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NATIONAL EGG REVIEW

Whole broiler/fryer prices are holding steady in all areas. Offerings of all sizes are mostly sufficient. Retail and food service demand is light to moderate approaching the weekend. Floor stocks are closely balanced. Market activity is slow to moderate. In the parts structure, movement is light to at times moderate. Prices of wings are steady to firm, boneless skinless breasts and tenders are weak. Bone-in breasts, drums, and thighs are steady to weak. Supplies of wings are light to moderate and all other items are at least moderate with b/s breasts and tenders often discounted. Market activity for parts is slow to moderate. In production areas, live supplies are moderate at mixed but mostly desirable weights.

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	113-122	115-118	101-110	103-106
NORTHEAST	114-128	119-123	103-116	108-110
SOUTH CENTRAL	126.5-135	128-131	103.5-112	105-108
SOUTHEAST	122.5-140	124-127	102.5-121	104-108

WEEKLY COMBINED REGIONAL

10/03/14

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	121.50	118.00	106.00
SOUTHEAST	124.50	122.50	102.00
MIDWEST	115.50	113.50	100.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	131.50	126.50	102.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	123.65	120.42	102.71

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.

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

IA-MN-WI	10/09/14	10/02/14	10/10/13
LARGE	95-105	95-105	N/A*
MEDIUM	83-87	83-87	N/A*

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	7.4	10.5	15.9	9.9	4.9	3.8	52.5
	% Change	14.7%	-0.2%	3.2%	4.9%	-53.7%	-11.1%	-7.6%
Extra Large	This Week	18.6	21.6	40.8	23.6	34.5	6.1	145.2
	% Change	-13.5%	-5.5%	27.6%	9.8%	-15.2%	-7.2%	0.1%
Large	This Week	39.6	118.2	98.7	99.5	69.8	70.5	496.2
	% Change	-16.9%	1.6%	-2.3%	9.2%	-16.7%	5.8%	-2.0%
Medium	This Week	15.7	16.0	39.5	28.4	20.8	14.3	134.6
	% Change	-0.1%	-11.6%	-3.3%	14.8%	-43.4%	12.6%	-9.5%
Small	This Week	4.2	3.0	7.8	4.4	0.1	2.9	22.3
	% Change	-37.5%	2.7%	80.0%	-12.5%	-79.2%	-32.2%	-4.8%
Miscellaneous	This Week	3.3	10.3	24.8	15.9	3.7	1.3	59.3
	% Change	-26.3%	-12.4%	-7.1%	-4.4%	-38.9%	60.2%	-10.7%
Ungraded	This Week	14.1	10.7	69.9	22.2	13.9	13.9	144.8
	% Change	-33.3%	-1.9%	16.3%	9.1%	-3.7%	-26.0%	-0.7%
Total Shell Egg	This Week	102.9	190.2	297.4	203.9	147.7	112.7	1,054.9
	% Change	-16.8%	-1.6%	6.1%	8.0%	-23.3%	-1.1%	-3.5%
Totals		Cases			Percent Change			
Shell Egg		1,054.9			-3.5%			
Breaking Stock		219.1			-11.8%			
Total Shell Egg		1,274.0			-5.0%			

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	8.6	28.7	6.7	2.6	4.5	0.7	51.9
	% Change	-2.0%	3.6%	-17.3%	-23.3%	-23.4%	-12.2%	-5.2%
Ungraded	This Week	0.0	1.4	23.8	7.4	2.5	5.3	40.3
	% Change	0.0%	17.1%	-2.8%	47.0%	113.0%	-2.4%	8.2%
Total Specialty	This Week	8.6	30.2	30.5	10.0	7.0	5.9	92.2
	% Change	-2.0%	4.1%	-6.4%	18.4%	-1.1%	-3.6%	0.2%

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

Large:	18.6%
Ungraded:	66.0%
Total:	39.6%

^{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 04-Oct-2014	(Lbs. in Thousands)		(Excludes Ingredients)			
Total Production	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CW	1,519,393	35,619	15,538	7,825	2,888	4,585
PW	1,529,038	34,002	16,903	8,562	3,349	4,485
LY	1,438,798	32,755	16,160	8,138	2,526	4,236
% PW	-1%	5%	-8%	-9%	-14%	2%
% LY	6%	9%	-4%	-4%	14%	8%
2014	58,556,571	1,298,083	661,348	328,356	120,341	177,053
2013	56,743,007	1,316,533	592,288	300,855	116,648	176,918
% YTD	3%	-1%	12%	9%	3%	0%
			CW	PW	LY	
Average Yield Per Case - (inedible included)			41.84	41.82	42.60	
Average Yield Per Case - (inedible excluded)			38.82	38.89	39.65	

