,178	12,067	2,305
Last week	714,933	2,533	10,273	12,806	2,328
Same wk yr ago	709,680	2,638	8,718	11,356	2,182
To-date/2014*	25,788,334	97,053	324,931	421,984	77,175
To-date/2013*	25,755,269	100,202	304,243	404,445	78,037
% Change YTD	0%	-3%	7%	4%	-1%

	76.0%	55.5%	68.5%	71.0%
Dressing %				

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 157.0 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 159.2 million head, or 2.2 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
8/16	160.00	159.7	100%	5.87
8/23	162.30	158.5	102%	5.91
8/30	167.20	156.9	107%	5.90
9/6	146.20	158.0	93%	5.93
9/13	161.40	157.3	103%	5.90
9/20	159.20	157.0	101%	5.98
Year to date	5896.30	5883.3	100%	
9/27		158.4		
10/4		159.3		

\*Based on chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier.

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

Under Federal Inspection for Week Ending 27-Sep-14

CW: 09/27/14(1)

PW: 09/20/14

Class	----- Thousand head -----	
Broiler/fryer	158,238(2)	162,213
Light hens	1,565	1,681
Heavy hens	1,719	1,832
Total	161,522	165,726

(1)Estimated

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 27-Sep-14 is 157.3 million head compared to 162.7 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 158.6 million head or 1.3 million more than estimated available. For the week of 04-Oct-14 the estimated available is 158.9 million head.

**WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS – Selected Centers**

(INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	Frozen Eggs LBS	Processed Turkeys LBS	Processed Other Poultry LBS
AM 09/22/14	2,837	161,803	41,572
AM 09/01/14	2,817	170,734	45,288
CHG	20	-8931	-3716
PCT CHG	1%	-5%	-8%

**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS** Frozen Grade A basted equivalent processor offering prices on a national basis for hens 110.00-118.00 cents f.o.b. and 16-24 lb. toms 110.00-118.00 cents f.o.b. for current deliveries.

**NATIONAL FOWL MARKETS**

19-Sep-2014

**Live Spent Heavy**

Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading:	Price Range	Wtd Avg
Prices in cents per pound.	11.0- 22.0	14.20

(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 continued 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**

19-Sep-2014

**National Composite Weighted Average**

	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.
<b>This Week:</b>	108.15	↑ 0.76	12,175
<b>Last Week:</b>	107.38		12,290
<b>Last Year:</b>	93.30	↑ 14.85	11,670

**Monthly Composite Weighted Average**

Aug	99.69	52,176
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	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
<b>NEW YORK</b>				
Whole Body:	105.00 - 117.00	106.00 - 110.00	109.62	1,395
<b>CHICAGO</b>				
Whole Body:	96.00 - 115.00	97.00 - 105.00	103.95	2,525
<b>LOS ANGELES</b>				
Whole Body:	99.00 - 121.00	102.00 - 112.00	111.00	1,868

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.