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	842,940	55.5%	21,793	61.2%
PREVIOUS WEEK	866,286	56.7%	21,238	62.5%
LAST YEAR	869,80	60.5%	20,628	63.0%

BROILER HATCHERY

State	Broiler-Type Eggs Set,		Broiler-Type Chicks Placed,	
	19 Selected States		19 Selected States	
	SEP 27, 2014	OCT 04, 2014	SEP 27, 2014	OCT 04, 2014
	(1,000 eggs)		(1,000 chicks)	
AL.....	27,904	26,776	21,343	22,733
AR.....	21,484	21,478	20,489	19,673
DE.....	4,531	4,565	4,487	4,786
FL.....	1,225	1,222	1,178	1,274
GA.....	33,608	33,556	26,807	26,469
KY.....	7,943	7,712	6,029	6,243
LA.....	3,605	3,454	3,218	3,213
MD.....	7,738	7,315	6,656	5,220
MS.....	17,369	15,633	14,068	14,489
MO.....	8,181	7,668	5,631	6,032
NC.....	20,516	19,873	15,495	14,321
OK.....	6,617	6,524	4,292	4,203
PA.....	4,024	4,347	3,587	3,591
SC.....	5,217	5,196	5,261	4,799
TX.....	14,003	13,328	10,968	11,645
VA.....	6,562	6,058	4,985	5,209
CA, TN, & WV.....	10,604	10,787	10,383	10,234
19 State Total.....	201,131	195,492	164,877	164,134
Percent of Prev. Year	102	105	102	103
Other States	7,295	7,469	5,680	5,650
United States	208,426	202,961	170,557	169,784
Percent of Prev. Year	102	105	102	103

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 15-Nov-14 is estimated at 152.8 million head. This compares to 152.8 million head the previous week and to 159.9 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 157.3 million head and the national weighted average price was *TFEWR cents per pound. *Previous year data is unavailable due to the Federal Government Furlough in October, 2013.

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

National Trading for Oct 02, 2014- Oct 08, 2014 (Cents/Dozen)
 Courtesy of U.S.D.A. Federal/State Market News

CLASS	SE		NE		MW		LOADS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W 1	93.00	102.00	94.00	96.00	96.00	98.00	13.00
GNR BR 1	--	103.00	--	--	--	--	1.00
GL W J	--	--	104.33	107.00	100.17	--	6.00
GL W XL	106.41	106.33	105.67	107.39	97.82	101.67	53.50
GL W LG	--	117.00	101.50	105.29	97.09	108.50	103.00
GL W MD	87.00	--	86.60	94.50	80.91	94.50	16.25
GL W SM	--	62.00	64.00	--	55.43	67.91	3.75
GL BR J	--	--	--	--	103.00	--	.25
GL BR XL	--	--	110.00	112.00	--	--	1.00
GL BR LG	--	107.00	104.00	--	103.00	--	1.75
GL BR MD	--	--	--	--	73.00	--	.25
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	--	--	2.00
NRBS - 39	--	--	--	--	79.50	83.00	3.00

TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS

Week Ending 04-Oct-2014 (Preliminary)

	-----Young turkeys-----			Old Breeders	Total turkeys	
	-Thousand Head-	Pct Chg Prev wk	Avg Live wt		--Thousand head--	Avg Live wt
North East	654	-2	26.45	(A)	654	26.45
South Atlantic	649	13	39.08	(A)	649	39.08
North Central	2,249	-5	30.57	(A)	2,250	30.57
South Central	687	-9	21.99	(A)	687	21.99
West	299	13	24.96	(A)	299	24.96
U.S. total	4,538 (B)	-2	31.09	1	4,539	31.09
To-date						
2014*	166,797 (B)			328	167,125	
To-date						
2013*	171,415 (B)			289	171,704	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations. (B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 27,000; for the current year to date* 868,000; for last year to date* 837,000.

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

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

Week Ending 04-Oct-2014 (Preliminary)

	Young		Breeders		Total Turkeys
	Hens	Toms	Young	Old	
Head	1,953	2,558	27	1	4,539
Avg Wt	17.90	41.22	26.05	23.01	31.09
Last week	1,880	2,711	25	0	4,616
Same wk yr ago	1,780	2,636	26	0	4,442
Avg Wt	17.18	39.47	27.74	0.00	30.47
To-date/2014*	70,992	94,937	868	328	167,125
To-date/2013*	71,060	99,518	837	289	171,704
% Change YTD	0%	-5%	4%	13%	-3%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	28,142	84,880	545	18	113,585
Last week	26,242	87,447	540	0	114,229
Same wk yr ago	24,464	83,234	555	0	108,253
To-date/2014*	975,483	3,106,824	18,968	6,972	4,108,247
To-date/2013*	975,735	3,201,713	17,387	6,287	4,201,122
% Change YTD	0%	-3%	9%	11%	-2%

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 04-Oct-2014

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
----- Thousands -----					
Head	157,468	1,697	1,901	3,598	481
Avg Wt	6.05	3.13	8.12	5.77	6.88
Last week					
Same wk yr ago	157,572	1,513	1,520	3,033	402
Avg Wt	157,842	1,215	1,485	2,700	463
To-date/2014*	5.87	3.04	8.23	5.89	6.84
To-date/2013*	6,138,866	59,070	61,612	120,682	16,948
% Change YTD	6,164,680	60,575	59,324	119,899	17,117
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	724,038	2,948	10,574	13,522	2,350
Last week	718,528	2,637	8,205	10,842	1,949
Same wk yr ago	704,165	2,013	8,372	10,385	2,280
To-date/2014*	27,230,900	102,638	343,710	446,348	81,474
To-date/2013*	27,146,870	104,563	321,207	425,770	82,255
% Change YTD	0%	-2%	7%	5%	-1%

Dressing % 76.0% 55.5% 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 159.3 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 159.4 million head, or 0.1 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
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
9/27	159.50	158.4	101%	6.00
10/4	159.40	159.3	100%	6.05
Year to date	6215.20	6201.0	100%	
10/11		159.2		
10/18		158.2		

*Based on chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier.

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

Week Ending 04-Oct-2014

Class	Current Week 10/11/2014 (1)	Previous Week 9/27/2014
----- Thousand head -----		
Broiler/fryer	161,405 (2)	160,675
Light hens	1,625	1,841
Heavy hens	1,779	1,854
Total	164,809	164,370

(1) Estimated

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 11-Oct-14 is 157.3 million head compared to 159.8 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 161.7 million head or 4.4 million more than estimated available. For the week of 18-Oct-14 the estimated available is 158.7 million head.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS – Selected Centers (INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	Frozen Eggs	Processed Turkeys	Processed Other Poultry
	LBS	LBS	LBS
AM 10/06/14	2,811	146,874	41,524
AM 09/01/14	2,817	170,734	45,288
CHG	-6	-23860	-3764
PCT CHG	0%	-14%	-8%

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS Frozen Grade A basted equivalent processor offering prices on a national basis for hens 111.00-118.00 cents f.o.b. and 16-24 lb. toms 111.00-118.00 cents f.o.b. for current deliveries.

NATIONAL FOWL MARKETS

03-Oct-2014

Live Spent Heavy

Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading:	Price Range	Wtd Avg
Prices in cents per pound.	11.0-22.0	14.22

(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

03-Oct-2014

National Composite Weighted Average

	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.
This Week:	108.33	↓ 0.71	11,655
Last Week:	109.04		11,745
Last Year:	N/A	N/A	N/A

Monthly Composite Weighted Average

Sep	107.05	47,652
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	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.
NEW YORK					
Whole Body:	102.00 - 117.00	107.00 - 111.00	109.26	↓ 13.44	1,332
CHICAGO					
Whole Body:	92.00 - 116.00	97.00 - 105.00	103.64	↓ 14.00	2,660
LOS ANGELES					
Whole Body:	92.00 - 121.00	102.00 - 112.00	110.67	↓ 12.58	1,758

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.

